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for Arosa. They came from Northumberland, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Warwickshire, and Greater London area. They were children suffering from persistent asthmatic, bronchial and other chest complaints which had not been remedied in Gt. Britain, and were recommended by hospital doctors, medical practitioners and medical officers of industrial concerns as likely to gain special advantage from convalescence in the Swiss Alps. Each child will stay at least three months in the care of a splendidly run Swiss Convalescent Home, and in special charge of the Society's own English companion teacher.

Since its inauguration some thirteen years ago, the Society has taken 206 children, each of whom has spent at least three and some six months in the mountain air of Switzerland. There have been many most encouraging results, a very fair percentage of the children taken having regained complete good health, whilst all benefited enormously by this treat-

ment.

The Society hopes to take more and more such children, all of whom must of course qualify not only on medical grounds, but by the financial circumstances of the parents, as only children of those genuinely unable to afford the cost are considered. It is also intended to give the children a longer period of convalescence as this would make all the difference to their chance of a complete recovery. When funds permit, this will be done.

Alpine Sun for British Children has no paid administrative staff, and office accommodation, rent, light and heating etc is provided free of charge, so that the bulk of the money contributed goes for the direct benefit of the children.

The Hon. Administrator Mr. Alan J. Gowing, 8 Rowan Walk, Bromley, Kent would welcome any donations, however small, towards this work for sick British children.

(Mr. Gowing is a subscriber of the S.O. and is a great friend of Switzerland. We should like to recommend the organisation warmly. Ed.).

#### The winter schedule of Swiss Broadcasting Corporations' European and Overseas Services

The new edition of "Switzerland Calling", the SBC's programme-schedule covers the period from November 2nd 1969 to May 2nd 1970. Totalling 50 hours each day our broadcasts can be heard throughout the world in the following transmissions:

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#### **Overseas Programmes**

Programmes in English, Spanish, Portuguese, French and Arabic are beamed around the world and include international and home news, political commentaries, actuality reports and entertainment features, serious, light and Swiss country music concerts and special programmes for DX-ers, jazzfans and the Swiss Abroad.

#### Programmes for the Swiss Abroad

"Schwitzerspiegel", "Reflets suisses" and "Prisma Svizzero" will continue to bring to the Swiss living outside Switzerland maximum information on Swiss events.

Frequencies, reception areas and times, together with additional information on the programmes are indicated in the four versions (English/German, Spanish/French, Portuguese/Italian and Arabic) of "Switzerland Calling", which can be received free of charge from SBC's European and Overseas Services, Post Box, CH-3000 Bern 16.

#### SWISS WELFARE OFFICE

The 20th anniversary of the Swiss Welfare Office for Girls has been marked by a cocktail party given at the residence of the Embassy by the Ambassador, Mr. René Keller, on Thursday, 30th October. The Embassy, the Consulate and the Committee of the Welfare Office were largely represented. Many of the pillars of the Swiss Colony of London were also present.

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