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**SWISS CLUB, DUNFERMLINE.****1st August Celebrations.**

Once again our compatriots and their friends gathered at the Carnegie Street, Bus Stance on August 1st to celebrate our National Day.

Still remembering the happy hours of our last years Drive, they all arrived with smiling faces and happy hearts. Seppli Smith was not long in bringing the real festive spirit into the minds of all participants. He played some delightful tunes on his accordion while the wheels rolled on. This year's outing was by way of Glenfarg, Perth, The Beech Hedges, Blairgowrie and returned by Amulree, Sma' Glen, Crieff and Glen Devon.

At the Athol Arms Hotel in Dunkeld, we were served with a delicious High Tea, after which our President addressed the Swiss Community. Mr. Frick reminded us of the great importance of this memorable day, the One hundredth Birthday of our new Constitution, and the 657th Birthday of the Swiss Confederation. Let our thoughts wander home to our lovely country and our dear ones. "Can you visualise the atmosphere in our cities and villages, on the hills and the mountains," said Mr. Frick, "the country where the church bells ring so joyfully on this day and where to-night so many bonfires will proclaim that among these hills and vales a free and happy people dwell. We who are away from our beloved homeland will continue to be proud of it. Let us uphold the traditions of steadfastness, fairness and good citizenship, wherever we are."

Mr. Frick also expressed our gratitude to the British nation for allowing us to be amongst them as a free and happy circle. Let us all do the little bit we can to help them in their fight towards economic recovery. On behalf of the Swiss Colony in Dunfermline, our President expressed our appreciation for the hospitality and friendship extended to us especially by our Scottish friends.

Long live Switzerland!

Long live Scotland!

During his address, Mr. Frick also read to us the 1st August message from the Chief of the Swiss Foreign Office, Monsieur Max Petitpierre and conveyed greetings from our Swiss Consul in Manchester, Mr. Huber.

We should like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Frick and all those who have devoted themselves so freely to making our 1st August celebration such an enjoyable gathering. These happy hours will long be remembered by all participants.

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