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FOOTBALL.

F.A. Delegates Meeting, July 14/15th, 1934 in Lugano.

At last it appears that the reorganisation of the F.A. as decided upon last year in Vevey has come to stay. The first season's working has gone without a hitch and the Delegates Meeting is memorable for the smooth and harmonious working of the 62 delegates, all conscious of their duty towards the F.A. as a body and not partisans of purely club interests. We have known it otherwise!

The first item on the Agenda alone lead to some heated perorations. Kreuzlingen having waived their right of promotion as Group leaders of the First League "East," the second club Bellinzona claimed the privilege. The National League clubs unanimously opposed this idea. There were no provisions in the rules for such an unprecedented case. After some strong arguments the voting was 39 for and 21 against promotion. The threequarter majority required not being reached, Bellinzona remain in the First League, and the National League has now reached the desired maximum of 14 Clubs.

The First League next season will consist of 22 Clubs, playing in two groups. Of last year's 18 members the following disappear:

Carouge, promoted to N.L.

Etoile Ch. de F., Winterthur and Bözingen relegated to League II.

The newcomers are: the three relegated N.L. clubs, Zürich, Blue Stars and Urania, and five promoted from League II: Montreux, Olten, Old Boys, Chiasso and Schaffhausen-Sparta.

Two foreigners per club (instead of three) may be played for the next three seasons, after that one only, a sound move which should be a great inducement to concentrate on the development of Swiss talent. After all, it is Swiss Football we want to see flourishing, and if the infusion of foreign experts (alas, mostly past their best) does help and teach, we are all for it, but all within limits.

The starting date for the new season is 26th of August 1934.

The election of the various committees passed without incident and the several annual reports were all duly approved.

Eight Swiss sport journalists in recognition of their services received a special gold F.A. badge. (If they had some in tin, I might have been qualified).

And towards midnight the delegates gladly adjourned to the Lido, at the kind invitation of the town of Lugano. I do wish I had been there too!

M.G.



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Wednesday, August 1st, at 7.30 p.m. — Société de Secours Mutuels — Monthly Meeting, at 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

Tuesday, August 7th, at 8 o'clock (Supper 7.15 p.m. sharp) — City Swiss Club — Monthly Meeting at Pagani's Restaurant, 42, Great Portland Street, W.1., (See advert).

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