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PAUL EMIL JMHOF †.
1888 — 1947.

We deeply regret to announce the passing away of Paul Emil Jmhof. He died on July 31st following a serious operation, leaving behind him a widow and two daughters, to whom we express our deepest sympathy.

This sudden and quite unexpected death has come as a great shock not only to his family, but also to his numerous friends and colleagues, who will sadly miss him.

Paul Emil Jmhof was for the last 33 years a member of the Staff of the London office of the Oerlikon Ltd., and since 1932 Secretary of the Swiss Club (Schweizerbund), in which capacity he endeared himself to a large circle of our compatriots who came in touch with him.

The departed was of a retiring nature; he was imbued with a sincere affection for his native country, and his zeal and devotion to the Swiss Club makes his tragic loss very deeply felt by all its members. He has served the Swiss community well and his name deserves an honoured place in the annals of our Colony.

A large number of wreaths, amongst them, those of his family, the Committee and Members of the Swiss Club, the President of the Club and Mrs. Peter Stoeri, Union Helvetia, Oerlikon Ltd., Messrs. Nussle, Baumann, Mr. and Mrs. Wyss, Steward of the Club and Staff, etc., were proof of the popularity which the deceased had enjoyed.

A service was held at the Crematorium, Golders Green, previous to which the cortège had stopped at the Swiss Club, where the coffin was draped with the Swiss flag.

The following attended the service: Miss A. Jmhof, representing her mother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. P. Stoeri, President of the Swiss Club, Madame Bolla, President of the Rütli Ladies' Club, Mr. Hausermann, Treasurer, Mr. Nussle, Hon. member Swiss Club, Mr. Bosshardt, Swiss House, Mr. Keller, Swiss Club, Mr. Baumann, Hon. member Swiss Club, Mr. Badkey, Swiss Club, Mr. T. Whittaker, representing Mr. and Mrs. Wyss, Steward of the Swiss Club, and Mr. Burgess on behalf of Oerlikon Ltd. R. I. P.

EUGENE DEVEGNEY †.

Eugene Devegney, whose recent sudden and unexpected death grieved all his friends, was born in Geneva on the 3rd April, 1889. He was educated at the College of Geneva, followed by a full training course in the Hotel trade. After holding several positions in Switzerland and France, he came to London where he enjoyed a most successful career. After a period at the Victoria Hotel, he was appointed manager of the Mayfair which position he held for many years. He was then called upon to take over the management of the Dorchester Hotel from the day it was opened. Later he became manager of the Grosvenor House Hotel until, wishing to take life more easily, he left and took up the management of various provincial hotels until his untimely death. "Gene" to his numerous friends, Devegney was a man of great charm and pleasant company, always considerate and kindly. Of a modest disposition, he was none the less always ready to help and give his advice when requested. He died at the wheel of his car in London on his way to Switzerland for a vacation in his beloved country.

Devegney was a member of the City Swiss Club from 1921 and also of the Cercle Genevois. A prominent Mason, he was, this year, Master of the Eccentrics Lodge and was also a member of the Entente Cordiale Lodge. His many friends will share the great sorrow of his wife, Peggy, and his brother, Dr. C. Devegney.

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