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with its railway bridge which is said to have the widest brick arches in the world, and thence to Maidenhead with its many river and country clubs, and the famous Skindle's Hotel.

On the banks the lovely houses surrounded by exquisite gardens were much admired. Again, we came to a lock, this time the famous Boulter's lock which presented an animated scene.

The invigorating air meanwhile called for some refreshments, and a sumptuous tea consisting of cold meats and hot "Schüblig" was served in the dining room of the boat, which could hardly accommodate all the passengers, so that quite a few had to be served on the upper deck.

Those who required a stronger stimulant could indulge in drinking beer *ad lib* (and at the cost of the Club), and I noticed that after this "lubrication" some joined the jolly young singers.

Shortly before reaching Cookham, everyone assembled on the upper deck to get a view of one of the most picturesque reaches of the Thames, again we went through a lock, the Cookham lock, which is unsurpassed for quiet loveliness. Further along we passed Bourne End, and nearing our journey's end could view Marlow, with its lofty church spire and the Complete Angler Hotel with its spacious grounds. The company then disembarked, some boarding again the coaches to take them to London, whilst others returned by coach to Windsor to collect their cars.

So ended an outing which was a most enjoyable and happy one, thanks are due to the committee of the City Swiss Club for having arranged this outing, and especially to Mr. R. J. Keller, Vice-President of the Club, and Mr. O. Ernst from the Swiss National Tourist Office. Their very efficient organisation enabled everything to pass off without the slightest hitch. This "Centenary Outing" certainly augures well for the coming "Centenary Banquet".

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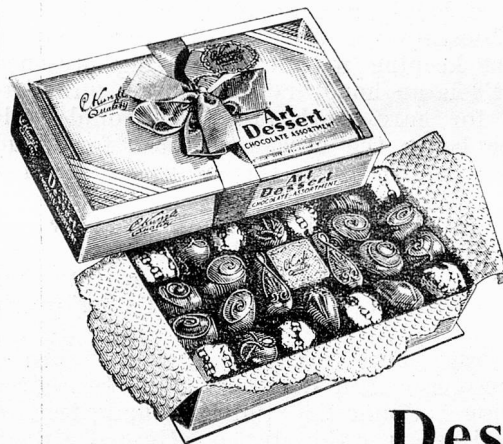
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