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NEWS FROM PARIS FOR WOMEN WHAT'S NEW ABOUT RIBBONS?

Dior opens his show with a black-and-white check suit with an open jacket and white blouse with a black grosgrain ribbon knotted under the collar. The knotted grosgrain ribbon appears again on a red wool dress, and grosgrain ribbons flutter from his youthful Breton hats.

St. Laurent also uses ribbons with tailor-mades; his are tied in a bow under the blouse or jacket collar. A white cloque dress is girdled with a rose red ribbon, emphasising the Empire line.

Balmain uses ribbons to stress the Empire line again in his evening dresses, and ties velvet ribbon in a bow just above the waist of his evening coats.

Lanvin places a tiny bunch of violets with a ribbon bow at the waist of a white tulle dress.

Griffe closes a filmy lace dress at the nape of the neck with a satin ribbon.

Gres has created an evening dress 'built' entirely of ribbons.

Laroche has stuck tiny ribbon bows all over a pink lace evening dress and has an orange ribbon embroidered with beads at the waist of a long evening gown in white cloque.

The boutiques, too, are full of spring lingerie and novelties employing ribbon.

At the Dior Boutique there is an enchanting *negligé* in pink organdie trimmed with narrow satin ribbon and closed at the neck with a broader satin ribbon. They have a heavenly slip in pink and midnight blue with ribbon shoulder straps, and two satin ribbons drawn through and tied with two coquettish bows.

Roget et Gallet have a sweet short nightie trimmed with ribbon drawn through Valenciennes lace, and a long negligé with sleeves and waist set off by inserted satin ribbon.

At Helena Rubinstein the new hair styles can be enhanced by bows and cockades of velvet ribbon.

Ribbons with Parisian charm flutter from all the collections.

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BROMSGROVE FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

The entire programme of the International Concert at the next Bromsgrove Festival of Music will be devoted to Swiss composers. It takes place this year on Saturday, 11th May. The works chosen for performance are by Bloch, Honegger, Frank Martin and two of our younger composers.

Throughout the Festival, that is from 27th April to 18th May, there will be an exhibition of woodcuts by the Swiss animal painter, Robert Hainard, kindly lent by the Tryon Gallery, of London.

Tickets may be obtained through the booking agents: Wright's Travel Service Ltd., 41 Worcester Road, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. The concerts are held in the College Hall, Bromsgrove College of Further Education.

PLEASE NOTE

A notice appeared under Forthcoming Events that the City Swiss Club was going to hold an Informal Dinner and Dance on Sunday, 7th July. Please note that it should have read Friday, 5th July. The Dinner will be held at Great Fosters, Egham, Surrey.

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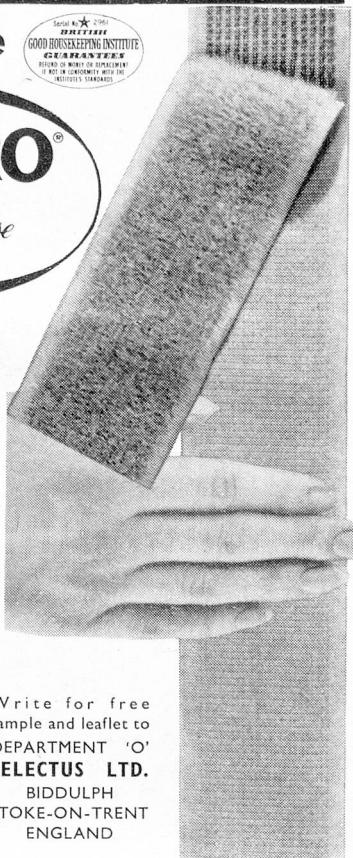
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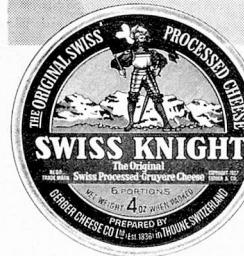
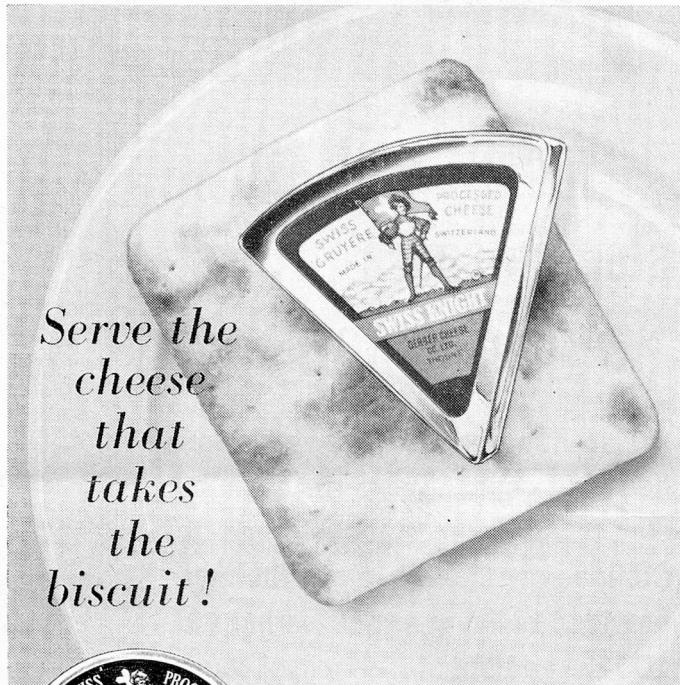
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