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ANGLO-SWISS SOCIETY.

Included with this issue of the "Swiss Observer" is a prospectus of the Anglo-Swiss Society of Great Britain. This Society, founded in 1948, held its Inaugural Dinner at the Dorchester Hotel in February of this year. Since then it has held various functions, including a Luncheon in May at which the principal Guests were the members of the Parliamentary Delegation of the Swiss Federal Assembly. A most successful Joint-Luncheon with the "Schweizerisch-Britische Gesellschaft" of Zurich was held in Lucerne during the summer, and future functions include a Reception and Recital by Mme. Nina Nüesch on November 3rd and a Supper Ball and Cabaret on December 12th.

The main objects of the Society are to maintain and develop the existing friendship between the British and Swiss peoples, to foster a closer unity to the mutual advantage of the two nations and to promote social and cultural relations between Great Britain and Switzerland.

Members of the Society receive regularly copies of the Anglo-Swiss Leaflet giving details of "Coming Events" together with "News of the Month."

The membership of the Society has grown steadily since the beginning of the year and is already more than 600 strong.

It is hoped that readers of the "Swiss Observer," both Swiss and British, will join the Society and so help to maintain and spread its ideals.

Readers will find attached to the prospectus an application form for membership.

NOUVELLE SOCIÉTÉ HELVÉTIQUE. Open Meeting and Film Show.

The London Group of the Nouvelle Société Helvétique is opening its Winter programme on October 18th with an Open Meeting devoted to a free discussion on various questions of interest of the Colony, viz:— the failure of the recent attempt to establish a Swiss Centre at No. 1 Gerrard Place; a request from the Schweizerbund for more support from the Colony; the need for facilities to transfer savings to Switzerland, etc.

The Meeting starts as usual at 7 p.m. at the Vienna Café, Berkeley Arcade, Baker Street, W.1, and it will be followed (by courtesy of the Swiss Federal Railways) by a film-show after 8 o/c. As always dinners and snacks are available before the Meeting, at which all Swiss (members and non-members) and friends of Switzerland are welcome.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

"Everyday English for Foreign Students."

By SIMEON POTTER.

Published by Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons Ltd. Price 5/-.

This, the seventh edition of Professor Potter's handbook, is exactly what is conveyed by its title. Neither a grammar nor a dictionary, the book consists of a series of short articles describing and explaining in simple, colloquial phrasing, the various aspects of English life as seen by a foreigner. The text is marked throughout by means of the Craigie system to indicate correct pronunciation, and there are some thirty illustrations.

A useful guide to the advanced student of English and not without value to those who have attained mastery of the language.

J.J.F.S.

OUR NEXT ISSUE.

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