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Phaffnau, is to have an expensive school building with gymnasium (nearly 2m. francs). An old traditional custom was again adhered to at Sursee when the "Gansabhouet" took place on 11th November. If one of the contestants wearing "sunmasks" succeeds in beheading a hanging goose (blindfold), he may keep it. The farmers' periodical "Landwirt" at Sursee has just celebrated its centenary. The former country house of Uetenberg today houses a rich collection of costumes and various antique seals and jewellery, as well as the archives of the Swiss Yodelling Association.

—The Swiss Observer

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WELLINGTON SWISS CLUB

The Annual General Meeting of the Wellington Swiss Club took place on Saturday, 8th April, in the Matterhorn Coffee Lounge. Thirty-seven members and a few non-members were present. Our Charge d'Affaires and his wife honoured us with their presence.

Mr Frick, our president, opened the meeting at 8.30 p.m. The minutes of last year's General Meeting were read, then the President's Report followed, from which we learned that this year once again was a very successful one for our club. We had four indoor meetings, namely the Chilbi, our National Day Celebration, a Metzgete and the Christmas Party, and six outdoor functions, consisting of walks, picnics and our already traditional Car Rally, as well as Shooting. Most of these functions were very well attended. The Treasurer's Report followed. Our club funds have risen again during the past year and the membership too. The voting of our new rules followed. The present members agreed to all of them.

The next item on the agenda was our 10th Jubilee. Mr Frick gave us a short essay about the arrangements already made for this occasion. We ordered some Cantonal flags and a Swiss flag from Switzerland.

Mrs Messmer was proposed as an honorary member and the Assembly accepted it. Mr Schaefer was called in the chair for the election of the new Committee which consists of.—President: Mr Werner Frick. Vice-President: Mr Walter Gaehwiler. Treasurer: Mrs Ruth Messmer. Secretaries: Miss Gaby Mueller and Mrs Lotti Napp. Members: Mrs Ann Rufer, Messrs Anton Tresch, Enrico Homberger and Andrew Staehelin. Auditor: Mr Nick Matt.

The official part of the meeting closed at 10 p.m. Thank you once again Mr and Mrs Tresch for letting us have the Matterhorn.

—G.M.