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RECENT DEATHS IN SWITZERLAND

The following deaths have been reported from Switzerland:

- Hans Nydecker (80), Protestant Minister of St. Theodor; Chairman of the "Freie Evangelische Schule"; Army Padre in the Staff of the 5th division during World War II.
- Carl Flubacher (80), Basle, teacher, writer, and later on several boards of industrial, commercial and educational undertakings and member of many private and public commissions.
- Robert Weil (64), Leubringen (Bienne), Manager of the La Chaux-de-Fonds branch of the American watch factory "Benrus".
- André Firménich (60), Geneva, industrialist and yachting pioneer, world sailing champion 1961 in Helsinki.
- Alois Loehrer (70), Wil (St. Gall), "Stadtammann" and member of the Cantonal Parliament.
- Fritz Boscovits (93), Zollikon (Zch.), painter and caricaturist, for many years with the "Nebelspalter".
- Paul Geisendorf (55), Geneva, Professor of Swiss History.
- Kurt Wolfgang Senn (60), Berne, Cathedral organist, music teacher at the Conservatoire and Professor of Church Music.
- Max Haufler (55), Zurich, cabarettist and actor.
- Donat Guignard (60), St. Croix, aeronautical inventor; crossed over the Lake of Geneva in a plane of his own making; was awarded an "Oscar" at the International Salon of Inventors in 1961.
- Albrecht Steiner (48), Lucerne, photographer.
- Léon Nicole (78), Geneva, former Chief of the Socialist Party and later of the Communists (PDA); President of the Geneva Government during the 'thirties; founder of the paper "Voix Ouvrière".
- Hans Schwarz (69), Berne, writer and promoter of the Foundation "For the Horse".
- Dr. Ludwig Baumeister (85), Basle, teacher and assistant to the Principal of the "Gewerbeschule".
- Alexandre Kunz (80), Geneva, singer, teacher at the Conservatoire and conductor.
- Dr. Paul Schweizer (68), Basle, formerly of the Institute for Tropical Diseases.
- Pierre-Eugène Bourquin (47), La Chaux-de-Fonds, watch industrialist.
- Jean Colomb (60), Neuchâtel, Attorney General of the Canton.
- Oskar Althaus (57), Basle, painter hailing from the "Baselbiet".
- Louis Bersier (73), Geneva, politician, cantonal M.P., Commune Councillor of Satigny.
- Eduard Amstutz (93), Thun, former Municipal President. Arthur von Felten (69), Zurch, journalist and writer ("Wochenzeitung", "Schweizer Familie", "National-Zeitung", "Neue Zürcher Nachrichten" and "Brückenbauer").
- Maurice Braillard (85), Geneva, architect and politician.
- Franz Landolt (64), Naefels, member of the Glarus Government and National Councillor (Social Democrat); trade unionist.
- Emil Heitz (73), Basle, Professor of Botany and Biology. Camille Oberson (79), Salvan, Minister working with sick children for thirty years.

- Jean Gressot (68), Porrentruy, former National Councillor, journalist and politician; President of the "Société Jurassienne d'Emulation" and the "Association des Bourgeoisies Jurassiennes".
- Hermann Jeannet (85), La Sarraz, painter and teacher at La Chaux-de-Fonds.
- Fritz Marbach (62), Ueberstorf (Fribourg), farmer and stock breeder; member of the Cantonal Parliament.
- Jean Apothéloz (64), Bégnins (Vaud), painter and musician. Dr. Hans-Peter Boesiger (46), Bienne, industrialist.
- Bruno Mazzucchi (54), Berne, Federal Forestry Inspector.
- René E. Vaucher, Fleurier, former manager of the Chemical Works; Administrator of Fleurier Hospital.
- Dr. Willi Rufer (64), Berne, Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Military Insurance of the EMD.
- Richard Corboz (77), Romont, former Fribourg Councillor of State.
- Charles Guillon, Geneva, Minister of the Church, World Secretary of the YMCA, representative of the Church Ecumenical Council.
- Dr. Carl Eder (73), Weinfelden, lawyer and politician, National Councillor (R.C.), from 1935-1963.

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A USEFUL INNOVATION: THE EMERGENCY REPAIR SQUAD

It is distinctly unpleasant and even dangerous to be surprised in the middle of the night or on a public holiday by some accident in the home such as a broken pipe, a tap that will not turn off, a leak in the gas, etc. The Basle Tinsmiths and Plumbers Association has just organized an emergency repair squad in the interests of public safety. A telephone call is all that is required to summon the emergency squad who, in their special workshop-van containing all the necessary equipment and spare parts, speed — anywhere within the limits of the town of Basle as well as several neighbouring communes — to the rescue of the unfortunate householder in danger of having his basement flooded or his whole house filled with gas.

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