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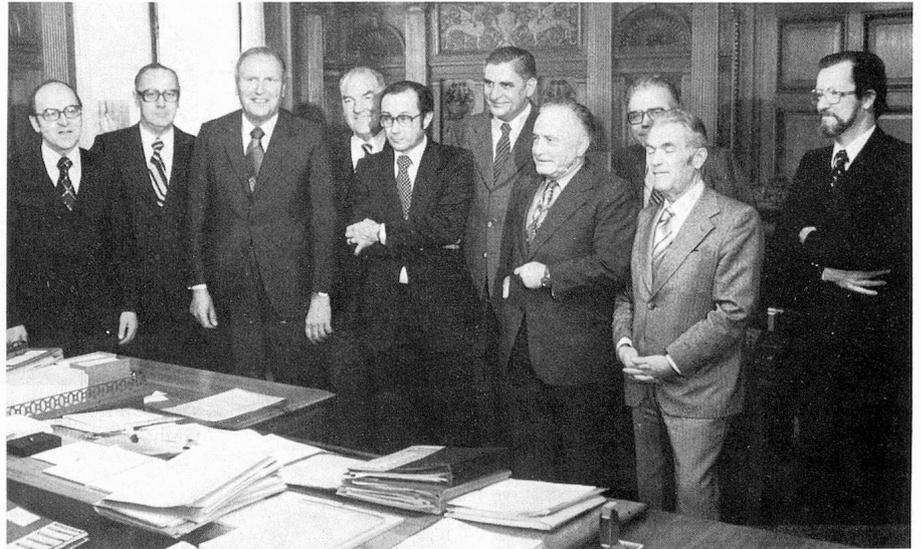
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1978 in Retrospect



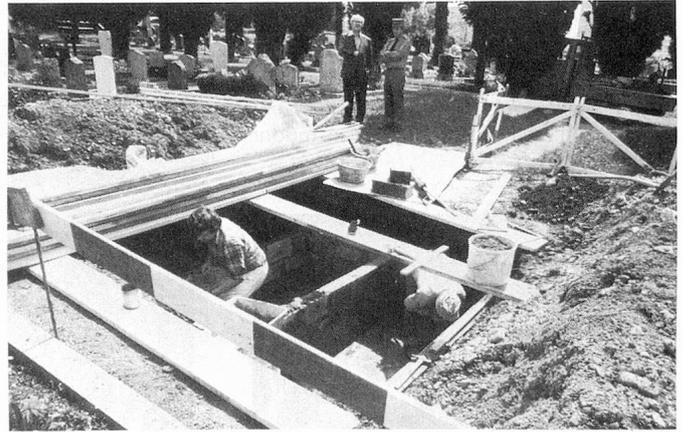
Avalanches disrupted traffic in Switzerland; on the Loetschberg line, an avalanche caused a terrible accident.



The Federal Councillors united with responsible personalities of the Federal Chancellery. Do you recognize them? (See page 11)



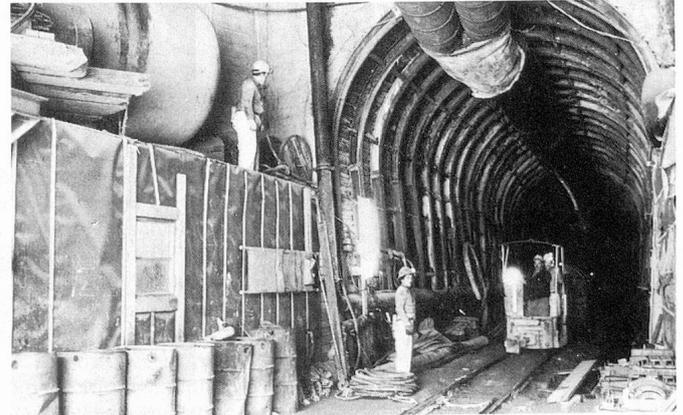
The two German terrorists Gabriele Kroecher and Christian Moeller were sentenced to several years of imprisonment by a Court at Porrentruy.



Profanation and theft of the coffin of the famous actor Charlie Chaplin at Corsier-sur-Vevey by two refugees from Eastern Europe.



Social unrest in Switzerland. The closing down of the tire factory Firestone at Pratteln.



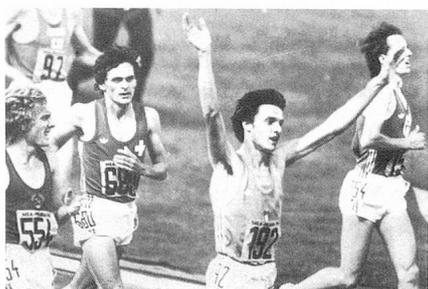
The Swiss glutton ... The original estimate for the Furka Tunnel was for 70 million francs; it now looks the cost will surpass 300 million.



Deluge-like rainfall on the Southern slopes of the Alps caused considerable damage.



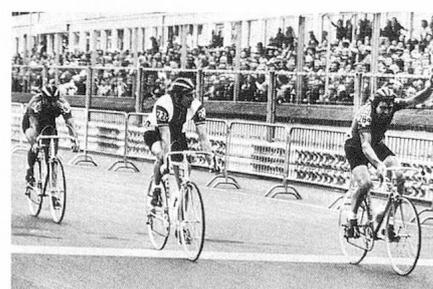
The Canton of Jura was recognized by the Confederation. Gathering in the capital Delémont.



A silver Medal for Markus Ryffel (nr 680) in the 5000 m event at the European Indoor Championships.



The Swiss sharpshooters won gold medals in Korea.



The Swiss amateur cyclists won first, third and fourth places at the Nuerburging.



At Lake Placid, Erich Schaerer and Josef Benz became world champions in two-man bobsleigh racing.



The first strike by journalists in Switzerland. The periodical «Tat» published by Migros was suspended because of differences of opinion.



The Basle professor and research scientist Werner Arber received the Nobel Prize for Medicine. He is seen here with his wife and daughter.



The first fighter planes Northrop F-5 «Tiger» arrived in Switzerland.



Many differences of opinion were caused by the plebiscite on the formation of a federal security police force. The electorate rejected the proposal.

(Photos Keystone)



We wish all our readers a smooth start to the new year as the family of ducks demonstrates on the banks of the Limmat in Zurich.

Book reviews

(Continuation)

«La Description de la Principauté de Neuchâtel et de Valangin» (Description of the Principality of N. and of V.)

The manuscript was written in 1692 and has now been re-published. Abraham Amiest, doctor and mathematician, describes the customs and problems of the population of the Canton during that epoch. The text is in Old French, a reproduction of the original work. The format is 16.5x24 cm and the price is SFr 9.—. Publisher: Revue neuchâtoise, case postale 906, 2001 Neuchâtel, Switzerland.

«L'ambulance du Docteur Alexis Carrel 1914-1918»

In the years 1914 to 1918, the term «ambulance» meant all movable field hospitals which tried to alleviate at least the worst suffering during those tragic times. Dr. Carrel asked a group of nurses of the nursing school «La Source» in Lausanne to help him in looking after the injured. This school which owned a collection of hitherto unpublished documentation regarding the «ambulance», committed itself to the promotion of this expedient. It entrusted one of their collaborators, Georgette Mottier, with this task. The text is in French. There are 180 pages and 76 photographs. Distribution: Payot Lausanne or ASS.

«Encyclopédie du Canton de Fribourg»

Over 200 specialists have combined in putting their knowledge and results of research into the two volumes of this reference book. Thus they have created for the public a complete work of information on any sphere in the Canton of Fribourg from its origin to the present. Format 22x24cm. Bound. French text. Volume I: 264 pages, 120 illustrations. Volume II: 290 pages, 150 illustrations. Both volumes mostly in colour. Price of both books together: SFr. 138.— plus Fr.8.50 for packing and postage. Orders to be sent to: Office du Livre SA, Post Box 1061, 1701 Fribourg, Switzerland, or to the ASS.