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attendance, the Sunday morning services have enjoyed encouragingly increased congregations recently.

Another point which needs clarification is that the unsatisfactory financial position of the Swiss Church has nothing to do with the restoration of the hall. The money for this purpose came through the Federation of Protestant Churches in Switzerland and the works therefore did not affect the Swiss Church's budget at all.

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## THE SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

Mr. Maurice Rothlisberger, the Swiss Benevolent Society's long time Treasurer, has resigned from his responsible office, and Mr. L. S. R. Asch, who already gives so much of himself to the life of the Colony, has succeeded him. Mr. Rothlisberger became Assistant Treasurer of the Swiss Benevolent Society on 26th October 1931, and Treasurer on 9th August 1937. He has therefore kept a watchful eye on the Society's finances for almost 40 years! The Swiss Benevolent Society is certainly sorry to lose him. We wish every success to Mr. Asch and know that the Society's "Treasure" will be safe under his care.

#### **PERSONAL**

We have the pleasure in congratulating those of our readers who are celebrating their birthdays or some other important day in June. Among our readers, Mr. Fred Notari was 76 on June 14th. Pfarrer Hans Spoerri, Rueschlikon, was 49 on June 22nd. Mr. R. L. Thomas, now in Baden, was 46 on June 24th. Mr. L. S. R. Asch was 62 on that same day, and Mr. Ernst Kuebler was 83. Mr. Max Schneider, Basle, was 65 on June 26th. Mr. Jakob Vogel was 89 on July 2nd. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Brunner and Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Haberstich respectively celebrated their 53rd and 48th wedding anniversary on July 7th. Consul Rico Tosio, now in Karachi, was 57 on July 10th. To all we extend our heartiest congratulations and good wishes.

We also have the pleasure of congratulating Dr. Ian and Dr. Beryl Margrath-Shepherd, who were blessed with a new-born daughter on June 1st. Her name is Helen Patricia and she comes as a gift little sister to their son Allan.

We are glad to inform our readers that Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abbeglen will *not* be leaving us in the near future owing to new decisions in Berne.

We wish to congratulate Dr. Hugo Rast, of Stone House, 9 Weymouth Street, W.1. and Miss Ruth Aeberhard on their recent marriage which took place quietly on 26th May. We wish the couple every happiness in the future.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Mrs. J, Jurgen of "Red Lodge", Englefield Green, Surrey. She was one of our most devoted readers and assured the former Editor of her appreciation of the Swiss Observer on many occasions. She died very suddenly at the age of 92. We send our sympathy to her family, in particular to Dr. and Mrs. X. M. Speckert, her daughter and son-in-law.

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