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# Communications from the Secretariat of the Swiss Abroad



### Association of the Friends of the Organisation of the Swiss Abroad

To reach a common goal, one has to work together and show solidarity. This also applies to the Swiss living abroad. Even though the Swiss in Switzerland have great sympathies for their fellowcountrymen abroad, it is nonetheless true that in the end it is still up to the Swiss abroad to prove by active deeds that they do not just rely on the aid from home if worst comes to worst, but are willing to do their share. Joining the Association of the Friends of the Organisation of the Swiss Abroad is a step in the right direction.

Swiss emigrants are known to assimilate fairly easily in their new surroundings and to make the best of the situation. Many Swiss abroad, therefore, have reached high positions and standards of living, some even the highest honors their new country of residence had to bestow. Obviously it took the new surroundings for them to make the best use of their talents. But not all Swiss living abroad are well off; many just make it by the edge of their teeth, and live on a bare minimum.

By joining the Association of the

Friends of the Organisation of the Swiss Abroad you enable the Secretariat for the Swiss Abroad to fulfill its social tasks. The money paid into the accounts of the association is used in full for social purposes. A substantial amount is used for the Educational Board for Young Swiss Abroad, which advises young Swiss living abroad on questions of education and grants. In some cases it even allots money from its own funds. Contributions from the Association also help to subsidize the mailing costs for the popular Pestaloz-

## **Organisation of the Swiss Abroad**

6.3.82

Commission of the Swiss Abroad in Berne

23.4.82

Day of «Switzerland's Work Abroad» at the Muba in Basle. Anyone interested should return the application form below by 21rst March 1982 to:

Secretariat of the Swiss Abroad, Alpenstrasse 26, CH-3000 Berne 16, Switzerland.

20. - 22.8.82

Assembly of the Swiss Abroad in Sierre Main theme: «Swiss Women Abroad» Please keep this date free; application forms will be published in the next issue.

Day of «Switzerland's Work Abroad» at the Muba (Swiss Industries Fair). The undersigned would like to take part in the Day of the Swiss Abroad at the Muba on 23th April 1982 Would you kindly supply me with the necessary papers.	9
<ul><li>☐ I shall attend as a private person and shall take part in the luncheon</li><li>☐ yes</li><li>☐ no</li></ul>	Name/First name:
☐ I am the representative of the following Swiss Society	Exact address:
and shall be pleased to receive the necessary papers	
Approximate number of participants  How many wish to attend luncheon	Date:
Should there be any seats left, I should like to attend the Gala Evening (approximate price Fr. 100.— to 120.—). Please reserve seats	

zi Calendar which many children enjoy every year. They also provide the necessary funds for our Readers' Service which provides poor Swiss living abroad with Swiss journals and books - free of charge. Finally they also help to support fellowcountrymen who live in certain countries which do not allow them to take out any money for their home-leave.

Everybody can join the «Association of the Friends of the Organisation of the Swiss Abroad». Membership costs 20 Swiss Francs a person or 100 Swiss Frans for a firm. Higher amounts are, of course, always welcome. Payments can be made to the Secretariat of the Swiss Abroad, Alpenstr. 26, CH-3000 Bern 16, Switzerland, postal checking account 30-6768 or on our checking account with the Kantonalbank in Bern. Please state the purpose of the payment. For your donation we would like to thank you in advance.

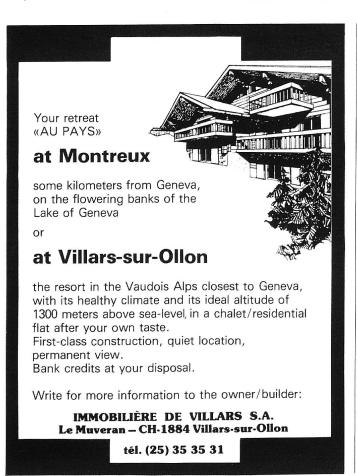
Jörg Kistler

## Competition

#### **REFLEXIONS ON SWITZERLAND**



Essays, reports, confessions, poems, in short: texts which have something to say about Switzerland and the Swiss - be it positive or negative - are the objects of the competition which is organized by the Schweizerische Staatsbürgerliche Gesellschaft and the Verein für Eigenständigkeit. All Swiss and children of Swiss women between the ages of 18 and 32 can compete with unpublished texts. Total prize money is over 13000 francs. The deadline is the 30th of April 1982 (Extension possible). The rules of this competition can be obtained with: Staatsbürgerliche Gesellschaft, «Wettbewerb Schweiz», Postfach 1278, 6000 Luzern.



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## This year's summer camp

of the Youth Service of the Secretariat of the Swiss Abroad will take place from 19th of July to the 6th of August 1982.

You will find the necessary inscription forms in one of our next issues.



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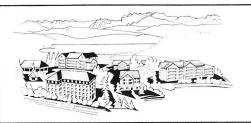
Si vous vous intéressez à une école de langues, en Suisse, notre internat, comprenant 50 élèves de 15 à 20 ans en provenance du monde entier, pourrait peut-être vous convenir.Nous offrons à votre fille un enseignement intensif dans 2 ou 3 langues. Mais l'apprentissage de ces langues sera fortement favorisé par le contact avec d'autres élèves de langues étrangéres.Plus de 9 élèves sur 10 obtiennent pour la plupart d'entre elles à la fin de l'année scolaire les diplômes officiels (Alliance Française, Université de Cambridge, Goethe Institut). En outre, le sport, la littérature, l'art, le commerce, l'enseignement ménager le savoir-vivre; l'hyglène et l'orientation professionnelle stimulent les intérêts et la confiance en soi chez nos élèves.

Actuellement, il n'y a plus de places libres dans notre école. Si vous désirez nous confier votre fille veuillez vous annoncer le plus tôt possible.

Meilleures références. Renseignements auprès de: Famille Dr. Gaugler Téléphone 56 - 22 17 18 institut International de jeunes filles "Sunny Dale" CH-3812 Interlaken-Wilderswil, Oberland Bernois, Suisse

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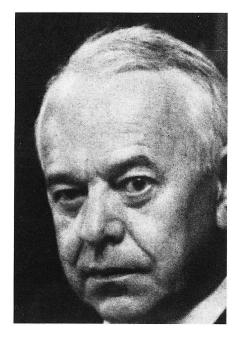
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#### A friend has passed away...

Mr. René Bovey, a former representative of the Secretariat of the Swiss Abroad, has died after a long illness on 14th of January 1982.

Mr. Bovey, well known to many of our readers, joined the Secretariat in 1957. He was in charge of the French-speaking division and editor-in-chief of the «echo».

After having earned a licentiate degree at the University of Lausanne, he worked as Rome correspondent for various Swiss newspapers from 1934 to 1938. Back in Switzerland he took a job as language and history teacher at the higher trade school in Lausanne and at the University of

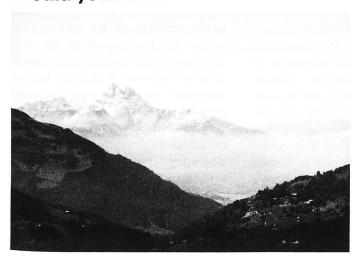


Lausanne. Towards the end of the Second World War he was named delegate of the International Committee of the Red Cross. As such he visited many European nations, among them Hungary during the insurrection of 1956.

In 1966 he left our organization to become vice-director of the «Swiss Political Correspondence» where he was the head of the French-speaking division.

He always remained close to our organization, however, and we lose in him a committed friend. In the name of all Swiss abroad we wish to convey to his family our deeply felt sorrow.

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