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DR. W. SCHMID, our new Consul of Switzerland, has notified us that he has opened the Swiss Consulate at:

309, Brandon House,
152, Featherston Street,
WELLINGTON.

He has informed us that his appointment has now been recognised by His Excellency the Governor General and that he has taken up his duties as Consul of Switzerland as from the 17th January, 1938.

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With deepest regret we record the death of our countryman, FRITZ SATTLER, farmer, of Inglewood. He unfortunately lost his life through being crushed by a lorry.

F. Sattler was born at Barr, Canton Zug in 1890. At the age of 25 he emigrated to America. In 1920 he sailed for New Zealand. Here he settled in Taranaki where he resided until his death. He was not married and he is survived by three brothers, Messrs. Charles Sattler, Hawera, Hans Sattler, Te Awamutu, and Emil Sattler, Morrinsville, to whom we extend our sympathy.

We are very much indebted to a fellow-member in Taranaki who informed us of this sad fatality. This has not only awakened our sympathy with all his relatives, but it has brought home to us the fact that so far we have not had the pleasure of registering any members from Inglewood and its surroundings, although there seem to be a fair number of Swiss in the locality in question.

Our Society has now entered into its third year, and we would welcome members from Inglewood.

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EMIGRATION:

Up to the end of September, 1937, the Political Department of Switzerland has assisted 162 families comprising 812 persons to emigrate overseas. Another 25 families of 151 persons have also secured federal assistance, making a total of 187 families or 963 persons. Most of these emigrants have gone to Argentina, Brazil and Canada. Others intend to settle in Paraguay, Peru, and Ecuador. Quite a notable Swiss colony has originated in Puerto Rico in Argentina. As the present Government