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The *Swiss Oboist Heinz Holliger* is Soloist in concerts given by the *English Chamber Orchestra* on Wednesday, 9th February at 7.30 p.m. at All Saints Church, Northampton; on Friday, 11th February at 7.45 p.m., at Queen Elizabeth Hall; on Saturday, 12th February at 7.30 p.m., at Chichester Festival Hall.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

NOUVELLE SOCIÉTÉ HELVÉTIQUE: Swiss Hostel for Girls, 9 Belsize Grove, Thursday, 17th February at 7 p.m. Open Meeting. Film Show: Personal film enquiry on the Swiss people by Jacques Thevoz.

CITY SWISS CLUB: Tuesday, 22nd February. Monthly Meeting, 6.30 for 7 p.m. Dorchester Hotel.

SWISS CLUB EDINBURGH: Tuesday, 22nd February at 112 Hanover St. Monthly Meeting, 8 p.m.

SWISS CLUB MANCHESTER: Thursday, 17th February at Grand Hotel at 8.15 p.m. AGM. Buffet at 7 p.m.

SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY: AGM at Swiss House, Wednesday, 16th February at 7.15 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS

It is with great pleasure that we announce the marriage of Miss Pamela Constance Bircher to Mr. Arthur James Muirhead. It took place at St. Mary Abbots Church in Kensington, on Saturday, 15th January, and a Reception was held afterwards at Basil Street Hotel.

The bride is the elder daughter of Dr. E. M. and the late Mrs. Constance Bircher. Dr. Bircher was for many years at the Swiss Embassy in London and took a very active part in the life of the Swiss community. He married again a few years ago, and he and his wife spend their time between Bissone in the Ticino and London.

The young couple have left for India, and we wish them every happiness for the future.

JANUARY EVENTS

The Colony Children Celebration took place on 1st January at the YMCA Headquarters. It was, as usual, a great success and attended by over 110 little Swiss. They were entertained by slides on the Nativity commented by Mrs. Zwicky; by their friend the Magician, who comes regularly to perform for them each New Year; by an SNTD tourist film and by two Walt Disney cartoons. They were given all sorts of lovely gifts by Father Christmas, impersonated by Mr. G. Godet and enjoyed traditional tea given after the Show. The organisers would like to thank once again all the ladies who have helped to make this youthful function a success and all the members of Swiss societies who so generously signed the "little black book".

Rarely had an SMS Monthly Meeting lately been so well attended than on Wednesday, 12th January, when Members, and a high proportion of ladies, came to hear Mrs. M. Meier's exposé on the "changed position of women in Switzerland". The speaker showed that women enjoyed great advancement in Switzerland, despite the imagery surrounding them and their political "backwardness". Mrs. Meier showed that Swiss women were in the theoretical position to deprive their menfolk of political rights and that Switzerland's institutions aiding, they wielded more power than any other of their kind in the world.

Equally well attended was the January Monthly Meeting of the NSH, devoted to the "Loneliness of long distance radio", presented by Mr. Joel Curchod, head of Swiss Short Wave Services. We hope to reproduce his conference in a future issue.

We should mention two gastronomic events: A Festival of French meridional cuisine is held from Thursday, 27th January to Wednesday, 2nd February at the "Inn on the Park", managed by our compatriot Mr. E. Wagner. The Swiss Centre has organised a "Basler Festival" and offers first class Basle dishes throughout February.

SWISS CHURCH

SERVICES EN FRANÇAIS: à l'Eglise Suisse, 79 Endell Street, W.C.2, tous les dimanches à 11h15 et 19h00.

SAINTÉ-CÈNE: le premier et troisième dimanche du mois, matin et soir.

PERMANENCE: chaque jeudi de 15h00 à 18h00.

REUNION DE QUARTIER: huit veillées en automne et au printemps: voir "Le Messager".

CLUB DES JEUNES: tous les dimanches de 12h00 à 22h30, tous les jeudis de 15h00 à 22h30.

REUNION DE COUTURE: le 2e mardi du mois.

LUNCH: tous les dimanches à 13h00.

VISITES: sur demande.

PASTEUR: A. Nicod, 7 Park View Road, London, N.3. Téléphone 01-346 5281.

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SERVICES IN GERMAN: at Eglise Suisse, 79 Endell Street, W.C.2, at 10 a.m. At John Southworth Centre, 48 Gt. Peter Street, S.W.1 at 6.30 p.m.

HOLY COMMUNION: every first Sunday of the month at evening service only. On major feasts at morning and evening services.

CONSULTATIONS: every Wednesday 4-6 p.m. at Eglise Suisse.

DISTRICT GROUPS W.4 and S.E.21) and SERVICES OUTSIDE LONDON: see "Stimme".

SERVICES IN ENGLISH: every fourth Sunday at 7.30 p.m.

"KONTAKT" (Youth Group): every Wednesday 4-10 p.m. at Eglise Suisse. Supper at 6.30 p.m. Programme at 8 p.m.

SWISS Y.M.C.A.: see Forthcoming Events.

WOMEN'S CIRCLE: every first Tuesday of the Month.

MOTHERS' REUNION: 3rd Wednesday in the Month, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

VISITS: by request.

MINISTER: Pfr. M. Dietler, 1 Womersley Road, N.8. Telephone 01-340 6018.

SWISS CATHOLIC MISSION: at St. Ann's Church, Abbey Orchard Street (off No. 25 Victoria Street), S.W.1.

SATURDAYS: Ecumenical Service at 6.30 p.m.

SUNDAYS: Holy Mass at 9 and 11 a.m. (in English). At 6.30 p.m. (mostly in German).

CONSULTATIONS AND CONFESSIONS: preferably on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in the afternoon or by appointment.

SERVICES EN FRANÇAIS: Notre Dame de France, 5 Leicester Place, W.C.2, on Suns. at 9, 10, 11 a.m. 12.15, 6, 7 p.m.

SWISS CATHOLIC YOUTH CLUB — Meeting every Sunday after Evening Mass (8-11 p.m.) Discussions, dance, lectures with members of other denominations at John Southworth Centre, 48 Gt. Peter Street, S.W.1.

CHAPLAIN: Paul Bossard, St. Ann's Church, Abbey Orchard Street, S.W.1. Tel.: 01-222 2895.

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