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During the preparation of the 1946 budget of the Confederation, the Federal Council discussed the problem of military repetition courses in the coming year. The Military Department and also several members of the Federal Council seem to be of the opinion that now after six years of war, a short interruption in these courses should be granted. The authorities have to be guided in this question not only by economic but also by psychological considerations.

It is said that in 1946 only partial recruitments will be carried out and that the regular drafting system as practised before the war will only begin again in 1947. Next year all those who were left out before on doctors' orders will be drafted, as well as all those who wish to join the army before they are officially called.

The Federal War Office for Food Supply communicates that in November the ration of spaghetti, macaroni and noodles will be doubled. There will also be again 250 grams of jam, while the egg ration will have to be reduced from two to one. It is still possible that additional increases of food rations will be granted in the course of the month.

The French paper "Resistance" dedicated an enthusiastic article to the work of the Swiss Children's Aid. The paper declares that all French must know what Switzerland has done for their children. All those who have been fortunate enough to send their children to Switzerland should not fail to express their gratitude to the hospitable families of this hospitable country.

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