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NEWS FROM THE SOCIETY * \star

The shooting competition of the Swiss Society will take place on Saturday and Sunday, the 9th and 10th of March, 1963.

The Presidents of the Clubs will receive shortly all necessary information.

As this annual event of our Society proved very successful in past years we hope that this coming competition will find the same keen interest among our compatriots.

Please contact your Club President to get the Groups together and all further information.

> HANS OETTLI, Riflemaster

NEWS FROM SWITZERLAND * * *

In a Few Lines

Ice-skating fans will always find an ice-rink within their reach in Switzerland, for there are now 48 artificial ice-rinks here, totalling a surface of over one million square feet, which makes Switzerland the world's No. 1 ice-skating nation.

After the excellent experiences made with an ambulant dental clinic in Switzerland's mountainous Canton Valais, the low-land Canton of Geneva will soon purchase a similar mobile dentist's unit for the benefit of its school children.

The Swiss deep-water diver, Hannes Keller, has completed successful experiments with a newly developed diving device in the lake of Constance. He is said to have improved his own records and will soon try to reach a depth of 1000 ft. from California's Pacific coast. The new device permits quick emerging from great depths; its chamber can be left by the diver for underwater research.

Zurich's popular Sunday excursion goal, the 3600 ft. high Etzel, will continue to belong to the "foot soldier," it was learnt with relief in hiking circles. Plans to build an aerial tramway and a motorway up to the summit of this mountain, which commands a unique panoramic view reaching from the Black Forest to the Alps, were wrecked by the owners of the summit restaurant who refused to sell the place to the interested company and let the Swiss Alpine Club buy it for a song. The SAC will see to it that the Etzel range remains a wanderer's paradise.