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£300 the Salford business of a man name Slatter, inventor of the "bowl" type of chain. The development of the "safety" cycle, which for lack of a durable chain was not a complete success, led to Renold evolving the bush roller type. This assured the success of the cycle industry and started a demand for chains which Renold met by moving to a larger workshop in Extension of the Brook Brook Street, Manchester. Street premises was soon necessary, but this was not enough to cope with the business, and in 1906 he began to build the great works at Burnage. They were completed in 1914 — a modern estate of one-storey build ings surrounded by trees, lawns, and flower beds. Already in 1896 he had been one of the first employers to institute a 48-hour week, and the conditions under which his employees worked were further improved by the equipment of the works with all modern amenities, including canteens and first-aid departments. He also provided facilities for games, including golf, a small course being laid out by the side of the works. While in the Brook Street premises Renold had installed electricity for power purposes, the supply being taken from the corporation cables. He was, indeed, the first manufacturer in Manchester to use this source for power.

During the Great War the works was engaged in the manufacture of munitions, and in 1916 Renold patented the segmental bush bearing for inverted tooth chains, which became in post-war years one of the most important chain developments. He served on the committee of management of the Manchester and District Armaments Committee. In 1930 the business of the Coventry Chain Company, Ltd., and Brampton Bros., Ltd., were merged with Hans Renold, Ltd., thus bringing under one control nearly the whole of the British precision-chain industry, of which Renold, working with one man and a boy, was the founder in 1879.

He was made a magistrate of the city of Manchester in 1917, and in 1940 Manchester University conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Science. There were until his death three generations of Renolds in the business — Mr. Hans Renold, Mr. Charles G. Renold (his eldest son), and Mr. Hans Renold, jun. (Mr. Charles Renold's eldest son).

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We hope to go to press again on June 25th. We are sorry to state that on account of pressure on our space several items had to be left over for the next issue.

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Wednesday, 9th June, 1943, at 6 p.m. — Swiss Mercantile Society Ltd. — Monthly Meeting, at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1.

Saturday, 19th June, at 2.15 p.m. — Nouvelle Société
Helvétique — Monthly Meeting at Swiss House,
35, Fitzroy Square, W.1 — followed by Mr. G. J.
Keller's usual talk on "Current Events."

Tuesday, 22nd June, 1943, at 5.30 for 6.30 p.m. — London Swiss Philatelic Society — Monthly Meeting at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1, preceded and followed by "Swopping."

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