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gressed. The Secretary "with his big drum" then made a final appeal to the members to make their donations now, as the money was urgently required to carry on the good work.

The response was magnificent, some members subscribing as much as 100 guineas each, and a good many promised to send further substantial cheques within the next few days.

When one recollects the happy times which have been spent at meetings of the City Swiss Club, it is indeed a great satisfaction to put on record the practical way in which all members took the opportunity of showing their attachment to Switzerland and to their compatriots in the Swiss Colony. As long as members carry on in the same spirit there can be no fear for the future irrespective of the hard times we may all be expected to go through.

So that those members who were unfortunately precluded from attending should also have an opportunity of co-operating in this patriotic effort, the Treasurer will include with his applications for subscription a special form of appeal, and we have no doubt that every patriot will give it the same enthusiastic support as those who were privileged to be present on Tuesday.

Bee.

## SWISS RELIEF CENTRE.

# Working in conjunction with the Swiss Benevolent Society.

The Committee appointed by the Swiss Minister has now fully equipped Swiss House, in Fitzroy Square, W.1, with thirty new beds and all other essentials for the reception of compatriots who may have been deprived of their homes or become stranded in London by reason of air raids over the capital.

One of the Members of the Committee has been charged with the duties of evacuation from Swiss House to private residences of the Swiss colony in London and the home counties. Swiss House can only be regarded as a first shelter to possible air raid victims, after which these will have to be housed elsewhere.

All resident Swiss in London and the home counties who have accommodation are therefore urgently requested to send to the Committee as soon as possible particulars of their capacity to shelter such victims. A full register is in course of production and the Committee is anxious to know exactly how many evacuees each Swiss household can absorb at the moment when Swiss House has been filled to capacity.

Will YOU kindly let the Committee know without delay how many persons YOU can receive in your household, and whether preferably males or females, children or adults, or possibly a whole family of how many persons.

Every Swiss household can and should help.

Register NOW!

THE COMMITTEE.

### PERSONAL.

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. René Stoll, of 37, Portland Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, whose mother passed away last Wednesday.

#### LETTER BOX.

- F. G. S. and others. We regret to hear that the S.O. reaches you sometimes on Monday morning only. If you will kindly return to us the wrapper we will take it up with the P.O. As a rule the S.O. is posted early on Friday afternoon.
- A. N. We are afraid we cannot help you; the only way of communication is by radio telegram, particulars of which we published in our last issue. We have been told, unofficially, that a restricted mail service between this country and Switzerland may be operated soon via Spain.
- A. F. You might apply to the Swiss Legation, 18, Montagu Place, W.1. As your friend born in Paris of Swiss parents has evidently omitted, before being called up, to lodge the necessary declaration in order to retain his birthright he cannot claim Swiss nationality without being released by the French authorities. The fact that the fortunes of war made him a temporary resident in this country can hardly influence the legal aspect.

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

- Wednesday, July 10th, at 7.30 p.m. Swiss Mercantile Society Monthly Meeting, at Swiss House, 34/35, Fitzroy Square, W.1.
- Friday, July 19th, at 7.30 p.m. Nouvelle Société Helvétique — Monthly Meeting — to be followed by the usual "Comment on the International Situation," by G. J. Keller, Esq., at "Swiss House," 34/35, Fitzroy Square, W.1.
- Tuesday, August 6th, at 7 p.m. City Swiss Club Monthly Meeting, at Pagani's Restaurant.

# Divine Services.

- Dimanche 7 juillet 1940: à l'Eglise Suisse, 79, Endell Street, W.C.2. 11h. Culte et Ste. Cène M. M. Pradervand.
  - 6h. Culte au Foyer Suisse, 15 Bedford Way, W.C.1.
- Mardi 9 juillet, à 2h.30, au Foyer Suisse, Réunion de couture pour la Croix-Rouge britannique.

#### BAPTEME.

- Le 30 juin, Andrée-Jane Challandes, fille de Robert Gustave et d'Yvonne-Clémentine née Golay.
- Pour tout ce qui concerne le ministère pastoral, prière de s'adresser à Monsieur le pasteur Marcel Pradervand, 65, Mount View Road, N.4. (Téléphone Mountview 5003). Heure de réception à l'église le mercredi de 11-12h.30.
- Sonntag, den 7. Juli 1940: in der **Schweizerkirche**, 9, Gresham Street, E.C.2.
  - 11 Uhr Gottesdienst Mr. B. Segal.
  - 6 Uhr Gottesdienst in Französisch im Foyer Suisse.
- Dienstag, den 9. Juli, 2.30 Uhr, im Foyer Suisse, Nähverein (für das brit. Rote Kreuz).
- Für alle Amtshandlungen wende man sich z.Z. an Pfr. M. Pradervand, 65, Mount View Road, N.4. (MOU 5003)

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