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## THE SWISS OBSERVER 25 YEARS AGO.

We give below a summary of some of the events, which have taken place in the Swiss Colony, twenty-five years ago. (January to December, 1921.)

*January, 1921* : Professor Eugène Borel, advocate and professor at the Geneva University, arrives in London to take up his duties as President of the Mixed Arbitral Tribunals, created under the Treaty of Versailles as between England and Germany, and between Japan and Germany.

*February, 1921* : Dr. A. Latt of the London Group of the Nouvelle Société Helvétique, vacates his post as permanent Secretary; he is succeeded by Dr. Paul Lang.

*March, 1921* : M. Gustave Ador, a former President of the Swiss Confederation, and President of the International Red Cross Committee in Geneva, arrives in London, to preside over the Provisional Mixed Committee in connection with the League of Nations.

Henry Pillichody, the well-known Swiss aviator, gives a lecture about his flight over the Swiss Alps. The Swiss Minister, and Madame Paravicini, as well as Colonel Beatty of the British Air Ministry, are present.

M. Emile Cammaerts, celebrated Belgian writer, gives a lecture on "La Reconstruction en Belgique" at the "Swiss Institute," Red Lion Square, W.C.

Major J. L. Isler, First Secretary of Legation, is leaving the Swiss Legation in order to take up his new post as Swiss Consul General in Shanghai.

*April, 1921* : Annual General Meeting of the City Swiss Club; Mr. Laemlé is elected President of the Club.

Mr. J. F. Green, M.P., speaks at the "Swiss Institute" on "My Experiences as a Member of Parliament."

Pastor Adolf Keller, of the "Peterskirche" in Zurich, preaches at the "Eglise Suisse," Endell Street, W.C.

*May, 1921* : The Unione Ticinese (President: W. Notari) celebrates its 47th anniversary at the Adelaide Gallery, Strand, under the chairmanship of the Swiss Minister, Monsieur C. R. Paravicini.

50th Anniversary celebration at 79, Endell Street, W.C., of the Swiss Benevolent Society. In the chair: Mr. George Dimier.

Dr. P. Pettavel, Swiss Consul at Johannesburg (South Africa), is the guest of the City Swiss Club.

The Swiss Colony in Great Britain sends a delegation to the "Auslandschweizertag" in Basle, comprising of Mr. A. Oswald, Swiss Consul in Glasgow; Dr. A. Latt, Mr. P. F. Boehringer and Mr. A. Stauffer.

Mr. G. Aguet, General Manager of Nestlé's, resigns from the chairmanship of the "Swiss House"; he is succeeded by Mr. George Dimier.

*June, 1921* : The "Swiss Sports" are held at Herne Hill Athletic Grounds under the Presidency of Mr. G. Dimier.

Piano recital by Mr. Emile Frey (Swiss) at the Steinway Hall.

Song recital by Miss Felia Dorio (Swiss) at Mortimer Hall.

Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Mercantile Society. Mr. E. Werner is re-elected President.

*July, 1921* : The Swiss Commission in London for the Study of Economic and Commercial Questions

gives a reception and dinner at the Hotel Victoria, Northumberland Avenue, in honour of Dr. Alfred Georg, National Councillor, President of the Geneva Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. John Syz, National Councillor, President of the Zurich Chamber of Commerce. In the chair: The Swiss Minister, Monsieur C. R. Paravicini.

"Fête Suisse." Annual Reunion at King George's Hall (Y.M.C.A.), Tottenham Court Road, W., under the chairmanship of Pasteur R. Hoffmann-de Visme.

Death of Mr. Godfrey Hungerbühler, who for 40 years displayed a prominent and fruitful activity in the London Swiss Colony.

*August, 1921* : First of August Celebration of the "Swiss Institute" at Steinway Hall. The Swiss Minister opens the proceedings.

*September, 1921* : Report by Mr. George Dimier, concerning the fixing of a bronze memorial plate to Britannia Hut on the Hinter Allalin above Saas Fee (Valais).

Monsieur Henri Martin, First Secretary and Commercial Attaché at the Swiss Legation in London, is promoted to Counsellor of Legation.

*October, 1921* : Major Charles de Watteville, brother-in-law of the Swiss Minister, Monsieur C. R. Paravicini, is attached to units of the British Army for the purpose of following a military course at Newmarket.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Goetz are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary. Mr. Goetz has been a very active member of the Swiss Colony in London. He was President of the City Swiss Club in 1876.

The Swiss Choral Society gives a concert at the "Swiss Club" (Schweizerbund), under the conductorship of Mr. L. Peston, in aid of London Hospitals.

Induction of Pastor Ulrich Wildbolz, son of Army Corps Commander Wildbolz, at the "Eglise Suisse," Endell Street, W.C.

*November, 1921* : Major of Cavalry, Anton Bon, of Suvretta House, St. Moritz, President of the Swiss Hotel Keepers' Association, is the guest of the City Swiss Club.

*December, 1921* : Annual Banquet and Ball of the City Swiss Club at Prince's Restaurant, Piccadilly, W. In the Chair: The Swiss Minister, Monsieur C. R. Paravicini.

Death of Mr. Emile Ritter, for thirty years a partner in the firm of Messrs. Gregory and Sons, and an active member of the London Swiss Colony.

## PERSONAL.

We have much pleasure in announcing the wedding, which took place at the Presbyterian Church of Rye, New York, U.S.A., of Mlle. Livia Paravicini, daughter of Monsieur Charles Paravicini, former Swiss Minister in London, with Mr. Frédérick Augustus Godley, Secretary of the American Embassy in Brussels.

Monsieur and Madame Paravicini wish to express their regrets, that owing to circumstances it was not possible to inform the many friends in this country, personally.

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We extend heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Pfaendler, of Ilford, on the occasion of the arrival of a daughter.