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#### CITY SWISS CLUB 97th ANNUAL BANQUET AND BALL In conjunction with THE SWISS ECONOMIC COUNCIL on Friday, 16th November at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1

By the time this issue appears members of the City Swiss Club and the Swiss Economic Council will have received the respective circulars giving particulars of the Annual Banquet and Ball, with Cabaret, which is being held at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1, on Friday, 16th November (see advertisement).

As mentioned in the previous number of the "Swiss Observer", both committees are anxious that this banquet and ball should be in the real sense of the words a "Swiss Evening", and they extend their invitation not only to their members and friends, but to all members of the Colony in London and the Provinces.

Applications for tickets at £2. 2. 0 each, inclusive of gratuities, can be sent to Mr. A. Stauffer, 48a Putney Hill, London S.W.15, or to Mr. L. F. Jobin, Messrs. Marchand & Jobin Ltd., 100 Hatton Garden, London E.C.1. (Cheques should be made out to the order of the City Swiss Club). Reservations should be made as early as possible. The list will be closed on Saturday, 10th November.

## Press Reporter, City Swiss Club.

#### A NEW ARRIVAL

As was reported in the last issue, the Federal Military Department in conjunction with the Political Department has appointed General Staff Colonel Werner Koch as Military and Air Attaché at the Embassies in London and The Hague in succession to Colonel Mosimann.

Colonel Koch was born in 1910 and is a citizen of Schlieren (Zurich) and Villmergen (Aargau). He attended schools at Trogen and in Zurich and studied economics and languages at the Universities of Paris and New York. After several years spent in commercial and industrial concerns, he began his military career as Instructor in the Swiss Flying Corps. Colonel Koch attended the General Staff College in 1949 and was promoted to the rank of Major in 1950. In May 1955 he succeeded Colonel Gygli as Military and Air Attaché in London, a post which he held until August 1957, when he was transferred to the USA and Canada, with residence in Washington.

Colonel Koch is an old friend of the Colony. He and his wife took an active interest in the life of the Colony when they were here, and it is with pleasure that we welcome them back and wish them every success during their stay in London.

#### CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

When the price of Christmas cards became almost prohibitive after the war, the Editor and Publishers of the "Swiss Observer" introduced a new feature. In the Christmas number a collective greeting was published which enabled subscribers to wish their friends the compliments of the season at small cost. At the same time it was a means of additional financial support to the paper.

Following this practice, we propose to publish such greetings again in our Christmas issue of 14th December and hope it will meet with success.

Those of our readers and friends wishing to be included should forward name and address to our office not later than Friday, 23rd November 1962, together with remittance for £1.

#### A DEPARTURE



As was announced in the last issue the present Military and Air Attaché, General Staff Colonel Theophil Mosimann, is returning to Switzerland, where he will take up an appointment in the Artillery Instruction Corps as Commander of Artillery Schools and Courses.

Colonel Mosimann was born in 1909 and is a citizen of Bienne. He was educated at the *Gymnasium* and the Commercial College of Bienne. He married Miss Erika Burger in 1935 and they have two sons, Peter and Jürg, aged 24 and 25 respectively.

In 1930 Colonel Mosimann was commissioned First Lieutenant of Artillery and served in various Artillery Units for two years. From 1949 to 1950 he attended advanced courses of the USA Army at Fort Sill, Oklahama, and at Fort Bliss, New Mexico, as student artillery officer. In 1955 he was promoted to General Staff Colonel. Three years later he was appointed Military and Air Attaché in London. In 1960 he was given the additional appointment of Military and Air Attaché at The Hague (Netherlands). From 1958 to 1960 he was also in command of an Infantry Regiment.

During the four years of their stay in London, Colonel and Mrs. Mosimann have taken a keen interest in the Swiss Colony and were always ready to help. It is with real regret that we see them go, and we wish them every happiness and the best of health in their new sphere of activities.

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#### **BAZAAR OF THE SWISS CHURCH**

On Saturday, 3rd November, a bazaar in aid of the Swiss Church will take place at Central Hall, Westminster, London W.1. Madame Daeniker, the wife of the Swiss Ambassador, will open the Sale at twelve noon.

There will be attractive stalls for gifts, clothing, food, in particular exciting goods from Switzerland, chocolates, etc., and the bazaar will provide an excellent opportunity to buy Christmas presents. "Schueblig" with potato salad and "Wienerli" with Sauerkraut will be on sale for lunch, and tea will be served later in the afternoon. Special attractions should keep the children amused.

Anyone who would like to contribute goods for sale should send them to either of the Vicarages, at 1 Womersley Road, N.8, and at 7 Park View Road, Finchley, N.3 (*not* to the Church, please).