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Manchester and District Branch of the Royal National Life-Boat Institution was reported. He and his wife sailed their own 12-ton sloop "Vogel Gryff II", and had been doing a great deal of voluntary work for the Institution for many years. Dr. Bolliger held an instructor's certificate of the Department of Trade and Industry and the Royal Yachting Association.

The Swiss community knew him best as a great worker and true patriot in the best sense of the word. He was a member of several Swiss organisations, including the Nouvelle Société Helvétique in London. He was a past-President of the Manchester Swiss Club.

Hans Rudi Bolliger was the delegate for the Swiss in Great Britain North on the Commission of the Swiss Abroad in Berne. As his colleague I can testify to his fairness and integrity when the interests of his compatriots were involved. He was a staunch fighter *against* political rights for the Swiss abroad, and I am proud to have been fighting in the same direction alongside him. His great energy, quick intelligence and dislike of superficiality made him a grand companion, and not least his sense of humour, so typically Bâlois. He will be much missed in the "Little Parliament" of the Swiss Abroad, where he has made a mark not easily deleted.

Our deep sympathy and loving thoughts go out to his wife Trudy, his daughter Regula, now married in Basle, and to his mother.

All his many friends will remember him as the staunch and loyal man he was and consider it a precious privilege to have known him.

MM

C. Seinet

It is with great regret that we announce the death of Mr. Charles Seinet, of Les Murs Blancs 2, 1814 La Tour-de-Peilz. He died on 30th November in his 84th year.

He was born in Neuchâtel where he was educated. After a stay in Frankfurt, he came to this country in 1913 to take up an appointment with a shipping firm in London. During World War I he did military service in Switzerland and in between army duties, he did a training course with the Bally Shoe Factories. He then took over the first retail establishment in Lausanne and came to London in 1924 as manager and buyer with the London Shoe Company. He became its managing director in 1932 and he remained with the company until he retired to Switzerland in 1960.

Charles Seinet was a well-known personality in the Swiss community in London, together with his charming wife. He was a member of the City Swiss Club from 1927 onwards, became Honorary Secretary and later President (from 1951 to 1953).

We extend our sincere sympathy to Madame Seinet, their son and family in their sad bereavement.

The announcement of his death had a quotation from Prov. 19:22 "Ce qui fait le charme d'un homme, c'est sa bonté". That is how we shall remember Charles Seinet. MM

P.S. The family did not wish any flowers, but possible donations to the Royal National Life-Boat Institution.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

The following readers will be celebrating their birthdays during the coming month: Mr. G. A. Schmid will be 91 on 1st February. Mr. & Mrs. O. F. Boehringer will have their 31st wedding anniversary on 2nd February. Mrs. F. Burri will celebrate her birthday on 6th of the month, and 17th February will be the birthday of Mrs. H. Hanftwurcel and Mr. R. E. Maag who will be 64. Mrs. E. Jamieson will be 77 on 20th and Mrs. J. W. Bonjour 78 on 23rd February. Ambassador A. Daeniker (Berne) will be 79 on 24th of the month.

Congratulations and many happy returns to all these readers and any others who will be celebrating birthdays and anniversaries within the coming month.

On 2nd February, it will be 35 years since the League of Nations Radio became part of Swiss Radio, an important event.

The 3rd February is the anniversary of the death in 1832 of the Swiss historian Karl Viktor von Bonstetten.

On 4th of the month it will be the 65th anniversary of the adoption of the federal accident and sickness insurance law.

An important date will be 17th February, the 150th anniversary of the death of Heinrich Pestalozzi, father of the Swiss educational system.

The Swiss writer Ernst Zahn died on 12th February 1952.

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