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SWISS MOUNTAINEERS DO THE HAT-TRICK.

The news that members of the Swiss Himalayan Expedition, consisting of eleven men, and led by Dr. Albert Eggler, a lawyer, have not only climbed Mount Everest twice, but also the Lhotse peak (27,890 ft.) the world's highest unclimbed mountain, has been received with enthusiasm.

Mount Everest was climbed by Ernst Schmidt, Jürg Marmet, Ernst Reiss and H. R. von Gunten. The Lhotse peak by Fritz Luchsinger and Ernst Reiss.

As this remarkable feat has been widely reported in the Daily Press we do not propose at present to go into further details, but have much pleasure in reproducing a few short comments from English papers:

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"It is the greatest day in our centuries old history of mountaineering."

" Glasgow Herald ":

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"The Swiss were disappointed of Everest in 1952, they have done themselves ample justice this time."

"Yorkshire Observer ":

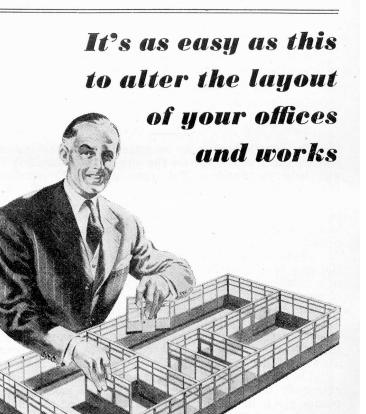
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