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(COMMUNICATED.)

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The Council is pleased to say that the Swiss Church and the Swiss Y.M.C.A. have already transferred some of their activities to No. 15, Upper Bedford Place, and it is sincerely hoped that others will follow their example. *The Secretary.*

SWISS INSTITUTE.

The members of the Swiss Institute held their Autumn General Meeting on Friday last, the 16th instant.

A proposal of their Committee to admit in future ladies of Swiss nationality as members was accepted unanimously. It is hoped that many ladies will avail themselves of this opportunity and send in their applications for membership, the contribution being 1s. monthly, payable quarterly.

Mr. Wm. Beckmann was elected President, in place of Mr. H. Joss, whom private reasons unfortunately compelled to tender his resignation as a member of the Committee. Mr. Joss has for many years been the moving spirit in the Swiss Institute, and whilst his resignation as President and a member of the Committee is matter for genuinely-felt regret, it is *gratifying* to know that he has promised to continue to assist and advise the Committee as much as possible.

The new President has already done useful work as Secretary of the Swiss Institute during several years: his popularity amongst the members, his initiative and experience are bound to benefit the Swiss Institute greatly. *J. C. Hon. Secretary.*

Switzerland at the Y.W.C.A. Exhibition of Arts and Crafts.

Although our country's participation in the above mentioned exhibition, which showed a display of arts and crafts of all the important countries of the world on November 7th and 8th at the Central Hall, Westminster, was small when compared with the exertions, say, of Japan or even Czechoslovakia, the laudable efforts, made by Miss A. H. Reutiner towards this event, should not be passed over in complete silence. We understand that very soon the Swiss Legation will obtain as a deposit a few national costumes. This is sure to be very welcome news to all those organisers of festivals and garden parties who hitherto have run their feet sore in order to find Swiss costumes in this town. Unfortunately, however, these costumes are not here yet, so that it was as difficult as ever to get at last two for the fair ladies who declared themselves willing to serve at the Swiss Stall. But not only costumes were wanted; above all, one had to find specimens of Swiss arts and crafts, and here, too, Miss Reutiner was at last successful, though in a moderate way, and if Switzerland was not completely missing at this little exhibition, it is entirely due to her efforts and those of her collaborators. *L.*

SWISS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Those interested are reminded that an important meeting will take place to-day (Saturday) at No. 1, Gerrard Place, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.1 (Union Helvetia) at 3.30 sharp. A considerable number of applications for membership have already been received, and it is hoped that the discussion of the Rules (already circulated), the election of a Committee and decisions on other details will not be unduly protracted. The Swiss Minister has kindly promised to be present, and we are sure that this fact alone will secure a representative and enthusiastic gathering.

SWISS BANK CLUB,

The Swiss Bank Club opened their winter season entertainment programme with a dance at the Regal Rooms, Regent Street, on Thursday, the 15th inst. The result was a great success from everyone's point of view. Altogether over sixty couples were present, and the scene was a very jolly one. Mr.

X. Castelli, together with Mr. Richardson and Mr. Stevens, graced the company with their presence.

An excellent programme of music was supplied by the noted "Bon Accord" Orchestra, and Mr. Leonard Coombes filled the post of prime importance.

It is perhaps only necessary to add that the heartiest congratulations are due to the committee, Miss Schwarz, Messrs. Rueff, Harding and Dixon, who worked so hard for the success of the evening.

We would further add a note of warning to those who were unable to secure one of the cherished admittance programmes, the supply being necessarily limited, to apply early if they wish to be in "at the death" for the Carnival Dance on February 14.

In the meantime, a Whist Drive has been arranged for Wednesday, 12th December, at Slaters, Cheapside, for members of the Swiss Bank and their friends.

SWISS BANK FOOTBALL CLUB.

SWISS BANK 1st XI (1) v. BARCLAYS (3).

Barclays beat Swiss Bank 1st XI at Preston Road on Saturday by 3 goals to 1.

In spite of the score, the Swiss side were never outplayed. During the second half their forwards fully extended Barclays' defence, and were unfortunate in not scoring on more than one occasion.

The Swiss are undoubtedly an improved side, but their forwards all lack finish and cannot shoot. They have made frequent changes in their team of late, but they now seem to be settling down into rather a better side than was at one time expected.

SWISS BANK 2nd XI (5)

v. CITY OF LONDON Y.M.C.A. (1).

At Preston Road on Saturday Swiss Bank 2nd XI gained their first victory. They were to have played the Atlantic Transport, but the latter were unable to field a team, and fortunately a game was arranged at the last minute versus the Y.M.C.A.

The game was fast and vigorous throughout of the part of the Swiss, and the bad condition of the ground did not seem to affect them much. In spite of their having four fifths of the game, it took them a long time to make up their minds to score, and the Y.M.C.A. were the first to open, their centre-forward running through and putting the ball beyond Peters. Before half-time the Bank equalised from a shot by Wangler. On resumption, due to the heavy going, the Y.M.C.A. showed signs of fatigue, and from then onwards were not in the picture, the Swiss keeping up a general bombardment on their goal and scored four times.

Peters is to be congratulated on the way he contrived to keep warm. He certainly was ornamental, and it is difficult to imagine what the result might have been if he had not been there.

To-day the team are away to Cunard Athletic.

SWISS BANK (HOCKEY) (0)

v. STAMFORD HILL Y.M.C.A. (5).

The Swiss Bank were away to Stamford Hill last Saturday, and met with a rather severe beating, though the game was more even than the score would lead one to believe.

Owing to the bad condition of the ground, the general play all round was not brilliant. Stamford Hill had things all their own way during the first half, except for a few individual raids of the Swiss towards the end, and in this period put on three goals.

On resumption, the Swiss Bank showed a marked improvement and should have scored several times, but owing to a certain amount of bad luck and also bad shooting failed at the critical moment. Havery, following up a shot from just outside the circle, missed rehitting the ball before it crossed the goal-line, by the merest fraction of an inch, and Hassell spoilt several good runs by poor shooting.

Miss M. C. Curths, at centre-forward, was very closely marked, and in consequence her activities were considerably limited.

The game yielded two more goals against the Swiss, making the final score 5 goals to nil.

(The above reports were held over from our last week's issue.)

SWISS BANK 2nd XI (4)

v. CUNARD ATHLETIC (3).

The Swiss Bank 2nd XI visited Cunard Athletic at Eastcote on Saturday, the 17th inst., and gained a well-deserved victory by the odd goal in seven.

The ground was in bad condition, rendering good football out of the question, but in spite of this a most interesting game was witnessed. Tobler played an excellent game on the wing, being very fast and making some fine centres. Smith caused the opposing backs constant worry. Unfortunately, Watson was injured early in the second half, and the Bank were a somewhat disappointed team from then to the end. Hochuli, in goal, played a magnificent game. For the Bank, goal scorers were Barbet (2), Smith (1), Tobler (1).

SWISS BANK (HOCKEY) (0)

v. HOLY TRINITY FELLOWSHIP H.C. (2).

A hard and very evenly-contested game was played at Southall last Saturday.

The Bank XI was thoroughly tested both in attack and defence, and came through very well, considering the strength of the opposing team, and greatly improved form was shown all round.

In the first half both sides pressed hard, but no score was registered until nearly half-time, when the Trinity scored their first goal.

In the second half the outstanding features of the game were the fine stick-work of de Brunner and some splendid saves by Rietmann in goal, while both Miss H. Curths and Havery narrowly missed scoring. The final score was 2–0 against the Bank.

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Dimanche, 25 Nov., 11h.—M. R. Hoffmann-de Visme. 4.00.—Répétition du Choeur, au Foyer Suisse, 15, Upper Bedford Pl., Russell Square.

6.30.—Liturgischer Gottesdienst in beiden Sprachen.—Service liturgique en deux langues. Invitation cordiale à tous les compatriotes.

Les Réunions du Jeudi pour jeunes filles ont lieu désormais au Foyer Suisse, de 4 à 9.—Das Foyer Suisse steht jeden Donnerstag allen Schweizerinnen von 4 Uhr ab offen.

MARIAGE.

Robert Camille MERMINOD, d'Essertines sur Rolle (Vaud) et Violet Eugénie WATSON, de Londres—le 2 Nov. 1923.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Saturday, Nov. 24th, at 3.30 p.m.—SWISS RIFLE ASSOCIATION: Inaugural Meeting at No. 1, Gerrard Place, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.1.

Monday, Nov. 26, at 8.15.—NOUVELLE SOCIÉTÉ HELVÉTIQUE: Chamber Music Concert at 28, Red Lion Square, W.C.1.

Wednesday, Nov. 28, at 7.30.—ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH MEMBERS OF THE SWISS ALPINE CLUB: Annual Dinner at Gatti's Restaurant, Strand, W.C.

Thursday, Nov. 29, at 7.30.—UNIONE TICINESE: Annual Concert and Ball at 74, Charlotte Street, Fitzroy Square, W.

Friday, Nov. 30th, at 6.30.—CITY SWISS CLUB: Annual Banquet and Ball at Victoria Hotel, Northumberland Avenue, W.C.

Saturday, Dec. 1st, at 6.30.—SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY: Cinderella Dance at Midland Hotel (see adv.).

Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 6.45 p.m.—CITY SWISS CLUB: Monthly Meeting, preceded by a Supper, at Gatti's Restaurant.