

SWISS ARTIST PUTS ON A SNOW ACADEMY

Wintry weather at its snowiest has set the town council of Davos - famous Swiss mountain resort - quite a poser. What is to be done with the surplus snow? They didn't ask Dick Barton - so along came Snowy to solve the problem for them. The Swiss "Snowy" is Frans Trauffer - an artist whose signature tune is "Baby, it's cold outside." For that's when he can get to work. Chipping away at the frozen snow, he turns out one Academy exhibit after the other. This is the humorist - almost a self-portrait - and this - a basset hound. The authorities at Davos acclaim the snowmen for saving them from being snowed under. The trouble is that Artist Trauffer chose the wrong age for this world. If he had lived in the ice age, he would have become President of the Royal Academy.