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RECENT DEATHS IN SWITZERLAND

The following deaths have recently been reported from Switzerland:

Fridolin Studach (83), Altstaetten (St. Gall), former Manager of the "Rheintalische Kreditanstalt" (from 1919); member of the Board of "Rheintalische Volkszeitung"; member of the Commune Council.

Albert Duerr (73), Breitenbach (Solothurn), Chairman of the Board of the "Schweizerische Isola-Werke" and of the *Genossenschaftsdruckerei* "Volksfreund"; much concerned with cultural and social welfare life.

Dr. Karl Halter (90), Frauenfeld, *Stadtammann* from 1919 to 1946 (Liberal).

Franz-Xaver Mueller (82), Freiburg, Building engineer and surveyor; member of the Cantonal Parliament from 1931 to 1943 and of the National Council from 1935 to 1943.

Jacques Imfeld (61), Lausanne, Manager of the "Hôtel de la Paix"; President of the local hoteliers' organisation and on the Board of the Swiss and international federations.

Mrs. Wilhelmine Malan-Schoch (96), Grandson, active member of the Salvation Army for 80 years; Colonel in the organisation.

Dr. Bruno Flueller (61), Kuesnacht, lawyer; member of the Cantonal Parliament from 1949 to 1967; President of the R.C. Central Commission of the Canton of Zurich.

Miss Alice Nicollerat (100), Vevey; had been with a doctor's family for 79 years.

Prof. Dr. phil. Jean-Louis Perret (73), Lutry; Lecturer at Helsinki University from 1924 to 1939; well known for his translation of the Finnish national epos; holder of many English awards and honours; after 1948 teacher of French and history at the Lausanne teachers' training college.

Ulrich Brand (103), Lauenen near Gstaad, the oldest *Berner Oberländer*.

Isidor Koppelman (81), Zurich, in Switzerland since 1934, citizen of Basle; responsible for forwarding to the proper Allied quarters the further plans the Nazis had for murdering or deporting Jews; this enabled the Allies to issue their declaration in December 1942, revealing the plans.

Rudolf Wenger (86), Thun, former teacher; well-known in fire brigade services and gymnastics.

Pfr. Paul Trueb (80), Flawil/St. Gall, in charge of the Evangelical Parish from 1924 to 1954; head of the *Pfarrkapitel* Toggenburg from 1937 to 1950; part-time Secretary of the Church Council of the Evangelical Church of St. Gall from 1954 to 1966; historian.

Prof. Dr. Karl Meuli (76), Basle, Professor of Classical Philology, formerly teacher of old languages at the *Humanistisches Gymnasium*, Basle (1919-1957); President of the Swiss *Altphilologenverband* from 1932 to 1935; and head of the Swiss Etymological Society from 1934 to 1943; he issued the collected works by the *Mutterrechtsforscher* Johann Jakob Bachofen.

Dr. Hans Fuerst (66), Waedenswil, *Bundesanwalt* from 1958 to 1967; after his studies, he was in the service of the Canton of Zurich, especially as *Bezirksanwalt* and President of the Tribunal at Horgen; from 1943, permanent representative of the Federal Attorney for the German-speaking part of Switzerland; successful in several Federal Trials, e.g. Nazi Burri, Communist Arnold, Customs Director Widmer and

Federal Police Inspector Ulrich; as Military Judge he had to deal with a number of espionage trials during the war (Lieut. Colonel); important Swiss delegate at INTERPOL and member of its Executive Committee from 1960 to 1963.

Dr. Felix Iselin (83), Basle, the oldest in office of Basle's Notaries; well-known lawyer and President of the Board of a number of important companies, such as Bâloise Insurance and "Schweizerische Treuhandgesellschaft"; for 24 years Liberal member of the Basle Parliament; from 1918 to 1936 in charge of finance of the Evangelical Church of Baselstadt; Colonel of Infantry; as President of the "Schweizerische Nationalspende", he was successor to General Guisan (1956 to 1962); author of historic and family publications.

Dr. Marc Amsler (77), Siders, well-known ophthalmic surgeon; Lecturer and later Professor at Lausanne University; chief medico at Lausanne's Home for the Blind and Head of the Ophthalmological Department of the Cantonal Hospital; called to Zurich in 1943 as Head of the *Augenklinik* of the University; international honours; author of specialised publications.

Jakob Grau (85), Rueschlikon; on the editorial staff of "Volksrecht" from 1918 to 1942; co-founder of Dietikon's Co-operative Society and active on many commissions; Social Democrat representative in the Zurich Parliament and later in the Municipal Council of the town.

Wilhelm Hegetschweiler (78), Bienne, former Manager of the Gasworks; for many years President of the Swiss Federation of Gas and Water Experts.

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