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redistributes wealth. 800 francs a month will indeed not mean much to a wealthy contributor with private means, but 400 francs will be vital to the retired wage earner. The former has paid for the latter.

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Goretta, starring Jean-Luc Bideau, Jean Champion, Rosinet Rochette. Subtitles.

Monday, 3rd December, 6.15 p.m.;
 Tuesday, 4th December, 11.15 p.m.
 — National Film Theatre (London Film Festival 1973) *Der Fussgänger*, a feature film by *Maximilian Schell*. Subtitles.

Wednesday, 5th December — Royal Festival Hall, 8 p.m. — *Geza Anda* plays Bartok's Piano Concerto No. 2 with the BBC Symphony Orchestra under Pierre Boulez.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Activities of the Swiss Churches

French-speaking:

Fête de Noël at French Church, Soho Square, Saturday, 8th December at 3 p.m. Same day: Souper des Doyens. Eglise Suisse.

German-speaking:

Family Christmas, Sunday, 16th December, 4 p.m. (Catholic and Protestant parishes). Eglise Suisse (No service in morning).

CITY SWISS CLUB: Tuesday, 18th December, Christmas Dinner, Dorchester Hotel.

TWO SUCCESSFUL MEETINGS IN OCTOBER

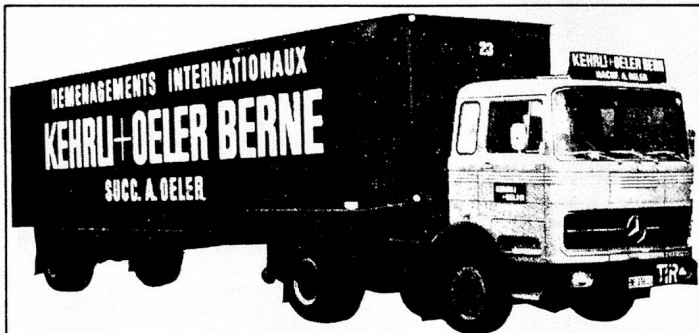
Economic problems were the subject of two exceptionally well attended meetings last month. And no wonder, considering the status of the two speakers. The Anglo-Swiss Society met in the elegant décor of the Saddler's Hall, Cheapside, to hear Mr. Etienne Junod, President of the "Vorort" (Swiss equivalent to the CBI) talk on "Switzerland in a Changing World". Almost sixty members and guests appreciated Mr. Junod's account of Switzerland's economic growth and future prospects. This exposé gave rise to a fascinating Question Time that lasted longer than the organisers expected. This was followed by a buffet supper. Among the guests were the Swiss Ambassador, Dr. Albert Weitnauer, and an impressive gallery of business and news media personalities.

The City Swiss Club heard an

equally distinguished speaker, Dr. Alfred Schaefer, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Union Bank of Switzerland, giving an exposé on "Certain aspects of the international currency situation and its possible effects on the economy". The meeting took place in the Orchid Holford Suite of the Dorchester and was attended by no less than forty members and sixty guests! Among these were Dr. Weitnauer. Dr. Schaefer dwelt at length on the evils of individual and public financial indiscipline, which he considered as the principal cause of the rampant inflation in the West. The Speaker's brief but dense conference was followed by a lively discussion.

CULTURAL EVENTS

NOVEMBER, (but check first) daily 2.10 (not Sunday), 4.20, 6.30, 8.50 — Academy Cinema (Academy One), 165 Oxford Street, London, W.1 — *L'Invitation*, film by *Claude*



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