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## SWITZERLAND'S CONTRIBUTION TO AGRICULTURAL TRAINING IN INDIA

The Swiss National Committee for the World Food Programme is planning to convert into a young farmers training centre the small agricultural school of Loka Niketan, situated in the north west of India, in the state of Guparat, a region almost entirely devoted to agriculture. The Swiss Government has decided to back this scheme with S.Fr. 300,000, drawn from the loan voted on February 1st, 1963, in favour of the World Food Programme, this loan itself being part of the 60 million francs set aside in 1961 for technical co-operation with countries in the process of development.

The Swiss Organisation for Aid to Foreign Countries has been put in charge of this scheme, which plans mainly to increase the capacity of the present school fourfold, in this way providing room for 300 pupils, most of them from poor peasant families.

While the Swiss National Committee for the World Food Programme provides half the total cost of expansion, estimated at S.Fr. 600,000, the running expenses as in the past will be covered by funds of entirely Indian origin. The famines that periodically threaten India make the development of agriculture in that country a problem of vital importance. (OSEC)

## AN ELECTRONIC CLOCK IN GENEVA

A public electronic clock has just been installed on the Quai des Bergues in Geneva (Switzerland). It is only the third clock of this kind to be installed in the world; the first was on show at the New York World Fair and the second at the Swiss National Exhibition in Lausanne.

This electronic clock, manufactured by a well-known watch-making firm in Geneva, has four dials indicating the time to the nearest tenth of a second, by means of neon tubes operated electronically; the mechanism is controlled by a quartz clock, with a daily precision exceeding one hundredth of a second.

The system in itself is not new, but the clock set up in Geneva is the first ever to be used to indicate the time to the public. (OSEC).

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## Laugh a little . . .

"It's not really all that bad," says the doctor to the worried husband," about the nervous complaint of your wife's. With that complaint she may get to the ripe old age of a hundred."

"But—what about me?" asks the worried husband.

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"My wife said to me that if I did not give up 'Jasse' she would leave me."

"Oh dear, that's bad."

"Yes, I shall surely miss her a little bit."