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SWISS EMBASSIES IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

On account of the recent devaluation of the Swiss Franc, the Federal Council of Switzerland has been forced to increase the allowances of our many Embassadors. Although the increase is less than the actual devaluation, the percentage varies between 15 and 20%. It may interest our readers to know some of the figures allotted in large capitals :

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|--------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| Vienna       | : Fr. 61,500. | Washington     | Fr. 86,500. |
| Tokio        | 60,000.       | London         | 79,000.     |
| Buenos Aires | 60,000.       | The Haag       | 55,000.     |
| Bukarest     | 55,000.       | Rio de Janeiro | 57,000.     |
| Brussel      | 55,500.       | Stockholm      | 60,000.     |
| Warschau     | 78,000.       | Prag           | 53,000.     |

The total of the increase for all Embassies and Consulates has been calculated to be approximately 1 Million Francs.

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The Monks of the Great St. Bernhard have received from the International Humane Bureau in Geneva, which was founded by the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the following telegraphic message :

"To preserve the great traditions of the Monks on the Great St. Bernhard who have saved the life of innumerable people, the International Humane Bureau presents you with frs. 15,000 for the purpose of building roomy and well heated accommodation for your brave dogs."

The President of the Bureau is convinced that the dogs will lose their savage nature, which is naturally due to lack of exercise and to the living in too cramped space.

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Regarding our voting scheme for the formation of a strong and representative committee, we regret to report very poor progress. So far only a very few voting papers have come to hand. Due to this fact, we are obliged to extend the time once more and to request all members to send in the papers not later than the 18th September, 1937. Again we would like to impress upon you the importance of a strong and energetic representation in each district. This is the only way to further the aims of our society.

We are doing our best to keep the society going and to give you something for your money. Even our growing library does not get the patronage it deserves. After the committee election, we intend to send to each committee member an up-to-date list of our books and papers.

In conclusion, we wish to remind the members once more that they may vote for one member only for their district, or vote for the whole committee. PLEASE DO NOT FAIL US ! ! !

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