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NEWS AT RANDOM

Federal

Monsieur Carl Adalbert Constantin Brun, has presented his credentials as Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary of the Kingdom of Denmark to Dr. Ph. Etter, President of the Swiss Confederation, and M. M. Petitpierre, Swiss Foreign Minister.

Mr. Karl Meyer, Manager of the "Basler Rheinschiffahrt, A.G.", Antwerp, has been appointed Hon. Swiss Consul at Antwerp. He was born in 1915, and is a citizen of Basle.

Customs receipts for the month of October 1953, totalled 64.8 million francs, or 4.7 million frs. more than in October 1952.

During the first nine months of the current year the receipts amounted to 384.5 million francs, which is 22 million frs. more than during the same period in 1952.

Cantonal

During the month of October, 1953, 893 traffic accidents have occurred in the canton of Zurich. 401 persons were injured of whom 12 succumbed to their injuries. [A.T.S.]

The 64th Federal Gymnastic Festival will take place in Zurich from July, 14-17th, 1955.

The commune of Obfelden (District Affoltern) has nominated Dr. Paul Gysler, National Councillor, an honorary citizen. [A.T.S.]

A serious accident occurred between Reichenburg and Bilten, (Ct. Glarus) when two motor cars collided in a thick fog. Owing to bad visibility three more cars ran into the debris causing the death of five persons whilst six were seriously injured.

The names of the killed are: Fritz Zwicky of Mollis, Maria Suter of Zurich, Robert Gantner of Flums (aged 44), Franz Boos, teacher in Flums, and Dr. med. Alfons Beeler of Siebnen. [A.T.S.]

The late Casimir Favre of Avry-sur-Matran (Ct. Fribourg), has left an amount of 35,000.— frs. to the churches of Avry and Matran. [A.T.S.]

Colonel Paul Ryncki, formerly "Korpsarzt" of the 1st army-corps has been elected Surgeon-in-chief of the Red Cross in succession to Colonel Max Kessi, who recently relinquished his post. Colonel Ryncki was born in 1895 at Fribourg. [A.T.S.]

The well-known painter, Louis Rivier of Lausanne has been elected a member of the "Royal Society of Arts" of Great Britain. [A.T.S.]

Dr. A. Linder, President of the General Management of the "Schweiz. Kredit Anstalt" Zurich, has been elected President of the Board of the Electric Power Station, Laufenburg (Ct. Aargau) in succession of the late Dr. A. Jöhr. [A.T.S.]

Mme. Elisabeth Demierre-Oltramaré has died in Geneva at the age of 102. [A.T.S.]

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