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British and American troops in Berlin prepare to face a Whitsuntide march on the Western Zone by East-Zone Communists. If the Reds (here acted by G.I.s) do try to smash through the Zonal Frontier, this is the reception that awaits them from 8,000 troops, now stationed in Berlin. A British airborne battalion is standing by in Western Germany. Across the Atlantic, in New York, Britons are making other headlines. A dollar-clinking welcome greets the first all-British motor show in America. Opened by Ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks, here with E.C.A. Chief Paul Hoffman, the show surpasses the most extravagant hopes of motor manufacturers. Models like this Austin - with its novel adjustable steering wheel - are making Americans hurry to place their orders. With them come those all-powerful dollars. Among the expensive cars on show is a Daimler, costing just on £5,000, gadgets included. Several have been sold.

The Ford Prefect, among the least expensive, boasts an attractive way of jacking up the wheels for tyre-changing. In four days, 60,000 came to see - and 4,000 stayed to buy. And fantastic as it may sound to Britain's waiting millions there is a waiting list for British cars in America, too.

The Simplon Pass - 7,000 feet up among the Swiss Alps - sees the first sign of Spring. With the road inaccessible to traffic during winter, giant snow-ploughs are first up the mountain to clear the famous highway between Switzerland and Italy in time for holidaymakers.

The monks' hospice, at the top of the pass, stays open during winter, too. With the snow cleared, it now awaits the tourists' invasion.

Washington Zoo, angered by the attention paid to a certain London polar bear, 'does a Brunas' - with two baby elephants. And it takes only one appearance before the newsreel cameras to make them America's personalities of the week.

The gift of India's Premier Pandit Nehru, the elephants are presented to America's children by Pandit Nehru's sister.