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MAX WUEST †

It is with deep regret that we have to report the sudden death, in his early sixties, of Mr. Max Wuest (so often anglicised to West by his English friends), a well-known member of the staff of the Swiss Bank Corporation in London. Mr. Wuest, whose father was Managing Director of the old Gotthard Railway before the creation of the Swiss Federal Railways, and a Member of the Swiss Parliament, gained his early banking experience in Geneva and came to the London Office in 1920. In 1923 he went to the Anglo-International Bank from which he returned to the Swiss Bank Corporation in 1934.

From his early days in his home town of Lucerne he was a keen rowing man and as Secretary or President he was a faithful and enthusiastic member of the Mortlake Rowing Club during his long residence in London. He could claim a most intimate and valuable knowledge of tide-way rowing, and was probably one of the first Swiss oarsmen to adopt the London river.

Mr. Wuest leaves a widow and a married daughter, who has made her home in Johannesburg, to whom we would extend our deepest sympathy.

JOHN ERNST WIRTH †

We regret to report the passing, after a long and distressing illness, of Mr. J. E. Wirth, aged 84 years. He was born in Grasswil, near Herzogenbuchsee, and went to school there and later at Lausanne. In 1896 he was appointed Foreign Correspondent with a Bradford Export House, and later held a very responsible position. He married a Bradford lady and had four daughters and two sons. Although Mr. Wirth lived in England all his married life, he was deeply attached to his beloved Switzerland, and would never renounce his nationality. He was elected an honorary member of the Swiss Club in Bradford. He and his wife and family visited his native country whenever possible. Since Mr. Wirth retired he lived in Morecambe and Heysham, and his last 11 years in Rawdon, near Leeds.

The cremation took place at Lawnswood, Leeds, on 30th October.

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