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SWISS NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION

Dear Compatriots,

The First of August Committee of the Swiss Colony in London have much pleasure in extending to all Swiss and their families in Great Britain a cordial invitation to join in this year's celebration of our SWISS NATIONAL DAY.

The date, time and place will be found in the advertisement on the front page of this paper.

Admission will be BY TICKET ONLY, which will be FREE OF CHARGE and must be applied for in advance. Application should be made by post, to Mr. Zimmerman, Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, London, W.1. No ticket can be sent unless a 2½ STAMPED and ADDRESSED ENVELOPE is enclosed with the application. The full names of all persons for whom tickets are required must be stated.

The tickets will be issued after July 15th, but application should be sent now — the sooner the better. The Theatre holds some 2,400 people. All seats are reserved. Tickets will be issued in strict rotation. Early application is therefore advisable to save disappointment.

It will greatly help the Committee if ticket holders who find themselves prevented from attending the celebration will be kind enough to return their unwanted tickets AT ONCE to the above address for the benefit of other fellow countrymen.

Programmes will be on sale at a minimum charge of 6d., and badges at 1/6d. each. It will be of great assistance if when purchasing, correct amount is tendered.

Religious Services: on Sunday, August 2nd: Joint Protestant Service in French and German at 11 a.m. at Swiss Church, 79, Endell Street, W.C.2.

Catholic Service at 11 a.m. Solemn Mass, and Sermon in French and English at St. Anne's Church, Abbey Orchard Street, S.W.1.

Saturday August the 1st at 7.30 p.m. Buffet Dance at the Dorchester Hotel.

Saturday August the 1st at 8 p.m. Dance at the Schweizerbund, 74 Charlotte St., W.1.

THE COMMITTEE.

MOUNT EVEREST.

Praise to the valiant men who, braving death,
With grim endurance scaled those awesome slopes,
Who, never flinching, and with failing breath,
Achieved their conquest, and fulfilled our hopes.

Now as the victor's banner is unfurled,
Upon a crest no man before has trod,
The roof, as they have named it, of the world,
A mighty, soaring pillar, near to God.

We honour them, but let us give a thought,
To those who also strove, through snow and ice,
With equal toil and hardship. They, too, fought,
The elements, and all but won the prize.

In all endeavour and in every race,
A few win through but many more must fail,
Hail! gallant losers; yours is no disgrace,
For, though you failed, you helped to blaze the trail.

J.J.F.S.

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