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LEMBO TICINESE.

Notte di cobalto. Striata d'argento. Di luminosità. Scie brillanti che tagliano, come un sospiro, la superficie cupa del lago. Miriadi di luci. Chiaro-oscuro. Ombre. Bagliori. Qui silenzio, là musica lieve. A spruzzi. Come gli spruzzi che s'infrangono sulla riva.

Razzi scintillanti che raggiungono il cielo: le funicolari del Monte Brè, del San Salvatore.

Guizzar di pesci che cercano sfuggire all'adescamento teso dai molti che pazientemente li attendono tutto il giorno, sino a notte fonda. Guizzar di automobili aerodinamiche sul lungo lago. Vocio sommesso... Coppie sospiranti alla luna, sulle banchine. Coppie che scrutano le onde. Quasi a chieder loro l'avvenire. Parlate straniere che s'intrecciano. Lugano: città cosmopolita. Ospitale e serena. Con i suoi numerosi alberghi che si susseguono. Tutti belli. Maestosi. Le sue palazzine birichine, piene di grazia. Nascoste tra i giardini seducenti. Acacie e mimose. Serenelle e cipressi. La famosa Wellingtonia, superba tra le superbe, frondosa e sicura della sua bellezza. Le fontane che cantano, che spruzzano, che fumeggiano. Tentativi di grattacieli anche qui. Casoni bellissimi. In travertino. Con più finestre che pareti quasi... Finestroni dove la luce può entrare a fasci. Case stile novecento in pieno. Simpatiche sì e no. Dipende dai gusti. Comodissime certamente. Tutto ciò che di più progressista ci sia in fatto di conforto. Case cubitali. Rotonde. Sghembe. Come bastimenti. Portoni in ferro battuto. Scale di marmo. Ascensori. Giardini pensili. E la radio suona. Il telefono strilla. Le macchine da scrivere picchiettano. Quelle calcolatrici sommano, sottraggono. Gravemente.

Via Nassa ed i suoi porticati. Tutti negozi. Ricchi di tentazioni d'ogni genere. Culinarie e artistiche. Il Parco Ciani con le sue statue. Musei e Chiese. Antiche e moderne. Lugano: città nel vero senso della parola. Al cento per cento. Che avvince e... convince.

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Casine montane. Palazzi cittadini. Boschi. Laghi. Semplicità. Febrilità. Tutto il Ticino pulsa di bellezza, di soave poesia. Di "qualcosa" che non si può spiegare, ma che si sente profondamente. Tanto profondamente che mai, nulla, potrà cancellarne il ricordo... che mai, nulla, potrà far amare altra terra, al ticinese, che non sia terra "nostrana."

E.G.L.

Dr. D. SCHINDLER-HUBER †.

The Swiss Engineering Industry has sustained a great loss in the person of Dr. D. Schindler-Huber, late Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Ateliers de Construction Oerlikon, Switzerland, who died at Zurich last week in his 81st year. Dr. Schindler was born in 1856, being the son of an important Silk Manufacturer in Zurich. After a thorough training in Switzerland and abroad, he took over in 1896 the control of the business. Two years before he had become a Member of the Board of Administration of the Oerlikon Company in fulfilment of the wishes of his father-in-law, Mr. P. E. Huber-Werdmuller, the founder of the firm. He applied himself to his duties there with such energy and success that before long he was made an active Director of the Board. From 1911-1935 he was Chairman of the Board and the heart and soul of the Concern, seconded on the technical side by Dr. Behn-Eschenberg, an Engineer with a world-wide reputation. Dr. Schindler was also Chairman of Oerlikon Ltd., London.

Dr. D. Schindler held the rank of Colonel in the Swiss Artillery and his duties in this connection constituted practically his only relaxation from his arduous business life. His wife, who was a woman of great ability and a devoted companion, predeceased him by two years.

Whilst keeping the Oerlikon Works thoroughly up-to-date in the matter of equipment and laying special stress on having a first-class staff, he never attempted to enlarge the Factories to a greater extent than necessary to deal with the largest electrification schemes the firm was confronted with; at the same time, he kept the business within a compass permitting of his personal control. It is largely due to this wise policy of his that the Oerlikon Company is in its present strong position. Dr. Schindler, apart from having made the conduct of the destinies of the Oerlikon Company practically his life work, was a great national economist and his counsel in all such matters was respected by all classes, as it was recognised that he was a steadfast, clear-thinking and honest exponent of his views. He was an indefatigable worker, severe with himself and, if sometimes rather exacting, he never spared himself in any way. He was certainly a great example of devotion to duty and what he once considered right and proper was carried out with a will and fearlessly. The tradition of the family is being carried on by his sons, two of whom are in the active management of the Ateliers de Con-

struction Oerlikon, and one may be certain that the principles which went so far in making and maintaining the reputation of the Oerlikon Works in the electrical business world will be steadfastly adhered to.

G.W.

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Mr. F. G. Sommer, showed various splendid views of Switzerland, as well as some comic films, which were greatly appreciated.

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