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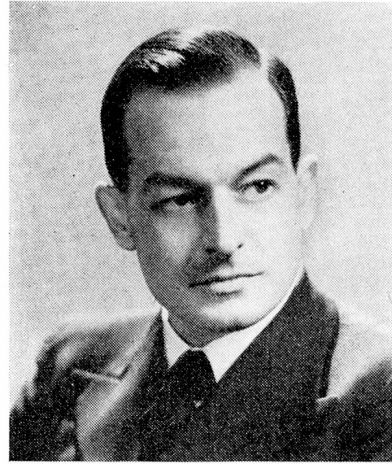
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NEWS FROM THE COLONY.



GOTTFRIED KELLER,  
President,  
Foreign Press Association.

We extend our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Gottfried Keller on his recent re-election as President of the Foreign Press Association, a professional organisation of foreign journalists accredited in London, comprising 140 members and representing 32 different nations.

A great compliment has thus been paid not only to himself but also to our country. It is especially gratifying to learn that our colleague has been *unanimously* voted into the Chair for the third time.

Mr. Keller was born in 1905, the son of States-Councillor, Dr. Gottfried Keller. In March 1934, he came to London to join the Swiss Mercantile Society college as a student. In the same year he was appointed London correspondent of the “Agence Télégraphique Suisse,” and three years later (1937) he became, in addition, London correspondent of the “Basler Nachrichten.”

He soon made a name for himself in the Journalistic profession, and in 1941, was elected, for the first time, President of the Foreign Press Association.

In 1943 Gottfried Keller became Chairman of the International Committee of Journalists.

Mr. Keller is well-known in the London Swiss Colony through his regular talks on “Current Affairs” given at the monthly meetings of the “Nouvelle Société Helvétique (London Group)” during the war, thus enabling our compatriots to get acquainted with the happenings in our country, during a period, when unbiassed news were very difficult to obtain. Thanks to his being well informed with current affairs, both here and abroad, these interesting talks were greatly appreciated.

Mr. Keller is a member of the City Swiss Club, Swiss Mercantile Society and the Nouvelle Société Helvétique.

PERSONAL.

We wish Mr. E. A. P. Bircher, son of Dr. E. W. Bircher, of the Swiss Legation, the best of luck in Saturday's Oxford-Cambridge boat race, where he will row Number 6 in the Cambridge boat.