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SPORT EVENTS.

Rowing.

The beautiful town of Lucerne continued the pre-war tradition of organising the European Championship on the Rotsee. Teams from France, Italy, Holland, Hungary, Denmark, Czechoslovakia, Portugal, Austria, Great Britain, Sweden, Belgium, and Switzerland participated. It was a wonderful competition. The most successful teams were the French who had representatives in all seven final races and earned two victories. The sportsmen from Italy also gained two splendid victories, whereas the teams from Hungary, Holland and Denmark were proclaimed European champions in one race. It was rather surprising that neither the Czechoslovakian nor the Swiss teams had a winner, although they were both represented in all 7 finals and showed some very good performances in the previous races.

Golf.

Switzerland lately formed a national Golf team which played a French side in an international competition. Although the Swiss golfers lacked practice and only had little experience in golf competitions they put up a good fight and lost the game to France with 6:3 points. The meeting took place at Crans, Valais.

Football.

Two weeks ago the Swiss football championships started again and will last throughout the winter and next spring. After the first two rounds Grenchen heads the National League A, and Lucerne is first in the National League B.

An international game will take place between Holland and Switzerland next Sunday, September 14th, in Amsterdam. In order to prepare a strong Swiss side, two training games are arranged between the Swiss teams A and B on one side and Racing Club Paris and Sochaux, France, as opponents.

Cycling.

The traditional race round the lake of Geneva took place on Monday, 31st August with a big international entry. The victory went to Emilio Croci Torti, Ticino, who covered the 162 Km. in 4.09.14 hours. He was followed by Tassin (Paris), Magnani (Nizza), Rigoni (Italy) and Hans Maag (Zurich).

The cycling track of Oerlikon, one of the fastest in Europe, was a big attraction during the whole of the summer season. The management of this velodrome made every effort to bring the world's best cyclists to Zurich. Their last success was the organisation of a pursuit race between the world champion Coppi (Italy) and the Swiss champion Koblet (Zurich). Although many people may have expected a Swiss victory, Coppi proved too strong and won the competition with an advance of 70m over 5 km.

Horse Races.

Lucerne, always very active in organising sports meetings, will have the international horse races during the week 7th—14th September. There are altogether 15 races for which 78 horses are entered from French, Italian, Austrian and Swiss stables. The total prizes are 38,000 Swiss francs which is a new record prize sum. Lucerne hopes that the end of the summer season will attract many foreign tourists to these races.

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