

Austria 1933 (Summer)

July 7 After tea usual rest I got a taxi for the Pullman at 11.20 & found that the train was at 11! I wanted till the 12.50. I had some very little time in London. I went to the Club till the 11 o'clock train. It was very hot.

July 8 I had registered my baggage to Bâle and, so I got it out. I took it in the train with me to Zürich. I had dinner in the little restaurant under the station & got the 11.15 & went then to Landeck

July 9 Since I reached at 3.41 am & took a 2nd class train in 1st class I left at 4.21 getting there at 5.10. I worked up to hotel & went to sleep in the garage until I got some breakfast at 7. I got an auto at 8.35 up to Zwieselstein in time for lunch. I got word from Gottfried Schöpfer - Marjorie's guide - & arranged for him to come up to Gargl on July 12. It came on train. I stopped at the Post

July 10 A fine morning, I had breakfast at 7.30 & got off at 8.30 & walked up to Gargl having lunch on the way & stopped at the Edelweiss

July 11 I got unpacked & saw the President Dr. Döcker who is President of the Swiss Olympic Society & asked him to get me a badge. A big club of people in the hotel. Hitler had paid a 1000 mark fee in holiday making leaving Germany & Austria was suffering badly.

July 11 A wet morning, I got off at 8.30 & walked along the track to the Ranshofen & turned up steep, grass slopes to my right. I got to the snow - had lunch & returned. I had been near the bridge on the stream, but a thunderstorm came on & I fled to a rock & watched the hill with me - good. Storm is did not last long & I got back & made tea. I got back in by both & unpacked

July 12 A very dark morning. Gottfried telephoned from Zwieselstein but I told him to come up. Got off at 10.40 & got to the Ranshofen at 2.20. It is high due to the glacier for any thing except

the Schafkogel & the Ranshofen. It cost 500 ft. then a wire rope for passengers is allowed. It came on to taxi & snow, 4 others in the Hut.

July 13 A bad morning & I went back to bed. It improved about 7 & I got off at 7.50 & went to the Ranshofen, as there was too much snow on the Schafkogel. I got to the Ranshofen at 7.55 & I drank one & a half & walked up the Schafkogel at 9. left at 9.10.

Ranshofen
I had food at the Ranshofen 8.25 - 8.50 & then set off down to Vail & with a half of 10 min got there at 12. I went to the Post & had lunch & went to sleep in the room. I had some tea & got off at 3.50 & walked up to the Presens head which we reached at 6.28. It is a steep pull up.

July 14 We got off at 3.30 & went up to the Kletterhaus foot. The last part being pretty steep. I had a snow & then we went up the Wildspitze 6.45-7 & came back

Wildspitze to our sacks while we had life on the snow. 7.15-7.30 In setting in snow I broke my cap. I had it crack under me. We then walked on excellent snow to the Blockhugel & descended in to the Vernagel G.L. & trudged down on snow the way getting off to the meadow of the Vernagel-hut. 10.5 I got a shirt washed & went to bed

July 15 A bad morning we did not go out. We had intended to go on to the Thörlkogel & the Banckenkogel. A number of Austrian students for Innsbruck came up & were a very cheap crowd singing & playing games. A party of German say "Deutschland über alles" I refused to stand but it passed off quite well.

July 16 A dull morning we walked down to the Hochjoch Hohe which also except for the Vernagel hut the Thörlkogel. Snow also 500 ft. down the stream & means this descent is ascent of air & clouds. It rained & snowed. A very pleasant party of 4 Hollanderen father & 2 daughters who were going next day to the Gopetschhaus. [There was a spirit at the Vernagel hut also said from at 4, a cupboard in the room opening with an ellie behind it]