


Ex Historical Committee member and chair Paul Yunnie forwarded an excerpt from the April 2019 issue of HVAC&R Nation published by AIRAH

It has a short news item on page 8 that the new Museum of Bavarian History in Regensburg Germany will have an exhibit on Carl Linde featuring his first refrigeration system he developed in 1876.

The museum website is <https://tourismus.regensburg.de/en/about-regensburg/attractions/more-sights-to-explore/museums-galleries/the-museum-of-bavarian-history.html> but the current webpage does not mention the Linde exhibit.

Here is an image of the news item in HVAC&R Nation provided by Paul. To see the original go to the magazine's website

https://www.airah.org.au/HVACRNation/2019/HVACR_Nation_April_2019_online.aspx



GERMANY

A COOL PIECE OF HISTORY

The Cooling Post reports that the first ammonia refrigeration machine designed by German pioneer Carl von Linde in 1876 is to be put on permanent display in Germany.

The compressed-ammonia chiller is of great historical importance for the science of refrigeration. It also confirms the long relationship between refrigeration and beer.

The machine was designed for the Dreher Brewery in the hot and humid city of Trieste (then part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire). It first ran using methyl ether as the refrigerant, but a second design switched to ammonia.

Linde's ice machine revolutionised the brewing of summer beers such as lager, which had previously relied on ice harvested from lakes and ponds.

The machine will be one of the major exhibits at the new Regensburg Museum, due to open in June. ■

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