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WELFARE OFFICE FOR SWISS GIRLS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

In our issue of July 11th we informed our readers of the departure of Miss M. Wolfer, who for nearly ten years had been in charge of the Welfare Office for Swiss Girls in Great Britain, paying her a well deserved tribute for the services she had rendered. At the same time we gave a few particulars of the aims and purposes of this office.

We now wish to introduce to the Colony her successor in the person of Miss Madeleine Beerli, who since June 15th has assumed her post as Welfare Worker.

Miss Beerli hails from Basle, apart from secretarial posts in industry and commerce she has been secretary to the delegation of the Swiss Red Cross, and the "Kinderhilfe" in Budapest, and for two years she worked with Dr. Albert Schweitzer in Lambarene. In all her former appointments she has proved to be a capable and efficient worker, and we feel sure that she will make a success of her new appointment, on which we are tendering her our best wishes.

There have also occurred various changes in the committee. Mr. F. G. Sommer, has relinquished his post as President, which he has held for many years in an exemplary manner, and for which he deserves the thanks of the Colony. Mrs. Mariann Meier, has been chosen as his successor; she needs but little introduction, her services to the Swiss Colony for many years are well known, and we may add much appreciated. During the last war she has regularly worked at the office of the Swiss Benevolent Society once or twice a week. Whilst the administrative side of the work may be new to her, she has, however, a wide experience of the human side, especially in relation to young girls, having on and off taken girls and women — with, and without babies — into her home. Committee work is not new to her either, as she has gone through a hard school at the "Associated Country Women of the World" where she has represented our country for 21 years. We tender her our best wishes for success in her new and responsible office.

Mrs. Agnes Zumstein, has been elected Vice-President, and Mr. Jules Zimmermann, Hon. Treasurer, whilst Mrs. Enid Knoll has been elected Hon. Secretary.

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