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CITY SWISS CLUB. Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting of the City Swiss Club, which was preceded by dinner, took place on Tuesday, April 29th, 1947, at Brown's Hotel, Dover Street, W.1, sixty-eight members being present.

Mr. A. Bon, who was in the Chair, informed the Meeting of his decision to retire from the Presidency which he held since 1943, and gave a short *resumé* of his activities during his chairmanship.

In presenting his annual report concerning the sphere of action of the Club during the financial year 1946/47, he mentioned that the attendance at the monthly and social meetings was very satisfactory. He said that the Club, during the last twelve months, was addressed by the following eminent personalities: Dr. Martin Hürlimann, representing the "Association des Editeurs Suisses," Sir Charles Petrix, Dr. G. Kullmann, Mrs. H. Newnham (Candidus), the Rt. Hon. L. S. Amery, P.C., Major F. Bieri, Delegate of the Int. Red Cross Committee, Dr. J. Frey, Director of the "Agence Télégraphique Suisse," Monsieur Grégoire Gafencu, a former Rumanian Foreign Minister, Dr. A. Lindt, Press Attaché at the Swiss Legation, Monsieur René Varin, Attaché Culturel à l'Ambassade de France, Monsieur François Weymuller, Press Attaché at the French Embassy.

According to the President's report the following donations during the financial year were made: Fête Nationale, 1er Août £20; French Hospital £5.5.0, London Emergency Hospital (former German Hospital) £5.5.0, Swiss Benevolent Society £10.10.0, General Guisan Fund £21.0.0.

In terminating his report, Mr. Bon thanked the Swiss Minister, Monsieur Paul Ruegger, for his continued interest he is taking in the affairs of the City Swiss Club, he also thanked his colleagues on the Committee and the members for their helpful and loyal collaboration.

The accounts were then presented by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. M. A. Oboussier, which show a satisfactory position. The Club House Fund has now reached the total of £4,453.18.0.

Mr. Louis Chapuis, a former President of the Club, was proposed and elected as President *pro tem* during the elections of a new Committee; speaking

on behalf of the members, he paid a high tribute to the retiring President, for his unceasing and successful efforts which he has made during the tenure of his responsible office. Mr. Chapuis also mentioned that Mr. A. Stauffer, who has been a member of the Committee for the last fifteen years, is relinquishing his post thanking him and his former colleagues for their services rendered to the Club.

Mr. de Cintra proposed that Mr. A. Bon should be elected a Honorary Vice-President of the City Swiss Club in recognition of his work done for the Club; this proposal was accepted unanimously and with acclamation.

The voting then took place, and the result of the elections for the new Committee was declared as follows:—

President: R. de Cintra.

Vice-President: E. Steiner.

Treasurer: M. A. Oboussier.

Secretary: P. Moehr.

Assist. Secretary: O. Boehringer.

Assist. Treasurer: R. Keller.

Librarian: G. Marchand.

Members of the Club House Committee:

F. Zogg, (*Treasurer*), A. C. Baume, W. E. Gattiker.

Auditors: G. Jenne, R. Weist.

In relinquishing his temporary office, Mr. Louis Chapuis, speaking on behalf of the members, congratulated Mr. de Cintra on his election as President, wishing him, and his newly elected colleagues on the Committee, a successful year of office.

Mr. de Cintra, taking the Chair, thanked Mr. L. Chapuis for the able way in which he had conducted the meeting during the elections, and gave expression of his gratitude to the members for having charged him, and his colleagues, with the guidance of the Club. He informed the meeting that it has been decided to revive the post of a Press Reporter and proposed Mr. A. Stauffer for this office, the latter was duly elected. The President congratulated Mr. W. Meier, who is a member of the Club, on his recent election as President of the Swiss Mercantile Society, wishing him success in his new office.

Close of meeting 9.30.

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