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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Auckland Swiss Club

National Day Celebration, 29th July: As every year, our National Day Celebration will be held at the Maungawhau School Hall, Ellerton Road, Mt. Eden. We will commence our evening at 8 p.m. with half an hours free champagne and following a sit down dinner and, of course, you will also find entertainment — Jodelling, Alphorn, Swiss Music. —E.S.

Christchurch Swiss Club

National Day Celebration: Saturday, 5th August, with customary lanterns and a huge bonfire. More details with special invitation later. —A.M.

Wellington Swiss Club

Club Hock: It was nice to see such a mixed crowd of older and younger members at the Matterhorn Coffee Lounge in Cuba Street. Our next Club Hock will be on August 1st from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. at the same place. Venue: Cards, chess, casual get-together, discussions, etc.

Our **National Day Celebration** will be held on Saturday, 29th July, in the Winter Show Building. It will commence with a Cocktail Party at 7 p.m., which is followed by Buffet-Dinner and Ball at 9 p.m. —M.K.

NEWS FROM SWITZERLAND

REGENERATIVE VACATIONS IN THE CANTON OF APPENZELL

The vacation village of Wienacht which consists of various bungalows is located about 300 metres (about 1000 feet) above Lake Constance, amidst green pastures typical of the region of Appenzell. It offers its visitors many amenities, among them a heated swimming pool, cooking facilities, a cosy restaurant and even a sauna and a gym hall. Its regenerative vacations, starting in May, are increasingly popular. They are a kind of “sport for everybody” with gymnastics, walks, hikes, swimming, sauna, massage and facials.

SWISS MACHINE TOOLS ON SHOW IN MOSCOW

In its 9th five-year plan 1971-1975, the USSR gives priority to the rapid growth of many industries and more especially the automobile industry which depends heavily on technical machine tools. As a result, many specialised industrial exhibitions, both national and international, have been held in Moscow for several years now. A survey carried out among machinery manufacturers has shown that Swiss machine tool firms, whose exports totalled 823 million Swiss francs in 1970, which corresponds to 5th place in the world ranking, are in favour of a Swiss exhibition being held in the USSR. One has therefore been arranged to be held in Moscow from 29th March to 6th April 1973, covering an area of over 40,000 sq. ft.; it is to be organised by the Swiss Office for the Development of Trade on behalf of the Swiss Machinery Manufacturers Association.

TRIP TO SWITZERLAND AS JUBILEE GIFT

To celebrate its 100th anniversary the Swiss Bank Corporation invited two young people between the ages of 18-22 from every country where they have branch offices to a 2-week trip to Switzerland. The 46 foreign guests were accompanied by eight young employees of the SBC from all of the four language areas of Switzerland. The Swiss National Tourist Office has been using the slogan "Switzerland, Holidayland for the Young of all Ages"

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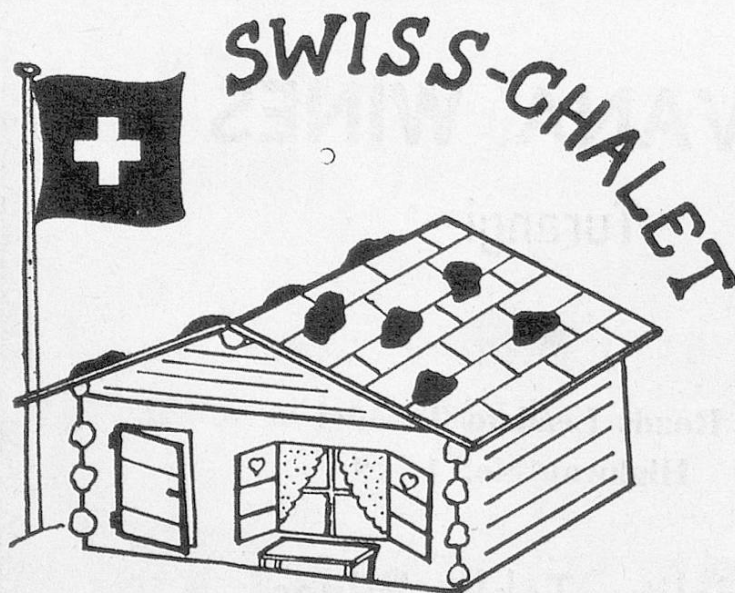
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for years and this "Travel for Youth" aptly follows the same spirit. Well before their departure, all the young discoverers of the ever new world of Switzerland whose trip to Zurich and back covered thousands of kilometres received copious information on the country from the Swiss Bank Corporation in collaboration with SNTO in one of the four main languages of the world. On their trip the young participants travelled from eastern Switzerland to Basle, Berne, Lausanne and on to the Valais, the Ticino and Engadine.

NEWS IN BRIEF . . .

- The Swiss firm of **Motor Columbus Engineering Consultants Co. Ltd.**, at Baden (Aargau), has been commissioned to draw up plans for a geothermic plant at Tatun, near Taipeh (Formosa). This plant will be used to convert into electricity the very abundant natural resources of hot water and steam in this volcanic region.
- The Swiss group **Georg Fischer**, with its head office in Schaffhausen, has just acquired a majority holding in the share capital of the German firm of Weeschle, an engineering works at Ravensburg (West Germany) with 250 employees and making machinery for the synthetic products industry.
- A new department of the Swiss chemical firm **Sandoz Co. Ltd.**, estimated to cost in the neighbourhood of 45 million francs, will shortly go into operation in Australia. Situated near Sydney, this new branch will manufacture pharmaceutical products.



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