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country and the consumer in town. The Bernese soft cheese manufacturers introduced a new cheese, "Ratsherrenkaese," which should surpass any foreign cheese like Camenbert and others.

During the "Swiss Week" special performances of Swiss music and plays were given, and radio, television and cinema were used for extensive propaganda.

[A.T.S.]

# **Obituary**

## JOSEPH LEONARD CHAMBERLAIN

One of the largest funerals to pay the last respects to Mr Joseph Leonard Chamberlain was held at the Kaponga Cemetery. This was a fitting tribute to a man we all held in very high esteem, a distinction he has earned for his friendly, sincere and helpful approach to everyone.

Mr Chamberlain died suddenly at 83 years of age. He came from the inner part of Kanton Schwyz, a village called Steinen, and in 1910 took up farming in the Manaia district. He went back to Switzerland in 1919 for 12 months and then married. After returning to New Zealand, he purchased a property on the Manaia Road to Kaponga, which, at the time, was in bush and stumps. With the help of his wife he did very well, becoming the proud owner of a nice farm.

Mr Chamberlain served as a director of the Kaponga Dairy Company for a number of years, was patron of the Taranaki Swiss Club and a member of the Kaponga Catholic Church and Convent School Committee for a number of years. He was predeceased by his wife and one daughter and is survived by three sons, Leonard (Kapuni), Charles and Ernie (Kaponga), and one daughter, Mary (Mrs E. K. Steiner, Tikorangi). To his family we extend our deepest sympathy.

—J.S.

# Mount Cook Tragedy

With deep regret we have heard that two of our compatriots from Christchurch. Mr Edwin Kunz and Mr August Manser, have got lost on a tour to claim Mt Cook, and have been missing since December 28. They were experienced mountaineers and only the very unusually bad weather can be held responsible for their disappearance.

Edwin Kunz was married for only a few months and August Manser, a single man, came to New Zealand last June. The committee of the Swiss Society wishes to express its deepest sympathies to Mrs Kunz and all other relatives and friends of the two young men.