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The Yodelklub Bärnglöggli is still producing reports from our Members, even months after it has left New Zealand. Here is a report from the organiser of the tour, Henri Limacher in Tauranga:

The Bärnglöggli tour will be a pleasant memory in many people's mind. As the organiser of the tour, I wish to thank all those people who supported it.

I want to say many thanks to the Ambassador and staff, in particular Mr. Graf for the support and encouragement to bring the tour to a successful conclusion.

A big thanks to the Pro Helvetia for their sponsorship. I want to remember all the people of Tauranga who hosted visitors. Many thanks to Colleen (Limacher) for her untiring work for the last 12 months, Elizabeth Gamperle who donated the pig on the spit, Don and Tony the "Chefs", and Lyn Gillon for his liaison work.

A special thanks to Fritz Battig in Rotorua for his tour guidance and excellent choice of venues.

Many thanks to the Wellington people



who took billets, to the Club and Committee for the organisation of a successful concert. A special thanks to Walter Hartmann and his enthusiastic group of helpers.

I want to say thanks to the Taranaki Swiss for their expert organisation of food, drinks, accommodation and venues. A special thanks to the two Ruedis and wives and to Erni and Marlene Forster of Whangamata. I think they surprised themselves how well the farewell concert was organised. Many thanks, and many thanks again for the miles and miles of spaghetti.

I also want to acknowledge the entertainment and friendship the Yodel Club Bärnglöggli and the Wiggertaler Blaskapelle brought to us Swiss abroad.

Yours faithfully **Henri Limacher**

## HONOURING HANS WALTER SCHNELLER

Recently a concert was held in Zurich in the honour of the late yodelsongs composer Hans Walter Schneller (1893-1982). During the 1940's and 1950's, Hans Walter Schneller composed well over 200 yodelsongs and thus became one of the best and most popular composers in his field. In commemoration of his one hundredth birthday, his widow financed a special concert for over 750 spectators at the Limmat Hotel in Zurich in honour of her late husband.

For this occasion most people turned up in national costumes. The performers came from the three Zurich choirs which Schneller had conducted for over 30 years.

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