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EDITOR'S POST BAG.

The Editor,

15th January, 1947.

Swiss Observer,

23, Leonard Street, E.C.2.

Dear Sir,

As we do not have many compatriots reaching the venerable age of aver 90 years, I think the lady referred to in the small article below should be remembered if only in a few words. She died on the 18th of December. She would have been 91 in April.

OVER 90

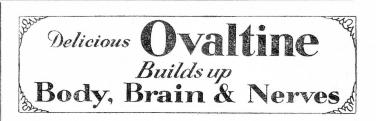
Did you feel it? Probably not. One of our oldest — if not the oldest — compatriots chose to spend Christmas with the angels, thus to be able to look upon us from above.

It is a pity you did not have the opportunity to see her once. You see, she was not hungry. I don't mean that. She was well looked after although the income was rather small. But if you had gone to see her — say once a month — with a red apple in your hand, you would have seen a picture well worth an apple. The two peaceful eyes in her particularly expressive and kind face would have made you love her at once. And if you had given her the red apple in your hand you would have seen that unique expression of hers of happiness. Well, to bring an apple to a sweet old lady, just to give her happiness for the whole week, is a blessed action. In exchange she would have softly held your hand and given you, in her Ticinese manner, more blessings than you deserved.

Don't worry now. She did not expect you. She was happy in her modest way. Your apple would just have been a sentimental extra cheer for her. As you have not done so I am sure she has forgiven you. And if you are sorry now for not having done so she will love you from Heaven for that in her own, sweet way.

X.Y.Z.





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Friday, February 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 1947, at 7 p.m. — Swiss Male Choir — Rehearsals, at Swiss Club, 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

Monday, February 10th, 1947, at 6.30 p.m. — City Swiss Club — Monthly Meeting, followed by a Jass and Bridge Party, at Brown's Hotel, Dover Street, W.1. (See advert.)

Thursday, February 13th, 1947, at 7 p.m. — Swiss Mercantile Society — Annual General Meeting preceded by supper (6/6 p. person) at the Swiss Club, 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

Friday, February 14th, 1947, from 7.30—12 p.m. — Rutli's Ladies Club — St. Valentine Dance — at the Seymour Hall, Seymour Place, Bryanston Square, W.1. (See Advert.)

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