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Bjarne Lorentzen (right) spreads good cheer during the 1951 Christmas celebrations at the base of the Norwegian–British–Swedish Antarctic Expedition (1949–1952). The base, known as Maudheim, was located on the floating ice shelf off Dronning Maud Land. This was the first Antarctic expedition comprising an international team of scientists. In addition to surveying and mapping the area, they carried out a wide range of scientific investigations. Journeys from the base camp included a geological mission that travelled nearly 500 km and a seismological expedition covering more than 1200 km.



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