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fastidious demands for quality and elegance in the world of fashion. Mention must also be made in this connection of footwear and leather articles.

It would take many pages to list all the groups at this Jubilee Fair, many of which are virtually fairs in their own right. We must therefore simply pick out some of the most interesting for special mention. These include metal-working and heavy engineering, industrial supplies, precision engineering, small type motors and transmission agents, instruments for measurement and control, the "Lignum" timber fair, equipment for hotels, communal restaurants and kitchens, domestic heating apparatus, refrigeration, furniture and furnishing fabrics (the wholesale furniture fair is open only to the trade) and plastics, without forgetting sport, camping and gardening. The visitor to the Basle Fair can thus be sure of finding there an abundant supply of all the manufactured products intended for current consumption and private use.

This brief list of the different sectors of the productive system represented at the Basle Fair affords only a glimpse of the full range, for there is hardly any form of industrial activity which has not successfully taken root in Switzerland. It will be obvious that, for all their spaciousness, the halls of the Fair can accommodate only a limited number of models from the extensive manufacturing programmes of Swiss factories. The important thing, however, is that Swiss enterprises of every kind should be represented at Basle — and they are. Every visitor can thus contact the responsible officers of firms operating in the field of interest to him.

A prospectus in colour with a text in nine languages is already available to show prospective purchasers in Europe and overseas the general features of this 50th Swiss Industries Fair, which, to judge by the number of exhibitors, the diversity of goods and the many applications for information already received, is certain to meet with outstanding success. Offices representing the Swiss Industries Fair abroad, Swiss embassies and consulates, Swiss chambers of commerce and the agencies of the Swiss National Tourist Office will be pleased to give any information desired and to issue identity cards for businessmen and also supply the Fair catalogue.

To conclude this short survey of the next Swiss Industries Fair in Basle we might say that, year after year, foreign visitors and international press correspondents recognize the general and particular excellence of this great Swiss national event and find that quality still remains the ultimate aim in every sector of Swiss production. May we hope to see you at the 50th Swiss Industries Fair? As an alert and go-ahead businessman you cannot afford to miss this traditional spring event. We bid you a hearty welcome to Basle and wish you every success in your business there.

(By courtesy of "Swiss Industry and Trade".)

SWISS DIESEL ENGINES FOR DANISH SHIPS

One of the largest Scandinavian shipping lines, A. P. Møller of Copenhagen, recently decided to equip two of their new vessels with nine-cylinder Sulzer diesel engines having a bore of 900 mm. and a maximum continuous output of 20,000 h.p. This order is all the more remarkable since this shipping line is using Sulzer engines as main propulsion machinery for the first time.

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APPOINTMENTS

Federal

The Federal Council has made the following appointments:

- Alexandre Hay as General Manager of the Swiss National Bank in succession to Dr. Ricardo Motta (1st April 1966).
- Max Nef, hitherto Parliamentary Correspondent of the "Neue Zuercher Zeitung", as Adviser on Press and Information.
- Dipl. Bauing. Berger (Basle), as Delegate for Housing (construction).
- Dr. Niklaus Kueng (from Wildhaus, St. Gall), as new Chief of the Import and Export Section.
- Dr. med. vet. E. Fritsch as Delegate in charge of special veterinary questions.
- Dr. med. vet. A. Nabholz as Director of the Federal Veterinary Office.
- Dipl. Architect ETH Hans Ludwig (Berne) as new Chief of Surface Engineering with the PTT.
- Dr. Victor Nef as Swiss General Commissioner for the World Exhibition in Montreal in 1967, and
- Roger Meizoz, Secretary of the Swiss Office of Trade Development (OSEC) in Zurich, as his Assistant.
- Dipl. Machine Engineer ETH Ulrich Lanz (Rohrbach) as new Central Director of the Military Workshops of the KTA.

Diplomatic

The Federal Council have recently made the following appointments:

- Dr. René Keller, hitherto Ambassador to Turkey, as Observer of the Federal Political Department with United Nations in Geneva.
- Fuersprech Felix Schnyder, hitherto High Commissioner for Refugees, as Ambassador to U.S.A. in succession to Ambassador Zehnder who retires.
- Fuersprech Jean-Jacques de Tribolet, hitherto Ambassador in Dakar, as Ambassador to Finland.
- Dr. Pascal Frochoux, Political Department, as Ambassador to Senegal, Guinea and Mauritania with seat in Dakar, also to Mali and Gambia.
- Dr. iur Roy Hunziker, hitherto Ambassador in Finland, as Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa, in succession to Ambassador Pierre Bruegger who retires.
- Giovanni Enrico Bucher, Ambassador in Nigeria, Kamerun and Tschad, as Ambassador to Brazil in succession to Ambassador André Dominice who has been appointed Ambassador to the Lebanon, Syria, Irak and Jordan (seat in Beirut).
- Charles-Albert Dubois, Ambassador in Columbia, as Ambassador to Rumania, in succession to Ambassador Emile Bisang who retired.

Various

- New President of the Nouvelle Société Helvétique in Switzerland: Oskar Reck, Editor-in-Chief, Frauenfeld, in succession to Théo Chopard.
- New Chief of the administration department of the Swiss Federal Railways: Dipl. Ing. ETH Arthur Borer from Erschwil.
- New Chairman of Swissair: Fritz Gugelmann, in succession to Ernst Schmidheiny.
- Director of the European Space Technology Centre: Ing. ETH Adrien Kesselring.