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Birthdays & Anniversaries

The following readers will be celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in the near future:

Mr. C. Imboden will be 81 on 20th December, and Mr. W. Renz, 79 on 2nd January. The same day, Mr. C. Nater (St. Moritz) will have his 69th birthday. Mr. E. P. Locher will be 84 on 4th January, and Mrs. L. Moehr has her birthday on 12th of the month. Mr. J. P. Christen (Basle) will be 62 on 14th and Mr. J. Bader 64 on 16th January.

Mrs. A. Chappuis's birthday is on

24th of the month, and Mrs. I. Weist will be 82 on 29th January.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrester-Zimmermann of 61 Southampton Hill, Titchfield, Fareham, Hampshire, will celebrate their Silver Wedding on 26th December, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Eusebio will have been married for 38 years on 27th January.

Congratulations and best wishes to all these and any other readers whose birthdays and anniversaries we do not know.

Two Books Reviewed

"GEORGE MIKES INTRODUCES SWITZERLAND"

The book "George Mikes introduces Switzerland", illustrated with many SNTD photographs, has been published by the firm of André Deutsch in London. The authors — journalists from major Swiss newspapers, university lecturers and writers from Switzerland, and other countries, such as Sergius Golowin, Paul Nizon and Irwin Shaw — have succeeded in conveying a vivid, accurate and realistic picture of Switzerland. The subjects dealt with include democracy and politics, history, geography, tourism, traditional customs, art, architecture and the special features of different regions and towns and cities. As an introduction, George Mikes, the famous writer and humorist who enjoys ever-increasing popularity in Switzerland, presents "homo helveticus" in all his uniqueness.

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT, Matthew Ruf, S.M.B. (Bethlehem Office, 36 Hyde Vale, London SE10 8QH, £1.00).

Immediately after his ordination to the priesthood in 1927, Fr. Matthew Ruf, of the Bethlehem Missionary Society, Immensee, Switzerland, went out to Manchuria as a missionary. After 20 years of varied and most successful missionary work, he was arrested by the communists and given a five-year prison sentence.

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Paul Bossard.

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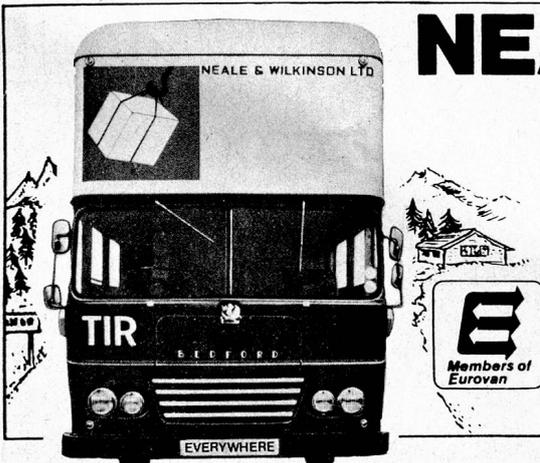
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