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The adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mr. I. R. Daetwiler and seconded by Mr. E. Käufeler and unanimously passed by the Meeting with thanks to the Hon. Treasurer.

The Chairman said that our Hon. Treasurer Mr. E. Frey had informed him, that due to various personal commitments he would, very much to his regret, be unable to carry out his duties as Treasurer and Promoter of the Christmas Draw but would accept nomination as a Committee Member. His resignation was regretfully accepted by the Meeting. On behalf of the Committee, the Chairman expressed sincerest thanks and appreciation to Mr. Frey for the great amount of work he has rendered us since his election in 1960 as Hon. Treasurer and Christmas Draw Promoter.

On the proposal of the Committee Mrs. K. A. Grob was unanimously elected as our new Hon. Treasurer and Promoter of the Christmas Draw.

The Chairman said that in Monsieur M. Heimo, Counsellor of the Swiss Embassy and Madame Heimo, our Committee had lost two good friends and he thanked them for their help and assistance rendered to us during their stay in London.

As all the retiring members of the Committee had offered themselves for re-election, the Meeting elected them unanimously for the ensuing year. Furthermore, Monsieur Jean-Denis Grandjean, Counsellor of Embassy (the successor of Monsieur Heimo), Monsieur J. R. Gaechter, Secretary of Embassy, and Mr. I. R. Daetwiler were proposed as additional Committee members and duly elected.

The final composition of the Committee for 1966 is as follows: Chaplain: The Rev. Father Joseph Scherer; Chairman: Mr. O. Grob, K. S. G.; Vice-Chairman: Mr. E. Bonvin; Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. K. A. Grob; Hon. Secretary: Mr. E. P. Siegfried; Members: Miss C. Affentranger, Miss L. Bonetti, Mrs. F. McKenna, Messrs. L. F. Ackermann, G. Bartholdi, J. J. Boos, K.S.G., I. R. Daetwiler, F. de Maria, E. Eha, E. Frey, J. R. Gaechter, C. Gallo, J. D. Grandjean, R. E. Gut, P. Jacomelli, E. Käufeler, L. W. Krucker, M. Schneebeli, R. Schweizer, K.C.S.S., R. Voegtli.

The Ladies Committee consists of Mrs. E. Bonvin, Chairman; Miss C. Affentranger, Miss L. Bonetti, Mrs. C. T. O. Clarke, Mrs. G. Gallo, Mrs. K. A. Grob, Mrs. E. Käufeler and Mrs. F. McKenna.

Our Chaplain, the Rev. Father Joseph Scherer, congratulated our Chairman, Mr. O. Grob on his appointment by His Holiness Pope Paul VI as a Knight of the Order of St. Gregory the Great in recognition of his services to the Church for the work he has done for Swiss Catholics and other organisations in this country.

The Right Rev. Mgr. Patrick Casey, Bishop-Auxiliary in Westminster will present the Brief of appointment and Insignia to our Chairman at an informal dinner party on Tuesday, 12th July 1966 at the Dorchester Hotel.

The proposal by the old Committee to join The Federation of Swiss Societies in the United Kingdom and to offer an annual subscription of £5.0.0 and to nominate Mr. O. Grob as a permanent delegate to the Federation, was unanimously passed by the Meeting.

It was further decided to hold again a Christmas Draw in 1966, instead of a Bazaar.

Finally, the Chaplain thanked Mr. Grob for conducting the Meeting, which was followed by the Easter-tide Service at St. Ann's Church and a Social Evening afterwards at the Westminster Ball Room. E.S.

CARONA — NEW HOLIDAY CENTRE ABOVE LAKE LUGANO

The new gondola-type cablecar between Melide and Carona which was inaugurated at Easter, provides another touristic attraction in the Lugano region. At the same time, the widened causeway across the lake is becoming a key junction in the steadily-growing North-South motor traffic through the Ticino. The main attraction up to now has been the "Swissminiature", a display of faithful miniature reproductions of famous Swiss buildings, but the new cablecar makes possible easier access to the plateau on the South side of Lugano's famous landmark, Monte San Salvatore, which up to now has been reached only by postal coach from the town of Lugano. Carona is known primarily as an artists' village with genuine Ticinese character. It has been given new impetus towards becoming a resort and study centre by the opening of a "holiday astronomical observatory" some years ago and the announcement of extensive plans for an university-level institution for inter-European studies.

[S.N.T.O.]

SWISS HUMOUR

Un pasteur lausannois faillit, l'autre jour, attraper une contravention. Il l'aurait méritée, d'ailleurs; il avait brûlé par mégarde un feu rouge. Mais l'agent de police, l'ayant reconnu, fit un large geste de la main: "Allez! . . . Et ne péchez plus!"

("Semeur Vaudois".)

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