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The Citizens under the Jurisdiction of the Republic and Canton of Jura resident abroad may vote

The Jura citizens originating from one of the ninety-two Communes of the Republic and Canton of Jura, who are resident abroad, whether in Buenos-Aires, Boston, Cologne, Tunis, Orleans, Moscow, Tokyo or Shanghai, or in any other part of the world, without any restriction whatsoever, not only have the right to vote in federal matters like the other Swiss abroad, but they also have the right to vote in cantonal matters. The latter may be exercised from the age of 18. In order to be able to exercise this franchise in cantonal matters, the Jurassien citizens must write to the Commune

Secretariat of their place of origin asking to be put on the voting register.

It has to be stressed that the Swiss abroad who intend making use of their political rights in federal matters have the choice of registering with either one of their Communes of origin or Commune of residence in Switzerland prior to their emigration. The Jurassiens abroad, however, who wish to take part in cantonal plebiscites and elections, may have their names put on the voting register of their Jura Commune of origin only.

The competent offices of the

administration of the Republic and Canton of Jura are studying the possibility of facilitating the voting rights of the Jurassiens abroad. In particular, there is the question of possibly giving them a chance of using their political rights in cantonal matters in their country of residence. As soon as possible, details will be announced on this subject in one of the next issues.

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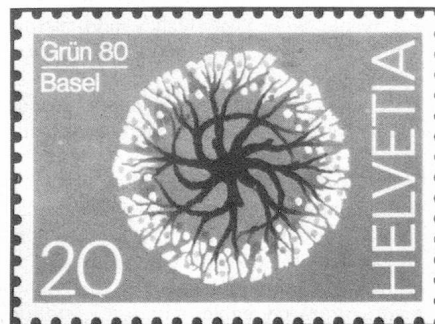
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