

## Famous European Skiers Here For Canadian Championships

European ski jumpers who have immigrated to Canada from Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Austria, Denmark and Finland have filed entry in the Canadian Ski Championships being held in the Capital over the weekend under the auspices of the Ottawa Ski Club.

Leading the stars is Fritz Tschannen, now of Chalet Cochand, P.Q., and former holder of the world's distance mark of 393.7 feet. Tschannen set this mark in 1948 on the jump at Planica, Yugoslavia, when representing Switzerland, and his take-off speed for the jump was said to have been 70 miles per hour.

Surprise entries in the big meet will be Mauritz Sonderland, Per Nakki and Barney Kvenko, three Norwegian immigrants who have but recently arrived in Montreal from their native Norway. Both Sonderland and Nakki were rated as "A" class jumpers in Norway which speaks for itself as to their ability.

From the St. Maurice Ski Zone will come Lucien Laferte, 1951 Canadian Champion, Jacques Charland, 1953 Quebec Province Champion, and Frank Latour representing the Three River, P.Q., Ski Club. Sault St. Marie, Ont., are sending Karl Martisch and Laris Hedlund,

and the Toronto Ski Club Kurt Kessler and Eric Kurrle, while the Ottawa Ski Club will be represented by Raymond Desrochers, Rheel Seguin, John McMartin and Wilmer and Ken Michaelis.

Montreal will have a large delegation on hand including Rudolph Beyer, Peter McMullen, Martin McKenna, Alex Murray, Harold Elder and Theo Allanbach. The jumping event will be held Sunday on the Lockeberg Ski Jump starting at 2.30 p.m.

On Saturday morning at 11.00 a.m. the cross-country race will be held from Camp Fortune. Contestants are informed that a bus will leave McKenzie Avenue across from the Chateau Laurier at 9.00 a.m. that will transport them direct to the foot of the Joe Morin Slalom Hill.

### Make Draw Tonight

The draw for starting positions in the cross-country race will be made this evening at 8.00 p.m. in Miles Allan's office at 63 Sparks Street, and contestants may attend the drawing if they so desire. The draw for the ski-jumping event will also be made at this time.

Entrants in the cross-country race will include Claude Richer of St. Lawrence University, the 1951 titleholder, Olavi Haukioja of Sudbury, runner-up in the 1952 meet held at Vancouver, B.C., Theo Allenback, Bob Baldwin and Unno Rastus, of Montreal, and John Gammell and Rodolph Wasmeier, both of Ottawa.

The winner of the Dominion Championship will merit award of the Devlin Bowl, and W. F. C. "Ted" Devlin, the trophy donor, has donated two replicas to be awarded to the winner and runner-up in Saturday's race.