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### CITY SWISS CLUB. Annual Banquet and Ball.

There are a good many social functions held throughout the year in the London Swiss Colony by the various Societies and Clubs.

One of the most important events in the Colony is the Annual Banquet and Ball of the City Swiss Club, which has been fixed to take place, on Friday, November 24th, at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1.

If I say, "one of the most important events", I do not, of course, wish to belittle other functions, which, undoubtedly, all have their *raison d'être*, nor do I, in using these words, wish to suggest any form of "snobbery."

The City Swiss Club, has for close on 100 years, played a conspicuous part in the London Swiss Colony, as a useful connecting link between the leading personalities, in all walks of life, of both countries.

Statesmen, Diplomats, Politicians, Industrialists, Bankers, Authors, Musicians, etc., etc., have, at one time or another, enjoyed the hospitality of the Club, and this has created a bond of mutual friendship and affection between the two countries, the importance of which cannot be underated.

True enough, the general outlook at present, can hardly be called satisfactory, and heavy responsibilities and burdens lie on the shoulders of many of our compatriots, and yet, despite these depressing features, I feel sure, that an evening amongst our countrymen

and our English friends will act as a real tonic, and will enable us to forget for, at least a few hours, our worries and our fears.

I understand, that the Committee of the City Swiss Club, is most anxious to make this evening a real "Swiss Evening", in order that everyone should get as much enjoyment as possible they have asked the speakers to be "short and sweet"; they have cut out the "Cabaret", so that there will be plenty of time for dancing, and they invite not only members of the Club to come along, but all members of the Colony and their friends, both Swiss and English, and last but not least, they have reduced the price of the tickets, thus enabling a still wider circle to attend.

There will be, I learn, an imposing array of prominent English guests present, which should be an additional incentive to attend this gathering.

The cumbersome rationing restrictions unfortunately still in force, make it almost impossible to entertain ones friends at home, and this should be a splendid opportunity to invite some of them to a pleasant evening's entertainment in congenial company at the Dorchester Hotel.

Here too, is a great chance to show our Ladies, how greatly we appreciate their daily toil in keeping their husbands happy and content, by asking them to share our enjoyment.

Therefore, do not miss being present at this Annual Banquet of the

CITY SWISS CLUB.

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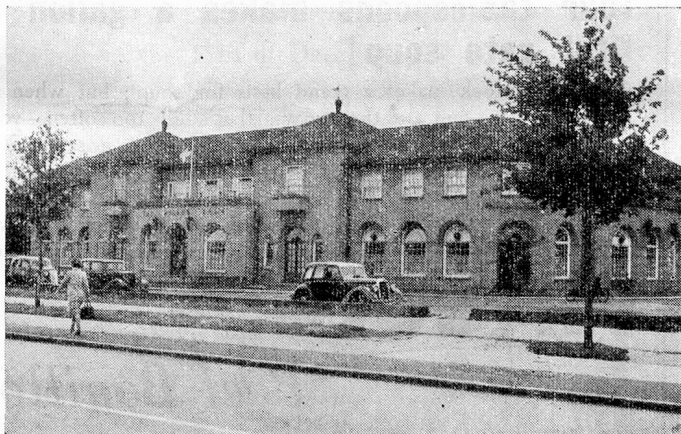
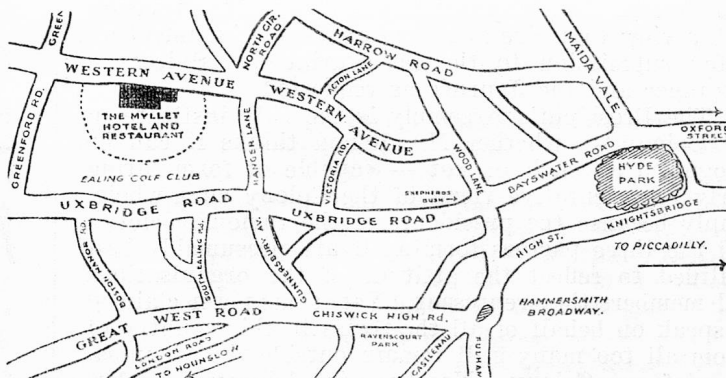
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