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New features in the Lausanne landscape will include, high up in the countryside overlooking the town, a Swiss chalet-type restaurant — dismantled and brought home after its first appearance at the Brussels Universal Exhibition in 1958 — which is to be erected ready for opening next year. It will seat 250 on two floors and a terrace, and a special feature of the place will be folk-dancing shows. Another excellent restaurant already there (it overlooks a little hilltop lake and is near a park which contains deer and peacocks) has been completely renovated.

And a short distance away a new park is to be made. In this will be a miniature representation of the whole Lake of Geneva Region, with trains running and ski-lifts working. Costing around half a million Swiss francs, the park will be open from April to October.

Down in Lausanne itself, the old Hotel Continental has been demolished and construction of the new one, which will have about 200 beds, is scheduled for completion by 1964. Plans have also been made to give the city a new 450-bed hotel and another with 350 beds at Ouchy. A more novel step now under consideration is the establishment in the centre of Lausanne of a club for the city's hotel guests. This club — guests will automatically become members — is likely to be opened soon after the 1964 Swiss National Exhibition is over. Its purpose will be to encourage visitors to stay longer by providing them with a full programme of activities (swimming, bridge, etc.) and enabling them to meet other guests socially.

After 1964, too, one of the exhibition buildings is likely to be retained as a summer casino. The big event will also mean the considerable enlargement of the Bellevue Plage and the establishment of hydroplane services on the lake. These are improvements, again, that will be of advantage to tourists when the exhibition is over. (An unrelated but highly significant development will be the completion of Lausanne's new airport in 1965-66; British United Air Ferries are said to have been looking at the possibilities of this with "great interest".)

(Extracts from article by Gordon Wharton, "Travel Topics", January 1963. Published by Lausanne Tourist Office.)

TWO ALPINE TUNNELS

Two Alpine tunnels to be inaugurated in 1964 are already kindling the imagination of the motorists. Actually, the Great St. Bernard and Mont-Blanc tunnels give easy access to magnificent touristic regions of Switzerland, France and Italy. Commissioned by the respective authorities of the three countries co-operating in these great ventures, the cantonal tourist office in Lausanne has just published a comprehensive and colourful folder explaining and illustrating the points of interest of these regions. The folder is available in eight languages.

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