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## OBITUARIES

### SILVIA MOROSI

The London Swiss community,  
and in particular the dwindling  
"Ticinese" colony were saddened  
early in the new year to learn of the  
death on the 3rd January, at the age  
of 65 years, of Miss Silvia Morosi, of  
Oakwood, Enfield, Middlesex, who  
had been active in its affairs since  
the last war.

Our first recollection of Silvia  
goes back to the early thirties when,  
with her elder sister Ida (Cameron)  
she regularly attended the Unione  
Ticinese functions in support of her  
young brother Plinio, an able accor-  
dionist.

She had then just come back to  
the Metropolis from the ancestral  
village of Dangio, in the Valle di  
Blenio, where she had spent some  
of her adolescent years.

From its foundation in 1940 she  
joined the "Sezione Femminile" of  
the Unione Ticinese, and became a  
most diligent member of the popular  
Corale, that helped to cheer the  
London Swiss gatherings during the  
gloomy years of the conflict. In the  
late fifties she acted as Secretary to  
the First of August Committee. Upon  
the Sezione Femminile merging  
with the (male) Unione Ticinese, she  
served on the Committee, lately as a  
Vice-President.

A serious disability had recently  
compelled her to retire from all  
activities, and indeed has now put an  
end to her busy round.

To all her nearest and dearest,  
in particular to her brother Plinio, we  
extend our deepest sympathy in  
their grievous bereavement.

### ELISABETH ISELIN-HERZOG

It is with deep regret that we  
announce the death, on 16th  
December, of Madame Elisabeth  
Iselin, wife of Ambassador Juerg A.  
Iselin, of Kilchbergerweg 7, 3052  
Zollikofen.

Elisabeth Herzog was born on  
29th August, 1918 in Brugg. She  
went to school at Windisch where  
her parents lived and later to the  
*Bezirksschule* in Brugg and the  
Cantonal School in Aarau. After a  
stay in the French-speaking part of  
Switzerland, she worked as secre-  
tary at the Farmers' Secretariat in  
Brugg, then in Neuchâtel and finally,  
from 1945 to 1950 in Berne at the  
Cantonal High Courts and the  
Commercial Section of the Federal  
Department of Economics.

In 1948, Miss Herzog met the  
Basle lawyer Dr. Juerg Iselin who  
had been with the Federal Political  
Department since 1945. They mar-  
ried in 1950 and started their first  
assignment abroad in India. Their  
daughter Beatrix was born in 1951.  
After three years, they returned to  
Berne, and from 1956 to 1959, the

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barn dating back to 1682 is  
located in the hamlet of Hollern  
near Langnau in the Emmental.  
It will doubtless 'ring some  
bells' with Martin Roebuck, a  
colleague of your editor, who  
has written a charmingly off-  
beat article about his recent  
holiday in Switzerland. Read  
all about it on pages 20 to 22.  
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