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**E. KUEBLER.**

On the occasion of the 32nd Presidents' Assembly, which took place on 4th May at the Swiss Embassy, Mr. Ernest Kuebler, as previously reported, was elected Chairman of the Assembly for 1960/61.

Mr. Kuebler was born in 1887, in Winterthur, where he received his schooling at the "Primar and Sekundarschule", after which he entered the chemistry section of the "Kantonal Technikum" Winterthur, obtaining in 1906 the diploma as a technical chemist. After a short stay as assistant at the "Kantons' Laboratorium" Frauenfeld, he took up a position with the "Carbidfabrik" Flums, and afterwards joined the "Société de la Viscose" at Emmenbrück, where he remained until 1909. At the end of that year Mr. Kuebler arrived in Manchester to take up a position with the West Indies Chemical Works Limited, of Jamaica and Manchester.

Two years afterwards (1911) he took over the technical department, and from then onwards acted as technical consultant, which post necessitated much travelling in Europe.

In 1920 Mr. Kuebler, after a lengthy visit to one of the sister companies in the United States, spent six months at the company's factories in Jamaica in order to get first-hand knowledge of the manufacture of natural dyestuffs.

On his return to Manchester he continued his post as technical consultant of his company until 1938, when he was called back to Jamaica to take over the position of temporary works manager, returning in spring 1939 as chief chemist.

In August 1945 Mr. Kuebler once more returned to Jamaica, where he remained until August 1953. During his stay in the West Indies he made several visits to the sister companies in the United States of America.

On his return to Manchester, at the end of 1953, he retired from the firm, in whose service he had been for forty-four years.

During the last war he served as block district warden with the civilian fire guard.

Mr. Kuebler was president of the Swiss Club Manchester for thirteen years, and secretary and later president of the Manchester Group of the Nouvelle Société Helvétique, until this group was absorbed into the Swiss Club Manchester.

In 1958 he was elected president of the Swiss Relief Society Manchester, having been a committee member for many years previously. Mr. Kuebler, in years of membership (50), is now the oldest member of the Swiss Club Manchester, of which Club he was elected an Honorary Member in 1950.

We wish Mr. Kuebler a successful and pleasant year of office.

### SWISSAIR SERVICES.

Swissair has asked us to point out that on page 49135 of our issue of May 27th *Geneva* should have been included in the list of European destinations to be served by its Caravelle jet liners. In fact, both Geneva and Zurich will be served by Swissair's Caravelle jet flights to and from the Middle East starting in July.

On page 19152 of our issue dated June 10th it was stated that Caravelle night tourist services between London and Zurich were expected to start in July. In fact these services started on June 9th and now operate every night.

### SWISS NEWS FROM THE PROVINCES.

We are informed that a Swiss "get together" has started in the West of England.

Meetings are on the first Wednesday every month at 7.30 p.m., at 2 Sussex Place, Widcombe, Bath (Phone: Bath 5603). All Swiss nationals and their families will be welcome. Applications should be sent to Mr. A. Wepf, 21 Honey Hill, Kingswood, Bristol, or to Mrs. Maddox Müller, 2 Sussex Place, Widcombe, Bath.

### PERSONAL.

We convey our sincere sympathy to Mr. H. Gattiker, of 58 Barrs Court Road, Warmley, nr. Bristol, on the sudden passing away of his wife.

We extend heartiest congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. W. Meier, of 53 Priory Road, Hampstead, N.W.6, who have recently celebrated their silver-wedding anniversary.

### OUR NEXT ISSUE.

Our next issue will be published on Friday, 15th July 1960. We take this opportunity of thanking the following subscribers for their kind and helpful donations over and above their subscription: A. O. Bucher, M. A. Rothlisberger, Mrs. A. Werder, C. Perraudin, M. Wiesendanger, R. E. Maag, P. Lequint, A. E. Ehrsam, W. Renz, J. J. Boos, V. Berti, M. Buchmann, F. E. Brunner, Gerald Bechtel, Mr. M. Albrecht.