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## AMBASSADOR'S UNOFFICIAL VISIT

His Excellency the Swiss Ambassador to Great Britain, Monsieur A. Daeniker and Madame Daeniker who have been on an official visit to Jersey, came to Guernsey on August 5th. After spending two hours in Herm, they were taken to the Elizabethan Grill at St. Peter-in-the-Wood during the lunch hour, and for a drive along the west coast, stopping at Cobo Bay before visiting the vineries of Mr. R. Le Page at Maresquet, Vale and the fig houses and the treasures of the old Guernsey kitchen of Miss H. G. Ogier at Duvaux Farm, where they signed the visitors' book. His Excellency and Madame Daeniker were highly delighted with all they had seen in the Channel Islands and expressed their intention to return here. Madame Daeniker said the scenery here reminded her of the Adriatic.

It may be recalled that the Duchess of Kent signed Miss Ogier's visitors book in 1948 after inspecting the famous over 100 years old fig tree, which unfortunately died about two years ago.

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## PERSONAL

We sincerely regret to announce the passing away, on August 18th at Territet (Switzerland) of Mr. Emile Glauser at the age of 69. The deceased, who was in the watch trade, was for many years a resident in London, where he, and his wife were well known members of the Swiss Colony.

It is with much regret that we report the death of Mr. Bruno Bretscher, which occurred at Zurich on August 23rd. The departed was for a great number of years residing in London. For the last ten years he was the representative of a British firm in Zurich. In 1928, Mr. Bretscher was elected a Honorary Member of the Swiss Mercantile Society.

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We extend heartiest congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. J. Ludin, of "Green Ridges" 600 Watford Way, Mill Hill, London, N.W.7. on the arrival of a son Ralph Henry James.

## OUR NEXT ISSUE

Our next issue will be published on Friday, 25th September 1959. We take this opportunity of thanking the following subscribers for their kind and helpful donations over and above their subscription: Mr. J. Sohm, F. A. Gluck, G. Hediger, E. Frehner, A. Gubeli, W. Stettbacher.

## THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS

To you, proud captains, for your victories famed,  
Bright meteors on History's firmament,  
Posterity erects a monument  
Whereby your deeds of glory are proclaimed.

But what of those who, captive, sick, and maimed,  
Of your renown have been the instrument?  
Who cared for them? who heeded their lament?  
The world passed by, unfeeling unashamed.

Their cries were heard in Solferino camp  
By one who, like the Lady of the lamp,  
Prized mercy higher than the martial art.  
His noble mind and his compassionate heart  
Conceived the plan which gave humanity  
That priceless gift : The cross of charity.

J.J.F.S.

## FETE SUISSE

This year's Fête Suisse will be held on Wednesday 21st October 1959, at the Royal Albert Hall in the form of a Scottish-Swiss Folklore Evening, organised by the British Pestalozzi Children Trust, and the Fête Suisse Committee.

Amongst the performers from Switzerland will be Grisons and Appenzell Folklore groups, the Geneva Chant, Lake of Geneva Brass Band, etc. Various groups from Scotland will take part in the programme. Full details will be given in our next issue.



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