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### NEWS AT RANDOM

#### Federal

As reported in our last issue, the Swiss electorate, rejected a Socialist proposal for a capital levy for the financing of the armament programme. Here are the detailed results:

	Yes.	No.
Zürich .....	86,645	78,363
Bern .....	49,031	57,025
Luzern .....	11,015	23,377
Uri .....	1,470	3,670
Schwyz .....	2,198	7,332
Obwalden .....	438	2,658
Nidwalden .....	878	2,393
Glarus .....	2,711	4,459
Zug .....	1,995	3,636
Fribourg .....	4,295	13,034
Solothurn .....	13,813	16,666
Baselstadt .....	14,907	13,742
Baselland .....	9,184	8,460
Schaffhausen .....	7,343	6,367
Appenzell A.Rh. ....	3,621	6,091
Appenzell I.Rh. ....	345	1,420
St. Gallen .....	21,062	33,736
Graubünden .....	6,335	14,948
Aargau .....	32,736	38,000
Thurgau .....	11,118	19,405
Ticino .....	10,052	7,212
Vaud .....	16,407	25,977
Valais .....	4,595	10,466
Neuchâtel .....	9,254	11,645
Genève .....	6,863	11,682
Total .....	328,275	421,764

53 per cent of the electorate went to the poll.

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The two chambers of the Swiss Parliament have assembled in Berne for the summer session for the duration of three weeks.

#### Cantonal

The accounts for the 600th anniversary of the entry of the canton of Zurich into the Swiss Confederation closed with a credit balance of 51,288.—frs. [A.T.S.]

The late Mr. Jean Schiesser, Factory-Manager, citizen of Linthal, has left an amount of 58,500.—frs. to various public institutions and societies. [A.T.S.]

Mr. Emil Baumgartner (Liberal), has been elected Mayor of the town of Thun with 2,917 votes. His opponent, National-Councillor W. Stünzi (Socialist), received 2,811 votes. [A.T.S.]

The recently deceased Mr. Hans Stucki, of Reutigen (Ct. Berne), Hotel Porter, has left the amount of 25,000.—frs. to the village of Reutigen towards the costs of building a new school. [A.T.S.]

The accounts of the canton Basle Town for the year 1951, close with a credit Balance of 1.76 million francs. [A.T.S.]

A burglar smashed a window of a Jewellery firm, R. Breitenmoser, in Appenzell and got away with goods to the value of 6,000.—frs. [A.T.S.]

The late Mme. Elisa Feusi-Drittenbass, of St. Gall, has left legacies amounting to 44,000.—frs. to various charitable institutions. [A.T.S.]

Mr. Raul Sommer (Democrat), has been elected President of the commune of St. Moritz. [A.T.S.]

On the occasion of the General Meeting of the S.A. Paillard, which took place at St. Croix, the following donations have been voted: "Gewerbeschulen" St.

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