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BACK TO EARTH.

The holidays are over. Even though the weather has not been perfect this summer we have had a rest and feel all the better for it. Many jobs are awaiting us now that we are back. For one thing — what a pile of mail has collected during our absence! Amongst it lies the Annual Report of the *Swiss Benevolent Society*. It has been sent uncommonly late this year due to extra work at the office in connection with the new Swiss Hostel for Girls which will be opened this autumn. So our first effort shall be to send in our annual donation.

At the last meeting of the SBS on 13th August it was reported that there was a deficit of £1072 during the first six months of 1956. The Hon. Treasurer also reported that the number of subscribers who have signed the Covenant under which the Society can claim from the Inland Revenue the income tax paid on the subscription has gone down. Even so about £400 will be refunded by the tax authorities. So why not sign the Covenant, too, while we are about it? It is no extra trouble and does not commit us extensively.

At the meeting in August the Chairman and President of the Society, Mr. F. G. Sommer, stressed that the support of the whole Colony was needed more than ever now that a very large slice of the Sandoz Legacy had been taken away by the hostel. So let us remember this when we draw the cheque.

The Society has now 65 pensioners, look after a score of patients in mental hospitals and apart from spending many hundreds of pounds every year on casual relief they help with gifts in kind. Soon the time will come when we shall put away our summer clothes and dig out our winter things. This is our chance to sort out clothes which we no longer need and, provided they are clean and in good repair, send them to the Swiss Benevolent Society at 31, Conway Street, London W.1. Every description of men's women's and children's wear, shoes, even umbrellas and suitcases and all kinds of reasonably well preserved household articles are welcome. Remember, not everyone has been able to enjoy such a lovely

holiday — let's show our gratitude in a useful and practical way.

SWISSAIR U.K. MANAGEMENT CHANGE.

Mr. Max Keller has been appointed Sales Manager of Swissair for the United Kingdom and Ireland with effect from August 1st. He has succeeded Mr. A. Kuhn who has resigned from the Company.

Mr. Keller has been with Swissair for ten years. He has been Manager of the airline's representation in Belgium and of its Dusseldorf office and lately Assistant Manager of Passenger, Interline and Agency Relations at Swissair's Head Office in Zurich.

Mr. Kuhn has joined as a partner and director John Rankin & Co., travel agents, of 19 Queen Street, London, W.1.



Mr. Max Keller (on right) receiving Mr. Kuhn's best wishes on his appointment.

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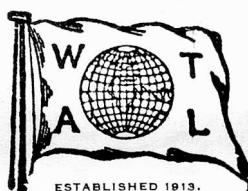
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