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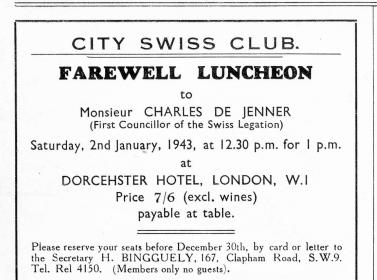
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a climbing party in the rocky Säntis region, the "Appenzeller Landsgemeinde," a "Kuhreigen" and numerous other homely scenes. The music was aptly provided by a "Ländler-Kapelle" which greatly added to the charm of the local inhabitants performing in their attractive national costumes.

The enthusiastic applause from the audience was the best proof that the pictures were greatly appreciated by all present. The Swiss films must have evoked in many a longing for the day when we shall be able to visit our homeland again.

In conclusion, Mr. Boos expressed the thanks of the audience to Mr. Keller and the Swiss Federal Railways for having made possible this most enjoyable afternoon and he particularly paid a warm tribute to Mr. C. Fer, who had so kindly and effectively projected the films on his Cynex Projector, the famous Paillard product. The sound reproduction was excellent and the whole function can be considered an unqualified success.

Despite the present adverse conditions, the Society can look back on a year of fruitful activities. The support from the members has been gratifying and the Council and Committee hope that many friends of the Society will respond to the appeal for new members so that the Society may continue its work in the educational and professional spheres and thus go from strength to strength.

W.B.

## THE LONDON SWISS PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The Committee is pleased to report that the announcement in the Swiss Observer has met with good response. The Society will hold its first meeting on Saturday, January 2nd, 1943, at 2.30 p.m., at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1.

### OUR NEXT ISSUE.

We hope to go to press with our next issue on January 29th, 1943.

We are much obliged to the following subscribers who have added to the usual rates welcome amounts towards our increasing production costs: F. Beyli, L. Guggenheim, O. Frei, E. Winzeler, A. Bolliger, E. Spleiss, G. Hafner, J. Zimmermann, E. Etter, J. L. Veil, C. J. Bernheim, F. G. Sommer, G. Ferrari, W. Mauch, E. Strauli, M. Bonnet, A. L. Borel, Miss M. Paur, A. P. Cima.

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

- Saturday, 19th December, 1942, at 2.45 p.m. Nouvelle Société Helvétique — Monthly Meeting at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1, followed by Mr. G. Keller's "Comment on Current Events."
- Saturday, 2nd January, at 1 p.m. City Swiss Club — Monthly Meeting. Farewell Luncheon to M. de Jenner, at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1.
- Saturday, 2nd January, at 2.30 p.m. London Swiss Philatelic Society — Meeting at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1.
- Saturday, 9th January, at 2.45 p.m. Nouvelle Société Helvétique — Annual General Meeting at the "Dorchester Hotel," Park Lane, W.1, Deanery Street Entrance, to be preceded by a luncheon at 1.15 p.m.
- Saturday, 23rd January, 1943, at 2.30 p.m. Swiss Mercantile Society Ltd. — Monthly Meeting, at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1.
- Saturday, 23rd January, 1943, at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Nouvelle Société Helvétique — Swiss Film Show, at Conway Hall, Red Lion Squire, W.C.1.

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE SWISS MINISTER.

The end of 1942 finds Switzerland and its people more united than ever and inflexibly decided to maintain the traditions of liberty and freedom which are part of our common heritage.

Although circumstances have not always permitted the close contact which it is my desire to have with the Swiss Colony enjoying this great country's hospitality I am particularly glad of this opportunity of greeting all my compatriots and to send them my sincere wishes for Xmas and the New Year.

#### W. THURNHEER.

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