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## SWISS BANK FOOTBALL CLUB.

### SWISS BANK 1st XI v. MARTINS BANK 1st XI.

The game commenced late at 3.30. Martins started by having all the luck. They won the toss and took advantage of sun and light breeze. Before the home team had had time to settle down, Martins broke through and scored. This latter team had the better of the first half, and although Swiss attacked continually, Martins packed their goal with good effect—the Swiss combination was not good enough to work its way through.

In the second half the Swiss team was somewhat altered: Way, who had played at left wing, took over Rufer's position at centre-half, the latter playing centre-forward, and Tobin and Holton moving on to the left. The new combination worked splendidly, and from the very beginning of the second half the Swiss forwards had the better of the Martins defence. It was a question of time, and eventually Tobler scored, taking advantage of a well-placed pass from the left back across the field. A few minutes later Rufer scored for the Swiss, giving them the lead. This goal was due to some smart work on the part of Tobin, who followed a seemingly hopeless ball and stopped it a few inches inside the touch line, touching it over to his left wing at once, who centred to Rufer. The game was witnessed by a large crowd of Swiss Bank supporters, who, by the way were greatly pleased with the good play on both sides and gave vent to their feelings when the home team was doing well.

There were several unfortunate accidents—Swiss suffered more here, chiefly due to the pace of the game and the keenness of play.

Result: Swiss Bank 2, Martins Bank 1.

Swiss Bank team: Zurcher; Herzog, Pasch; Bornand, Way, Castle; Tobler, Goubach, Rufer, Tobin, Holton.

### SWISS BANK 2nd XI v. THE "COMPTOIR."

On Saturday last our 2nd XI played a friendly match against the "Comptoir," the result being a draw of 5 goals each. The game was contested throughout in a good spirit, the outstanding feature being the steady and determined play of Kurz at centre-half. Schwendener at right back made up for his early mistakes and played a very sound game in the second half. Zurlinden, by steady tackling and judicious passing, gave the forwards every opportunity. The attack led by Lloyd at centre-forward, kept the defending opponents busy, and had it not been for their superb defence the score would undoubtedly have been heavier. A little more coolness and steadier passing would greatly improve the team.

Swiss Bank team: Floyd; Schwendener, Scherz; Kebbell, Kurz, Zurlinden; Quaife, Rueff, Lloyd, Smith, Picard.

### SWISS BANK 3rd XI v. POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK.

An excellent game between two evenly matched teams. Swiss Bank won the toss and decided to play against the sun. After having a good deal the worst of the game during the first half hour, they scored through Lichtensteiger. Shortly after Stutz handled in the penalty area, and from the free kick the opponents equalised. Both defences were very safe throughout the rest of the game, neither side being able to add to their score. For the Bank Bonjour played an excellent game at centre-half, especially in the way he subdued the opposing centre-forward. The most notable feature of the game was the fine combination shown by the Swiss men.

Result: Swiss Bank 1, Post Office Savings Bank 1.

Swiss Bank team: Higgins; Peter, Luscher; Gerber, Bonjour, Stutz; Gautschi, Wyss, Lichtensteiger, Hildebrand, Schaub.

## SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY FOOTBALL CLUB

### S.M.S. 1st XI v. ST. PAUL'S & ST. MARK'S F.C. "B" TEAM 2-5.

At Perivale, on a rather slippery ground the Mercantile's 1st XI seemed to be much below their ordinary form, lacking cohesion very badly. Their adversaries scored twice in the first half. After the changing over Meyer and Weibel netted the ball for the Swiss, but their own defence was beaten on three more occasions.

S.M.S. team: Gerber; Müller, Heizmann; Jacot, Meyer, Schönholzer; Blanc, Rueff, Weibel, Wintsch (capt.), Benz.

### S.M.S. 2nd XI v. LEVER BROTHERS, LTD.—4-2.

The 2nd team played at Malden on an absolutely perfect ground. Bollhalter was three times successful in the first half, whereas the opponents failed to register any points, being well kept back by the sound defence of the Mercantile. During the second part of the game Lever's team made a great effort and succeeded in reducing the score by beating Stauffer twice, but towards the end of the play the Swiss definitely settled the result by scoring a fourth goal through Wyss.

S.M.S. team: Stauffer; Zimmermann, Bachofen (capt.); Merminod, Tschuy, Bollag; Chappuis, Merkli, Bollhalter, Bircher, Wyss.

## SWISS INSTITUTE.

The Swiss Institute is to be congratulated on its recent Lectures, drawing each time as large an audience as the room at 28, Red Lion Square, can conveniently hold.

There can be no doubt that all who listened to Mr. Alfred Wharrier's recital from Dickens' Works last Friday, 10th inst., spent a most pleasant evening. A familiarity with the chief characters of Dickens' famous novels is a foregone conclusion with any audience, yet it was just this acquaintance which allowed all present to spend a couple of most enjoyable hours. It would lead too far to describe in detail the scenes from "David Copperfield," "Pickwick Papers," etc. Mr. Wharrier chose as the subject of his recital; suffice it to say that the spontaneous applause could in a small measure only convey the gratitude felt by the audience at the admirable way in which the lecturer rendered the various well-known characters.

## PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

*Comptoir Suisse—Lausanne.*—The March official bulletin states that the third comptoir will be held from September 9th to 24th, and gives a full classification of the proposed exhibits, together with a list of terms and facilities offered. A special article lays stress on the hidden treasure of the many mineral springs, the waters of which, though known at home, are not being advertised abroad.

*The World's Health*—the monthly review published at Geneva by the League of Red Cross Societies. The February number reprints a lecture delivered at Brussels by Dr. René Sand, the Secretary-General, who reports on the efforts which are being made all over the world in order to lessen the horrors of the Russian Famine. He pays a high tribute to the devotion of Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, and refutes erroneous notions in the minds of sceptics who for various reasons do not contribute to this international relief fund. "No one will deny," he says, "that the children of Russia are innocent of the acts of the Russian Government, but you cannot save children without their parents—'you cannot give these little ones their chance to live—only to make them orphans,' and he terminates with the following passionate appeal:—

"At some time in our lives every one of us has dreamt of distinguishing himself by some noble action, rescuing a child from drowning, sacrificing himself for a noble ideal, re-establishing himself in his own eyes. Well, the moment has come when each one of us can play this heroic part which we have imagined for ourselves. Should you not thank the fates which give you to-day this superhuman power, this almost divine capacity, to give back to life men, women and children who already can hear the beating of the wings of the Angel of Death? In the name of the Red Cross; in the name of the heart of Belgium; in the name of humanity; in the name of all those who are dear to you and who have been spared like horrors, I beg of you, each and all, to subscribe to this work."

In addition to other articles dealing with Russian actualities, Dr. A. Couvelaire, of Paris University, writes on the Protection of Infancy, and draws up a programme which would practically eliminate infantile mortality.