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## SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The Swiss Benevolent Society and the Swiss Churches in London appeal once more to their compatriots for their kind contributions in kind or cash, in order to provide a little extra cheer for Christmas to our Swiss in need. All sorts of wearing apparel, household goods and furniture would be much appreciated and gratefully received.

Please send parcels, if possible *before December* 4th, 1948, to :—

31, Conway Street, Fitzroy Square, London, W.1.

Cash remittances to :—
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31, Conway Street, London, W.1 ;

The Revd. C. Reverdin,
7, Park View Road, Finchley, N.3.

The Revd. H. Blum,
1, Womersley Road, London, N.8.

The Revd. Father A. Lanfranchi,
86, Duke Street, London, W.1.

## VOLUNTARY AND OLD-AGE SURVIVORS INSURANCE.

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## UNIONE TICINESE SEZIONE FEMMINILE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

At 2 p.m. on Saturday, the 27th November, 1948, I was transported into an enchanted land. The cold hard facts, of course, were that the Sezione Femminile of the Unione Ticinese was holding its annual Christmas Bazaar in aid of its Benevolent Fund.

This is always a red-letter day and as testimony, if one were needed, of the popularity of all the Sezione Femminile's efforts, there was quite a crowd of happy, excited people outside when the doors of Swiss House opened. In we all trooped, out of the cold, grey fog and *hey presto* ! we were in a miniature Aladdin's Cave, full of treasures of quite a different sort.

Here was a stall displaying the most exquisite needlework in the shape of the daintiest of underwear and there a collection of artistic lamp shades of all shapes and sizes, here was a variety of beautifully knitted garments for every member of the family, and there a stall laden with hand-embroidered goods of so rich a workmanship that they would have graced any household in the land. The excellence of the handiwork upheld the age-long tradition that if a thing is Swiss, it is good and everybody who contributed to the Bazaar is to be congratulated on the really first-class quality of the gifts.

There were raffles and auctions too, and several stalls fragrant with toilet preparations of all kinds, and tucked away in one corner, was the " Junk Shop " where the greatest bargains were to be found !

Warmest thanks are due to all who so generously sent gifts, to the stall holders who worked so hard and looked so charming, to those responsible for the excellent catering arrangements, and last but not least, to those kind friends who by their presence at the Sale assured its success.

A memorable afternoon and may I, like Oliver Twist say " More, please !"

*N.P.*

## SWISS CLUB — DUNFERMLINE.

Our members and their friends gathered at the Works Canteen of Messrs. Winterthur Silks Ltd., on the 25th November, 1948 to enjoy the following Swiss Films :—

" Gruyere ", " Jungfrau ", " In Wonderland ", " Lugano and Locarno ", " Appenzell."

These new films which show the every-day life of our people amongst the lovely lakes and mountains, bring back to us respect for our hard working men and women. Never before did we realise how much sweat was required to make a lump of " Gruyere " cheese. After seeing that mountain railway on the screen doing all the work, most of us only realise now how easy it is to climb the " Jungfrau." Never have we seen more beauty spots than in " Wonderland." We did not know of all the lovely corners in " Lugano and Locarno." " Appenzell " where so many " Beauties " in their national costume use their skilful hands to embroider the charming designs, was much admired.

In fact, we all enjoyed watching these Films and wish to accord special thanks to our Hon. Member, Mr. W. O. Bosshardt, who has so kindly offered his projector and his services to our club.

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