

New chief physician for the ICRC

The ICRC has appointed Dr. Reinhold Käser to succeed Dr. Roland Marti¹ as Chief Physician.

Dr. Käser, a specialist in otorhinolaryngology, has practised in Soleure and Bern for 20 years, during which time he also served as chief physician for the Swiss Red Cross, before being appointed as surgeon-general of the army. He was a member of the Swiss delegation to the Diplomatic Conference on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law.

In addition, at the beginning of this month, Dr. Käser took over leadership of the Group for International Missions, a reserve force of volunteers for the humanitarian actions of the ICRC constituted in 1946 by Brigadier René de Watteville, who has asked to be released from the post.

The chief physician will act as medical adviser to the Executive Board.

The ICRC Takes Part in Two Exhibitions

With the aim of renewing and completing its travelling exhibition, the Division for Documentation and Dissemination has prepared a set of eighteen panels for displays to be presented first in Zurich and later in Montreal. In the former city, the Swiss National Museum is putting on an exhibition on the theme "The Good Offices of Switzerland," relating to activities of various kinds designed to limit international conflicts, and in this connection asked the ICRC to provide material illustrating its activities for the Humanitarian Action section. The panels deal with the following: the history of the Red Cross; the role of the ICRC; the Geneva Conventions; and the Central Tracing Agency. In addition, two showcases display documents relating to the Conventions and the Agency.

In Montreal, the ICRC's contribution will be part of an exhibition on the theme "Peace and Fraternity". The Red Cross panels will be supplemented by a series of colour posters prepared by the ICRC.

Later, the material will be available for loan to National Societies.

¹ See *International Review*, August 1974.