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Swiss Holiday Scene



A paddle steamer, appropriately called the "Genève," pulls into the quayside at Geneva. In the background is St Peter's Cathedral. RIGHT: The Palais des Nations in the Ariana Park, high above the lake, which was built in 1936. Many of its halls are open to the public.

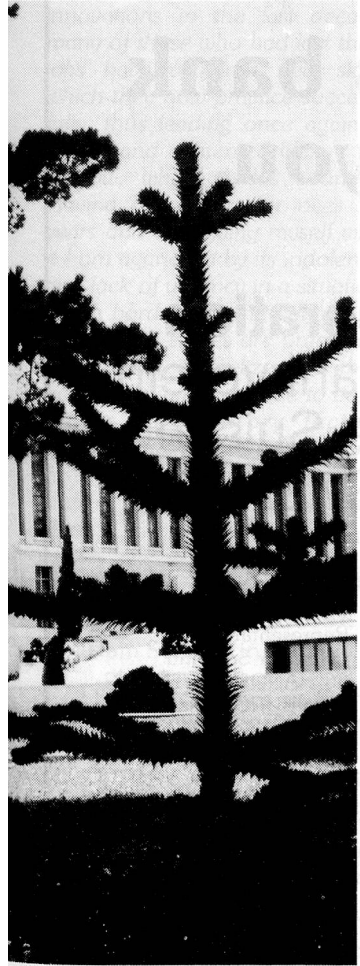
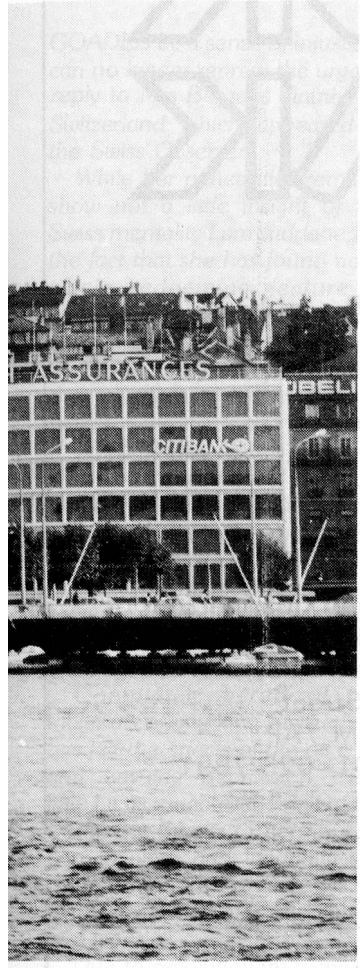
Package holidays in Geneva

GENEVA - pictured here - is again offering special holiday packages with prices starting from Sfr. 48. For this you get two nights' bed and breakfast, a ticket for a city sightseeing tour or a lake cruise on a yacht, a booklet of vouchers and documentation. It is also possible to extend the stay as required.

The offer is valid until February 28, 1982.

Bookings can be made through: Geneva Tourist Office, 1 Rue de la Tour de l'Île, Case postale 440, 1211 Geneve, Switzerland.





THE Swiss Post Office has issued seven new multi-coloured postage stamps. Three of the stamps – depicting the old town hall of Stans and the cantonal seals of Fribourg and Solothurn – commemorate the 500th anniversary of the historic Convention of Stans and the entry of the two cantons into the Swiss Confederation.

The four other stamps mark this year's opening of Switzerland's first national museum of science and technology, the Technorama in Winterthur, the recently completed restoration of St. Peter's Cathedral in Geneva, and the 50th anniversaries of Switzerland's internationally-recognised "cross-bow" seal of quality and the Swiss Association of Youth Organisations.

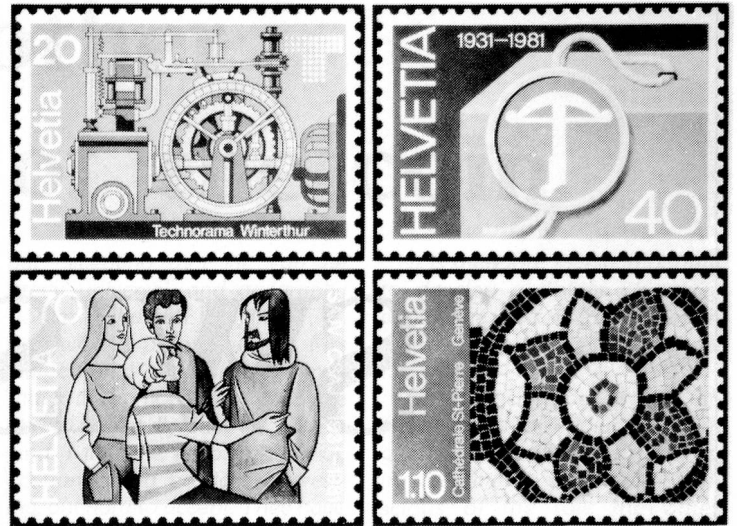
Geneva motor show

THE 7th International Heavy Goods Vehicle Fair will take place at the new Geneva congress centre from January 22 to 27, 1982, and the 52nd International Motor Show between March 4 and 14.

Information can be obtained from: *The International Motor Show, Case postale 65, 1211 Geneve 4, Switzerland.*

Swissair on Prestel

INFORMATION on air services between the UK and Switzerland is now available on Prestel (code 350439, index page). In addition a frame has been included for reservation requests.



Among the new stamps issued by the Post Office are these four marking the opening of the Technorama in Winterthur.

Model railways on show

AFTER last year's successful model railway show at the Swiss Transport Museum, which attracted more than 64,000 people, another one will take place from October 10 to 18.

This year's exhibition will feature steam locomotives including rides on preserved steam trains, nostalgic railway films and many other attractions.

Lugano film and photo courses

FILM and photo holiday courses are being held for beginners and advanced hobby photographers in Lugano. Prices start at Sfr. 420 and include the fee for classes and full board at the Hotel Continental.

Information from Mr Hans Obrecht, 8915 Hausen a.A., Switzerland.

100 years of telephones

THE PTT Museum in Berne is holding an exhibition to commemorate a century of telephone communication in Switzerland. Past, present and future telephone equipment is on display until January 3, 1982.

Cycling tour packages

SPECIAL packages offering hire of bicycle, accommodation in hotels en route, transport of luggage from hotel to hotel as you cycle along, as well as a detailed programme on the tour chosen are available in Switzerland at around Sfr. 500. The tours, which end on October 20, start in Zurich or Solothurn and take the cyclist around Eastern or Western Switzerland.

Details are available from Cyclotour, Stiglenstrasse 31, 8052 Zürich, Switzerland.

Events of the month

In October	Châtel-St-Denis, Gruyères	«Bénichon», ancient custom
Oct 2-4, 9-11	Lugano, Morges	Wine festivals
Oct 3	Rheinfelden	«Schüüre-Fescht» of city riflemen
Oct 4	Wil	«Stecklitragen», ancient custom
Oct 4, 11	Hallau	Hallau autumn Sundays
Oct 11	Locarno	Chestnut festival
Oct 11	Martigny	Cow fights
Oct 11/12	Spiez	«Läsetsunntig», wine festival. – «Spiezmärit», fair
Oct 16	Walenstadt	«Musigstubeti», popular festival
Oct 17	Rheinfelden	City riflemen's parade and social evening
Oct 17	St.Gall	Costume day
Oct 22	Baden	Cordula festival
Oct 30	Lucerne	Kunsthau: Marching band show and concert

Walking the easy way

A SPECIAL holiday package which includes free tickets on all local forms of transport is available for visitors to the Hasliberg area. Walking tours of between 500m and 50km offer many possibilities, and the region's many transport installations provide an easy way of getting around.

This special offer is available until October 18. Prices start at Sfr. 232 for one week.

Information from Hasliberg Tourist Office, 6084 Hasliberg Wasserwendi, Switzerland.