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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WELLINGTON SWISS CLUB

Our National Day Celebration Ball will take place on Saturday, July 27th, at 9 p.m., at the Winter Show Building Cabaret. Friends from down South or up North are cordially invited to join us. Booking Officer: Mrs R. Messmer, 15 Fortification Road, Wellington, 3.

HAMILTON SWISS CLUB

Our National Day Celebration will be held on Saturday, August 3rd, at the Eureka Hall.

Start: 7.30 p.m.

Entertainment: Rassige, Volkstumliche Tanzmusic by the Tipler Band. Folk dancing by the H.S.C. Dancegroupe and Flag Throwing by Mr J. Egger.

Presentation of the Sports Medals to the 29 lucky winners.

Supper: Excellent Swiss style sit-down supper! Would you believe Sauerkraut, ham, sausages etc.?

Admission: \$4.50 per member.

To ensure a perfect catering, would you please book with Mrs R. E. Waldvogel, not later than July 25th, as only those with definite bookings can be admitted.

We all hope to see you there!

—R.E.W.

AUCKLAND SWISS CLUB

The next event is the Swiss National Day Celebration to be held on August 3rd in the Edendale School Hall, commencing at 8 p.m.

★ HEDY'S CORNER

In 1901 my mother's cookery book was the gift for the bride of the middle classes. What I am finally serving you is pure Utopia in everyman's household and only applicable where the hostess has to preside over official dinners.

Giving a dinner party soon? There are a few things you must do beforehand: "The housewife must make sure that servants know the rules, as a dinner party can be ruined if the servants are awkward." She checks the following: Her servants have good manners and are modest. Dress or suit must be immaculate. Servants serve the meal wearing snowy white gloves. When passing the dishes a towel is draped over the left hand so that it is hidden holding the dishes. No

noise must be made when walking, servants wear flat shoes made of leather. Slippers are tabu. Doors have to be opened and closed absolutely quietly. All noise from dishes and cutlery must be avoided as much as possible. If females serve at table they wear a white apron and also white gloves.

The rules of serving from the left and removing dishes from the left is carefully drilled with all the necessary finesse.

It is also mentioned that if possible cutlery should be replaced between courses with new spoons, forks, knives rather than wiping the set just used for a course and replacing it again in front of the guests!!! (my exclamation marks). Wiping it with first a damp cloth and then with a dry one is recommended as an alternative. It is desirable to have a dish with hot water on a side table for rinsing cutlery. Should a guest drop some cutlery it has to be replaced with clean ones (naturally), but it must be presented to the guest on a small tray.

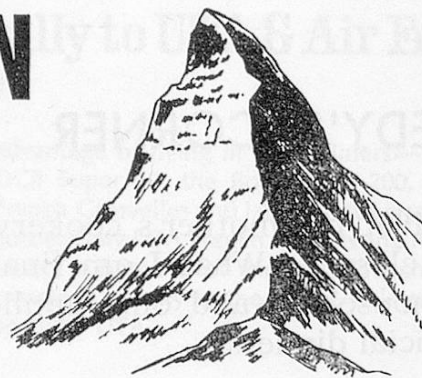
And finally, never offer any course more than twice to the guests. Lastly, the hostess makes sure that food serving is started from a different lady guest so that no one feels slighted—Times have changed, haven't they?

We surely have reached the far end: Fish and chips can be fetched hot, and Kentucky Chicken Bars await the busy housewife's custom.

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