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Hermann Kappeler (75), Bichelsee (Thurgau), the oldest teacher in service in the Canton (56 years).

Hermann Keller (75), Heiden (Appenzell A.Rh.), from 1912 to 1966 with the Rorschach-Heiden-Bergbahn; *Regierungsrat* from 1952 to 1955; for over 20 years Chairman of the Board of the Electricity Works of Heiden.

Dr. Emil Munz (66), Arbon, sociologist and father of Dr. Walter Munz, successor of Albert Schweitzer at Lambarene.

Admiral Howard Flanigan (78), Pregny (Geneva), American officer retired in Switzerland.

Jean Briner (90), Zurich, former typographer; Social Democratic Municipal Councillor from 1928 to 1942; National Councillor from 1926 to 1939 and 1940 to 1943; great merits with Zurich's educational development.

Georges de Meuron (84), Corcelles (Neuchâtel), President of the Council of the Nursing Home Préfargier; Liberal member of the Neuchâtel Parliament and Commune Councillor of Corcelles; President of the Society of Friends of the Arts of Neuchâtel.

Henri Lévy (75), Pully, former Director of the "Manufacture d'Horlogerie Pierce s.a." at Moutier and Bienne.

Major Hugo Bolli (54), Geneva, Commandant of the Geneva Cantonal Police; was killed in tragic accident when he wanted to release an injured bird and fell from the sixth floor.

[A.T.S.]

#### A BERNESE COMMUNE PRACTICALLY RUN BY WOMEN

The new Commune Clerk of Limpach in the Bernese *Amt* of Fraubrunnen is Mrs. Affolter (widow). Mrs. Trudi Kummer has been Commune Treasurer for a number of years, and a short while ago, another widow, Mrs. Marti-Legar, was elected verger. *Witwe* Marti-Kummer is post mistress, another lady of the same name delivers the mail. The local cobbler's, the building firm, one of the finest farms in the district and the dairy are run by women, too. Much responsibility lies on the shoulders of these brave women — without the vote!

[A.T.S.]

#### DIAMOND WEDDINGS

The following couples recently celebrated their Diamond Weddings:

Mr. and Mrs. Johannes and Emilie Bruderer-Iller at Trogen.

Mr. and Mrs. Johann and Anna Boehlen-Ruetsche at St. Josefen near St. Gall.

Mr. and Mrs. François and Eva Zmilacher-Pasche in Lausanne; Mr. Zmilacher was one of the founders of the "Société Valaisanne" in Lausanne (1917).

Mr. and Mrs. Zwald, Geneva.

Dr. and Mrs. Gottfried and Lydie Bollinger-Heitz in Basle; Dr. Bollinger was a teacher at the *Töcherschule*, later *Mädchengymnasium* (where the Editor of the "Swiss Observer" enjoyed his teaching).

Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couples!

(A.T.S. and "Basler Nachrichten".)



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