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Nicod is returning to Switzerland, and his assistant, the Rev. D. Muller, is going to pursue his studies in Germany. The Rev. Muller will be replaced for a year by a young missionary from Geneva, M. Christinat, who plans later to work in Laos for a Swiss Missionary Society. Eventually, the French-speaking parish will have to make do with one minister only, as is already the case with the German-speaking parish.

CITY SWISS CLUB DINNER DANCE

The City Swiss Club held its annual Informal Dinner Dance in fine weather conditions on Friday 22nd June at the Bickley Manor Hotel and Restaurant, Thorney Wood Road, Bickley, Kent.

Some eighty to ninety members and their guests appeared for this summer highlight of the Colony's activities. Dinner was preceded by a reception in the fine garden adjacent to the Bickley Manor Hotel. A swimming pool and tennis courts lent this new venue a pleasant holiday atmosphere.

Dinner was followed by several hours of dancing to a modern band with fast rhythms and singers. All this took place inside a country manor reminiscent of what is best in Old England. The President Mr. E. Tangemann, had shortly welcomed the gathering before dancing got under way, continuously until 12.30. There were no speeches as this was a specifically informal annual event. Some guests hinted that the food wasn't supplied in sufficient abundance in view

of the cost of tickets (£4.50), another complained that the band was too loud. Every function inevitably gives rise to criticisms of this kind. But success is measured by enjoyment. Since enjoyment is primarily related to good company there was no difficulty in ensuring success on that summer night.

Obituaries

We regret to announce the death on 1st July of *Mr. Arnold Escoffey*, of 15 Rundell Crescent, London, N.W.4. at the age of 88 after a long illness. Born at La Chaux-de-fonds and hailing from Geneva, Mr. Escoffey came to this country before the first world war as agent for the Zenith watch company. During the crisis years of the thirties, he switched to importing watch components and spares. He has been a member of the Nouvelle Société Helvétique. He leaves a widow, Louise, whom he married in 1916 and two sons, Raymond and Eric. To them all, we should like to extend out heartfelt condolences.

We also regret to report the death of *Mr. Robert de Watteville*, of Kingsclere, 49 Gregories Road, Beaconsfield, Bucks, who passed away on 19th April. He had come to Britain in 1922 and leaves a widow, Elsie de Watteville.

The Swiss Community has also lost *Mrs. Lucie Meyer-Tissot*, of 13 Nichola Mansion, Trinity Crescent, London,

S.W.17. Hailing from Savoy, France, she had come to this country before the war and had lost her husband, Mr. Tissot, a compatriot, three years ago. She was a regular member of *la couture* at the Swiss Church.

Another member of the Colony, *Mr. Charles Louis Coulet* has died in Lausanne on 29th April. He had lived at 66 Woodcrest Road, Purley, Surrey for many years. He was a member of the Swiss Mercantile Society.

Finally, *Mr. Ernest Schaerer*, of 28 Saville Grove, Clifton York, died on May 28th at the age of 75. He came from Geneva and leaves a widow, Alice.

To all these bereaved families, we should like to extend deep sympathy.

DORCHESTER HEAD PASTRY CHEF RETIRES

After working for 28 years in the Dorchester's Pastry kitchen, almost all of that time as head Pastry Chef, *Mr. Luigi Bozzini* retired on June 21st at the age of 65, 50 years to the day from starting work as an apprentice in the kitchen at Claridge's.

After serving his apprenticeship at Claridge's, Mr. Bozzini then moved on, briefly, to the Trocadero Restaurant, then to the Park Lane Hotel, where he stayed for three years, and then to the Royal Palace, Kensington, until it closed down. He then worked in Devonshire until the outbreak of war when he served in the British Army. He joined the Dorchester after the war and was

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promoted head pastry six months later.

Born in England of a catering family — his father was Swiss and came from Corzoneso, Tessin and his mother Italian — Mr. Bozzini was educated in this country.

A specialist in his field, he has created sweets for many of the Dorchester's celebrities and distinguished guests. On June 13th last, he served a Marquis de Framboises to the Queen when she dined in the Dorchester's Penthouse Suite with officers of the Welsh Guards. His greatest talent lay perhaps in working with spun sugar and he produced elaborate and artistic sugar baskets for all the hotel's great occasions. Another achievement which he has perfected together with the Dorchester's Maitre Chef, Mr. Eugene Kaufeler (Swiss), is to serve souffles to 500 or more guests at ballroom functions at one time.

Mr. Bozzini is married and lives in Morden, Surrey. We should like to congratulate him for this unique career.

THE ANGLO-SWISS SOCIETY CELEBRATES ITS SILVER JUBILEE

The Anglo-Swiss Society was founded in February 1948 at an Extraordinary General Meeting held at the Dorchester. This Silver Jubilee was celebrated this year with an informal dance at the Hurlingham Club, Putney, on June 12th. The evening was up to the standard of this beautiful setting. The lovely neo-classing Club House, surrounded by acres of beautiful grounds, provided the ideal venue for a summer function which was attended by a great many members and their friends. A cold meal was served at the beginning of the evening. It included pheasant p  te, fresh salmon, mixed salad and fresh strawberry melba. This was followed after 9 p.m. by dancing outside to a four-piece Bill Savill Band.

COMING EVENTS

NOUVELLE SOCIETE HELVETIQUE: Thursday 19th July, 7 p.m. at the Embassy. Open Meeting. *Public Opinion Today: New Developments in Mass Media and Public Relations* Round-table discussion conducted by Mr. Arthur Gruniger, former

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SWISS RIFLE ASSOCIATION: Next shoots at Bisley on 26th August and 7th October.

SWISS CLUB LIVERPOOL: 1st Friday of each month: Jassevening at the Hotel St. Hilary, Wallasey, Wirral.

SWISS NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION AND FETE SUISSE: Wednesday, 1st August, 7.30 p.m. at the Wimbledon Town Hall, London S.W.19.

SWISS PHILATELIC SOCIETY: No meeting until October.

SWISS CLUB EDINBURGH: Wednesday 1st August: National Day Celebration.

SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY: No meeting until September.

CITY SWISS CLUB: No meeting until September.

CULTURAL EVENTS

Sunday, 22nd July, Wednesday 25th July, Friday 27th July, Tuesday 31st July, Thursday 2nd August, Saturday 4th August, Wednesday 8th August, Friday 10th August, Sunday 13th August, Tuesday 14th August:) lyndebourne Festival Opera, 5.50 p.m. (Sundays 4.50 p.m.) Hugues Cu  nod is one of the soloists in Cpariccio,

Monday 6th August at the Royal Albert Hall, 7.30 p.m. Hugues Cu  nod sings the part of Monsieur Taupe in a concert version of Capriccio performed by the Glyndebourne Festival Opera company and the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by John Pritchard.

Compatriot manages new machine-tool holding in Sussex

Matchless Machines Ltd., a company managed by a compatriot, Mr. John P. Seiffert, and founded by his father, has formed a new company called Matchless Machines Holdings Limited. This company will co-ordinate the activities and expansion of all the following subsidiary companies: Advanced Developments Engineering Ltd. (Bletchley), Matchless Machines Ltd. (Horsham), MML Industrial Equipment Ltd. (Horsham) MML Manufacturing Ltd. (Horsham); the O-Clip and Coupling Company Ltd. (Horsham) Production Tube Cutting Ltd. (Hrsham). Mr. Seiffert has been appointed Group Managing Director of this new holding whose activities range from spark erosion machines to grinding and milling machines.

In May last year, we reported on an exhibition of machine tools that was held at the Matchless Machines premises in Horsham. We were then presented with a

scintillating display of Swiss technology, ingenuity and workmanship. Mr. Seiffert, who has been a member of the City Swiss Club for two years, was trained in machine-tool technology at the Winterthur Technikum. We should like to congratulate him for his appointment and wish Matchless Machines Holdings a prosperous future.

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VISITES: sur demande.

PASTEUR: A. Nicod, 8 Park View Road, London, N.3. T  l  phone 01-346 5281.

SWISS CATHOLIC MISSION: John Southworth Centre, 48 Great Peter Street, London, SW1P 2HA.

Sundays: Holy Mass at 6.30 p.m. with sermon in German, in the Club hall, ground floor.

(2nd floor at the same time, Protestant service in German).

CONSULTATIONS AND CONFESSIONS: by appointment.

SERVICES EN FRANCAIS: Notre Dame de France, 5 Leicester Place, W.C.2, on Sundays, 10.00, 11.00, 12.15, and 6.30 p.m.

SWISS CATHOLIC YOUTH CLUB: Open every Sunday from 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. (48 Great Peter Street). Discussions, dance, lectures (with members of other denominations), Sunday services and refreshments. See programme "Die Stimme."

During the week: open according to programme of the English Youth Club.

RESIDENCE OF CHAPLAIN: Bossard, Swiss Catholic Mission, 48 Great Peter Street, (2nd floor), London SW1P 2HA. Telephone: 01-222 2895.

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HOLY COMMUNION: every first Sunday of the month at evening service at John Southworth Centre. Every second Sunday of the month at morning Services at Eglise Suisse. On major feasts at morning and evening services.

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DISTRICT GROUP S.E.21 and SERVICES OUTSIDE LONDON: see "Stimme."

"KONTAKT" (Youth Group): every Wednesday 4-10 p.m. at Eglise Suisse. Supper at 7 p.m. Programme at 8 p.m.

WOMEN'S CIRCLE: every first Tuesday of the month from 12 noon onwards at the Eglise Suisse.

MOTHER'S REUNION: third Wednesday in the month, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Eglise Suisse.

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