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CITY SWISS CLUB. An Interesting Evening.

All too few members attended the Monthly Meeting of the City Swiss Club which took place on Tuesday, October, 2nd, at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1; those who were, for one reason or another absent, missed a very interesting evening, whilst those who attended the Meeting (numbering about 50) spent several enjoyable hours at the Dorchester.

Mr. C. E. Seinet, who was in the Chair, opened the Meeting and extended a hearty welcome to the guest of honour, Mr. F. T. Wynyard-Wright, M.A. Cantab., as well as to Professor Newell, British-American Associates, Dr. E. Bernath, Swiss Chargé d'Affaires, Dr. E. M. Bircher and Dr. G. Lepori, of the Swiss Legation.

The lecturer, Mr. Wynyard-Wright spoke on the theme "An Englishman looks at the world". He began his address by saying that he considers Switzerland his second home and related some of his experiences, when as a young man, with small means but great enthusiasm, he first visited our country and recalled many happy hours spent in small hamlets sleeping on straw with some very famous mountaineers.

His world travels began in 1896, at the age of 13, and many of his journeys on the Continent were executed with the means of a bicycle.

As the Frenchman says "l'appétit vient en mangeant", the young traveller soon extended the field of his explorations, he visited in turn, during

the course of years, Ceylon, that wonderful eastern island, India, Malaya, where he indulged in big game shooting, China, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Canada, U.S.A., etc., acquainting the audience with the conditions, both political and economical which prevailed in those days in the various countries.

According to his views the awakening of Asia started between 1914-18, and he attributed the unsettled conditions which exist at present in the Far East foremost to the elementary political education, saying that the peoples of these countries are unable to grasp the position; as an example he mentioned Persia.

Mr. Wynyard-Wright gave us a vivid description of some of his mountaineering feats, in Switzerland, India, Thibet and Canada. He was one of the first who took up flying; in those days far from a comfortable experience.

This very witty and most interesting narrative was acknowledged with loud applause, and was followed by a lively discussion in which a number of the members took part. Professor Newell, an American citizen, gave an unbiassed exposé of the relationship between his country and Great Britain, and Mr. L. Chapuis, a former President of the Club, related some of his experiences made during a recent trip to the U.S.A., a country which he has visited well over thirty times.

The President, before closing the Meeting, thanked the lecturer, on behalf of the members present for his interesting and enjoyable talk.

Close of the Meeting 10 o'clock.

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CITY SWISS CLUB

86th

Annual Banquet and Ball

at the

DORCHESTER HOTEL, PARK LANE, LONDON, W.1

FRIDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER, 1951

EVENING DRESS
(Tails or Dinner Jacket)

RECEPTION: 7 p.m.

DINNER: 7.30 p.m.

DANCING: until 1 a.m.