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was born in Zurich in 1940. He lost his wife in 1955, but he carried the bereavement with characteristic fortitude. His many friends were delighted when he married Peggy two years later, and together they graced many a gathering in the Swiss community. It is to her, his son and the family that our deep sympathy goes out today. A large congregation paid their respect to Roland and showed their affection to Peggy at the funeral which took place at Golders Green Crematorium on 17th August. Peggy has asked me to say that she wishes to thank all the friends who came to the service and also the Rev. Orna-Ornstein who officiated in the absence of the other Ministers of the Swiss Church. It was a simple, dignified service. Mr. Orna-Ornstein said that he would always remember Roland Asch as "a true gentleman, a man who, whenever I met him on the Committee of the Swiss Benevolent Society or at the various functions of the community, impressed me with his kindness and his sense of fun — behind which lay, it seemed to me, a deeply serious approach to life and a deep respect for other people and their needs and problems. So we salute a lovable personality and a great friend." He then went on to the true comfort that we needed in the hour of sorrow and quoted from Mark 7:37 "He has done all things well." and through that faith in Jesus we would be given the much-needed solace.

Before Roland's 70th birthday I asked him for some particulars of his life. With characteristic promptness and humour, too, he sent me "L. S. R. Asch: His Life — so far". He ended with another typical remark: "Today semi-retired when possible", and "Although a varied and interesting life with hardship in places, I have no intention of writing an autobiography." That life has now come to a sudden end. And we are all the poorer for his passing. Roland Asch was one of the few men truly at home in all stratas of the community, whether Swiss or British, equally at ease with children, who loved him, and old folks who bore him affection. He was a man whose integrity was beyond question, and he was always true to himself, yet never never self-centred, always outgoing and understanding. How privileged to have had him as a friend!

Mariann Meier

#### ANGLO-WORLD'S NEW SCHOOL — A SWISS SUCCESS STORY

When Zurich-born Gustav Scheller founded Anglo-World Travel back in 1963, nothing was probably further from his mind that the thought of seeing his Company's new £1 million education complex opened by the Chairman of British Rail 16 short years later. But on 23rd July, 1979 this happy event duly took place.

Sir Peter Parker, British Rail's dynamic Chairman, visited Bournemouth to declare open Anglo-World's fine new school; a school which is a worthy addition to the Company's other permanent language centres at Oxford, Cambridge and Torquay. In reality, Sir Peter opened two schools, one being the Bournemouth Language Centre which was designed to teach English to 200 students from overseas, and the second being the Anglo-World College of Further Education, which will operate year-long GCE "A" Level courses in Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics.

Guests attending the formal opening, which was featured on BBC Television, also heard speeches by Anglo-World's Chairman, Sir Alexander Glen (a past Chairman of the British Tourist Authority), and by Councillor Patrick Kelleway, the Mayor of Bournemouth. Gustav Scheller, in thanking the speakers, presented Sir Peter Parker with a 125-year old book on the railways of Britain, and Councillor Kelleway, appropriately enough, with a book on tourism in Switzerland.

In his speech, Sir Peter paid tribute to Gustav Scheller and to the many achievements of Anglo-World since its foundation. Starting by running coach tours around Britain, the Company soon branched out into the language course business and has now become one of the leaders in the field of incoming

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