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This important document has to our knowledge no Swiss equivalent. Its findings have been debated at length, but all commentators agree that with an uncertainty in its estimate of the cost of entry of a billion pounds, it can't be considered as a final answer. But as long as the returns are interesting then it is worth paying for the cost. But it is harder to estimate these than it is to put a tag on the cost of entry.

The expectation of every pro-Marketeer is that, once in Europe, England will export **more**. But the opposite can also happen and the British find themselves paying an exorbitant price for their entry into Europe **and** finding themselves inundated with cheaper continental goods. This is what would happen if the **dynamic effects** should go the wrong way.

Mr Nicholas Kalder, the inventor of Selective Employment Tax, fears that Great Britain could become the Northern Ireland of Europe. In a pertinent article in the "New Statesman" of 12th March he notes that British productivity has improved at a much slower pace than elsewhere in Western Europe and that this has a cumulative effect helping developing countries to grow yet faster and impeding the progress of the stragglers. Mr Kalder reckons that the British will have to accept a diminution of **10 per cent** of their real income if these **dynamic effects** are to work in the right direction. Enough to give the Prime Minister many sleepless nights.—P.M.B. (The Swiss Observer)

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### Auckland Swiss Club

The Shooting Competition held at the Swiss Farm last May and June were very enjoyable, apart from the fact that at one stage we were short of ammunition due to the unexpected amount of competitors. Although the weather conditions were not always good, the scores were very pleasing. Here's hoping for better weather in the future. Scores for May and June were:

	Obligatorisch	Feldschiessen	Eidg. Einzelwettschiessen
M. Abplanalp	78	—	—
M. Anderson	115	77	—
M. Bachman	81	66	71
A. Binder	108	65	44
R. Buchen	107	60	77
J. Campbell	117	80	63
M. Campbell (Mrs)	83	71	60
A. Dudding	101	—	—
C. Edwards	100	69	81
H. Enzler	112	80	88
H. P. Enzler	106	55	53

	Obligatorisch	Feldschiessen	Eidg. Einzelwettschiessen
E. Fluhler	96	77	72
H. Fitzi	114	73	68
G. Gardener	102	—	—
G. Gebert	110	65	74
E. Gilgen	116	67	62
R. Grant	94	69	69
S. Hartmann	105	79	77
H. Hess	91	64	68
K. Hirzel	110	75	75
L. Hodges	—	67	57
U. Holzapfel	109	—	—
L. Holzgang	119	81	66
N. Hutchanson	—	62	67
V. Hutton	—	67	85
R. Keven	91	63	64
T. Mason	108	75	74
H. Meister	120	78	76
V. Meister (Mrs)	91	—	—
W. Meister	116	77	84
J. Olsen	—	69	68
V. Olsen (Mrs)	—	75	65
C. Page (Mrs)	—	63	74
D. Page	—	63	57
J. Page	—	68	62
W. Piatti	113	64	65
K. Pratt (Mrs)	98	73	77
M. Pratt	99	80	80
J. Preisig	—	74	71
U. Rawyler	110	53	50
F. Reichmuth	85	61	56
P. Riethmann	100	74	69
C. Sandbrook	108	73	78
B. Sargent	—	72	79
C. Sargent	—	66	68
J. Schwartz	104	78	78
G. Southee	106	76	77
E. Studer	93	—	—
W. Unternahrer	88	66	47
P. Wuthrich	—	63	65
P. Wuthrich (Jnr)	109	71	78

—P.W.

## Hamilton Swiss Club

Our last two Card Evenings held in June were well patronised. It was good to see a few ladies among those hardcore "Jassers"!

Winners on Saturday, 12th June, were: 1st, R. Wehrle; 2nd, G. Steiner; 3rd, M. Grossman; and on Saturday, 26th June: 1st, F. Grossman; 2nd, J. Weber; 3rd, J. Lenggenhager. Champion over all four evenings was Mr J. Villiger, followed by Mr G. Steiner 2nd, F. Hasli 3rd and H. Leuenberger 4th.

Congratulations to all the winners! To all the ones who missed the prizes, please don't be disheartened, next year you may get more trumps and "strichli"!

A big 'thank you' goes to all the ladies of the Committee who took their turn in serving supper.

—R.E.W.



## Taranaki Swiss Social Club

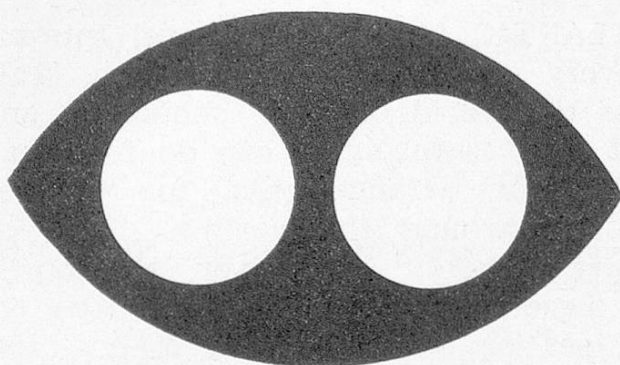
The Swiss Social held in the Kapuni Hall on 2nd July was attended by more than 200 people and a very enjoyable evening was had by all. There was plenty of dancing to the three first-class bands present, who kept the crowd going to the early hours of the morning.

A novelty dance was won by Miss Ann Maree Walker and Mr T. Painting. The raffle resulted: 1st, Miss Irene Chamberlain; 2nd, Mr J. Fohn Snr. —L.K.

## Christchurch Swiss Club

On Monday, 14th June, a guided tour of the Canterbury University at Ilam was organised. This proved to be a highly interesting evening (for those few who attended). It has presented us the opportunity to see for ourselves that part of the tax contribution has been wisely invested in a high standard of education complex from which the future generations will benefit for many years to come.

The tour commenced at the school of engineering. In the mechanical engineering sector, research and test programmes are carried out, mainly in the field of material characteristics and qualifications for industry. The students have the opportunity to work



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on an old steam traction engine, on combustion engines or on a modern jet-turbine engine, just to name a few. A newly-erected wind tunnel, capable of generating wind speeds of up to 140 knots, made quite an impression. Aerodynamic behaviour can be simulated and observed through a window. Extensive research is carried out at the moment to overcome the problems of severe damage to forests by strong north-west winds.

Passing along the electrical and electronical departments where Oscilloscopes and hundreds of other testing instruments could be seen, we stopped in front of a room with large windows. In the centre of the spotlessly clean room stood a subcritical nuclear reactor. Radio-activity can be produced and measured and the students have the opportunity to study some aspects relating to future nuclear power stations. The reactor was presented to the University as a gift from the U.S.A. to commemorate the year of "Peaceful application of nuclear power". The reactor-room is set about 3ft deeper than the normal floor level so that in the event of a leakage, the room can be flooded with water and then drained into special tanks to prevent radio-active contamination.

From the engineering part we went on to the eight-storey building of Science. We were shown one of the many lecture rooms which are fitted out with the most modern facilities. The rooms are fully enclosed, sound-proof and have excellent acoustics. From the top floor we had a view over the city. The heavily-polluted air did not leave very much to see and one had to feel sorry for all the people living underneath this blanket of dirt.

After having a look at the zoology laboratories and the geological department, which were both highly interesting too, the tour was ended.

—A.M.

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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON THE A.G.M.**

The cold, foggy and rainy weather outside was a major reason for the rather small number of participants at the Annual General Meeting at Christchurch and in stark contrast to the warm welcome extended to those present by members of the host Club. All the North Island delegates were prevented from attending and unfortunately were left stranded in Wellington.

It was a great pleasure to have our Ambassador amongst us which once again underlined his interest in the Swiss affairs of this country. A short reflection on the transacted business showed how interested those present were. The discussions were lively, outspoken but always with the good of all in the foreground. Though it remains a great pity that the weather kept away many