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Young men especially invited. Tea
from 6 to 6.15 p.m. Swiss Room,
YMCA, Gt. Russell St., W.C.1.

Secours Mutuels des Suisses à Londres.
No meeting until October.

Friday, 28th to Sunday, 30th August—
ASSEMBLY OF THE SWISS
ABROAD at Zofingen.

SWISS RIFLE ASSOCIATION:
Shooting at the Siberia Range on
Sunday, 13th September, Sunday,
27th September and Sunday, 11th
October (Grüempelschiessen).

THE SWISS CHURCH BAZAAR
will be held on Saturday, 31st
October, in the WESTMINSTER
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Will Members please note that
NO MONTHLY MEETINGS
will be held until 23rd September

THE NATIONAL DAY IN BOURNEMOUTH

The Anglo-Continental School of English has as usual celebrated the 1st August in grand style. Two years ago the Ambassador had come to speak to the school on the same occasion, last year it was the Consul, and this year it was the First Secretary at the Embassy, Dr. Jürg Iselin. Having been introduced by the Principal Director, Mr. F. Schillig, he addressed the youthful assembly of 500 and spoke to them on the meaning which the National Day should have for all compatriots away from home. In addition to the speeches of Mr. F. Schillig, Dr. Iselin and the Mayor of Bournemouth, the celebrations featured a welcome in the four languages by colourfully dressed students of the school, music in plenty, sketches and dancing, all of which took place in the modern ACSE refectory. The show was conducted as in former years by the students, thus highlighting the spirit of friendship and co-operation ruling in this major language institution. Students also helped to stage the "Cave Valaisane," which reeked of *raclette* all night.. This year is a highlight for ACSE, as the school will be celebrating its 20th birthday in two months' time. We shall be taking a later opportunity of commenting on this most important Anglo-Swiss event.

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ENGLAND v. SWITZERLAND

Land hockey, is not, to be sure, a very widespread sport. It is fairly well known in countries like Pakistan, who earn their unique gold medals in this discipline at the Olympic Games. Switzerland also has a worthy record and will soon be able to show what she can do in an England v. Switzerland match to be fought at Clarence Park, St. Albans, on Saturday, 15th August, at 3.30 p.m.

Mr. N. Strofton, the Publicity Officer for the event, has sent us the following explanatory release:

This match has been arranged as part of the preparations for the European Cup Competition in Brussels from 19th September to 27th September, 1970. Both countries have been entered for this Competition. The

above match will be the first time that these two countries have met.

Shortly after this match the England Party will be leaving for a tour of Europe to play a series of matches against other European countries.

"Hockey sur Terre" as it is called in Switzerland, was first introduced in their country in about 1910 by English College students in the French part of Switzerland. The first

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The Swiss Hockey Association was actually founded in 1919. Although hockey is not a particularly popular sport in Switzerland there are 23 mens clubs and 10 womens clubs. Their influence internationally has been considerable.

Switzerland was one of the seven European nations who founded the

F.I.H. in 1924, and it was Switzerland who organised the first F.I.H. International Tournament in Geneva the following year.

Up to the Second World War Switzerland ranked about 5th of all competing nations. In 1932 the Coupe Paul Leautey Trophy was awarded to Switzerland by the F.I.H. in appreciation of their work for the furtherance of hockey internationally.


Switzerland have appeared in the Olympic Games in Amsterdam (1928), Berlin (1936), London (1948), Helsinki (1952), Rome (1960).

More recently Switzerland won the Tournament in Rome in 1967 and again in 1968. Since then they have beaten Austria and drawn with Spain and lost to West Germany.

The game at St. Albans should be a very intriguing match.

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