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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

AUCKLAND SWISS CLUB

We will be holding our next social on the 27th September at the Edendale School Hall, Sandringham Road, Auckland. This 'Octoberfest' should be an evening of fun, with entertainment by the popular Mr Daniel Boeglin. Remember him on the 1st of August celebrations, in the early hours of the morning! We look forward to seeing everyone again.

Your Committee
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SWISSAIR IN JULY

Swissair's total traffic in July increased slightly compared with the previous year. But hopes that the main tourist month would bring a substantial upturn were not fulfilled. Another significant factor is that, despite higher sales, revenue continues to stagnate.

The decline of traffic on the North Atlantic persisted, especially in the cargo sector. In Europe, passenger traffic remained at the 1974 level, but cargo and mail business fell off. The fact that the load factor of the aircraft was nevertheless unchanged and even to some extent improved is explained by the retirement of the Coronado fleet. Traffic in the Middle East continued to follow an upward trend and the load factor here was better than the year before. Far East traffic developed similarly, but the cargo increase was somewhat greater than that on the passenger side. Demand was gratifying on the South Atlantic and in Africa,

and in the case of Africa it kept up with the big expansion of capacity.

Overall, 8 per cent more ton-kilometres were available and 3 per cent more were sold. Revenue passenger tkms. increased by 4 per cent and revenue cargo tkms. by 2 per cent, while mail shipments dropped by 5 per cent. The seat load factor sank from 61 to 59 per cent and the overall load factor from 55 to 53 per cent.

Since the 16th July Swissair has been taking part in an airlift between Nova Lisboa, Luanda and Lisbon in co-operation with Angola Airlines and the Portuguese carrier TAP. Up to the 22nd August it had transported some 6,000 refugees from Angola to Portugal on 22 DC-10 charter flights. These flights, are expected to be continued until the end of September. On the 18th/19th July, Swissair took 344 UNO soldiers from Syria back to Peru on a special B-747 flight on behalf of the United Nations.

**SNOW 75 — FIRST WORLD
EXHIBITION OF WINTER SPORTS**

The Swiss Industries Fair in Basle (Switzerland), a Fair town steeped in tradition and located at the crossroads of Germany, France and Switzerland, will be holding the first World Exhibition of Winter Sports, Snow 75, from 25th October to 2nd November. Exhibitors from nine countries (Germany, Austria, Spain, France, Italy, Liechtenstein, Turkey, USA and Switzerland) will not only be presenting exhibits but also offering information, suggestions and ideas in an overall exhibition area covering some 100,000 sq. ft. Among the main sectors in the exhibition — tourism, transport, winter sports articles, sport for the masses, mountain safety and resort-planning — tourism will take pride of place. Different countries will be presenting their main attractions in the field of winter sports. The Swiss National Tourist Office, in cooperation with the Swiss Industries Fair in Basle, will organise an open discussion on the theme the "Swiss Village", as well as information stands devoted to the main Swiss winter-sports resorts. Among the other special displays featured in the exhibition, mention should be made of one devoted to well-established mountain rescue demonstration) and mountain environment. (SODT)

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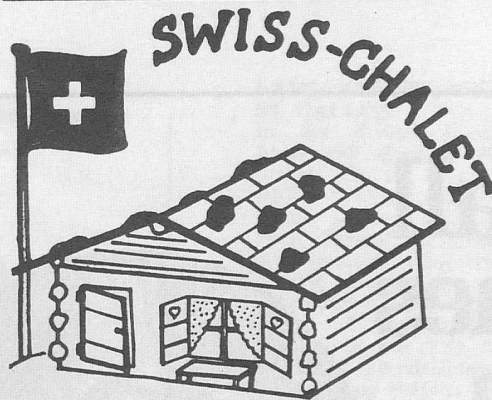
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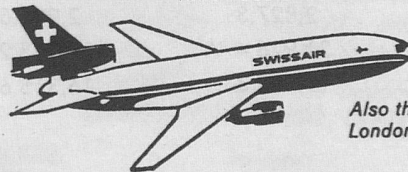
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The 4th International Exhibition of Inventions and New Processes will be held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 28th November to 7th December 1975. In an exhibition area larger than last year, it will be displaying some 1,000 inventions from 25 countries, including the United States, Japan, and several Eastern European countries. The Geneva Inventions Exhibition is now recognised as the biggest and most important in the world, since it has more participants than all other inventions exhibitions put together. It represents the biggest market for inventions and new processes in the world and last year was attended by over 50,000 visitors. Industrial concerns, private or state research laboratories, promoters and independent scientists with an invention or a new product to launch will find Geneva the ideal place for getting in direct touch with industrial or financial circles and commercial agents who come specially from all five continents to purchase manufacturing and sales licences. (SODT)

BIG CONTRACT WITH THE USSR

Ruti Co. Ltd, Engineering works, at Ruti (Zurich, Switzerland), a member of the Georg Fischer group specialising in the manufacture of textile machinery has just received the biggest order ever placed by the USSR with a Swiss manufacturer in this branch; the Moscow foreign trade organisation, Technopromimport, a central purchasing office for the Russian textile industry, has signed an agreement with the Swiss firm for the supply of weaving looms at 30 million francs. (SODT)

THE SWISS FOREIGN TRADE IN 1975

Switzerland's Balance of Trade

| Period | Imports | Exports | Balance | Value of exports as a % of the value of imports |
|----------------|----------|----------|-----------|---|
| 1974 June | 3,558.3 | 2,883.7 | — 674.6 | 81.0 |
| 1975 Mai | 2,675.4 | 2,614.8 | — 60.6 | 97.7 |
| 1975 June | 2,827.3 | 2,939.5 | + 112.2 | 104.0 |
| 1974 Jan-June | 21,926.4 | 17,553.2 | — 4,373.2 | 80.1 |
| 1975 Jan.-June | 17,782.3 | 16,315.6 | — 1,466.7 | 91.8 |

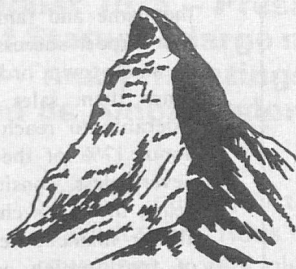
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SPORTS IN SWITZERLAND

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Basel - Lausanne 1:2 (0:0)

La Chaux-de-Fonds - Grasshoppers 2:5
(1:1)

St Gallen - Xamax 1:0 (1:0)

Servette - Winterthur 3:1 (1:0)

Sitten - Lugano 2:2 (1:2)

Young Boys - Biel 0:0

Zurich - Chenois 2:0 (2:0)

Gysin verbesserte 1000-m-Rekord. Beim internationalen Sportfest im Stuttgarter Neckarstadion lief der Liestaler Rolf Gysin am 26. August zum dritten Mal in dieser Saison einen Klasserekord. Nach den 2:19.2 über 1000 m in Koblenz und 1:45.97 über 800 m in Zurich verbesserte er sich in einem schnellen 1000-m-Rennen auf 2:17.7 und musste nur dem sudafrikanischen Weltrekordläufer Danie Malan um acht Zehntelsekunden den Vortritt lassen. Der Belgier Ivo van Damme, der in Zurich über 800 m noch vor Gysin klassiert war, belegte in 2:18.8 hinter dem Deutschen Paul Heinz Wellmann (2:17.9) diesmal nur den vierten Platz. Eine weitere gute Leistung vollbrachte der Genfer Francois Aumas, der über 400 m Hürden in 50.64 den vierten Platz hinter dem wieder gross in Form gekommenen Olympiasieger John Akii-Bua (48.72), dem Jahresweltbesten Jim Bolding (49.60) und dem Hollander Frank Nusse belegte.

DIE RANGLISTE DER NLA

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|-----------------------|---|---|---|---|------|---|
| 1. St Gallen | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6:1 | 6 |
| 2. Lausanne | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4:1 | 5 |
| 3. Servette | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 9:4 | 4 |
| 4. Basel | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 9:5 | 4 |
| 5. Xamax | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6:3 | 4 |
| 6. Zurich | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7:5 | 4 |
| 7. Young Boys | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1:0 | 4 |
| 8. Grasshoppers | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 9:9 | 4 |
| 9. Chenois | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3:5 | 2 |
| 10. Sitten | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3:5 | 2 |
| 11. Biel | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1:4 | 2 |
| 12. Lugano | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4:8 | 1 |
| 13. Winterthur | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3:7 | 0 |
| 14. La Chaux-de-Fonds | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3:11 | 0 |

LAUSANNE STOPPTE BASEL — ST GALLEN

In der dritten Fussballrunde verlor Basel auf eigenem Platz gegen Lausanne 1:2, so dass St Gallen durch einen 1:0-Sieg über Xamax alleiniger Leader wurde. Favoritensiege von Servette, Zurich und Grasshoppers, jedoch nur enttäuschendes 0:0-Unentschieden für die Young Boys

Schweizer Cup, 3. Hauptrunde

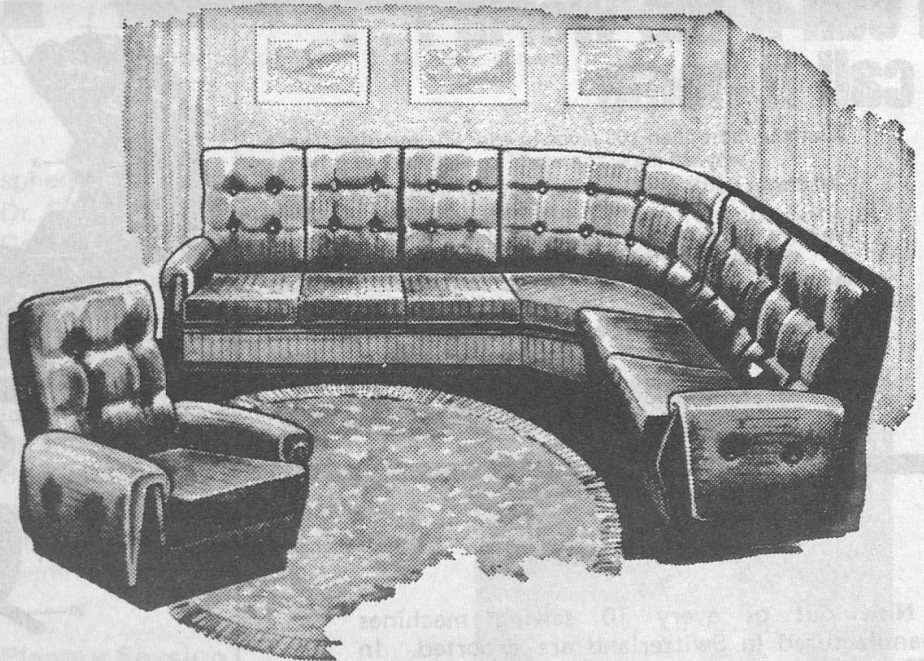
Kriens - SC Zug 1:2 (0:0). Laufen - Red Star Zurich 6:0 (2:0). Martigny - Raron 0:2 (0:1). Mendrisiostar - Chiasso 0:1 (0:0). Young Fellows - Gossau 1:0 (1:0). Aarau - Schoftland 2:3 (0:0). Audax - Fetigny 3:1 (2:1). Balzers - Oerlikon 3:2 (1:0). Boncourt - Grenchen 0:3 (0:1). Breitenbach - Concordia Basel 0:1. Bruhl - Juventus Zurich 4:4 (1:1, 4:4) nach Verl. Central Freiburg - Freiburg 1:1 (1:1, 1:1) nach Verl. Concordia Lausanne - Naters 3:2 (0:0, 2:2) nach Verl. Frauenfeld - Tossfeld 1:0 (0:0). Morbio Luzern 4:3 (2:1, 2:2) nach Verl. Nyon - Vevey 4:0 (1:0). Orbe - Etoile Carouge 4:6 (2:1, 3:3) nach Verl. WEF - Bern - Marin 2:3.

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**SWISS SEWING MACHINES
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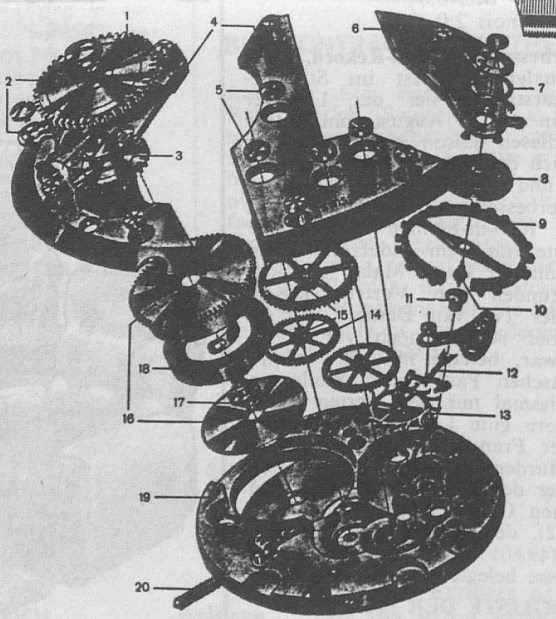
A CENTURY OF MILK CHOCOLATE

This year, it is a hundred years since the Swiss Daniel Peter succeeded, after many attempts, in perfecting the process for the manufacture of milk chocolate that has made the name and fame of the Swiss chocolate industry. Peter's first export successes were in England, where the chemist of a small town ordered 100 lb of chocolate from him . . . Since then, sales of chocolate abroad have increased considerably to reach the figure of 15,900 tonnes last year, i.e. about 17% of the country's total output. This big figure is nevertheless considerably below that achieved in previous years, the Swiss chocolate industry having been unable, above all for financial reasons, to maintain its position in the face of free foreign competition. Although Switzerland is the biggest per capita consumer of chocolate in the world (9.5 kg per head of the population per year), the sales on the home market also dropped in 1974 to 55,000 tonnes, 10% of which consisted of imported products (as opposed to only 1% for this category in 1960). (SODT)

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