

Minister of Communications Julian Ulrych who as head of the state railroads and steamship lines is responsible for the promotion of "tourism" in Poland. to use the European expression.

## Skiing Number

During the past ten years Poland has become one of the great skiing countries of Europe. The sport has its focus at three points in the Carpathian Mountains which form Poland's southern boundary, Worochta in the east, south of Lwow, Krynica in the center, south of Tarnow, and Zakopane in the west, south of Krakow in the High Tatras, the section represented in our pictures.

## Polish Railways

The Polish Railway service takes high rank among the railways of Europe. The very devastation of the war required extensive rebuilding of roads, bridges, and equipment, and the result is a service excellent in its accommodations and punctuality. Locomotives, passenger cars and freight cars, are all manufactured in Poland, and these of a quality which has made Polish locomotives an item of export. The new type locomotive shown at the Paris Exhibition was one of the feature exhibits. Electrification of the Warsaw Railway District and Diesel motors for fast trains are among recent improvements.



Vice-Minister of Communications Aleksander Bobkowski chief promoter of skiing in Poland and responsible for much of its present great extension and popularity.



Long views, moderate temperature, good companions

## Attention Skiers

Ski enthusiasts of Western Europe looking for new territory and interesting experiences may well consider the Polish mountains, especially the Zakopane and Krynica regions.

## Sport Note

The Polish boxing team defeated the Italian team, 8 men each, 11 to 5.



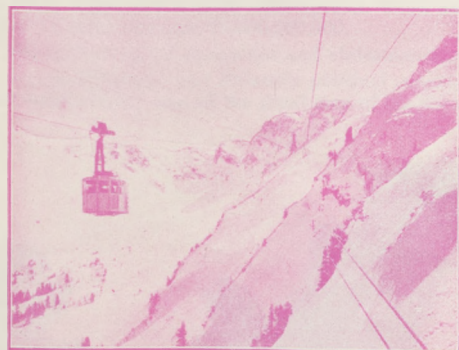
A mountain inn popular with Polish skiers



Bright sunshine, high mountains, good snow

## Finishing the Warsaw YMCA

The last steps in the finishing of the Warsaw YMCA building are now under way. The outside of the building was finished in hard stucco during the summer, and the auditorium seating 500 is now under construction, to be finished in April. The Finance Committee is now collecting the final \$8,000 needed for the completion of this \$900,000 project.



Up on this and down on skis

## 84,387 Dollars

Recently I have had occasion to figure out exactly how much money the Lodz building fund lost when President Roosevelt lowered the gold value of the American dollar, for much of the Lodz building fund was in dollars in New York. Before devaluation an American dollar bought 89 Polish zloty. After devaluation it bought 5.27 Polish zloty. The loss to the Lodz YMCA building fund due to this devaluation was z1,444,721.74, which is, in the dollar of today, \$84,387.62. A terrible loss and one causing us serious problems with which we shall have to struggle for a long time as we seek to finish this \$600,000 building, to which the Poles are themselves loyally contributing some \$300,000.

Wonderful work is being conducted in the unfinished plant already serving over 7000 enrolled people. It is splendid social cement, binding together all classes of the population of this industrial city.

Maybe this will catch the eye of someone who can help make up this loss with a gift of from \$5000 to \$50,000.



Where the aerial railway lands them



Skiers arriving at Zakopane



Winter sport at Zakopane



