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SWISS CRIMINAL LAW.

An N.S.H. lecture by Dr. J. Heusser, Chief Justice of the Canton of Zurich.

An evening of exceptional, if somewhat specialised, interest is awaiting the members and friends of the N.S.H. next Thursday, April 30th, when the President of the Cantonal High Court of Justice of Zürich, Dr. Jakob Heusser, will talk to them on the Swiss criminal law. Apart from the members of the Federal Court Dr. Heusser is one of the most eminent justices of our country. With his vast experience in the administration of justice he is of course best qualified to talk on the working of the Federal code of criminal law, now some 30 years old, corporal punishment, the abolition of the death penalty, juvenile delinquency etc. Some recent cases of particularly vile murders have revived the old controversy of the death penalty, abolished only in the twenties in some Cantons by the passing of the Federal criminal code. No doubt Dr. Heusser will have interesting views on these problems. He is willing to answer questions and a lively discussion may be anticipated. Dr. Heusser will speak in German.

The Vienna Café having recently suffered some fire damage, for which our sympathy is extended to our countryman Mr. Dubs and Mrs. Dubs, the N.S.H. meeting with Dr. Heusser is held at the Swiss Club "Schweizerbund". Exceptionally it takes place on the Thursday, not the usual Tuesday, as this is the only date convenient to the lecturer.

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EDITOR'S POST-BAG.

10, Wyndale Avenue,
Kingsbury,
N.W.9.
11th April, 1953.

Sir,

I agree most heartily with your correspondent Mr. G. Schupbach, in his most fairminded remarks under the heading "Trudi Bäume".

The point seems to have been missed that this now notorious character is *not* a maid but the daughter of wealthy parents, who has come over here to study. The character has certainly been overdrawn by the Script writers, in my opinion, but she is no better and no worse than a "spoiled brat" of *any* nationality.

Swiss or British, let us not be too touchy.

Yours faithfully,
Mary Sommer (Mrs.)

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