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wandering about to all intents and purposes hoping to do their "Tir Federal." Visitors at Hendon, however, will find "Tells" galore, talking of mousies, bull's eyes, inners, etc., and proudly exhibiting small discs of cardboard as proof of their skill, which is more than fishers do when telling their tales.

Although Father Pluvius was not among the recipients of invitations for the Opening Day, Sunday April 13th last, he came along with an occasional spraying from his water-can. This, of course, kept many members away, which was a great pity, as on that day the Donegal Badge was competed for. Participants were not slow in showing their appreciation when it became known that the happy winner of the Badge was no other than Mr. H. Senn, our worthy President, with 48 points, two shots out of his series of 6 being "bulls." Mr. Paul Hilfiker with 47 points was second, Messrs. J. Haesler, A. Lampert and C. O. Brullhard tieing for third place with 45 points.

There will be consolation in plenty for others not so successful, when our various Competitions take place, so Readers, take note and Good Luck to you.

A.R.

#### A PROSPEROUS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The Swiss Benevolent Society in Rome celebrated a few days ago the hundredth anniversary of its foundation. Originally established for the purpose of supporting necessitous families of retired or deceased Swiss Papal Guards its activities gradually extended. According to the report for 1929 the Society possesses funds amounting to about 200,000 Lire; whilst the revenue derived from interest and individual contributions reached about 21,000 Lire, the moneys spent on relieving needy Swiss does not exceed 11,000 Lire.

#### SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

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

W. Zindel, Uster: "The Cotton Trade." Miss E. Leuenberger, Belp: "Farewell Speech." F. Yaux, Lausanne: "First Impressions of English Character." A. Alder, Teufen: "Three Little Stories." A. Lindenmann, Männedorf: "A Trip to Windsor." Miss E. Etter, Bischofszell: "A day in Windsor." R. König, Interlaken: "French and Italian Riviera." R. Perrin, St. Gall: "A Visit to the Manor Farm Dairy." Miss E. Bringolf, Rorschach: "English and Italian Character." W. Kägi, Davos: "Some Thoughts on Unemployment."

On April 7th the School had a record influx of students.

On April 11th a very interesting and instructive lecture, illustrated by lantern slides, was delivered by Clive Holland, Esq., M.B.E., on "Belgium, Past and Present." Mr. W. Deutsch, Chairman of the Education Committee, fittingly introduced the lecturer to an exceedingly large audience. The lecture was all the more interesting as the speaker had chosen slides which were made entirely from his own negatives and depicted some of the most interesting vistas of rural landscapes and towns in Belgium. The Chairman expressed the thanks of the audience to the lecturer.

Mr. Deutsch made an appeal on behalf of the "Fonds de Secours" and impressed on the students the benevolent work this Society is doing for the distressed Swiss in England. A collection box was passed round with a most satisfactory result. It is the intention to make similar collections after the Friday evening lectures. Mr. Deutsch then informed the students of the forthcoming Swiss Sports Meeting at Herne Hill on May 24th, and expressed the hope that the students would support this patriotic Meeting as in former years. He also made an announcement regarding the Dinner to be held in honour of our Minister, Monsieur C. R. Paravicini, on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of his appointment in London. The evening finished with an excellent musical programme rendered by the students.

The school was closed for ten days and reopened on Tuesday after Easter.

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#### BAPTEME.

Jeanine BARTHET, née le 14 Mars 1930, fille de Paul BARTHET, de St. Lizier (Ariège) et de Ruth Gertrude, née GUSSET, de Uetendorf (Berne)—le 20 Avril 1930.

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7 Uhr abends: Gottesdienst.

8 Uhr abends: Chorprobe.

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#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Monday, April 28th at 7.30 p.m.—SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY, Education Department: Students' Dance at Lever House (opposite Blackfriars Station).

Tuesday, April 29th.—UNIONE TICINESE: Festa Familiare at Pagani's, Great Portland St., W.1.

Saturday, May 3rd at 2.30 and 4.30 p.m.—NOUVELLE SOCIETE HELVETIQUE: "A Travers La Suisse." A further series of Swiss Films, at St. George's Hall, Caroline Street, Tottenham Court Road, W.1. Admission Free.

Tuesday, May 6th at 7 p.m.—CITY SWISS CLUB: Monthly Meeting at Pagani's (see advert).

Wednesday, May 7th, at 7.30 p.m.—SOCIETE DE SECOURS MUTUELS: Monthly Meeting at 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

Thursday, May 8th 1930.—"SWISS VAT" A.O.F.B.: Supper at Swiss Hotel, Old Compton Street, W.1.

Friday, May 16th at 7.30 p.m.—SOCIETE DE SECOURS MUTUELS: Annual Dinner at 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

Wednesday, May 21st at 8.30 p.m.—SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY: Monthly Meeting at Swiss House.

Saturday, May 24th.—SWISS SPORTS at Herne Hill Athletic Grounds.

Saturday, May 31st.—SWISS COLONY DINNER to MONSIEUR PARAVICINI at the Monaco Restaurant, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.1.

Thursday, June 19th, at 7 p.m.—FÊTE SUISSE at Central Hall, Westminster, S.W.1.

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