Liskas Through Africa

A press dispatch from Johannesburg, South Africa, yesterday brought cheerful news. Friends Danny and Arlene Liska have arrived there safely after a harrowing trip through that turbulent continent.

The last correspondence I had from the Liskas was word that they hoped to join a French caravan starting through the desert. Danny had difficulty in Europe getting his motorbike in shape for the trip.

Danny previously made motorbike trips, by himself, to a point beyond the northernmost road in Alaska and to the tip of South America.

The Niobrara (Neb.) rancher and his wife had some narrow escapes in Africa and I'm looking forward to a detailed report which I know Danny will provide the Magazine of the Midlands soon.

- Irving Baker.

Nebraskans Find Darkest Africa Crawling With Chinese

Johannesburg, S o u t h Africa (AP) — "We don't go around the world—we sort of go up and down," said American cattle rancher Danny Liska as he drew

breath here after a 30thousand mile motorcycle
trip with his wife Arlene.
The Liskas, from Niobrara, Neb., had traveled
from the Norwegian Cape
across Europe and down
through Africa on their motorcycle, specially fitted to
carry their gear. Arlene

saddle.

"I'm not happy about the future of the Black Africa we saw," said Danny. "I doubt if we could make the same trip again in a couple of years. East Africa is

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Some of their African adventures as told by the Liskas:

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They were arrested in Ruanda, on the Congo-Tanganyika border, for taking photographs in the street. "I screamed and shouted in the police station and just walked out," said Danny. "Lucikly they didn't come after me."

They had a ringside seat at a clash between warring tribesmen in Kenya's northern frontier district. After two tribesmen had been killed and mutilated, the killers asked Danny and Arlene if they could share their campfire. "We didn't



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The Liskas . . . travel by motorcycle.

The Liskas periodically write about their adventures for The World-Herald Magazine of the Midlands. The next will appear November 8.

sleep much that night,"
Arlene said.

They were chased by a mob in Ethiopia after they had unwittingly tried to take photographs of a gorilla which had been killed for a special feast.

They passed through

burning villages in the Lumpa tribal area of Northern Rhodesia, where African prophetess Alice Lenshina's warrior followers had clashed with Government security forces. Official communiques had reported hundreds killed. "You can take the official figure of dead there and multiply by five and you'd be right," Danny said.

"It's more exciting than being just a housewife," Arlene summed up.