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The ship arrived at Port Taranaki yesterday flying the Liberian flag and bearing the name *Cruzeiro Do Sul* and owned by Maranava Ltd. a Swiss-owned company that had the ship registered in Liberia. The official transfer of ownership to the Oceania Shipping Co., another Swiss-owned company which has registered the ship in Switzerland, took place yesterday.

Symbolic

Dr Weber said the presence of the *Castasegna* in New Zealand waters was symbolic of the increasing trade between the two countries. He was pleased to see that New Zealand was giving increased attention to diversifying trade outlets and he would like to think that Switzerland offered possibilities.

Referring to the migration of Swiss nationals to New Zealand, he said their numbers had increased in New Zealand and many had become New Zealand citizens, combining in a most impressive manner a deep loyalty to their new country with a faithful attachment to the old.

The Swiss had always been very good citizens, said the mayor of New Plymouth, Mr A. G. Honnor, in reply, while the chairman of the Taranaki Harbours Board, Mr H. E. Blyde, echoed Dr Weber's desire for increased trade with Switzerland.

The president of the Swiss Society of New Zealand, Mr J. Steiner, New Plymouth, spoke on behalf of several members of the society present at the function.

The *Castasegna* will sail for Newcastle tomorrow.

(—From the Daily News, of Friday, October 8, 1965)

Forthcoming Events

Hamilton Swiss Club

Our Christmas evening will be held on the 2nd Sunday, 12th December in the Pine Lodge in Melville. Carols, Christmas Tree, Santa Claus and presents for the children.

Please take note that this evening will be held again in the Pine Lodge and we intend to stay there for our future socials.

Christchurch Swiss Club

Sunday, December 5*: Morning, Woodend Beach. Samichlaus Picnic. This is our traditional Christmas party and should prove very enjoyable for young and old alike. Kindly let us know by the end of November how many children will attend and their ages.

*If you require transport or if weather is doubtful please ring O. Muller, tel. 63-535 or O. Metzger 82-833.