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Presidents of Swiss Societies in Great Britain



HENRY DE TORRENTÉ.

Envoyé Extraordinaire et Plenipotentiaire de la Confédération Helvétique près de la Cour de St. James.

Président d'Honneur, of a number of Swiss Societies in Great Britain.



H. OSWALD.

President: Swiss Economic Council.

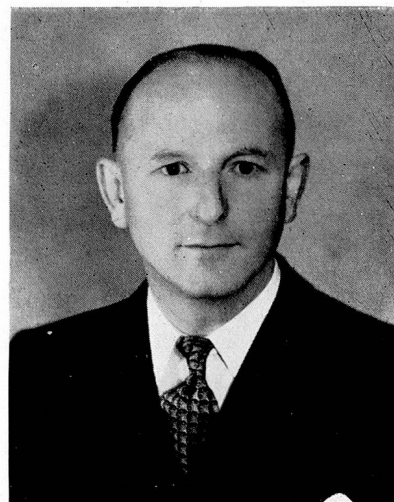
Elected President in 1952; member of the Committee City Swiss Club. Profession: Managing-Director of British Brown Boveri, Ltd. since 1947. Arrived in this country in 1928.



C. E. SEINET.

President: City Swiss Club.

Elected President in 1951. Profession: Managing-Director of London Shoe Company, Ltd. since 1932. Arrived in this country in 1913.



W. MEIER.

President: Swiss Mercantile Society.

Elected President in 1947. Chairman of Assembly of Presidents of Swiss Societies in Great Britain. (1952/53). Profession: Manager of a Metal Merchants firm in London. Arrived in this country in 1928.



ANTON BON.

President: Swiss Benevolent Society.

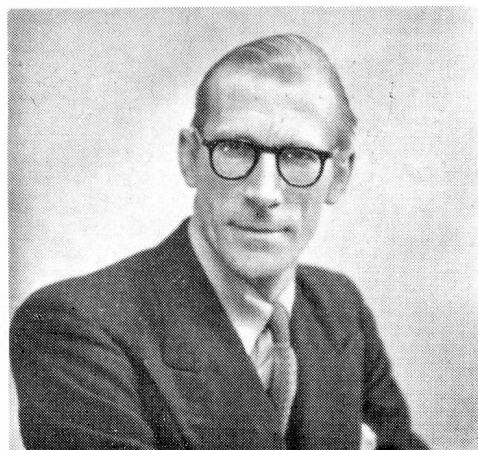
Elected President in 1940. President of City Swiss Club, 1943-1947, and Honorary Vice-President of this Club. Profession: Hotelier. Arrived in this country in 1936.



DR. H. W. EGLI.

President: Nouvelle Société Helvétique.

Elected President in 1947. Profession: Foreign correspondent of the "*Neue Zürcher Zeitung*", Zurich. Arrived in this country in 1924.



A. L. GANDON.

President: Société de Secours Mutuels des Suisses à Londres.

Elected President in 1948. Leader of the Swiss Accordion Group since 1937. Profession: Director and General Manager of "ASPEC" (London) Ltd., (Precision Engineers). Arrived in this country in 1930.



P. DE MARIA.

President: Unione Ticinese.

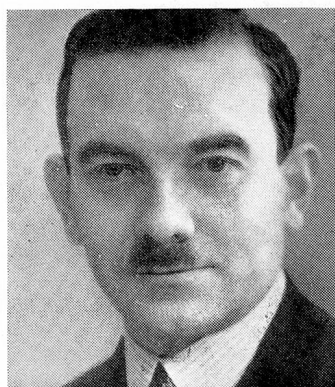
Elected President in 1951. Conductor of the "Corale". Profession: Director of Messrs. H. R. Munns (Oversea) Ltd. Born in London.



F. G. SOMMER.

President : Swiss Male Choir.

Elected President in 1940. President of Swiss Y.M.C.A., 1928/30. Vice-President and latterly President of the "Foyer Suisse", 1924/1952. Formerly President of the 1st of August Committee. Member of the Consistoire of the Swiss Church. (1938-1952) Profession: Incorporate Company Accountant and Corporate Secretary of Messrs. A. Wander, Ltd. in London. Arrived in this country in 1916.



R. DE CINTRA.

President : Swiss Sports Committee.

President City Swiss Club, 1922, 1947 and 1948. Steward Swiss Benevolent Society. President "Cercle Genevois". Hon. Treasurer Swiss Economic Council. Profession: Chairman and Managing-Director of Messrs. Dimier Brothers & Co. Ltd., London. Chairman "Swiss Observer" Advisory Council. Arrived in this country in 1912.



A. RENOU.

President : Fête Suisse Committee.
President : Confrérie Vaudoise.

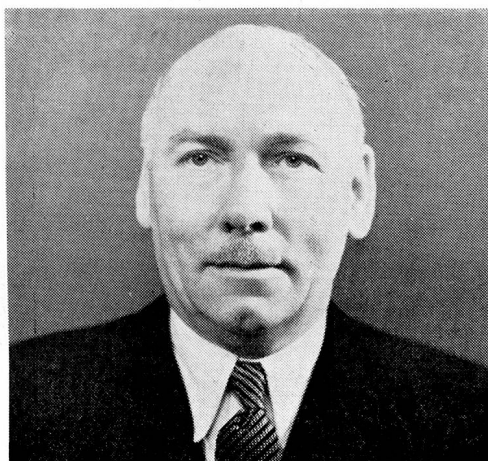
Elected President of the Fête Suisse Committee in 1951. Founder of the Confrérie Vaudoise, and formerly Hon. Secretary of the Swiss Economic Council, Commissioner and Delegate of the Swiss Boy Scout Association to the International & British Headquarters in Great Britain. Profession: Managing-Director and owner of Messrs. Buser & Co. Ltd., importers of Swiss knitted goods. Came to this country in 1920.



MRS. C. BERTI.

President : Unione Ticinese (Ladies Section).

Elected President in 1948. Mrs. Berti is showing a keen interest in the "youngsters" of the Swiss Colony, who find in her an always willing adviser.



E. R. COTTET.

President: Swiss Club, Manchester.

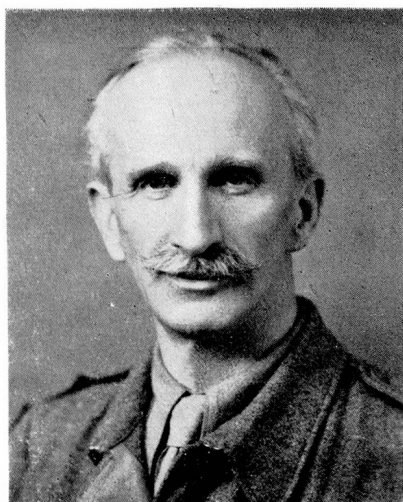
Elected President in 1952. Profession: Chief Hotels Manager British Railways Hotels. Arrived in this country in 1913.



BRUNO FRICK.

President: Swiss Club Dunfermline.

Member of the Club since 1937. Hon. Secretary from 1937-1946, Vice-President from 1946-47. Elected President in 1947. Profession: Managing-Director, Silk Mills, Dunfermline. Arrived in Scotland in 1932.



PROFESSOR JEAN INEBNIT, L.-ès L. O.A.

President: Swiss Club, Leeds.

Member of the Bradford Swiss Club, co-founder and President of Yorkshire Swiss Club since 1948. Hon. Member, Swiss Club, Manchester. Chairman of Assembly of Presidents of Swiss Societies 1951/52. Profession: Senior lecturer at Leeds University. In this country since 1920.



CHARLES F. ILLI.

President: Swiss Club, Bradford.

Arrived in this country in 1921, and is Governing-Director of Robert Davenport & Co. Ltd., and Director of Messrs. Charles Illi & Co. Ltd., Bradford.



R. DUPRAZ.

President : 1st of August Committee.

Mr. Dupraz was elected in 1912, a member of the General Committee of the Swiss Benevolent Society. Hon. Treasurer from 1914-1924. President from 1924-1938, he was nominated Hon. Vice-President for services rendered. President of the City Swiss Club in 1950. Profession : holds a leading position in the firm of Messrs. Dimier Brothers & Co. Ltd., London. Arrived in this country in 1905.



W. SCHNEEBERGER.

President : " Schweizerbund " (Swiss Club).

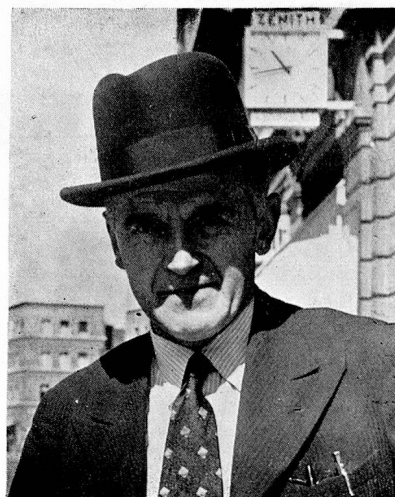
Member of the Club since 1918. Elected President in 1949. Arrived in this country in 1920.



HANS BERLI.

President : Swiss Club, Balloch.

A founder member of the Club in 1934, and since that date a committee member. Elected President in 1947. Profession : Foreman dyer with the British Silk Dyeing Co. Ltd., Balloch. Arrived in this country in 1933.



F. STREIT.

President : London Swiss Philatelic Society.

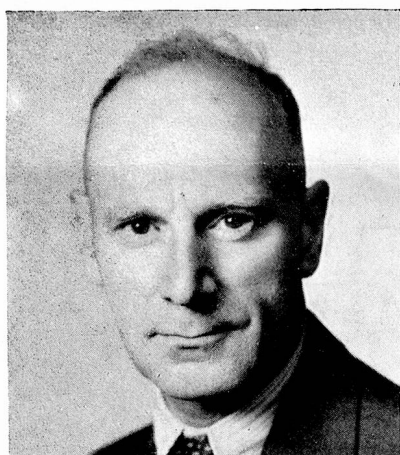
Co-founder of the Society, and President since 1943. Profession : Principal of Department of Barclay's Bank, Ltd., Chief Foreign Branch, London. Arrived in this country in 1921.



A. BOOG.

President: Union Helvetia.

Entered Society in 1916 and held posts in various committees. Former steward of Union Helvetia Club and President of the Union Helvetia since 1945. Position: Catering Trade. Has been in this country for 37 years.



W. FISCHER.

President: Swiss Y.M.C.A.

Since 1919 in this country. Profession: Signature holder of the Swiss Bank Corporation, London.

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