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NEWS FROM THE COLONY.



G. E. SUTER.

Chairman: Swiss Economic Council.

On the occasion of the Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Economic Council, which was held on Thursday, June 14th, at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1, Mr. G. E. Suter, was elected Chairman.

The new Chairman was born in 1900, at Horgen (Ct. Zurich) in which town he received his schooling, followed by a three years apprenticeship with a small silk manufacturer in his home town; then followed four months work in the mill in order to learn weaving, winding, warping and quilling, before entering the Silk Weaving School at Zurich, where he took a twelve months' course (1918/19).

A further year was spent with a silk manufacturer in Zurich, and as a promise to go abroad for them did not materialise, Mr. Suter decided in 1920, to go to Paris, "sur le pavé"; there he obtained an engagement with a silk merchant of six months' duration, after which he joined the firm of Nestlé's, Paris (Administration Continentale), where he remained for 18 months.

On leaving France, he went to Spain to seek a new post, and eventually obtained a technical appointment with a Spanish manufacturer outside Barcelona, with whom he stayed for one year.

Afterwards he joined the Stünzi concern in Spain, taking over their representation for one year, at the end of which he obtained a post with their French company (Tissages de Soieries Stünzi Fils) in Lyons remaining there from 1924-1926, in a commercial capacity.

Mr. Suter arrived in this country in 1926, and was engaged as an employee with Stünzi Silks Ltd., London, in this concern he eventually rose to the post of Manager (1937) and last year (1955) was appointed a member of the Board of the English company. He is married to a lady from Horgen, and has two children, a daughter, and a son.

During recent years, he has taken an interest in the work of the Colony, becoming a member of the Swiss Economic Council committee. He is also a member of the City Swiss Club, the Swiss Mercantile

Society, the Swiss Rifle Association, and the Nouvelle Société Helvétique.

Mr. Suter has widely travelled both on the continent, and in overseas countries.

We are tendering him our best wishes for a successful term of office for the benefit of the Council in particular and our country in general.

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