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outstanding, though undoubtedly a considerable number of these will be obtained eventually. Mr. Suter said he would go into the financial situation of the Group more fully in November, when there would not be quite such a long agenda before the meeting, as there was this month.

Mr. J. Baer, the President, then brought the various communications of the Committee before the Meeting. Dealing firstly with Dr. Egli's lecture on "The Revision of the Alcohol Legislation in Switzerland," he read numerous letters we had received in connection and also proposed drafts of a Resolution to be placed before the meeting after the lecture. These drafts were discussed by the Council, and a final one was drawn up and approved. A letter was also read from the Swiss Minister, M. C. R. Paravicini, expressing his interest in the lecture and kindly consenting to take the chair on the occasion of it.

Passing from Dr. Egli's lecture to miscellaneous correspondence, Mr. Baer read a letter from Mr. G. Weber with regard to an interview he had had with Dr. A. Lätt, when in Switzerland in the summer. Dr. Lätt had suggested that it might be a good thing if we could arrange to get an Englishman to lecture on Pestalozzi at University College next February, in celebration of his centenary. This suggestion was most favourably received by the meeting, and it was decided that a Pestalozzi Committee should be formed to deal with all the necessary arrangements. Mr. Beckmann, Mr. Deutsch and Mr. G. Weber very kindly agreed to serve on this Committee.

Mr. Baer then read a letter from Mr. A. Perrochet giving his resignation as a member of the Group, owing to his return to Switzerland. The Council expressed their regret at losing Mr. Perrochet as a member, and a tribute was paid to the work he had done in connection with the Military Tax deliberations some years ago.

The attention of the meeting was then called to the correspondence which had been exchanged between the Secretariat and the Editor of the *Efficiency Magazine* in connection with various very misleading statements he had published in the October issue of his magazine, with regard to the inefficiency of Swiss methods of manufacture. The Council expressed their whole-hearted approval of the letter sent in this connection by the Committee, giving detailed information and statistics to prove how great is the efficiency of Swiss commerce and industry. It is hoped that this letter will be published in the November issue of the *Efficiency Magazine*.

SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY.

The Social functions arranged by the Swiss Mercantile Society during the Winter 1926-27, will commence on Saturday next, Nov. 6 (see adv.).

The Dances at the Midland Hotel are always enjoyed by a large number of members and friends of the Society, and on account of the further improvement provided this year in the catering, for which no extra charge is made, it is expected that even the success of previous dances will be surpassed.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

In connection with the scholastic programme the following lectures were given by the students during last week:—

Mr. Albert Clerc, Le Locle: "Printing." Mr. W. Schild, La Chaux-de-Fonds: "The mournful Statement of some sad Experiences." Mr. Emile Rügger, Zurich: "Superstitions." Mr. Berthold Hediger, Reinach: "Stoicism in Daily Life." Miss Paula Stauffer, Bern: "Wireless Telegraphy." Miss Emilie Hungerbühler, Zurich: "Backfische." Mr. Armin Maurer, Bern: "The telephone system in Switzerland compared with the one in France." Mr. Carl Kunz, Zurich: "Some Thoughts about the League of Nations." Mr. Daniel Bizai, Au (St. Gall): "The Art of Speaking." Mr. Arthur Brunner, Frauenfeld: "Collegiality and Friendship between Swiss abroad." Miss M. Mosimann, Bern: "The Life in a Boarding-school." Miss Lily Schatzmann, Lenzburg: "Money and Happiness." Miss Mary Koch: "Life in the London Streets." Miss Erika Stettler, Lucerne: "Something about Lucerne." Miss Traugott Plüss, Olten: "On the Pavement in a Foreign City." Mr. Paul Stöcklin, Schaffhausen: "A trip to Tetuan" (Spanish Morocco). Miss Alice Bruderer, Basle: "A Midsummer's Night."

The debating classes dealt with the following subjects:—

"Are Men justified in vivisection?" Proposer, Mr. Wilhelm Lanz, Bern; Opposer, Mr. Alfred Schubiger, Solothurn.

"Are Men justified in vivisection?" Proposer, Mr. Daniel Burga, Au (St. Gall); Opposer Mr. Chas. Felber, Zurich.

"Should the women in Switzerland have the right of voting?" Proposer, Mr. Robert Kunz, Wetzikon; Opposer, Miss Alice Müller, Zurich.

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Pour faciliter les arrangements, le Comité recommande aux participants de s'annoncer au plus tôt à M. P. F. Boehringer, 23, Leonard St. E.C. 2. (Téléphone: Clerkenwell 95955).

Ordre du Jour:
Procès-verbal. Admissions. Dmissions. Banquet Annuel. Divers.

Swiss Mercantile Society
The members and friends of the Swiss Mercantile Society are reminded of the **FIRST CINDERELLA DANCE** of the Season, which will take place on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6th,** at the **Midland Grand Hotel, St. Pancras Station, N.W.** Dancing from 6.30 to 11.45.
Instead of the previous service of light refreshments, a Supper will be served in the Interval.
TICKETS 7s. 6d. (including Supper).
The Entertainment Committee trust that a large attendance will contribute to the success of the evening.

Divine Services.
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Dimanche, 31 Octobre, 11h.—M. R. Hoffmann-de Visme: Cor. 1—10/11: "L'Écriture et l'Inspiration."
6.30—Service de prières liturgique et musical.
Dimanche, 7 Novembre—Réformation Ste. Cène, matin et soir.
MARIAGE.
Werner KOBELT, de Marbach (St. Gall) et Doris MEEK, de Londres—le 27 Octobre 1926.

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SCHWEIZERKIRCHE (Deutschschweizerische Gemeinde)
St. Anne's Church, 9, Gresham Street, E.C.2.
Sonntag, den 31. October, 11 Uhr.—Gottesdienst.
7 Uhr.—Gesangsgottesdienst. Pr. C. Th. Hahn.
Dienstag, den 2. November, Nachm. 3 Uhr.—Näherverein im 'Foyer Suisse', 15, Upper Bedford Place.

Sprechstunden: Dienstag 12—1 in der Kirche. Mittwoch 3—5 im 'Foyer Suisse'.
Anfragen wegen Amtshandlungen etc. an Pr. C. Th. Hahn, 8, Chiswick Lane, W.4.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.
Monday, November 1st, at 8 p.m.—UNION HELVETIA: Grand Ball at the First Avenue Hotel, Holborn, W.C.
Tuesday, 2nd-November, at 7 p.m.—CITY SWISS CLUB: Monthly Meeting, preceded by a Supper, at Pagani's Restaurant, 42, Gt. Portland Street, W.1.
Saturday, November 6th from 6.30.—SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY: Cinderella Dance at the Midland Grand Hotel, St. Pancras Station, N.W.
Tuesday, 16th November at 9 p.m.—SWISS RIFLE ASSOCIATION: Annual Dinner at No. 1, Gerrard Place, W. 1.
Friday, November 26th, at 7 p.m.—CITY SWISS CLUB: Annual Banquet and Ball, at the Victoria Hotel, Northumberland Avenue, W.C.2.

SWISS CHORAL SOCIETY.—Rehearsals every Friday evening. Every Swiss heartily invited to attend. Particulars from the Hon. Secretary, Swiss Choral Society, 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.