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FOOTBALL.

To many readers who, like the writer, lost touch with Swiss Football long years ago, the present organisation must be a puzzle. Gone are our old Serie A, B, etc., gone are the Groupes of Eastern, Central and Western Switzerland.

This Season inaugurated the present new system, whereby the first 18 clubs play in the National League, divided into two non-regional groupes of 9 clubs each.

Next in order follows League I similarly composed of 18 clubs in two groupes and with promotion and relegation to and from the National League.

Leagues II, III, IV and V are still divided into regions as existed in former times, with subdivisions into groupes. The arrangement is completed with the "Serie Junioren" with 3 groupes, Central I and II and Eastern Switzerland.

A complete League-table would take almost two pages in the Swiss Observer and the Editor promised to publish one at the first opportunity! (That will be, when all his collaborators let him down one week and he himself is away on holiday!)

You will readily understand the progress Football has made in Switzerland, if you consider that most National and First League Clubs play up to seven or eight teams in the various competitions. This is all for the good of the sport, whereas the semi-professionalism permeating the premier Leagues, officially sanctified and approved, is a matter against the grain of some of the "old guard exiles." The space of the Swiss Observer is too valuable to enlarge on that controversial subject.

The appended tables show the composition of the National League and we hope to find room for League I in a subsequent number.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

GROUPE I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals	F.	A.	Pts.
Zurich	5	5	0	0	17	5	10	
Young Fellows	5	4	1	0	16	7	9	
Urania	5	3	1	1	10	1	7	
Lugano	5	2	2	1	12	6	6	
Chaux-de-Fonds	5	3	0	2	10	8	6	
St. Gall	5	1	1	3	8	8	3	
Nordstern	4	1	1	2	9	13	3	
Bern	5	0	0	5	3	15	0	
Basel	5	0	0	5	5	27	0	

GROUPE II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals	F.	A.	Pts.
Aarau	4	3	0	1	4	2	6	
Carouge	6	1	4	1	12	11	6	
Blue Stars	3	2	0	1	5	1	4	
Biel	3	2	0	1	5	5	4	
Etoile	6	1	2	3	7	13	4	
Grasshoppers	4	1	1	2	6	4	3	
Old Boys	3	1	1	1	4	4	3	
Young Boys	3	1	1	1	4	5	3	
Servette	4	1	1	2	4	6	3	

PERSONAL.

M. Louis Micheli, for five years Secretary to the Swiss Legation, has been appointed Acting Counsellor at Washington, and will leave for the United States in December. We are tendering him, on behalf of our readers, heartiest congratulations.

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Wednesday, November 4th, at 7.30 p.m.—Société de Secours Mutuels: Monthly Meeting, at 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

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Wednesday, November 11th, at 8.30 p.m.—Swiss Mercantile Society Ltd.: Monthly Meeting, at "Swiss House," 34/35, Fitzroy Square, W.1.

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Dienstag, den 3. November 1931.
3 Uhr nachm. Nähverein im "Foyer Suisse."

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