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## OBITUARIES

### NICHOLAS HENRY LEUZINGER

It is with great regret that we have to report the death on 21st February, 1976 of Mr. Leuzinger.

Mr. Leuzinger came to this country in 1919 but always remained a true and faithful Swiss and to the end retained his Swiss nationality. He retired from active business life in 1968 at the age of 71, after spending around 40 years with Webb Condenser Co. Ltd., which he built up into a thriving business from a near defunct concern. In spite of the lean years of the 1930s, followed by the Second World War in which the premises of his company were destroyed through enemy action, Mr. Leuzinger, with his indomitable spirit, refused to be beaten. He salvaged what he could from the ruins and re-started the business in Maidenhead with the help of two girl employees. His personal accommodation was pretty primitive being a temporary bungalow which he built himself at Hurley. He gradually built up the business which he now owned and in 1947 married Miss Marie Wyatt who through one of those queer quirks of fate had been evacuated to Hurley from Kilburn in London. Mrs. Leuzinger helped her husband in his business by doing secretarial work at home and eventually became a Director and Office Manageress to the company, after 20 years she too retired with Mr. Leuzinger, the business being disposed of to a Midlands manufacturing group.

Mr. Leuzinger belonged to the old school of business men and to quote him: "A business is not just making a lot of profit. Being able to satisfy a customer is worth more than making a lot of money on the deal. Do not offer the customer what the manufacturer would like to supply him — give him what he really wants. Then you will retain his custom". Mr. Leuzinger and his business were living proof of the truth of this maxim.

Mr. Leuzinger is survived by his wife and to her we extend our, and we are sure all his many friends and acquaintances, sympathy in her sad loss.

### PAULA KOCH (née Rhyner)

It is with great regret that we have to inform our readers of the death of Mrs. Koch on 9th March, 1976 at the age of 94.

Mrs. Koch, widow of Hans Koch, came to this country in 1904 and was married in the same year. Her home town was Frutigen in the Bernese Oberland and for the past 20 years resided in Stanmore, Middlesex.

For many years she was an enthusiastic member of the Swiss Sewing Circle and was also a staunch and faithful member of the Swiss Protestant Church.

Mrs. Koch is survived by a son and a daughter to whom we extend our, and her many friends, deepest sympathy.

### JULES F. J. AMMANN

It is with great regret that we have just learned of the death of Mr. Jules F. J. Ammann on 2nd March, 1976 following upon a heart attack. Mr. Ammann was in hospital at the time of his death. He recently attained the age of 90 years and was the oldest member of the Yorkshire Swiss Club. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family in their sad loss.

## In Memoriam

LEHNER, ROBERT, F.H.C.I.,  
F.C.F.A. St. Gall, Zürich, Aug.  
12th 1892-April 22nd 1976 —  
Goring-by-Sea. Always remembered.

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