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CORRESPONDENCE.

99, Gresham Street, E.C.2.
1st August, 1945.

DEAR MR. BOEHRINGER,

I have read with much interest on page 2 of the last issue of the "Swiss Observer", your comments on Mr. O. Schmidt's surprising statements. I have seen the full text of his statement. He did not say, as was wrongly reported in some English papers that German deposits in Swiss Banks amounted to 16,000 million francs, but merely that all deposits in Swiss Banks totalled 16,000 millions, a very different story. The latter figure is correct, I have had it checked.

It is a pity that the pressure under which journalists work led some of them into a most regrettable and harmful confusion. Perhaps it would not be out of place for you to revert to the subject in your next issue and press the point home.

Yours sincerely,

S. LORSIGNOL.

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Lomeshie Research Centre,
7, Northland Road,
Londonderry, N. Ireland.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

Allow me to thank you for the kind review of my book, "The Swiss Contribution to Western Civilisation" which appeared in your May issue. I am writing especially to thank all those who have written to me telling me how much they have enjoyed reading it. Let me assure them all that nothing that I have ever done has given me greater pleasure than the writing of that book in which I have tried to show the greatness and achievements of one of the small nations. To my mind Switzerland is the vindication of the worth of western civilisation.

The fact of my not being Swiss is proof of my impartiality.

Many of my correspondents have complained that they were unable to obtain further copies in England. I regret this very much but at the time when the book was written I did not know of any Anglo-Swiss book dealers in London. At that time interest was mainly focused on resurrecting the non-existent cultures of some of our more obscure allies. It is my firm belief that unless we solve our social and communal problems as the Swiss have we may as well say goodbye to peace.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. med. R. E. G. ARMATTOE,
F.L.S., F.Z.S., F.R.A.I., F.S.A. SCOT.

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Swiss Bank	...	...	511	505
Crédit Suisse	...	...	553	541
Industrie Aluminium	...	...	1700	1690
Brown Boveri	...	...	720	735
Chade ABC	...	...	910	900
Chade D	...	...	169	162
Industrie Chimique	...	...	4990	4900
Fischer	...	...	925	920
Nestlé	...	...	912	925
Oerlikon	...	...	485	494
Suisse Réassurance	...	...	3720	3650
Sandoz	...	...	9485	9200
Saurer	...	...	770	770
Sulzer	...	...	1426	1475

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