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Here are some extracts from an
article by a Wall Street Journal reporter
which illustrates quite clearly how the
Americans view the Swiss and its
present economy. Although some of it
might be typical American exaggeration,
the basis of the article sounds
quite true and a bit frightening.

HOW THE RICHEST COUNTRY IN EUROPE WOUND UP IN A SIX YEAR RECESSION.

Banks Stumble and Workers Are
Idled. Bern Has Army Stand By - Just in
Case.

A Soup Kitchen for Geneva.

Late last year, the Swiss Army, famous
for its knives (where did they get
that one from?, Editor), drew up plans for
how to counter an attack on the capital. It
wasn't preparing for an invasion by Austria.
Instead, the government wanted to be
ready in case rising unemployment
brought out violent protests.

Other European countries are suffering
slow growth. But Switzerland, Europe's
richest country in per capita income,
is stuck in a six-year old recession.
The trains are as punctual as ever, the
streets remain the cleanest in



Picture taken at the Grand Hotel Dolder
near Zurich after the signing of the
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Swiss Chef Berta Kiwi Host Keith

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