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Dr. ERNST SPUEHLER †

We deeply regret to announce the death of Dr. Ernst Spühler, which occurred, after a short illness, at the Westminster Hospital at the age of forty-one.

With Dr. Spühler the Swiss Colony has lost one of its younger members; he arrived in this country about a year ago as London correspondent of the "National Zeitung" of Basle. He soon took an active interest in the activities of the Colony, and joined the London Group of the Nouvelle Société Helvétique of which Society he was recently elected on the Council.

Dr. Spühler was at one time Secretary of the Swiss League of Nations Union and Director of the weekly publication "Servir."

Through his untimely death, the Swiss Press loses a man, who, by his learning, conviction and character was destined for a distinguished career, and his colleagues of the Swiss Press in London deplore the passing of a sympathetic and always helpful friend.

The interment took place on Wednesday, July 16th, at Golders Green Crematorium. Pasteur M. Pradervand, of the Eglise Suisse, officiated and paid a moving tribute to the departed.

Amongst the mourners were: Monsieur P. H. Aubaret, 1st Secretary of Legation and Dr. A. R. Lindt, Press Attaché at the Swiss Legation, representing the Swiss Minister; Mr. Menessier, Vice-President of the Foreign Press Association, Dr. H. W. Egli, London correspondent of the "Neue Zürcher Zeitung"; A. Stauffer, Editor of the "Swiss Observer"; Dr. and Mrs. Kessler, Mr. P. Fent, London correspondent of "Die Tat" and "Gazette de Lausanne", Mr. Capuano, Mr. Heymann. From the Nouvelle Société Helvétique were present: Messrs. A. J. Stahelin, A. Tall, H. Wasmer and Mr. W. B. Kilchenmann.

CHURCH NEWS.

We hear with much regret that Pasteur Marcel Pradervand is vacating his post at the end of this year. He has accepted a request made by the "Conseil œcuménique" of Geneva to take over their Department of reconstruction.

Whilst offering him our heartiest congratulations on having been called to undertake this responsible office, we deeply regret his approaching departure.

Pasteur Pradervand was installed at the Eglise Suisse in June 1938, and by his sincere work and devotion to duty has endeared himself to the London Swiss Colony, and to his many friends in the Provinces.

As he will still remain with us for another few months, we will commend on his work at an appropriate moment.

OUR NEXT ISSUE.

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Friday, August 1st, 1947, from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m. — Schweizerbund (Swiss Club) — Swiss National Day Celebration and Dance, at 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

Friday, August 1st, 1947, from 7 p.m. to 12 p.m. — "The Rutli Ladies Club" — Dance — at the Victoria Hall, Bloomsbury Square, W.C.1. (Tickets 5/-.)

City Swiss Club — No Meeting during August, 1947.

Swiss Mercantile Society — No Meeting During August, 1947.

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London Swiss Philatelic Society — No Meeting during August, 1947.

Nouvelle Société Helvétique — No Meeting during August, 1947.

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