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NEWS AT RANDOM

Federal

Monsieur Carl Adalbert Constantin Brun, has presented his credentials as Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary of the Kingdom of Denmark to Dr. Ph. Etter, President of the Swiss Confederation, and M. M. Petitpierre, Swiss Foreign Minister.

Mr. Karl Meyer, Manager of the "Basler Rheinschiffahrt, A.G.", Antwerp, has been appointed Hon. Swiss Consul at Antwerp. He was born in 1915, and is a citizen of Basle.

Customs receipts for the month of October 1953, totalled 64.8 million francs, or 4.7 million frs. more than in October 1952.

During the first nine months of the current year the receipts amounted to 384.5 million francs, which is 22 million frs. more than during the same period in 1952.

Cantonal

During the month of October, 1953, 893 traffic accidents have occurred in the canton of Zurich. 401 persons were injured of whom 12 succumbed to their injuries. [A.T.S.]

The 64th Federal Gymnastic Festival will take place in Zurich from July, 14-17th, 1955.

The commune of Obfelden (District Affoltern) has nominated Dr. Paul Gysler, National Councillor, an honorary citizen. [A.T.S.]

A serious accident occurred between Reichenburg and Bilten, (Ct. Glarus) when two motor cars collided in a thick fog. Owing to bad visibility three more cars ran into the debris causing the death of five persons whilst six were seriously injured.

The names of the killed are: Fritz Zwicky of Mollis, Maria Suter of Zurich, Robert Gantner of Flums (aged 44), Franz Boos, teacher in Flums, and Dr. med. Alfons Beeler of Siebnen. [A.T.S.]

The late Casimir Favre of Avry-sur-Matran (Ct. Fribourg), has left an amount of 35,000.— frs. to the churches of Avry and Matran. [A.T.S.]

Colonel Paul Ryncki, formerly "Korpsarzt" of the 1st army-corps has been elected Surgeon-in-chief of the Red Cross in succession to Colonel Max Kessi, who recently relinquished his post. Colonel Ryncki was born in 1895 at Fribourg. [A.T.S.]

The well-known painter, Louis Rivier of Lausanne has been elected a member of the "Royal Society of Arts" of Great Britain. [A.T.S.]

Dr. A. Linder, President of the General Management of the "Schweiz. Kredit Anstalt" Zurich, has been elected President of the Board of the Electric Power Station, Laufenburg (Ct. Aargau) in succession of the late Dr. A. Jöhr. [A.T.S.]

Mme. Elisabeth Demierre-Oltramaré has died in Geneva at the age of 102. [A.T.S.]

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The following deaths are reported from Switzerland:

Engène Broye, a former Swiss Minister to Spain, in Geneva at the age of 67.

The deceased was born in Fribourg, and after practising as a lawyer, entered the service of the Swiss Foreign Office in 1915. He was in turn sent to Paris, Madrid, Athens, Rome and Budapest. He was from 1938-1951, Swiss Minister in Madrid.

Dr. jur. W. Bolza, from 1911-1935, Public Prosecutor of the canton Basle-Town, in Basle, aged 87.

Dr. med. Hans Iselin, Professor of Medicine at the University of Basle, at the age of 53.

Professor Emilio Bontà, author and teacher, at Faïdo.

Arnold Itten, a well-known architect, in Thun, at the age of 53.

Dr. med. Veillon-Stückelberger, formerly head surgeon of the "Diakonissenspital" Riehen, in Riehen, at the age of 82.

Walter Richard Ammann, from 1908-1951, Editor of the "Oltner Tagblatt" in Olten, aged 65.

Colonel Walter Scherz, from 1937-1940, commander of the 4th Division, in Berne, at the age of 68.

Louis Roulet, formerly Director of the "Mechaniker & Elektrikerschule" Neuchâtel, in Neuchâtel, aged 71.

Dr. Jules Marchand, from 1928 Professor at the Technical University of Lausanne, in Lausanne.

Johann Howald, for over 50 years a teacher at the "Evangelischen Lehrerseminar" Muristalden, in Berne, at the age of 99. [A.T.S.]

The following anniversaries are mentioned in the Swiss Press:

Dr. Johannes Duft (70) St. Gall, from 1919-1939 a Member of Parliament (National Council). He was also for many years a member of the Grand Council of the canton of St. Gall.

Dr. Otto Kleiber, (70) since 1919, Feuilleton Editor of the "Basler National Zeitung".

Army-Corps commander Louis de Montmollin (60), Chief of the General Staff of the Swiss army. [A.T.S.]

The undermentioned couples have celebrated their diamond-wedding (60) anniversary in Switzerland: Mr. & Mrs. G. Wetterli-Graf of Stein a. Rh., Mr. & Mrs. F. Wey-Breitenmoser of Baden; Mr. & Mrs. Thiéband-Girard of La Tour de Peilz, and Mr. & Mrs. J. Käppeli-Roth of Gerliswil. (Ct. Lucerne). [A.T.S.]

Paste replicas of the British Crown jewels were presented to the city of Zurich by the British Chamber of Commerce for Switzerland.

In a ceremony at the city art museum, Mr. J. T. M. Davies, president of the chamber, presented the replicas to Dr. Ernst Landolt, Mayor of Zurich, in commemoration of a "Made in England" exhibition held at Zurich during the summer.

REPORTS.

Reports of the Jubilee Dinner of the Secours Mutuels, and the Xmas Dinners of the City Swiss Club and the Anglo-Swiss Society will appear in our next issue.



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