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SUNDRY NEWS FROM SWITZERLAND.

The second financial plan presented to Parliament by the Federal Council foresees economies and new receipts. It has created a good impression inasmuch as it expresses the firm will of the Government to carry forward to success the effort of rendering wholesome the Federal finances.

Among the Swiss export industries, it is to be noted that the watchmaking industry, severely affected by the crisis up to 1933, shows a marked renewal of activity. The chemical and machine industries have found new foreign markets.

The 11th Olympic Committee has decided to accept only "Omega" chronometers for the official time-keeping during the Olympic games to be held in Berlin in 1936. The "Omega" chronometer holds the World's record for accuracy, which was established in 1933 at the Observatory of Teddington, England.

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Dear Fellow-Countrymen:

Now that we are getting into shape with the formation of The Swiss Benevolent Society, we wish to remind our Members that their co-operation is urgently needed. Funds and membership have not as yet reached the standard when we can hold out a helping hand to our needy countrymen.

A very sad case has just occurred at Tauhai near Morrinsville, where our late fellow-member, Mr. Adolf Bernet, was killed while mounting a haystack. He leaves a wife and four children from 1 - 8 years of age. This is a most deplorable case, more so as we find ourselves at a loss what to do. Our small bank balance will not allow us to do the justice this deserves.

Let this be an example, although a very sad one, and do your best to help us to augment our modest membership. Some day you may need assistance yourselves, and only too gladly will we help as long as the means allow us to do so.

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On behalf of the Committee and Members of the Swiss Benevolent Society, we extend our sincere expressions of regret and sympathy to Mrs. M. Bernet of Morrinsville in her very sad and sudden bereavement.

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