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ANGLO-SWISS SOCIETY

On 19th January, Federal Councillor Tschudi spoke on Swiss TV about cultural policy of the Confederation. He said that the authorities could influence Swiss cultural life by co-ordinating efforts of towns, Cantons and private organisations and by granting subsidies. Other measures would be to enlarge the Foundation "Pro Helvetia" and possibly even to create a Swiss Cultural Council.

The President of the Foundation, Dr. Michael Stettler, was the speaker at a Dinner given by the Anglo-Swiss Society at the Dorchester Hotel in London on 21st January. His theme was "Switzerland's Cultural Relations with other countries". The Earl of Selkirk was in the chair, accompanied by the Countess of Selkirk, Viscount and Viscountess Eccles, Lord Conesford, Sir Arthur and Lady Bryant were amongst the guests, as well as the Swiss Ambassador and Madame Keller. They had given a Reception to members of the Anglo-Swiss Society at the Residence a few weeks before.

NOUVELLE SOCIETE HELVETIQUE

Annual Film Show

The latest "open meeting" of the Society took place at the Swiss Hostel for Girls on 30th January, when selections from Swiss newsreels of 1968 were shown by courtesy of the Secretariat of the Swiss Abroad in Berne. After the 45-minute newsreels, three new films were presented by courtesy of the Swiss National Tourist Office: "Cantilena Helvetica", an 18-minute film in superb colour on life in the Swiss mountains, "We present — Bernese Oberland" (15 minutes), showing the various resorts of this ever-popular holiday region, and a Seiler & Gnant film with English commentary on traditional Swiss carnivals and customs, entitled "The Swiss Year" (25 minutes). The high attendance by members and friends of the N.S.H. proves again that this Annual Film Show enjoys an ever-increasing popularity. The President of the Society, Dr. H. W. Egli, had the pleasure of welcoming Monsieur C. H. Bruggmann, the new Press Attaché at the Swiss Embassy.

J.S.

A SWISS EVENING IN AID OF CANCER RESEARCH

The Unione Ticinese's "Corale" is so well established in the Swiss Colony that there is no need for an introduction. They have also appeared successfully to many British audiences, including at the Royal Albert and Festival Halls.

On 6th February, they generously gave their services at a Swiss Evening at St. Matthew's Church Rooms, Bayswater, in aid of Imperial Cancer Research. The twenty-five members in their attractive Ticinese costumes and under the leadership of Luigi Bruni, delighted the audience with popular tunes from the South of Switzerland.

The Swiss National Tourist Office showed the film "Montara" from the "Glass Mountain" (with Tito Gobbi). Refreshments of Swiss wines and cheese (Swiss Cheese Union) completed the evening which may be termed a great success.

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