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MR. GEORGE BROWN WITH THE SWISS

SOCIALIST PARTY

At the first week-end in October, some 700 delegates met in Berne for the Party Day of the Swiss Social Democrats. Mr. George Brown was one of the foreign guests. He gave a message from the Labour Party and addressed the assembly.

By 418 to 5 votes, the delegates resolved to ask for the resignation of Federal Councillor Chaudet on the grounds that only his retirement could take away the malaise left behind by the "Mirage" affair.

Following the Party meeting, Mr. Brown saw Federal Councillor Schaffner and the Director of the Commercial Section of the Federal Department for Economic Affairs, Ambassador Stopper. No communiqué was issued.

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RECENT DEATHS IN SWITZERLAND

The following deaths have been reported from Switzerland:

- Lic.rer.pol. Jules-Albert Morel (60), Berne, parliamentary editor of the "Schweizerische Politische Korrespondenz"; died in Sweden—a strange coincidence as he was a special friend of Scandinavia.
- Pfr. Wilhelm Ellenberger (64), Berne, former minister of the Church at Meiringen, Fribourg and Berne; chief of the press service of the "Synodalrat".
- Théodore Pasche (87), Oron-la-Ville, landscape painter of repute.
- Franz Rederer (65), Zurich, well-known portrait painter; for twelve years at the State Academy in Caracas.
- Karl Haaga (79), Rorschach, well-known renovator and church painter; originally from Wuerttemberg, but during his stay in Switzerland of over 50 years in charge of about 300 church renovations.

Anton Mozzatti (63), Lucerne, famous architect.

- Anton Maechler, Winterthur, R.C. "Stadtpfarrer" and Deacon.
- Prof. Maurice Bourquin (60), Lausanne, professor of economics at the "Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales; died in Rome.
- Jakob Stricker von Stein (67), Herisau, former "Regierungsrat" and politician.
- Franz Furrer (81), Altdorf, prominent farmer and "Regierungsrat".
- Mademoiselle Ketty Jentzer (84), Geneva, active in promoting the girl guide movement in Switzerland; translated Lord Baden-Powell's book "Girl Guiding".
- André Maus (68), Geneva, member of the board of one of the largest Swiss department stores.
- Dr h.c. Oskar Reinhart (80), Winterthur, great artist and collector; donated his collection of 500 pictures to the town of Winterthur in 1951 (Oskar Reinhart Foundation); in 1955, this became federal property and is open to the public.
- Frau Maria Fein, world-famous Viennese actress residing in Zurich; mother of Frau Maria Becker.
- Hans Jud (66), Kaltbrunn (SG), former postmaster, "Kantonalmusikpräsident" of St. Gall.

- Daniel Jossi (85), Meiringen, well-known carpenter of Wasserwendi; for many years representative of the Oberhasli in Parliament.
- Jacques Bohy (90), Bellevue/Geneva, well-known industrialist; in charge of the Cantonal Fuel Office during the first world war.
- Wilhelm Gimmi (79), Chexbres, the last great Swiss painter of his generation; for thirty years representing the Paris School; the Muraltgut and the ETH in Zurich
- are decorated with his murals; 1948 awarded the "Grosse Preis der Landesausstellung 1939".
- Paul Lardon (91), Court, founder of a watch factory; twice Commune President of Court; for 25 years member of the Cantonal Parliament; President of the Church Commune.
- Jean Ouboter (79), Zurich, cofounder and first president of the Dutch Chamber of Commerce in Switzerland.
- Georges Bessire (77), Bienne, teacher of French at the German-speaking "Progymnasium" and its director from 1929 to 1954; represented the Social Democrats in the Municipal Council for 16 years; married sister of Adrian Wettach, the world-famous clown Grock.
- Federal Judge Dr. iur. Joseph Plattner (63), Grancy, born and schooled in Chur, studied in Berne and Zurich, lawyer in the Valais; Commissioner of Taxes in the Thurgau in 1927 and later in charge of the Thurgau Tax Administration; member of the Divisional Tribunal 7; Federal Judge since 1954; Major of Infantry.
- Robert Voigt (66), Romanshorn, owner of well-known pharmaceutical business; from 1949 to 1963 member of the Commune Council; for many years president of the "Industrie- und Arbeitgebervereinigung".
- Fritz Schaich (74), Brugg, former master baker, Honorary President of the Swiss "Bäcker-Konditorenmeister Verband"; played important part in the war with regard to bread supplies; creator of the baking trade training college in Lucerne.
- Edmund Victor Fehr (83), Carthusian Monastery Ittingen (TG), known for his interest in the "Karthaeuser" wine and in the former Monastery; Lieut.-Colonel of Cavalry and first president of "Rennverein" Frauenfeld.
- Dr. Louis Bendal (68), Lucerne, engineer and geologist; creator of the first Swiss laboratory for geology; writer and lecturer at the EPUL in Lausanne; Liberal member of the "Grosse Stadtrat" Lucerne (1943-1951) and of the Cantonal Parliament from 1952-1959.
- Dr. Paul Godard, Geneva, medical practitioner, since 1937 at Nyon; born in Paris; father of the film producer Jean-Luc Godard.
- Dr. Henri Pierrier (83), oldest medical practitioner in the Canton; Colonel of Army Medical Corps.
- Paul Nerfin (72), Lausanne, politician; Commune President of Aubonne; Councillor of State from 1946; member of the Cantonal Parliament for 12 years and National Councillor from 1943-1946; from 1950 to 1961 Director of the Vaudois Cantonal Bank; excellent administrator and financier and active in many organisations amongst others the Comptoir Suisse, the EXPO, the Fédération Romande de Détaillants.
- Robert Weber (86), Heiden, printer and publisher; for ten years Commune Councillor and for two decades member of the Executive of the "Schweiz. Zeitungsverlegerverbandes"; publisher of the "Appenzeller Anzeiger" and the "Häädler Kalender".