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VALOUR OF NEUTRAL PRESS.

Rare are the cases when the foreign press publicly acknowledge that the carrying out of a truly neutral state policy of other countries is based upon the uncompromising spirit of independence and courage of the people. But it does happen, as is proven by the following observation of the special American correspondent on the Continent of the American daily "The Christian Science Monitor" in their issue of 12th September, 1942: "Few things show up the brave faithfulness to the tradition of the liberal press better than the outspokenness of Swiss and Swedish newspapers, despite their enormous difficulties."

To that we may add that the traditional spirit of independence, and the courage of the Swiss people, are no fair weather qualities. They deepen inwardly and grow stronger as the dangers confronting the country assume unprecedented proportions.

COLLECTION FOR A MONUMENT FOR THE LATE FEDERAL COUNCILLOR AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE SWISS CONFEDERATION - DR. GIUSEPPE MOTTA.

I have much pleasure in advising that the collection in New Zealand has been closed with the splendid result of £39.10.6. Since we last reported on this collection in the September issue of this paper, further contributions have been received from: - F. Schlup, Glenbrook; W. Suter, Auckland; K. Altherr, Rotorua; B. Dorflinger, Kaponga; E. Merz, Auckland; W. Ungemuth, Auckland; Miss Gafner, New Plymouth; R. Guntren, Auckland; John Schlaepfer, Pukekohe; Miss A. Weber, Pukekohe; T. Komminoth, Wellington; J. A. Hiestand, Manaiia; D. Luond, Taranaki; Z. Hospenthal, Taranaki; A. Engelberger, Manaiia; K. Schicker, Riverlea; F. Zimmermann, Kaponga; W. R. Frank, Normanby; Mrs. M. Kuchler, Normanby; L. Uttinger, Taranaki; Fluehler Bros., Riverlea; "Anonymous" Wellington and Auckland; D. Hiestand, Normanby.

The proceeds of this collection will now be paid out in Switzerland to the New Helvetic Society and I am sure that this new proof of the fine spirit of generosity of the Swiss in New Zealand will be very much appreciated at home. The names of all contributors have been reported to Switzerland and will be entered into a scroll which will be encased in the monument.

I take this opportunity to thank once again all those who have supported this collection so generously.

Dr. Walter Schmid
Consul of Switzerland.

WEDDING: UNGEMUTH - BIRCH. Mr. and Mrs. Werner Ungemuth of "Edelweiss", 27 Clarence Road, Northcote, Auckland, take great pleasure in announcing the marriage of their second son Edwin Paul to Gretta Birch, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Birch of Queen Street, Northcote. The wedding took place at the Pitt Street Methodist Church on Saturday, October 24th, 1942.

NEW MEMBER: We have pleasure in welcoming the following new member:
Mr. Franz Suter, C/- Mr. J. Schumacher, Monmouth Road, Stratford.

SUBSCRIPTION 1942-1943. Your annual subscription fee of sh. 10/- for the year 1942/1943 was due on October 1st, and you are asked to forward payment to the Secretary-Mr. Herman Schlatter, 2nd Floor, T. & G. Building, Wellington. Auckland members we wish to remind of the arrangement made with Mr. A. Peyer, 48 Moa Road, Auckland, and Mr. W. Ungemuth, Clarence Road, Northcote, Auckland. Bay of Plenty members may pay to Mr. C. Gebert, C/- Post Office, Opoitiki. Kindly help to make the Committee's task easier by remitting early and your prompt attention in this respect will be greatly appreciated.

A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

MR. P. CATTIN, Te Kauwhata: "Scintilla" Wine, Fruit and Honey.
MR. JOHN BUTLER, Butcher, Tariki: Varieties of Swiss Sausages.
MR. TONY KOMMINOTH, Wellington: Visit his new "Lido Tea Rooms", 118 Courtenay Place, Wellington.
MR. L. LEUTHARD, New Plymouth: Visit his "Hygienic Dining Rooms".
MR. F. GRAEDEL, Owhiri R.D., Taupiri: Manufacturing "Mountain Chalet" Cream Cheese, price 6d per cake at leading dairies and grocers in Auckland. Country orders promptly dealt with.
MR. G. KERLER, 477 Karangahape Road, Auckland: Prams, Wickerwork, Toys, etc.
MR. AL. ZUERCHER, 303 Market Street S., Hastings: Apple Cider, 5 sh. per gallon in two gallon lots - samples free of charge. Send your empty jars or barrels. "Moscht müends ain ghä!"

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