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News of the Colony

Wellington Swiss Club

This year's Christmas Party of the Wellington Swiss Club was held in the Brooklyn Hall on Sunday afternoon the 4th of December. The afternoon started off with a very nice play presented by the Tresch Boys. Then, the President, Mr Frick, invited us all to sing "Silent Night, Holy Night" but I didn't hear anyone singing. Maybe they all listened to Mrs Kaspar who played the piano beautifully. A loud knock at the door and Father Christmas arrived. We were all called up, family after family, to go to Santa Claus and collect the presents he had brought us. I found Father Christmas very great. He didn't know that my Mummy was not always pleased with me. He gave me a big parcel as he did to all of us children, as well as a bag of goodies and a lovely bun which even my baby brother did enjoy very much. Mum thought we were spoiled because after examining our presents, we children had ice cream and soft drinks and the grown-ups coffee and cakes. I am sure, everyone was as happy as I was and we were all positive that Santa and his helpers were the best ones.

Isabelle

Hamilton Swiss Club

The Christmas Party was held in the Pine Lodge on December 18th. About 90 children plus their parents attended and it was most pleasing to witness the young Swiss Colony come up and carry on the traditions of their elders.

The entertainment programme consisted of our Choir presenting a few very nice song and yodel items and the children's play, which was organized by Mrs Fluhler and Marie Theres Schoepfer, was of a particularly high standard, patiently rehearsed and naturally presented, it revealed some outstanding talents amongst our youngsters.

The sincere thanks of the Club to all of them who helped in any way to make the evening such a success. W.R.

QUEENSTOWN HAS A TOUCH OF SWITZERLAND

When recently in the south on a so-called busman's holiday, we called on Queenstown and to our surprise we have seen the Swiss Flag flying on three places, Ralph Liechti's residence, Bernie Graf's holiday accommodations and Mr and Mrs Eckhards' new Hotel Esplanade.

There is no doubt about the many attractions Queenstown can offer and its similarity to some of the Swiss holiday resorts as we have known them thirty years ago. The grandeur of the Remarkables and all the other mountain sceneries all round, plus the inviting quietness of the lake and now with the addition of the Swiss cuisine and knowhow certainly does make it look like a piece of Switzerland in many respects. W.R.

GUEST ENTERTAINERS AT ROTARY FUNCTION

The Rotary Club of Huntly had at its recent half-year and Christmas function the pleasure to have our Club's artists as guest entertainers.

The performance not only measured up to the expectations of the Club's members and their wives and guests, but it fastened the bond of friendship that was established from previous entertainments over the years.

On behalf of all present the president and directors of the Rotary Club of Huntly wish to express their sincere thanks and best wishes for further success.

Zurich in autumn and St Moritz in winter are the principal settings for the adventure film "The Assignment", currently being shot in Switzerland by Warner Brothers, Hollywood, with Sheldon Reynolds as director and Patrick O'Neill in the main role.



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