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The following couples have celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary (60) in Switzerland: Mr. and Mrs. L. Notz-Lietha, of Zurich; Mr. and Mrs. Kurz-Kübler, of Wilchingen (Ct. Schaffhausen).

[A.T.S.]

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Here are further balances of the accounts for 1951 of Swiss cantons:

Valais ..... Credit Balance ..... 157,175.—frs.  
Lucerne ..... Debit Balance ..... 208,191.—frs.

[A.T.S.]

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The Organisation Committee of the Federal Gymnastic Festival, which took place in Lausanne last year, have presented their final accounts showing a credit balance of 42,409.—frs. [A.T.S.]

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According to figures given by the Central Committee of the "Schweizerischen Kaufmännischen Vereins", the membership of the Society numbers 52,500 active and 5,000 youth members. [A.T.S.]

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Of the nearly 5 million population of Switzerland, 2.46 million or 57.6 per cent are Protestant and 1.75 million or 41.4 per cent Catholics, according to the last census. [A.T.S.]

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Dr. Kobelt, President of the Swiss Confederation, opening the Geneva Car Show, urged motorists to buy cars that could be used by the army, if mobilised. "It is part of our militia system of 'weapons at home' that not only the soldier but horses and motor-cars must be called up", he said. [A.T.S.]

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Two Swiss, Professors Eggert and Boltzer, have been made corresponding members of the Bavarian Academy of Science. Professor Eggert teaches physics at the Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) in Zurich, while Professor Boltzer lectures on zoology at the University of Berne. Mr. Jacob Seiler, a teacher of zoology at the Institute of Technology, Zurich, has also been made a member of the Academy.

## ALL NATIONS CAVALCADE.

Readers will be interested to know of the ALL-NATIONS CAVALCADE of Song and Dance to take place at the Royal Albert Hall — Sunday, May 25th, at 7 p.m.

The show — in aid of The National Playing Fields Association — will have a tremendous cast of hundreds of international peoples giving displays of their own culture with good entertainment. There will be many big choirs and groups of dancers from Europe to Coloured Dancers from the Gold Coast.

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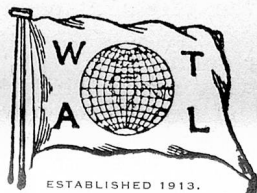
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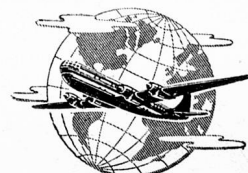
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