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LETTER OF THANKS: 35054 Private B. Gnadinger, No. 1 G.H., 2nd N.Z.E.F., Middle East Forces, writes: "Though somewhat belated, I wish very much to acknowledge the parcel from you and to tell you that I appreciated it very much indeed. I can only wish your Society, and to all the Swiss in New Zealand, what I would wish to a friend of mine."

Not far from the place of my unit I know many Swiss families, kind hearted and extremely hospitable people. After all, one has to be with a Swiss to appreciate him. Best regards."

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

The Auckland Social Committee has pleasure in presenting their first annual report and balance sheet of their activities. During the year four functions were held, all of which were very well patronised despite restricted travelling facilities. The Committee wishes to thank all those who attended, for their general support and encouragement. The programmes may not have been first class as programmes go, but our aim is to bring our compatriots together once in a while for a good chat and the renewal of old friendships.

At our annual meeting, we had the good fortune to secure Miss B. Haltmeier as Hon. Secretary, and Mr. Brauchli and Mr. Suter as Committee members. Mr. E. Merz remains Hon. Treasurer.

So being set for another year we will endeavour to arrange more enjoyable gatherings and we hope that we shall have the same support in the future as we have had in the past.

The Committee wishes to let members know that a picnic will be held again this summer, of which further particulars will appear in the January issue of this Paper.

The Auckland Social Committee wishes all their friends and members of the S.B.S. a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

BALANCE SHEET OF SOCIAL ACTIVITIES, ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1942.

1941.					
Aug. 1st	Expenses	4.10. 5	Aug. 1st.	Celebration, Overseas	
				League Rooms. Total	
1942				Collections	7. 2. 3
May 2nd.	Expenses	3. 7. 6	1942.		
	(including glasses		Feb. 14	Picnic, Pt. Chevalier	
	bought, now the			Collection, less exps.	1. 0. 0
	property of the			Sale of Photographs	14. 3
	Society £1.1.3)		May 2nd	Presentation Evening	
				Collection	5. 6. 0
Aug. 1st.	Expenses	4.17. 1	Aug. 1st	Celebrations, Overseas	
				League Rooms	
	Cash on hand	6.16. 3		Collection	4.15. 0
				Sale of Picnic Photos	13. 9
		<u>£19.11. 3</u>			<u>£19.11.3</u>

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