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### FROM THE LEGATION.

Monsieur Richard Mordasini, Vice-Consul, who has just joined this Legation as Head of the Chancellery and Consular Service as the successor of the late M. Paul Hilfiker, has come over from our Legation in Rome, where he occupied the same post during the past six years. M. Mordasini, who was born in Bellinzona on March 5th, 1895, is a native of Comologno, Ticino. He was Chancellor of the Swiss Consulate in Trieste from 1931 until 1936, when he was placed in charge of the same Consulate. From 1937 up to the time of his joining the Swiss Legation in Rome in 1938, M. Mordasini was in charge of both the Swiss and the Dutch Consulates in Trieste. He played, moreover, a very active part in the Swiss Colony at Rome and Trieste, where he was a great favourite amongst his compatriots. In congratulating Monsieur R. Mordasini on his appointment, we feel sure he will find a warm welcome among his compatriots in London.

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Saturday, March 10th, 1945, at 2.30 p.m. — Swiss Mercantile Society Ltd. — Monthly Meeting at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1, followed by a film show.

Tuesday, March 13th, 1945, at 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. — City Swiss Club — Monthly Meeting in form of a "Bierabig" at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1. (see advert).

Saturday, March 17th, 1945, at 2.30 p.m. — Nouvelle Société Helvétique — Monthly Meeting at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1.

Saturday, March 31st, 1945, at 2.30 p.m. — London Swiss Philatelic Society — Monthly Meeting at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1, followed by "Swopping."

Saturday, March 31st, 1945, at 7 p.m. — Schweizerbund (Swiss Club), 74, Charlotte Street, W.1. — Special Dance, Tombola, etc., in aid of the Swiss Benevolent Society.

Sunday, May 6th, 1945, from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. — Unione
Ticinese — The Dansant at the Dorchester Hotel,
Park Lane, W.1.

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