

Zeitschrift: The Swiss observer : the journal of the Federation of Swiss Societies in the UK

Herausgeber: Federation of Swiss Societies in the United Kingdom

Band: - (1950)

Heft: 1130

Rubrik: Prepaid subscription rates

Nutzungsbedingungen

Die ETH-Bibliothek ist die Anbieterin der digitalisierten Zeitschriften auf E-Periodica. Sie besitzt keine Urheberrechte an den Zeitschriften und ist nicht verantwortlich für deren Inhalte. Die Rechte liegen in der Regel bei den Herausgebern beziehungsweise den externen Rechteinhabern. Das Veröffentlichen von Bildern in Print- und Online-Publikationen sowie auf Social Media-Kanälen oder Webseiten ist nur mit vorheriger Genehmigung der Rechteinhaber erlaubt. [Mehr erfahren](#)

Conditions d'utilisation

L'ETH Library est le fournisseur des revues numérisées. Elle ne détient aucun droit d'auteur sur les revues et n'est pas responsable de leur contenu. En règle générale, les droits sont détenus par les éditeurs ou les détenteurs de droits externes. La reproduction d'images dans des publications imprimées ou en ligne ainsi que sur des canaux de médias sociaux ou des sites web n'est autorisée qu'avec l'accord préalable des détenteurs des droits. [En savoir plus](#)

Terms of use

The ETH Library is the provider of the digitised journals. It does not own any copyrights to the journals and is not responsible for their content. The rights usually lie with the publishers or the external rights holders. Publishing images in print and online publications, as well as on social media channels or websites, is only permitted with the prior consent of the rights holders. [Find out more](#)

Download PDF: 28.01.2026

ETH-Bibliothek Zürich, E-Periodica, <https://www.e-periodica.ch>

The Swiss Observer

FOUNDED BY PAUL F. BOEHRINGER.

The Official Organ of the Swiss Colony in Great Britain.

EDITED BY A. STAUFFER WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF MEMBERS OF THE SWISS COLONY IN GREAT BRITAIN.

Telephone: CLERKENWELL 2321/2.

Published Twice Monthly at 23, LEONARD STREET, E.C.2.

Telegrams: FREPRINCO, LONDON.

VOL. 33. No. 1130.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24th, 1950.

PRICE 6d.

PREPAID SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

(Fortnightly issue.)

UNITED KINGDOM AND COLONIES	{	6 issues, post free	3/6
		12 issues, post free	6/6
		24 issues, post free	12/-
SWITZERLAND	{	12 issues, post free	Frs. 5.—
		24 issues, post free	Frs. 10.—

(Swiss subscriptions may be paid into Postscheck-Konto
Basle V 5718).



NEWS AT RANDOM

Federal

The Federal Council has appointed Monsieur August Ochsenbein, at present Counsellor of Legation in Madrid, to the post of Consul General in Barcelona.

M. Ochsenbein, was born in 1901 in Solothurn and received the degree of doctor of political science at the University of Berne. He entered the Diplomatic service in 1925, and has held various posts in Manchester, Danzig, Breslau and Berlin. He was promoted to the rank of Counsellor of Legation in 1941. In the year 1946, he held the post of Chargé d'Affaires in Vienna. Since 1948, he has been 1st Counsellor of Legation at the Swiss Legation in Madrid.

* * *

Monsieur William Warnock, Minister of the Republic of Eire, has presented his credentials to Monsieur Max Petitpierre, President of the Swiss Confederation. He formerly represented his country in Stockholm.

Minister Warnock is the first Minister of Eire in Switzerland, as this country was hitherto represented by a Chargé d'Affaires.

* * *

General Mohammed Omar Khan, the newly appointed Minister of Afghanistan, has presented his credentials to M. Max Petitpierre, President of the Swiss Confederation. He was until recently Minister of War in Kabul.

* * *

Devadas Ghandi, son of the late Mahatma Ghandi was received in Berne by the President of the Swiss Confederation, and entertained at an official reception. Mr. Ghandi, is the Editor-in-Chief of the "Hindustan Times" and President of the Association of Indian Editors.

* * *

Professor Erhard, Minister of Economy for Western Germany, at present in Switzerland, has paid a courtesy visit to the President of the Swiss Confederation.

* * *

Customs receipts during the month of January, 1950, totalled 33.6 million francs, or 0.9 million francs less than in January, 1949.

In a referendum, the Swiss electorate rejected by 386,172 votes to 333,223 a law which had been accepted by Parliament granting subsidies to firms for housing programmes.

Cantonal

The Government of the canton of Uri has officially received the recently appointed Army-Corps Commander Nager of Realp. [A.T.S.]

* * *

During the year 1949, 418 traffic accidents have occurred in the canton of Schwyz; 227 persons were injured, 13 of whom succumbed to their injuries. In 23 cases, the accidents happened through drivers being under the influence of alcohol. [A.T.S.]

* * *

The proprietress of a tobacco and cigar shop at the "Franziskanerplatz", in Lucerne, was attacked by an Italian, who entered the establishment to make a purchase. Whilst going to serve him, the man suddenly hit her on the head with a truncheon and knocked her down.

The woman was fortunately able to reach the door, where she cried for help. The attacker then took to his heels, but was hotly pursued by a policeman and arrested, an accomplice who had been on the watch was arrested later on. Fortunately the attacked woman received only slight injuries. [A.T.S.]

* * *

Emil Schill a well-known landscape painter, has celebrated his 80th birthday anniversary in Lucerne. He is a citizen of Basle. [A.T.S.]

* * *

The Senate of the University of Zurich has elected Dr. Paul Karrer, Professor of Philosophy, rector of the University for the years 1950-1952. [A.T.S.]

* * *

René Thiessing, formerly head of the Publicity Service of the Swiss Federal Railways, and later on

QUEEN'S HOTEL HASTINGS SUSSEX

Unrivalled Position on Promenade

General Manager: Robert Lehner.

Telephone: Hastings 4167. Telegrams: Queen's Hastings.

Ideal spot for all holidays. Special programme for Christmas with Gala Dances and Childrens' Party. Central Heating, hot and cold water and telephones in all bedrooms. Gloucester Restaurant — One of the finest on the South Coast. Ballroom, **Piccolo Bar**. Excellent facilities for Banquets, Conferences, Wedding Receptions, etc. Easy reach Golf, Angling, Riding, Tennis. Two minutes from **Medicinal Baths** and Station. Write for Tariff — En-pension terms from 25/- per day. A.A. ★★★★ out of 10. R.A.C. 5 miles. **Rotary Headquarters**.