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and wished the new President, Mr. P. De Maria, the best of luck in his responsible office.

In conclusion, the speaker said, that our motherland requires all the attachment and love her sons abroad can give it in these trying times. He said: "let our closing thought be, God bless the land we all love so deeply." (*Applause.*)

The Cabaret Show which followed began with Mr. Umberto Allodi's playing on his concert accordion excerpts from the opera "La Traviata", the "William Tell" *ouverture* and a *pot-pourri* of Neopolitan airs. The almost riotous applause which followed Mr. Allodi's performance was fully deserved.

Mr. De Courcy, the well-known conjurer from the Savoy, and a Ticinesi, astounded his audience by his clever card tricks and by making a live canary disappear together with its cage into "thin air."

But the *clou* of the programme was the appearance of the famous "Corale" of the Unione Ticinese; dressed in their picturesque national costumes, they sang very lustily and melodiously those seductive tunes which we all have heard, at one time or another, when visiting our beautiful little canton of Ticino. Mr. P. De Maria, the conductor of this little mixed choir, is to be heartily congratulated on his achievements; it was a fine performance which richly deserved the thunderous applause which was accorded.

Dancing then continued until 10.30 p.m. when everyone left the Dorchester Hotel with the happy feeling of having spent an enjoyable afternoon and evening.

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FOOTBALL NEWS.

Wales 3 Switzerland 2

Wales avenged the 4—0 defeat in Berne two years ago by winning by three goals to two at Wrexham on the 16th of this month.

With only 20 minutes to go the Welshmen had a three clear goals lead, but two quick scores by Switzerland changed the trend of affairs.

Wales only goal before the interval was scored by Burgess (Spurs), their captain, left half and outstanding player. After fifteen minutes of the second half Ford (Sunderland), scored the second, and five minutes afterwards the third Welsh goal. Within 10 minutes Switzerland had reduced the lead with a nice goal scored by Ballaman; not long afterwards Switzerland scored again, this time it was Antenen who got the ball into the net.

Switzerland gave a perfect lesson in keeping the ball on the ground, rolling it accurately into the open spaces, but when it came to shooting Wales had the pull. Willi Steffen of the Rest of Europe and Chelsea fame was the outstanding player in the Swiss team.

The spectators, numbering 20,000, amongst them the Swiss Minister and Madame de Torrenté, saw a grand match with good football from both sides, with style of play completely different.

Teams:— WALES: Hughes (Luton Town); Williams, G. (Cardiff City), Sherwood (Cardiff City); Paul (Manchester City), Charles (Leeds United), Burgess (Tottenham, capt.); Griffiths (Leicester City), Kinsey (Norwich City), Ford (Sunderland), Allchurch (Swansea Town), Clarke (Manchester City).

SWITZERLAND: Eich; Steffen, Bocquit; Neury, Lusenti, Quinch; Ballaman, Antenen, Bickel, Von Lanten, Fatton.

Referee: Mr. M. G. Mitchell (Falkirk).



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