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Icehockey-ers Want To See CHAPLIN-Film

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Sixteen Czech ice hockey players and six "coaches" touchingly agreed that their foremost wish is to see CHAPLIN's new film "Limelight" when they arrived in STOCKHOLM on Wednesday (10 December 1952.) Their hosts, the Swedish Ice Hockey Association, promised to grant this wish on Monday, 15 December, after the two matches against the Swedish "Tre Kronor" on Friday, 12 December, and Sunday, 14 December, in the STOCKHOLM stadium.

The Czech sportsmen were received in STOCKHOLM by a large body from the Czech Legation and there was little they were permitted to tell the newspapermen who met them at the BROMMA airport, beyond their wish to see "Limelight," before they were taken to the luxurious SALTSJOBADEN Hotel, outside the Swedish capital.

The Czech team leaders are Dr. BURES (fnu) and FARDA (fnu) and their physician is called URBANEK.

After the Friday match, the Czech players will participate in the "Lucia" celebration in the STOCKHOLM Town Hall, where the Queen of Light, the "Lucia," a most attractive Swedish blonde, is to be crowned by the French Nobel Prize winner in literature, MAURIAC Francois, against whom the Communist press has been raging.