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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Every Thursday, from 6 to 7.30 p.m. — Discussion Circle in English — Young men specially invited. Tea from 6 to 6.15 p.m. Swiss Y.M.C.A., London Central Y.M.C.A. Building, Great Russell Street, W.C.1.

Secours Mutuels des Suisses à Londres: Monthly Meetings every first Wednesday of the month at 34 Fitzroy Square, W.1. — 7 p.m.

JANUARY:

Friday, 10th, 7.30 p.m. — PIANO RECITAL by Edith Fischer — Wigmore Hall, W.1.

Tuesday, 14th, 7.30 p.m. — RECITAL by the Fischer Trio — Wigmore Hall, W.1.

Wednesday, 15th, 6 p.m. — HELVETICA LODGE OF INSTRUCTION No. 4894 — Swiss House, 35 Fitzroy Square, W.1.

Thursday, 16th, 7.45 p.m. — Queen Elizabeth Hall — PIANO RECITAL — Nikita Magaloff (Chopin).

Thursday, 23rd, 7.45 p.m. — Nouvelle Société Helvétique — FILM SHOW — Swiss Hostel for Girls.

Tuesday, 28th — City Swiss Club — CARD EVENING.

Thursday, 30th — Swiss Club **Manchester** — RACLETTE PARTY — Cottons Hotel, Knutsford.

Friday, 31st — ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and AUCTION — London Swiss Philatelic Society.

FEBRUARY:

Saturday, 1st — Swiss Mercantile Society — ANNUAL BANQUET AND BALL — Dorchester Hotel, W.1.

Wednesday, 19th, 7.15 p.m. — Swiss Mercantile Society — ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING — Swiss House, 35 Fitzroy Square, W.1.

Wednesday, 19th, 5.55 p.m. — Royal Festival Hall — ORGAN RECITAL — Lionel Rogg.

Thursday, 20th, 7.45 p.m. — Nouvelle Société Helvétique — OPEN MEETING.

Tuesday, 25th — City Swiss Club — SOIREE FAMILIALE.

Friday, 28th — London Swiss Philatelic Society — ANNUAL DINNER (informal) — Dorchester Hotel.

MARCH:

Saturday, 1st — Swiss Club **Manchester** — ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

JULY:

7th to 27th — FEDERAL SHOOTING CONTEST — Thun — which will include the 6th Radio-World Shooting Contest devoted to Swiss living abroad who are unable to attend the *Tir Fédéral* in Switzerland. The 17th July will be reserved for a special day for the Swiss abroad. Information to be had from Embassy or Consulate.

WELFARE OFFICE FOR SWISS GIRLS IN GREAT BRITAIN

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SWISSAIR RE-ORGANISES LONDON OFFICE

From 1st January, Mr. H. P. Zollinger, Swissair's Passenger Sales Manager for U.K. and Ireland, will also assume the function of Deputy General Manager for U.K. and Ireland, hitherto held by Mr. E. Burgaezzi, U.K. Passenger Traffic Manager. This follows Mr. Burgaezzi's appointment as the airline's Manager for Yugoslavia in Belgrade, effective from 1st February. The position of traffic manager having been abolished, Mr. Zollinger will additionally be responsible for London passenger reservations.

Mr. P. W. Reeve, London District Sales Manager, assumes apart from his previous duties responsibility for the airline's air travel office, comprising ticket office, passenger service and tariffs sections.

Mr. C. Gygax, hitherto ticket office supervisor, becomes air travel office superintendent.

Succeeding Mr. D. Runge who has left the company, Mr. A. Kuebele has been appointed reservations supervisor. Mr. Kuebele, hitherto in charge of Swissair's reservations in Basle, has had special experience of computerised reservations systems and will prepare the introduction of the PARS system to the airline's London reservations. This equipment, providing an immediate link with Swissair's computerised reservations in Zurich, is expected to come into use in the London offices late in 1969.

ZURICH KLOTEN AIRPORT

In recent years steady progress was made towards lowering the minimum visibility conditions for landing air liners with the assistance of the latest available landing aids.

At Zurich Kloten Airport new equipment was recently installed which represents a considerable improvement on the previous system. The result is a further reduction in the number of diversions resulting from weather conditions. It also represents a definite step nearer to the all weather instrument landing.

[S.N.T.O.]

AERIAL CABLEWAYS IN SWITZERLAND

Whereas in 1938 there were only six aerial cableways in the whole of Switzerland licensed by the Confederation, in 1967 the figure amounted to 259. To these should be added 63 aerial cableways with a cantonal licence and 737 ski-tows of one kind or another. At the same time the number of passengers transported has also increased to a very large extent. In 1967, the Federal licensed installations carried 47.1 million people, i.e. over five times as many as in 1948. No other means of public transport can show such an increase in passengers in the course of the last few years.

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