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DR. GUSTAVE KULLMANN

Dr. Gustave Kullmann, who died on 12th November, was a "Renaissance man", with a conscience; a mystic, with a command of practical affairs, writes Mr. P. M. Malin in "The Times". He came to know, probably, more about refugees — racial, religious, political — than anyone else on earth. And he dealt with their problems, not merely as a highly informed authority on the complexities of statelessness, but also as an indefatigable and effective helper in surmounting individual hardships.

Born into a prominent Swiss family, he early attained *summa cum laude*, his doctorate in Law at both Zurich and Berlin. But the ordinary practice of his profession in his native country could not contain his soaring spirit, and, after studying Theology at Yale, he helped found and direct the International Student Service, which in the early 1920's salvaged the educational careers of thousands of young men and women on the Continent. From that work he went on to render brilliant service as a member of the Intellectual Co-operation Section of the League of Nations Secretariat.

He thus brought unique preparation to his posts as Deputy High Commissioner for Refugees under the League of Nations and Assistant Director of the Intergovernmental Committee for Refugees. When the International Refugee Organization was established by the United Nations in 1947, he naturally was appointed its Chief Legal Officer — later, as his health began to fail because of his long and unstinted efforts, he became its representative in the United Kingdom.

A NOMINATION

The Ship and Boat Builders' National Federation have elected Mr. T. M. Hagenbach as their 1962 president.

Mr. Hagenbach, whose family is of Swiss extraction, is managing director of Windboats Ltd., of Wroxham, Norfolk, who manufacture boats in timber, aluminium, glass-fibre and "Seacrete" (a concrete derivative). "Seacrete" is claimed to be stronger than timber or glass-fibre and as strong as steel but cheaper than all three. Further claims are that "Seacrete" possesses great elasticity and resistance to cracking, is water resistant, corrosive-proof, fire-proof and can be moulded into any shape or form. Three boats built with hulls made from this material will be introduced by Windboats Ltd. for the 1962 hiring season on the Norfolk Broads. A boat with a "Seacrete" hull will be exhibited at the International Boat Show at Earl's Court from 3rd to 13th January 1962.

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