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TAWA

Dear June & Beryl,

14-2-85

I enclose the hymn leaflet issued at the funeral. It was a quiet affair, attended by about 30 people. Jeanette rearranged her teaching to enable her to be there. It is quite a small chapel, very elegant with nice timbering, seating etc.

The service was conducted by a Samoan woman, who is assistant to the usual clergyman. She was very decorous, but I could have wished she'd used more of the notes I'd given her about Les's life. Bernice sent flowers, not knowing of the request "no flowers".

Afterwards we adjourned to

2/49 Cudby St for a cuppa and cake etc. Ath & Elizabeth joined us. They came to Tawa by train, where we picked them up. They had lunch with us and afterwards we took them back to Pakatak.

Today (Thursday) I'm & I have been busy helping an old friend pack his books for sale. His wife died last year and now he's selling up & going into a home. A few weeks ago I arranged the sale of his coin collection, and now have arranged sale of the books, about 2 dozen cartons. His coins realized over \$6000, but the books probably not so much.

Between whiles I'm busy painting the house and taking honey. Quite a good season - I've taken over 100 lbs. so far, and more to come.

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our garden is producing well & pretty well keeping us in vegs. Fruit has been good - plums, damsons, peaches & nectarines. The birds & possums have taken a toll.

Apples are first about ready & hope they escape the possums.

I'm not sure when we'll get up your way, but it'll be in the next few weeks.

We are most grateful for your kindly thought & messages.

Love to you both,

From us both,

Elyde.