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NEWS OF THE COLONY

☆ Wellington Swiss Club

For the first time over the last few weekends the Swiss people here in Wellington had the opportunity to support their own football club.

Under the capable tuition of their captain Karl Signer they won four out of the five games they played. The highlight of course was the international game: the Swiss Midgets, which is the name of our team, against the Austrians.

Many thanks also to the Austrian club which gave the footballers and their supporters the nice party afterwards — even though they lost 4 to nil!

Just for the record Karl, please keep the team together. For the team and of course yourself thanks for your efforts, it was great watching you.—A Fan.

HEDY'S CORNER

One can hardly believe that Christmas, at least as far as our overseas relations and friends are concerned, is approaching. Now is the time for choosing gifts whilst choice is still available.

At the time of publishing the 'Helvetia', closing dates for mail are only available for Great Britain, but I was assured at our post office that the continental mail dates do not vary very much from those for Great Britain.

Closing date for surface mail:

October 18th — for parcels and packets

October 19th — for letters and cards

Postage rates for parcels:

not over 2 lbs	=	\$1.40
not over 7 lbs	=	\$2.00
not over 11 lbs	=	\$2.74
not over 22 lbs	=	\$4.60

Parcels require the white declaration form to be filled in.

Postage rates for packets: each 8 oz = 10 cents up to 2 lbs
Expressly ask for **packet rate** (under 2 lbs) at P.O. counter.
Packets require only a green sticker ticket declaration.

Airmail: parcel rate — each 8 oz \$1.40, limit weight 22 lbs

Surface Christmas cards (open): 10 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz (unsealed)