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In connection with the scholastic programme the following lectures were given by the students during last week:—

Mr. W. Hofer, Berne: "The Organ, the Queen of Musical Instruments."

Miss E. Muller, Berne: "The English Sunday."

Miss A. Lang, Berne: "American Gangsters."

Mr. H. Jaeggi, Zurich: "Character from Handwriting."

Mr. F. Charbonnet, Geneva: "Modernism and Decadence."

Mr. W. Staeger, Villmergen (Aargau): "Religion's Point misunderstood."

Mr. A. Bauer, Rorschach: "The Corn Trade."

The debating classes dealt with the following subjects:—

"That General Knowledge is of More Value to a Young Man or Woman than Specialised Knowledge."

Proposer: Miss M. Engelmann.

Opposer: Mr. W. Ruchti.

Impromptu Debate on the motion:

"That Sport is Overdone at the Present Time."

Speakers: Messrs. B. Leuenberger, J. Jochum, F. Schuepbach, R. Isenschmid, R. Brupbacher, H. Gerber.

Excursion to Kenwood, Saturday, June 20th 1931.

About forty students from the S.M.S. College assembled at 9.30 a.m. ready to explore once more the sylvan beauties of Kenwood and the Art Gallery bequeathed to the nation by the late Earl of Jveagh. The weather was kind and some time was spent in strolling through the lovely grounds before repairing to the Art Collection itself. Great interest was displayed in the remarkable array of old Masters such as Gainsborough and Reynolds, before setting off to Hampstead Heath. Unfortunately the mist obscured the rather fine view usually obtained from the Spaniards Road, but an interesting morning was well spent.

C.C.B.

On Saturday, July 4th, nearly 200 students under the leadership of Mr. John W. Klein, B.A.—visited Windsor. For more than two hours our party admired the beauties of the magnificent Castle and the sumptuous State Apartments. The gorgeous Banqueting Hall awakened special interest. No less interesting, in its way was the Queen's Dolls' House, a perfect little model of the splendid Royal apartments at Whitehall. We all envied the King his exquisitely laid out gardens and his richly-stocked wine cellars. We then ascended the Keep, from the summit of which a magnificent view of the "winding" river (from which Windsor derives its name) and of the surrounding country was obtainable.

After luncheon our party visited Windsor Great Park and walked down the superb elm avenue to the famous Copper Horse, a magnificent equestrian statue of King George III towering on a huge block of granite on the summit of Snow Hill. We then continued our journey, passing the quaint old Obelisk erected to the memory of "Butcher" Cumberland, the victor of Culloden, the last battle fought on British soil. Finally we reached Virginia Water, surely the most beautiful artificial lake in all England. The railway officials at the little country station were somewhat surprised at the arrival of such a large number of people and it was only with the greatest difficulty that we could all be crammed into the rather short train. At 7.30 we arrived in London in the highest spirits (there had been some excellent community singing on the return journey) after having spent a most enjoyable day.

J.W.K.

PERSONAL.

Mr. G. T. Grotz, Hon Secretary of the "Union Helvetia" Glasgow branch had a marvellous escape from being killed when on a holiday motoring tour. About 15 miles outside Blackpool he collided, during a heavy thunder storm, with a protruding Telegraph pole. The car was completely overturned and wrecked and Mr. Grotz, the sole occupant, was rescued by some passing motorists. He was suffering from shock and injuries to his left leg, and had to be taken to a convalescent home in Blackpool. We hear that he is making satisfactory progress and we are tendering him our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

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A complaint has been mentioned before the "Zürcher Kantonsrat" of our subscriber and compatriot Dr. Ch. Cramer of Bradley-Huddersfield, this has been referred to a special commission for investigation. We have had an opportunity to learn something of the inner history of the case and we hope that Dr. Cramer will be successful in getting satisfaction.

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Während der Monate Juli und August fallen die Abendgottesdienste aus.

Wegen Amtshandlungen wende man sich, bitte, an Herrn Pfarrer H. Walser, c/o "Foyer Suisse," 12 Upper Bedford Place, Russell Square, W.C.1 (Tel: Museum 2982).

Sprechstunden: Dienstag 12-1 Uhr in der Kirche, Mittwoch 5-6 im "Foyer Suisse."

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Tuesday, July 14th, at 7 p.m. sharp—City Swiss Club—Monthly Meeting, at Brent Bridge Hotel, Hendon. The Meeting is preceded by a dinner, and dancing will take place after the meeting. (see advert).

Sunday, July 12th—Swiss Club (Schweizerbund)—Concert of the "Basler Yodler Gruppe" and dance, at 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

Wednesday, August 5th, at 7.30 p.m.—Société de Secours Mutuels: Monthly Meeting—at 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.