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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

AFFILIATED CLUBS

Sir,—With regard to Mr Moser's letter in the September issue of "Helvetia", I wish to state my reply as follows.—

Mr Moser, I regret it was unfortunate that no Taranaki delegates were represented at the Annual General Meeting held at Christchurch on June 6th, 1971.

All the controversy over the Taranaki Swiss Social Club would not have gone on record or been published in the "Helvetia" had Taranaki delegates been present.

I fail to see how other delegates present at the meeting could let such a statement go through. Has Mr Moser had the meeting his own way? In reference to rule (A) which you stated "We have no right to use the name 'Swiss' as a Club": How can such a rule be passed, that denies us, as descendants from Switzerland, to call ourselves a Swiss Club?

My view, and that of many other members, is, as regards to Mr Moser's statement "Why should the other Swiss Clubs recognise your very existence . . .", that this can be nothing but most harmful to the Society and other Swiss Clubs.

The Taranaki Swiss Social Club has had many visits from the various clubs to picnics, socials, shooting, etc., and I know that they have thoroughly enjoyed our hospitality.

I hope Mr Moser realises his form of conduct and will act accordingly.

LEN CHAMBERLAIN
President, Taranaki Swiss Social Club.

HEDY'S CORNER

SWITZERLAND MUST NEVER INCREASE TO 10 MILLION PEOPLE

(What is happening to our dear Homeland?)

THIS TOPIC featured largely in the Airmail edition of the "Tagesanzeiger" (überparteiliche schweizerische Zeitung). The very long article appeared on September 14th, 1971. A much condensed version, in the form of quotes, will appear in two instalments and no doubt will give you quite a shock:

- ▶ "In Switzerland each square kilometre of land, fit for habitation, supports 570 people. This population density even tops the German most highly industrialised Ruhrgebiet (470 people) and is near the top on a worldwide scale".
- ▶ "Switzerland depends at an increasing rate upon foodstuffs from abroad".