

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: - (1959)
Heft: 1343

Artikel: Facts and Figures
Autor: [s.n.]
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.5169/seals-690280>

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: 13.08.2025

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

New!



rich
ripe
red
tomato

Knorr

FACTS AND FIGURES.

By MR. RYSLER.

According to some recently published statistics, air traffic in Switzerland increased still further in 1958. From them we learn that the national airline company Swissair carried about a million passengers, this being an increase of 7 per cent as compared with 1957. The weight of the freight transported rose by approximately 25 per cent to 15,000 tons. On 1st July 1958 the airline network of Swissair extended over 120,000 kilometres, this being 25,000 kilometres more than in the preceding year. In 1958 the following foreign airline companies operated the lines between their respective countries and Switzerland, throughout the whole year: Austrian Airlines, Vienna; Finnair, Helsinki; Trans-Canada Airlines, Montreal; Olympic Airways, Athens; Polish Aviation Company, Warsaw; and — after an interruption lasting for five years — the Misrair Heliopolis, Egypt. The number of foreign airline companies carrying out flights to our country regularly, the whole year round, has thus now gone up to 29.

* * *

The loan which was put up for public subscription in Switzerland recently by the British Petroleum Company Limited, and which amounted in value to 60 million francs, has proved extremely successful. The subscriptions exceed the available amount to a considerable degree so that they can only be taken into consideration partially and on a very reduced basis.

* * *

As announced by the American Cyanamid Company, an important firm in the chemical and pharmaceutical industry, the preparatory work for the setting up in Geneva of a Laboratory for Fundamental Research has now been brought to a satisfactory conclusion. This Research Station, which is to bear the title of "Cyanamid European Research Institute", will employ Swiss, British, French, German and other scientists, and will devote itself to long term fundamental research in the domain of chemistry and biology. This American undertaking has the intention of placing in the service of the Institute six or seven leading scientists who are specialists in various branches of science. Each research scientist will be at the head of his own special department and will have at his disposal not only the most modern equipment, but also a competent staff.

* * *

A new road-tunnel — which is the longest in Switzerland, with its 15,000 metres — was recently put into operation in the Blenio Valley, in the Canton of Tessin. This tunnel makes traffic possible the whole year round without any danger from avalanches and snow-drifts. An interesting feature of this tunnel is its automatic ventilation, which, naturally, works in accordance with the amount of exhaust gas present. Should the ventilation plant break down for some reason or other, traffic at both ends of the tunnel is stopped automatically by means of traffic lights.

* * *

A new power station is to be set up shortly in Veytaux, in the vicinity of the Castle of Chillon, by the Lake of Geneva, the entire plant being housed in a subterranean cavern which will measure 100 metres in length, 23 metres in width and 20 metres in height. The building costs for this new power station are estimated at approximately 30 million francs.



International Association
of Master Ladies' Hairdressers

SWISS COIFFURES

Permanent Waving with modern haircut, shampoo and set only 3 gns. all incl.

Hairtinting a Speciality, at the up-to-date salon of

CHARLES OF LONDON

42 OLD BOND STREET, W.1

(FIRST FLOOR)

Tel.: HYD 4500

Also at:

WEMbley 3178 & 2828

SHEpherts Bush 4181 & TERminus 5122

also at TORONTO, Canada: 651 Church Street, W A 3-6332.

Insist on
delicious

Ovaltine

Often Imitated - Never Equalled

