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to push up milk production through the purchase of artificial and imported fodder, and in addition to this find themselves obliged to acquire still more milchcows. It is Mr. Gottlieb Duttweiler, a very politically active member of the Lower Chamber and Director of the Migros Co-operative Society, who started the Referendum against this Decree. Thus the beginning of the Winter Session of the Swiss Parliament should prove very rich in subjects for comprehensive discussion, with the Referendum taking place on the eve of the first session, and the Budget with the entire expenditure policy of the Swiss Government affording it plenty of scope for its debates.

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+ 19%

 
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