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## NOUVELLE SOCIÉTÉ HELVÉTIQUE.

It was decided to continue the monthly meetings of the Nouvelle Société Helvétique all through the summer, and a large gathering of members and friends, amounting to 49 present, met for the July meeting which took place last Friday, 19th July, at Swiss House, under the chairmanship of Mr. A. F. Suter.

The administrative part was quickly concluded; and the gratifying results of the collection made for the "Swiss Relief Fund" in the Colony, amounting up to date to over £900. — collected and promised, were noted with great satisfaction. This is certainly a fine effort.

After this, Mr. G. J. Keller, the well-known Swiss Press representative, gave a short informal talk about Swiss and International Affairs, which was as usual extremely interesting and instructive. He was able to give some details about recent events in Switzerland, particularly the election of a new Federal Councillor (Mr. Stämpfli) and its implications in the party politics; also a number of general items of interest to most Swiss. Incidentally, one of his articles to a Basle daily newspaper was translated and telegraphed back to the Daily Telegraph, showing how his impressions as a neutral observer are valued here.

Turning to international news, he pointed out the slight improvement in the Anglo-Russian situation, also the reasons of the Anglo-Japanese agreement over the Burma road, and gave us his views on the speech by the German Chancellor, which had just been concluded. Finally, the most interesting part of his talk was devoted to the relation of two visits made by him as representative of the neutral press in London, under the auspices of the Ministry of Information, to a Fighter Command airport, and afterwards to a Military Garrison town. Both visits impressed him very much, and the audience followed his talk with more than usual interest. During the talk, a good number of fine Press photographs were circulated.

The meeting concluded at 9.40 p.m.; the next meeting is fixed for Friday, 16th August, at Swiss House — but at 6.30 p.m.

There is a welcome awaiting all Swiss subjects, and more active members are wanted. Present membership: 167 members.

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## LA FÊTE NATIONALE A L'EGLISE SUISSE.

Chers compatriotes,

Notre patrie s'apprête à célébrer la fête du 1er août. L'heure n'est certes pas aux célébrations bruyantes; mais nous croyons que, plus que jamais, nous avons des raisons de remercier Dieu et d'implorer son secours pour l'avenir.

Comme l'an dernier, l'Eglise Suisse marquera l'anniversaire de la fondation de notre patrie par un culte en français et en allemand, qui aura lieu à 79 Endell Street, W.C.2, DIMANCHE 28 JUILLET, à 11 heures. Tous les Suisses y sont très cordialement invités.

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## AUGUSTFEIER.

Liebe Landsleute,

Unsere Heimat bereitet sich auf die Augustfeier vor. Die gegenwärtige Zeit ist allerdings nicht zu lärmigen Festlichkeiten geeignet. Mehr denn je haben wir Grund zu aufrichtiger Dankbarkeit gegenüber Gott, für seine wunderbare Führung in der Vergangenheit und auch Grund, um seinen Beistand und seine Hilfe in der Zukunft zu bitten.

Wie letztes Jahr, so feiern wir auch heuer die Gründung der Eidgenossenschaft in einem gemeinsamen Gottesdienst in Deutsch und Französisch und zwar nächsten Sonntag, den 28. Juli 1940 um 11 Uhr morgens in der Eglise Suisse, 79, Endell Street, W.C.2. Jedermann ist herzlich eingeladen.

In Gresham Street fällt dadurch der Gottesdienst aus.

*Die Kirchenpflege der Schweizerkirche.*

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Tuesday, August 6th, at 7 p.m. — City Swiss Club — Monthly Meeting, at Pagan's Restaurant.

## Divine Services.

Dimanche 28 juillet 1940: à l'Eglise Suisse, 79, Endell Street, W.C.2.

11h. CULTE PATRIOTIQUE en français et en allemand M. M. Pradervand et Mr. F. G. Sommer.

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