

**Zeitschrift:** The Swiss observer : the journal of the Federation of Swiss Societies in the UK  
**Herausgeber:** Federation of Swiss Societies in the United Kingdom  
**Band:** - (1925)  
**Heft:** 189  
  
**Rubrik:** Swiss Choral Society

### **Nutzungsbedingungen**

Die ETH-Bibliothek ist die Anbieterin der digitalisierten Zeitschriften auf E-Periodica. Sie besitzt keine Urheberrechte an den Zeitschriften und ist nicht verantwortlich für deren Inhalte. Die Rechte liegen in der Regel bei den Herausgebern beziehungsweise den externen Rechteinhabern. Das Veröffentlichen von Bildern in Print- und Online-Publikationen sowie auf Social Media-Kanälen oder Webseiten ist nur mit vorheriger Genehmigung der Rechteinhaber erlaubt. [Mehr erfahren](#)

### **Conditions d'utilisation**

L'ETH Library est le fournisseur des revues numérisées. Elle ne détient aucun droit d'auteur sur les revues et n'est pas responsable de leur contenu. En règle générale, les droits sont détenus par les éditeurs ou les détenteurs de droits externes. La reproduction d'images dans des publications imprimées ou en ligne ainsi que sur des canaux de médias sociaux ou des sites web n'est autorisée qu'avec l'accord préalable des détenteurs des droits. [En savoir plus](#)

### **Terms of use**

The ETH Library is the provider of the digitised journals. It does not own any copyrights to the journals and is not responsible for their content. The rights usually lie with the publishers or the external rights holders. Publishing images in print and online publications, as well as on social media channels or websites, is only permitted with the prior consent of the rights holders. [Find out more](#)

**Download PDF:** 13.08.2025

**ETH-Bibliothek Zürich, E-Periodica, <https://www.e-periodica.ch>**

## SWISS CHORAL SOCIETY.

The members and friends of the Swiss Choral Society assembled on Friday, February 6th, at 1, Gerrard Place, W.1, for the Annual Dinner and Ball, Monsieur W. A. De Bourg, First Secretary of the Swiss Legation, being in the Chair.

The large hall was tastefully ornamented with cantonal flags and escutcheons and presented an admirable milieu for a Swiss gathering. About a hundred diners sat down to a well-prepared repast, and after the loyal toast had been honoured, Mr. W. Peter, the Hon. Secretary of the Society, rose to propose "Switzerland." He referred to the charitable and accommodating spirit which our country had displayed during the war in caring for the wounded, thus enabling thousands to return to a useful life.

Mr. F. Eggenberger, the President, in proposing the further prosperity of his Society, expressed his satisfaction at the gratifying response that had followed the invitation to their annual dinner. It gave him great pleasure to welcome Monsieur De Bourg, who in the unavoidable absence of Monsieur Paravicini was representing the Swiss Legation. Mr. Eggenberger reviewed the development of his Society; he thought he was voicing the opinion of all those interested in stating that the ideals and objects which favoured and encouraged a fusion between the two choral sections of the Union Helvetia and the Schweizerbund had been realised. This was in the first instance due to the unceasing efforts and personal influence of his predecessor, Mr. J. Manzoni. He also thanked the members of the Swiss Mercantile Society for their active co-operation in joining the choir. They were extremely fortunate in having in Monsieur R. Gaillard an able conductor, under whose guidance the choir had made great progress. He (Mr. Eggenberger) did not want to take upon himself the rôle of a recruiting sergeant, but he felt sure that after the evening's entertainment all those present would come to the conclusion that his Society was worthy of their heartiest support.

Monsieur De Bourg rose to present the apologies of the Minister for being prevented from attending; he had, however, his promise that he would not fail to be present at next year's gathering. M. De Bourg, though not very long in London, was yet well aware of the success of the Swiss Choral Society; they had done a great deal in familiarising people over here with some of our folk-songs, in fact, when recently attending an English party as a guest, he was asked by the hostess to sing a "yodel." He did not disclose how his performance was received, but he assured the audience that from henceforth he would be a staunch supporter of the Swiss Choral Society.

Mr. W. Fischer, Hon. Treasurer, proposed the health of the official guests who were representing sister Societies in our colony. They were: Mr. Rosset (Secours Mutuels), Mr. Despond (City Swiss Club), Mr. Jenny (Union Helvetia), Mr. Forster (Schweizerbund), Mr. Notari (Unione Ticinese), Mr. Bretscher (Swiss Mercantile), Mr. Dick (Swiss Institute), Mr. Burger (Swiss Rifle Assoc.), Mr. Boy (West London Male Choir), and Mr. Boehringer ("Swiss Observer"); the latter suitably responded on behalf of the visitors.

The last toast, the one to "The Ladies," was in charge of Mr. A. Wyss, who protested that he had no intention of emulating the performance of the well-known gentleman who for ever remained identified with this toast. Mr. Wyss related a few appropriate tales from the South Sea Islands, which were much enjoyed and kept his audience rocking with laughter.

The official part of the evening terminated at an early hour, allowing the followers of Terpsichore ample time to indulge in their art. What gave the gathering a specially Swiss cachet were the many intermezzos given by Mr. Gaillard personally, a double quartette, and the whole of the choir. The last trains had no lure for the revelers, who all stayed till the early hours of the morning.

## INTERNATIONAL WIRELESS EXHIBITION GENEVA, 1925.

Considering the success obtained by the Wireless Exhibition, organized at Geneva in 1924, a new International Wireless Exhibition, including also the industries of cinematography, talking machines, scientific appliances for demonstrative purposes and scientific toys, as well as all the kindred branches, will take place at Geneva in the Halls of the Palais Electoral, from September 23rd to October 4th, 1925, therefore at the same time as the Assembly of the League of Nations, when the Representatives of all countries of the Globe will gather at Geneva.

On this occasion the Committee will organize Wireless Manifestations having relation to the work of the Meeting.

The Exhibition not only includes the showing of industrial products of above mentioned branches, but also important scientific and artistic manifestations, such as congresses, lectures, wireless receptions, spectacles, moving pictures, etc.

Furthermore, in order to oblige the parties interested in the various spheres of activity represented at the show, a specially organized Universal Information Office will be put at their disposal.

Everything will thus be done in order to make the forthcoming Wireless Exhibition useful and attractive in the highest degree.

Any Swiss or Foreign Firm which wholly or partly manufactures objects relating to the above mentioned industries may exhibit.

Further information may be obtained from the Managing Board of the Exhibition, 6, Boulevard du Théâtre, Geneva.

## SUBSCRIPTIONS RECEIVED.

(The figure in parentheses denotes the number of the issue on which the subscription expires.)

L. Bassi (230), P. Duerst (205), G. Rueff (206), J. Nuesch (206), Ch. Haesler (233), R. E. Pfister (233), L. Schefer (233), E. Forster (235), V. Kolb (196), J. Beltrami (236), F. Forrer (210), W. Gamper (236), Jaeger & Co. (236), F. Küng (210), L. Lauchheimer (236), A. Lutz (236), Eug. Mattmann (210), Miss A. S. Weber (210), Dr. P. de Wolff (236), N. Battilana (239), J. H. Butchi (211), Rev. W. Dietsche (198), A. Dumoulin (237), L. Forrer (237), Ch. F. Illi (237), W. Lehmann (211), W. Walters (237), A. Indermaur (200), H. M. Wintsch (240), J. B. Brutsch (238), H. Epprecht (238), J. Graf (238), C. W. Guinand (290), C. Haag (238), G. A. Heinzelmann (238), J. Keller (238), J. Kienast (238), F. Kreis (238), E. Marchesi (238), Mrs. Clara Müller (212), H. Pfister (238), H. de Pury (238), H. Siegmund (238), C. A. Staub (238), J. Tache (212), A. Walchli (238), P. Walser (238), E. Ziegler (266), A. Affolter (239), J. G. Bachmann (239), Prof. E. Borel (239), R. de Cüntra (230), A. F. Clemence (239), Leon Duffey (213), W. G. Gattiker (239), F. A. Haeblerlin (239), Countess de Pourtalès (239), J. C. Rathgeb (239), Leon Rueff (239), H. Schaeffbaum (239), E. Staub (200), Alph. Steiger (240).

## OSCAR WEIDELI, Hairdressing Saloon,

6, Old Compton St. (2 doors from Charing Cross Rd.)

Best Brands of Cigars and Cigarettes.

## G. CUSI,

Commission Agent,  
52, SHAFESBURY AVENUE,  
PICCADILLY, LONDON, W.1.  
Member of the Turf Guardian Society and National Sporting League.  
Telegrams: Nostril, Piccy, London. Telephone: Gerrard 815-816.  
Trunk: Gerrard 2191.

## SWISS HOTEL,

53, OLD COMPTON STREET, W.1.

## Bockbierfest mit Wurstessen

und Gemütliche Unterhaltung,

Wednesday, February 18th, 7.30 p.m.

Extension till 1 a.m.

BOOK TABLES EARLY.

*Drink delicious "Ovaltine"  
at every meal—for Health!*

## ERNEST = Tailor =

5, UPPER JAMES STREET, GOLDEN SQUARE, W.1.

Call for personal attendance of Mr. H. Ernest

## WORLD TRANSPORT AGENCY LIMITED.

Shipping, Forwarding & Insurance Agents,

HEAD OFFICE:

TRANSPORT HOUSE, 21, GT. TOWER STREET,  
LONDON, E.C.3.

CONNECTED EVERYWHERE ABROAD.

## UNION HELVETIA CLUB,

1, Gerrard Place, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.1.

Telephone: REGENT 5392.

30 Bedrooms. 45 Beds.

SUISSE CUISINE, CIGARS AND WINES.

Luncheons & Suppers à prix fixe or à la carte at Moderate Prices.

Every Wednesday from 7 o'clock

SOIREE HASENPFEFFER combined with a Dance.

Dances also every Saturday & Sunday Evening. The Dancers combined with Concert each Sunday Afternoon.

BILLIARDS.

SKITTLES.

Large and small Halls with Stage, available for Concerts, Dinners, Wedding Parties, etc.

Membership Fee: One Guinea per annum.

New Members welcome.

The Clubhouse Committee.

## SWISS BANK CORPORATION,

43, LOTHBURY, E.C.2.

and 11c, REGENT STREET, S.W.1.

By arrangement with the Swiss  
Postal Authorities, TRAVELLERS'  
CHEQUES, which can be cashed  
at any Post Office in Switzerland,  
are obtainable at the Offices of  
the Bank.

The WEST END BRANCH  
open Savings Bank Accounts on  
terms which can be ascertained  
on application.

## CITY SWISS CLUB.

THE NEXT

## Cinderella Dance

WILL TAKE PLACE ON

Saturday, February 21st,

AT THE

ROYAL ADELAIDE GALLERY

(A. & S. GATTI, STRAND, W.C.)

Dancing commences at 6.30. Tickets, at 10/6, which include Dinner at 8.30, should be obtained beforehand from one of the following members:—Messrs. H. Sonn, A. C. Baume, P. P. Boehringer, C. Chapuis, R. de Cüntra, A. L. Despond, G. Marchand.

## SCHWEIZERBUND

(SWISS CLUB)

74, Charlotte Street, Fitzroy Square, W.1.

THE ANNUAL

## FANCY DRESS BALL

will take place on

Thursday, February 26th, at 8 p.m.

SUPPERS. DANCING till 2 a.m.

Prizes for best Costumes for Ladies and Gents.

TICKETS 2/6, can be obtained from the Secretary or at the Club. Phone: MUSEUM 9081.

## Divine Services.

EGLISE SUISSE (1762), 79, Endell St., W.C.2  
(Langue française.)

Dimanche, 15 Février, 11h. et 6.30.—

M. R. Hoffmann-de Visme.

7.30.—Répétition du Choeur.

Pour tous renseignements concernant actes pastoraux, etc., prière de s'adresser à M. R. Hoffmann-de Visme, 103, Hornsey Lane, N.6. (Téléphone: Mountview 1798.)  
Heure de réception à l'Eglise: Mercredi 10.30 à 12h.

## SCHWEIZERKIRCHE

(Deutsch-Schweizerische Gemeinde)

St. Anne's Church, 9, Gresham Street, E.C.2.

Sonntag, 15. Februar, 11 Uhr vorm.—Gottesdienst.

Pfr. Th. Hahn.

6.30 p.m. (im 'Foyer Suisse')—Abendgottesdienst.

Pfr. Th. Hahn.

Mittwoch, 25. Februar, 8 Uhr abends.—Gemeindeversammlung (Pfarrwahl usw.) im 'Foyer Suisse', 15, Upper Bedford Place (Russell Square), W.C.1.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Wednesday, Feb. 18th, at 8.30.—SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY: Annual General Meeting at 1, Gerrard Place, W.1.

Friday, Feb. 20th, at 8 p.m.—NOUVELLE SOCIÉTÉ HELVÉTIQUE: Annual Meeting at 28, Red Lion Square, W.C.1.

Saturday, Feb. 21st, at 6.30.—CITY SWISS CLUB: Cinderella Dance at Gatti's Restaurant, 436, Strand, W.C.

Thursday, Feb. 26th at 8 p.m.—SCHWEIZERBUND: Fancy Dress Ball at 74, Charlotte Street W.1.

Friday, Feb. 27th, at 8.30.—SWISS INSTITUTE: Lecture by Mr. Emile Cammaerts on "Life in the Belgian Devastated Areas."

Friday, Feb. 27th, at 8 p.m.—SWISS RIFLE ASSOC.: Annual Meeting at 1, Gerrard Place, W.1.

Tuesday, March 17th.—UNIONE TICINESE: Annual Banquet, Ball and Cabaret at Monico's Restaurant.

Printed and Published for the Proprietor, P. F. BOEHRINGER, by THE FRIDRICK PRINTING CO. LTD., at 21, GABRIEL FILL, LONDON, E.C.