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## LEGAL NOTICE

The District Court of Einsiedeln, Switzerland, decided on February 27th, 1953, to institute proceedings in order to declare the following missing person legally dead:—

Sigmund GRAZER, born on March 8th, 1886, son of Josef Marian and Josefa nee Schonbachler, a native of Einsiedeln. Mr. Grazer emigrated to New Zealand in 1912, and has been missing since 1918. The last news of him was received in 1918.

Anyone who is in a position to give information about the above-named is requested to inform the Record Office ("Gerichtskanzlei") of Einsiedeln, within a year, i.e., by March 7th, 1954. If within this year's term no information concerning the missing person should be received, he would be declared legally dead.

Any information may be conveyed to said Court through the medium of the Consulate of Switzerland, P.O. Box 386, Wellington, C.I.

Einsiedeln, March 3rd, 1953.

OFFICE of the DISTRICT  
COURT of EINSIEDELN.

## CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES SUSTAINED IN GERMANY DUE TO SECOND WORLD WAR

The new German law called "Gesetz ueber den Lastenausgleich" has come into force recently. Swiss citizens who sustained damages in Germany due to the Second World War can claim compensation by virtue of said law. They would have to make application on official forms before **August 31st, 1953**, for assessment of their damages. The Swiss Consulate in Wellington would assist such nationals in procuring the necessary forms from abroad. Consequently, Swiss citizens who wish to present a claim to the German authorities, or desire to obtain further information, should immediately contact the Consulate of Switzerland, Wellington.

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