

# Soirée musicale at the Swiss legation

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**SOIREE MUSICALE AT THE SWISS LEGATION.**

The Swiss Minister and Madame Daeniker invited on Saturday, March 3rd, members of the Swiss colony to a "Soirée Musicale" given by Edith Fischer, the very young and distinguished pianiste.

The artiste, who is Swiss by marriage, was born in Santiago, Chile, where she began her musical studies; she made her first appearance at the early age of 11, and at 13 she played with the Chilean Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Hermann Scherchen.

In 1952, having been awarded a scholarship by the Chilean/American Institute of Culture, Edith Fischer went to the United States where she studied with the world-famous pianist Claudio Arrau. Whilst in America, she played in most of the larger cities with considerable success. In July 1954, she re-visited her native country where she toured extensively in recital and orchestra appearances.

Having come back to Europe in 1955, she appeared at Wigmore Hall, and recently (February 19th) as soloist at the London Symphony Orchestra concert at the Royal Festival Hall, under the conductorship of Sir Malcolm Sargent, where she played Schumann's piano concerto. On February 22nd, she gave a piano recital, again at the Royal Festival Hall. London Press comments, on both of her appearances were very favourable.

At the "Soirée Musicale" at the Swiss Legations, Edith Fischer gave a most remarkable performance of works by Mozart (Sonata C-major, K.V. 330), Schumann (Davidsbündler Tänze, Opus 6), Ravel (Une barque sur l'océan), Prokofiew (Devilish Inspiration).

Especially admired was the depth and variety of her tone, her sensuous phrasing and technical ease. She is an exceptional musician, and an accomplished performer.

At the conclusion of her recital, which was followed by an excellent Buffet supper, the artiste received an enthusiastic applause by the audience.

The Swiss Minister, and Madame Daeniker are heartily to be congratulated on having given us an opportunity of hearing this fine artiste.

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**CITY SWISS CLUB**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

on **Tuesday, April 24th, 1956, at 6.30 for 7 p.m., 7.30 p.m., at Dorchester Hotel, W.1.**

**Agenda:** Minutes of last meeting.

Admissions.

Resignations.

President's Report.

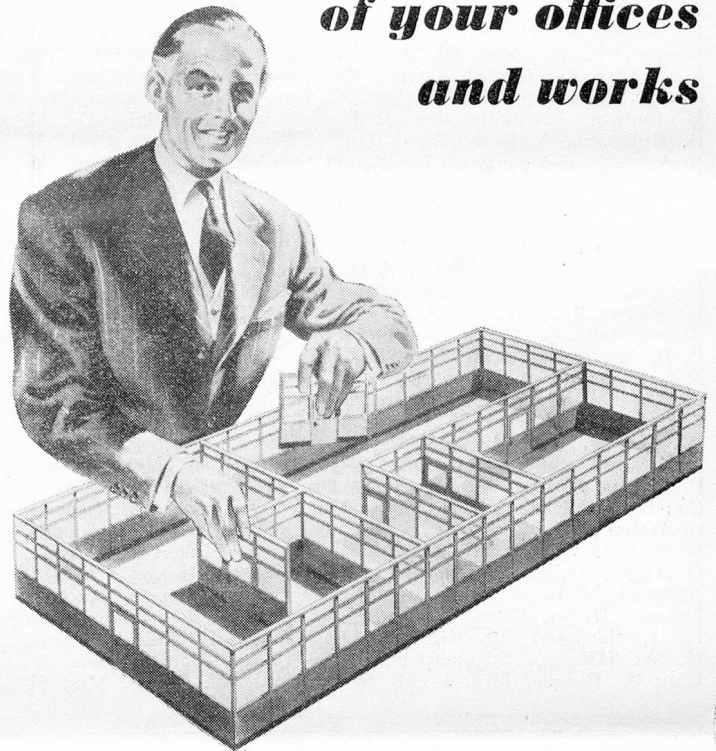
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Elections.

Members wishing to be present should send their card to the Manager of Dorchester Hotel, W.1, to reach him not later than, Monday, April 23rd, 1956.

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