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NEWS FROM THE COLONY



NEW PRESIDENT OF SWISS CLUB MANCHESTER

Dr. rer. pol. K. P. Jaggi was born in Bienne in 1930. He studied economics at the universities of St. Gall and Fribourg and then joined J. R. Geigy s.a. in Basle. He travelled for this chemical concern and came to Great Britain in 1963, accompanied by his wife and two boys. He took up work with Geigy (U.K.) Ltd., and is now settled in Great Britain. He says he likes the country, its institutions and its pubs.

Living at Bowdon in Cheshire, he takes a keen interest in the affairs of the Swiss community in Manchester and surrounding districts and is now tackling the job of President with vigour and interest. We wish him a happy and successful term of office.

CHANGES AT THE SWISS EMBASSY

Monsieur Gérard Franel, Second Secretary of Embassy, is leaving London at the end of September. He has been in charge of legal affairs, and he and his wife have taken a keen interest in the Swiss community. Monsieur Franel will be posted to the Legal Section of the Federal Political Department in Berne.

His successor in London will be Monsieur Franz Muheim, at present Second Secretary of the Swiss Embassy in Rabat, Morocco. He and his wife will be arriving shortly

Monsieur Robert Zellweger, Vice-Consul at the Swiss Embassy in London, has recently been transferred to the Swiss Diplomatic Mission in Kinshasa as Secretary of Embassy and First Assistant to the Swiss Ambassador in the Congo Republic. He, too, took a lively interest in the affairs of the Swiss Colony, and his jovial personality will be greatly missed.

His duties at the Embassy in London have been taken over by Monsieur Jean-Marie Déboeuf.

We extend best wishes to these gentlemen in their new fields of activities.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

It has come to our knowledge that Mr and Mrs. Baerlocher, of 9 Perryn Road, W.3, celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on 14th August. We send them hearty congratulations and best wishes.

The following readers are celebrating a birthday soon: Mrs. Th. Ritter (92) on 12th, Mr. H. Kriesi (78) on 15th and Mr. W. B. Sigerist (76) on 23rd September. Many happy returns to them and any other friends who have an anniversary within the next fortnight!

NEW SWISSAIR MANAGER FOR NORTH OF ENGLAND

Mr. Walter Kunz has been appointed Swissair's District Manager for the North of England and will take up his new position in Manchester in the middle of September. He is at present the airline's Assistant Manager for Bavaria in Munich and succeeds Mr. Hans Mettler, who after nearly five years in Manchester moves to Frankfurt as District Manager and Deputy General Manager for Germany.

Mr. Kunz, who is 39, married, with two children, has been with Swissair since 1947. From 1951 to 1954 he was on the ground operations staff at London Airport, followed by ground operations assignments in South America and managing stations in Germany, before taking up his present Munich post in 1962.

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Owing to the Editor's absence in Switzerland, no acknowledgment of donations will be made in the next issue.

USEFUL PUBLICATIONS

Annual Report for 1966 of the ASO may be had free of Charge from the Secretariat of the Swiss Abroad, Alpenstrasse 26, 3000 Berne (in either German or French). It covers the varied activities on behalf of the Swiss abroad, especially during the "Year of Fifth Switzerland" culminating in the acceptance of the special Constitutional Article for the Swiss Abroad. Amongst other activities are the "Echo" (periodical for the Swiss abroad), film and youth services, training facilities for young Auslandschweizer, Swiss schools abroad and Solidarity Fund.

Also free of charge may be had the brochure "Die Fünfte Schweiz" in either German, French or Italian.

"Die Schweiz Heute" has been reviewed in the "Swiss Observer" more than once. The excellent book (German only) may be had from the Secretariat at Fr.10.— or with reductions according to the number of copies ordered.

The Swiss National Tourist Office, Swiss Centre, 1 Coventry Street, London W.1, recommends free leaflets on the "Comptoir" in Lausanne (9th to 24th September), on the exhibition at Coppet "Grandes Heures — L'Amitié Franco-Suisse" (until 8th October), on coming events in Berne, Geneva and Lucerne (International Music Festival) and "Camping Holiday in Switzerland", a comprehensive brochure giving all relevant details.