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cert is of interest, is heartily invited to join the happy musicians on their journey to East Croydon. The Orchestra will leave London Bridge Station on Thursday, March 21st, by the 7.05 p.m. train. I shall be there myself and I hope to see the members and friends of the Swiss Institute Orchestral Society join that train with a view to a really enjoyable evening. The concert finishes in good time for everybody to get home very comfortably.

E.P.D.

La Société Culinaire Suisse de Londres.

"La Culinaire est battue sur pierre
La Culinaire ne périra pas,
La Culinaire, oui, oui, oui,
La Culinaire, non, non, non,
La Culinaire ne périra pas."

Maintes fois les refrains de cette nouvelle chanson de bataille se firent entendre dans la salle confortable du Swiss Hotel, où le 11 Février dernier nos Cuisiniers suisses étaient réunis autour d'un copieux repas à l'occasion de leurs récompenses de l'Exposition 1928.

Avec le généreux support de M. G. E. De Brunner, notre 1er Membre d'Honneur, cette charmante soirée fut animée d'une gaieté particulière. Plusieurs personnes prirent la parole et—cela va sans dire—félicitèrent nos artistes pour leurs succès. Maintenant permettez-moi de déclarer que la "Culinaire Suisse" et son excellent Président, M. Juriens, ne laissent rien à désirer et que ce jeune enfant de l'Union Helvétique a su faire preuve d'un esprit de corps remarquable et d'une co-opération fraternelle qui nous ont vite amené à un résultat des plus encourageants.

Déjà une centaine de Membres actifs se sont groupés autour de notre dévoué Président, dont le travail assidu est également supporté par les Membres honoraires suivants: MM. G. E. De Brunner, Ch. Herman Senn, O.B.E., Aug. Wyss, O. Odoné, J. Schallenberger, M. Bernet, A. Marfurth, H. Bonvin, O. Matter, E. Rubli, E. Schurch, C. Weber et Oederichsen.

Sous un patronage aussi important et guidé par un Comité d'hommes de résolution, nous nous étions mis au travail avec toute confiance et sortirent du concours de l'Exposition vainqueurs et couronnés de beaux résultats:

1, Certificate of Encouragement; 2, Certificate of Merit; 3, Bronze Medal; 4, Silver Medal; 5, Gold Medal; 6, Special Gold Medal; 7, Silver Challenge Cup; 8, "Grand Prix" and £20 in cash.

Le but utile de notre jeune société est pleinement prouvé par les récompenses lesquelles nous étions à même d'emporter par notre "team work" et il est à souhaiter que le brillant succès de nos premiers efforts sera suivi par d'autres encore plus satisfaisants et que les amis de notre métier ne tarderont pas de nous accorder tout leur précieux concours pour l'avenir, afin de confirmer notre devise: "La Culinaire est battue sur pierre." R.D.

On the 25th February last a highly successful and well-patronised Ball was arranged by the Société Culinaire Suisse in the large hall of their headquarters, the Union Helvétique, and a splendid programme of attractions was offered to the participants.

Monsieur C. R. Paravicini very kindly favoured this social gathering with his presence and consented to present the prizes—of which there were legions—to the successful members competing at the International Food and Cookery Exhibition at Olympia. In a witty speech he congratulated the President and members on their well-earned laurels and encouraged them to further and well-sustained efforts in the future, so that the name of "Swiss" may always retain its lustre in the culinary art.

SWISS BANK SPORTS CLUB.

The Swiss Bank Sports Club held their Dinner and Dance at Maison Lyons on Saturday last, 9th instant. 169 members and friends sat down to an excellent dinner. The function was presided over by the Club's genial chairman, Mr. C. J. Searle, supported by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. F. J. Smith.

After the toast of 'The King' and 'the Swiss Confederation' had been honoured in the usual manner, the Chairman, in a short speech, informed the assembled company that the Club's pavilion at Preston Road was to be renovated and greatly enlarged before the coming season. Mr. S. A. Thorpe proposed the toast of the Officers and Members of the Swiss Bank Club, which was readily responded to; and Mr. F. J. Smith replied suitably on their behalf.

Dancing then commenced and was carried on until shortly before 12 o'clock, when a tired but very happy party dispersed.

Everyone was agreed that, of the many functions held by the Club, this was by far the jolliest and best.

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SWISS SPORTS.

To be held at HERNE HILL on SATURDAY,
May 25th, 1929.

A Delegates Meeting of the Swiss Sports was held at Swiss House, Fitzroy Square, on Thursday, March 7th. Mr. C. A. Barbezat, President, was in the chair. Twenty-four Delegates were present.

The Programme for this year was fixed on the same lines as last year. There will be the usual Flat Handicaps on the track for Men at 100 and 220yds; the 100yds. for Ladies and Boys under 16; the Jumps, both High and Low; Wrestling; Relay Race; Tug-of-War; and Pushball. The usual contests on the turf for Ladies, Girls and Boys are also in the Programme, as well as the Egg and Spoon and the Thread and Needle for the Ladies, and the Wheelbarrow and the ever-popular Pillow Fight for the Men. Training for this last event should start early. As a suitable exercise the intending competitor should get a kind friend to hit him on the face with a pillow for about ten minutes every day. After an intensive training on these lines we can assure the hopeful winner of the First Prize that he will have the necessary nerve and stamina to stand up to all the buffeting he will get without flinching. But, joking apart, we earnestly request the Presidents of the Societies to make special efforts to get teams together for most of the team events and get them together early. Furthermore, there is in competition for the second year that magnificent trophy the "Georges Dimier Challenge Cup," which is awarded to the Society which has the best collective result on the day.

Furthermore, the Swiss Rifle Association is organising a Shooting Competition open to Swiss Citizens, which will be held on the well-appointed ground of the Association at Hendon. In addition, the A.1. Skittle Club is organising a Skittle Championship at the headquarters of the Club, 1, Gerard Place. The prizes awarded in these Competitions will be distributed at Herne Hill on Sports Day.

The remainder of the evening was taken up with the various details of organisation and several useful suggestions were put forward by the Delegates. The keenness and enthusiasm of the Delegates was very high, and no doubt gives every assurance of another successful Meeting at Herne Hill on the last Saturday in May. P.D.

SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

In connection with the scholastic programme the following lectures were given by the students during last week:—

K. Braun, Steckborn: "Swiss People Compared with English People." P. Vidoudez, Geneva: "Mr. Everyman, Student of the S.M.S." T. Müller, Basle: "England's Government." E. Abel, Basle: "Trade." O. Bargetzi, Riedholz-Soleure: "Ideal Home Exhibition." O. Gresser, Berg-Thurgau: "Why do we love Switzerland?" F. Schleinger, Rorschach: "Naples." A. Heusser, Winterthur: "Individualism." G. Kohler, Florence: "Florence: Florentines and Foreigners in Florence," and "Politeness." Miss E. Weinmann, Herrliberg: "Jungfrauojch." F. Hafter, Baden: "Money." H. Spinner, Zurich: "British Industries Fair." O. Grossejan, Lausanne: "Exchange." P. Bichsel, Herbligen-Berne: "Swiss Cheese and its Export." W. Kid, Weeson-St. Gall: "English People and Music." J. Kuratle, Zurich: "Politics," and "Margarine; Its Origin and Manufacture."

The debating classes dealt with the following subject:—

"That Swiss People are Patriotic." Proposer, J. Kuratle; Opposer, F. Voser.

"That Mixed Schools should be Abolished." Proposer, Miss T. Holenstein; Opposer, R. Schoen.

Friday: A very interesting lecture was given by J. Tinkler, Esq. on "Shakespeare."

Saturday: Visit to Hampton Court.

PERSONAL.

The Swiss Minister, M. Paravicini, left London last Thursday for a two months' leave to take a rest cure in Switzerland.

J. GEILINGER. †

It is with great regret that we announce the death of the doyen of the Swiss Colony in London, M. J. Geilinger, who passed away peacefully last Saturday morning.

The funeral took place last Thursday at St. Saviour's Church, Ealing, when a large number of friends, apart from the representatives of the London Swiss societies were present.

A detailed obituary notice will appear in our next issue.

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Dimanche, 17 Mars, 11h.—M. R. Hoffmann-de Visme.

6.30.—"Jésus et la foule." M. R. Hoffmann-de Visme.

7.30.—Répétition du Choeur.

SERVICE FUNEBRE.

Charles Léon REUSSER, d'Eriz (Berne), né le 4 Juillet 1888, décédé à Zurich le 24 Février, 1929 —le 15 Mars, 1929.

Pour tous renseignements concernant actes pastoraux, etc., prière de s'adresser à M. R. Hoffmann-de Visme, 102, Hornsey Lane, N.6 (Téléphone: Mountview 1798). Heure de réception à l'Eglise: Mercredi 10.30 à 12h.

SCHWEIZERKIRCHE

(Deutschschweizerische Gemeinde)

St. Anne's Church, 9, Gresham Street, E.C.2.
(near General Post Office.)

Sonntag, den 17. März, 1929, 11 Uhr vorm.: Gottesdienst und Sonntagschule.

7 Uhr abends: Gottesdienst und Chorpöbe.

Sonntag, den 24.—Palmsonntag. Confirmation.

Sprechstunden: Dienstag, 12-1 Uhr in der Kirche

Mittwoch, 4-6 Uhr im Foyer Suisse.

Anfragen wegen Amtshandlungen, etc. erbeten an den Pfarrer der Gemeinde: C. Th. Hahn, 8, Chiswick Lane. Telephone: Chiswick 4156.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Sunday, March 17th, at 3.45 p.m.—SWISS GIRL! AT HOME: Lecture on "Slum and Rescue Work," by Major Mary Patch, of the Salvation Army, at 15, Upper Bedford Place, W.C.1.

Wednesday, March 20th, at 7.45 p.m.—NOUVELLE SOC. HELVETIQUE: Monthly meeting of London Group, followed by a Causerie by the Rev. Hoffmann-de Visme on: "La Suisse et les Services Etrangers."

Friday, March 22nd, at 8 p.m.—SCHWEIZER-BUND: Annual Dinner and Ball (see Advt.).

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Saturday, March 23rd, at 7 p.m.—CITY SWISS CLUB: Cinderella Dance at Whitehall Rooms, Hotel Metropole.

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