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## GEORGE WAHL †.

As briefly reported in our last issue, Mr. George Wahl passed peacefully away, after a serious operation, on Monday, May 21st.

This sad and quite unexpected demise of our friend has come as a great shock not only to his family, but also to his intimate circle of friends.

George, as we used to call him affectionately, was one of those who fought shy of the limelight; the useful work which he rendered for the benefit of the Swiss Colony was done in an unobtrusive and quiet way, but it was none the less effective.

The deceased was one of the mainstays of the London Swiss Philatelic Society of which he had been a Committee Member from its foundation, and for the last four years he had held the office as Hon. Treasurer. In this capacity, he was instrumental in appealing for and collecting quite considerable amounts for various Swiss charities; he himself was by nature a generous man and no deserving case was ever ignored by him; he was also a member of the Swiss Mercantile Society.

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George Wahl was born in Zurich in the year 1886, and came to this country in 1919, he obtained a post in a factory producing car accessories and later on took up work as a philatelist, at the date of his death he was the proprietor of a licensed house in West Croydon. He leaves a widow and two sons and a daughter, who are all married, and to whom we express our deep sympathy in their bereavement.

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During the many years in which he was a resident in this country he remained deeply attached to his native land, his cheerfulness and good humour endeared him to all, and his untimely departure will be greatly felt not only by the members of the London Swiss Philatelic Society to which he rendered such useful work, but by all who came in contact with him. In our memory he will live on as a lovable and generous man.

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## PERSONAL.

We extend heartiest congratulations to Pastor and Mrs. C. Th. Hahn, of Sierre (Switzerland), on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary.

## OUR NEXT ISSUE.

Our next issue will be published on Friday, June 29th, 1951. We take the opportunity of thanking the following subscribers for their kind and helpful donations over and above their subscription: A. Corbat, E. Laechler, Th. Siegfried, Swiss Y.M.C.A., C. Filliez, F. Bassi, Mrs. A. Gidvani, F. C. Lichtensteiger, J. J. Boos, V. Tenger, H. Koch, J. Stettler, A. Renou, H. Ott, A. Engelbert, Ch. L. Chapuis, C. de Mierre, L. Portman, J. Born, G. Marchand, R. B. Meier.



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