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Congratulations and best wishes, also to any other readers whose birthdays happen to be within the next few weeks.

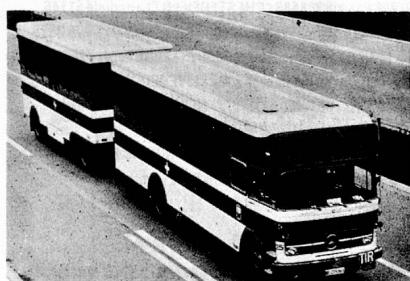
On 25th June, the former Editor of the *Swiss Observer*, the late Alfred Stauffer, would be 85, had he lived. He died in 1965, but we should like to remember at this moment the sterling services he rendered the Colony in general and the *Swiss Observer* in particular, during the three decades and more that he edited it.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

22nd to 25th August — ASSEMBLY OF THE SWISS ABROAD — Neuchâtel.

Saturday, 2nd November — SWISS CHURCHES BAZAAR.

SWISS CLUB LIVERPOOL: Card Evening on the first Friday of the month at Hotel Dresden, New Chester Road, Bromborough.

ANGLO-SWISS SOCIETY: Dinner Dance at the Hurlingham Club (Ranelagh Gardens, S.W.6.) on Wednesday, 12th June at 7.30 for 8 p.m. £3.90 for dinner and gratuities excluding drinks).

LANDSGEMEINDE of the Swiss of the North, Sunday, 16th June at Hebdenbridge.

SWISS PHILATELIC SOCIETY: Wednesday, 26th June, 6.30 for 7 p.m. at Swiss House: "The Letter C"

SWISS RIFLE ASSOCIATION: Forthcoming shooting sessions at the Siberia Range at Bisley: Sunday, 30th June, 1st and 8th September.

NATIONAL DAY celebrated in London at the Wimbledon Town Hall and in Manchester at the Cottons Hotels on Thursday, 1st August.

SCHWEIZERBUND: Friday, 6th September, 7.00 for 7.30 p.m. Dinner at the Old Palace, Hatfield Park, Hatfield, Herts.

CULTURAL EVENTS

Monday, 10th June, Royal Festival Hall, 8 p.m. *Frank Martin* conducts the Menuhin Festival Orchestra in the first London performance of his *Polyptique for solo violin and two small orchestras* (soloist: Yehudi Menuhin).

Friday, 21st June, Queen Elizabeth Hall, 7.45 p.m. *Andrej Lütschig* is the soloist in the first British performance (by the Orchestra of St. John's, Smith Square) of the Violin Concerto by *Vladimir Vogel*.

Saturday, 22nd June, Assembly Rooms, Bath, 8 p.m. Bath Festival: *The Lucerne Piano Trio* (Albor Rosenfeld, Markus Nyikos, Grazia

Wendling) play works by Beethoven, *Frank Martin* and Schubert.

Sunday, 23rd June, Bath University, 6 p.m. Bath Festival: The pianist *Margaret Kitchin* is a soloist in a programme of works by R. Holloway, Boulez and Britten, played by the Vesuvius Ensemble under Elgar Howarth.

Sunday, 16th June, GOLDEN JUBILEE OF GERMAN SPEAKING SWISS CHURCH IN LONDON — Family outing to Ashburnham Place with a Service of Thanksgiving at the Chapel and on Sunday, 15th September at the Eglise Suisse.

Thursday, 20th June, 7 p.m., Swiss Embassy, *Nouvelle Société Helvétique* — talk (illustrated by a film) on Experiences of Swiss research teams in the Ivory Coast by Professor Alexander von Muralt (see editorial).

Wednesday, 3rd July, 7.45 p.m., Eglise suisse 79 Endell St., harpsichord recital by Gloria Vanoli (organised by *International Liszt Centre for 19th Century Music* and under the patronage of the NSH) (Collection).

AN EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED

Prof. A. von Muralt with the NSH

On Thursday, 20th June, the Swiss community in London will have an unique opportunity of hearing Prof. Alexander von Muralt. He will address the Open Meeting of the London Group of the *Nouvelle Société Helvétique* on "experiences of Swiss research teams on the Ivory Coast". The subject is in connection with the problem of malnutrition in Africa. The Speaker, an eminent doctor and physiologist, has been connected with both the Nestlé and the Ciba Foundations for many years. Professor of physiology at Berne University and author of many publications as well as a man of many interests, Professor von Muralt is extremely well qualified to speak on the vital work Switzerland had been doing as part of her contribution to international

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