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## Obituaries

### ALOIS EHRLER

Mr Alois Ehrler died on December 11th, 1975, at New Plymouth Base Hospital after a short illness; aged 76 years.

He was born in Steinen Schwyz; arriving in New Zealand in the early 1900's. He has been farming in the Kaponga district after in the Ngaire district. He then went home to Switzerland, got married in Seewen Schwyz. A few years after returning to New Zealand he retired to New Plymouth.

We extend to his wife and sons our deepest sympathy in their sad loss.

J.S.

### EDWARD KASPER BUTLER

Mr Edward Kasper Butler passed away at New Plymouth on January 6th, 1976 in his 80th year. During World War I the late Mr Butler served with the New Zealand Army in France for three and a-half years. On returning from overseas service he married and went farming before taking up a job with Jones and Sandford, timber merchants, for several years.

Later he became caretaker of St. Joseph's School, New Plymouth for 14 years before he retired in 1973. The late Mr Butler was a widower since 1962. To his family of two daughters and four sons we offer our deepest sympathy.

L.K.

### ANTON JOSEPH STEINER

Mr Anton Joseph Steiner died at his daughter's residence in Morrinsville on January 23rd, 1976.

A well known and respected member of the Swiss community, Tony Steiner, as he was affectionately called by the Swiss, came to New Zealand in 1909, two years before his bride Miss Eliza Betschart, and they got married in 1912. The marriage was blessed with two sons and five daughters of whom all had large families. At his death there were 47 grandchildren and 61 great-grandchildren.

Music was always at an arm's reach at the Steiner's home, as Mrs Steiner came from a music-loving family and was able to play four different instruments. It is still hard to separate Eliza from Tony. Eliza died six years ago and Tony lived with his sons and daughters most of the time with the Farrelly household in Morrinsville.

To the bereaved families we extend our sympathies. W.R.