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NEW MEMBERSHIP LIST

A new membership list of the Swiss Society will be printed early in September.

Would members please check their address on the Helvetia envelope and people intending to join please inform the Secretary, Mrs Ruth Messmer, 15 Fortification Rd., Wellington before 1st September. Only financial members will appear on the new list.

* HEDY'S CORNER

One of our readers has kindly written a very informative article, showing that travel wish-dreams to Switzerland could easily become true for you:

Working holidays are increasingly popular, but from the many countries to choose from, let us go to Switzerland . . .

It is unfailingly exciting no matter what time of the year you arrive. Seasonal work is always available. English-speaking staff, with a knowledge of German is a decided advantage, and such bi-lingual persons are in great demand in hotels, tourist services, souvenir shops, etc., during both summer and winter seasons.

Wages for seasonal unskilled labour in hotels, such as kitchen maids, chambermaids, etc., are (approx.): Fr.500-600 per month, plus full free board. Jobs entailing contact with the public have the added attraction of tips. Working hours may be up to 10 hours, running for a whole month. This will be compensated by 3-4 consecutive free days.

If you are a trained clerical worker, seasonal office or shop work would fetch approximately Fr.800 per month (but no board). Souvenir shops have no fixed wages. It depends in which tourist centre the shop is and how large its tournover.

The above wage scales are based on 1965, and will have tended to rise since then. Off-season work is not renumerated so highly. Address any queries, such as work, permits, etc., to Embassy, P.O. Box 368, Wellington.

What do you prefer: a winter season in glamour resorts such as Davos, St. Moritz, Zermatt and such, or a summer season in internationally renowned Luzern, Interlaken or Geneva, etc.? During the season, tourists from all over the world gather in Switzerland, be it for pleasure or business, and the atmosphere is distinctly and excitingly cosmopolitan.

In between seasons casual work is, of course, not so readily available (spring and autumn), but it is at these times your chance, when suitable opportunities are offered, for touring and sightseeing.

Well, what are you waiting for? Switzerland won't come to you! —"Traveller"