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TRANSATLANTIC PLANE FOR WINTER SPORTS PLANS.

To meet the great demand from winter sports enthusiasts who want to fly to Switzerland, Swissair is to introduce a transatlantic airliner on the London — Zürich route. The service starts on December 17th and will continue until next April.

The giant plane is the famous Douglas DC-6B which has a crew of eleven on its normal North Atlantic flight. It is more than a hundred feet long, with a maximum take-off weight equal to five fully-loaded motor-coaches. For the Zürich flight it will be able to accommodate 16 First Class passengers in de luxe seats paying £32.19s. return as well as 56 tourist class passengers whose return fare is only £26.15s.

The transatlantic plane will be flying daily to Zürich, arriving at the city centre at 2.40 p.m. Most of the Swiss winter sports resorts can be reached the same day.

First Class passengers will be entitled to have their luggage carried free of charge up to 44 lbs, with a 33 lb. limit in the case of the tourists. Skis and sticks, if they are over the free baggage allowance, will be charged a special rate of 5s. a set.

In addition to the new service there will still be regular flights to Switzerland by Convairs and DC-4's.

LONDON SWISS PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

There was a good attendance at the meeting on November 27th when the Annual competition for the Challenge Cup took place. This year's Judge was Mr. O. W. Newport, Assistant Editor of "Stamp Collecting", who, in announcing his award, told the members that, owing to the varied nature and high standard of excellence of the entries, he had had the greatest difficulty in reaching his decision. The cup was won, for the second time by Mr. J. Beken, while the runners-up were Mr. D. W. Langley and Mr. C. M. Dickinson-Fredericks.

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