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funds to Switzerland. Bills or statements of account have to be attached to transfer applications; documentary evidence is also necessary, showing that the pupil has been enrolled at a school for a specified period and is taking a fulltime course. The maximum allowance for the full scholastic year ending July, 1951, remains unmodified at £320, which can be supplemented by the basic travel allowance of £50 for children over 15 and £35 for those under 15 years of age.

7. Higher Education.

With the entry of Switzerland into the European Payments Union the position is that the currency may be provided for under-graduates or post-graduates to attend full-time courses at universities or similar institutions of an academic or technical nature. The discrimination to which Swiss universities had so far been subjected by the British financial authorities has thus been removed.

8. Medical Treatment.

The British authorities have not been discriminating against Switzerland in the past on currency grounds. From that point of view, therefore, Switzerland's entry into the European Payments Union will make but little difference. The applications for currency depended, and will continue to depend, on medical reasons over which the British Medical Advisory Committee will decide in future as it did in the past.

9. Transfer Tax.

The transfer tax of 1% levied by the Swiss Compensation Office on transfers from the Sterling Area to Switzerland will be removed.

10. Trade between Switzerland and Non-Sterling Area Countries on a £ Basis.

Switzerland has been invited to join the transferable account system. Although Switzerland takes an active interest in this system, further time is required to examine its full implications. It has, however, been agreed that facilities should be granted by the British authorities to Switzerland for her trade on a £ basis with countries outside the Sterling Area. Switzerland will therefore be able to export to third countries and to widen her transit trade to a very considerable extent by accepting £s in payment. These transactions require, however, the consent of the authorities of the countries concerned (which will in most cases be given).

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"FETE SUISSE" COMMITTEE MEETING. Monday, November 6th, 1950, at Swiss Church.

From the President's Report and the figures submitted by the Hon. Treasurer the last Fête Suisse was a success from every point of view. The accounts closed with a credit balance which allowed the meeting to vote an amount of £20 in favour of the Swiss Benevolent Society.

It is with much regret that the Committee had to accept the resignation of their President, Mr. Charles Chapuis, who has occupied this post for some 30 years. All present expressed their gratitude to Mr. Chapuis for all the time and work he devoted to this task and as an acknowledgement for his untiring efforts elected him as Honorary Vice-President. It is hoped that by this appointment the experience and advice of Mr. Chapuis will thus still be available to the new Committee.

The latter is now composed of:—

Mr. A. Renou, *President*.

Mr. E. P. Dick, *Vice-President*.

Mr. J. Zimmermann, *Hon. Treasurer*.

Revd. C. Reverdin, *Hon. Secretary*.

Pfarrer H. Blum, *Hon. Assist-Secretary*.

The next Fête Suisse will take place at the Central Hall, Westminster, on June 14th, 1951. The programme promises to be most interesting as we shall have the visit of the Solothurn "Stadt Musik" plus, if this can be arranged, a return of the Chanson de Lausanne, who were such a huge success last year.

R.D.

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