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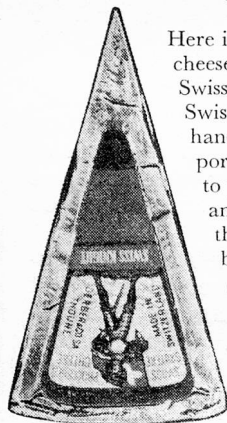
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Various members of the staff expressed their appreciation and thanks to Mr. Siegrist for his invitation and lavish entertainment, and presentation on behalf of the members of the staff were made to him and to his wife.

A sumptuous cold supper, consisting — amongst other things — of such delicacies as "Bündnerfleisch" and "Wallisser Schinken", was well served by the stewards of the "Schweizerbund". Dancing with *cotillon* went on throughout the evening until midnight, when this most successful party came to a close.

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SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY. Annual Dinner and Dance.

We wish to direct the attention of our readers to the forthcoming Annual Dinner and Dance of the Swiss Mercantile Society, which will take place on Saturday, 7th February 1959, at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1.

This Society, which is one of the most active ones in the London Colony, does not often indulge in festivities, being too busy otherwise, but once a year they wish to summon their members, old and young, to spend an evening *en famille*.

In the past this annual festival has always been a most enjoyable affair, and we have no doubt that the coming dinner and dance will be as happy as ever. The Swiss Ambassador and Madame Daeniker have kindly promised to be present.

We warmly recommend our readers, and especially the members of the Society, to support this gathering, and by their attendance show their appreciation of the good work the Society is doing in our Colony.

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