DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS,

C/o Grand Hotel, AUCKLAND, C, 1, 2nd September, 1940.

A circular for the information of American visitors arriving per Clipper on Monday, the 2nd September, 1940.

Dear Sir.

For your information, the following is a precis of the arrangements made to date for your entertainment, and the names of various people you will meet at the functions:

THE RECEPTION ON ARRIVAL:

Mr H. Luke, Chairman of the Auckland Harbour Board; and The Hon. F. Langstone, representing the Prime Minister and the New Zealand Government:

will greet you on the landing stage. They will be introduced by Mr Harold Gatty. When you arrive at the tarmac in front of Pan-American Airways building, you will be met by:-

Mr C.E. Critchley, M.B.E., Australian Trade Commissioner, representing the Australian Government;

Mr J.W. Heenan, C.B.E., Under-Secretary, Department of Internal Affairs;

Mr T.A. Barrow, Air Secretary, Director of Tasman Empire Airways;

, r D. Holderness, Saperintendent, Auckland Harbour Board; Mr W.B. Smith, Secretary, Auckland Harbour Board; Captain Beswick, Acting Harbourmaster.

After passage through the Customs, the party will proceed to waiting motor cars and will be conveyed to the Grand Hotel.

MAYORAL RECEPTION, TOWN HALL:

This function has been cancelled.

STATE DINNER, GRAND HOTEL: (Dress informal)

The State dinner in your honour will be held at the Grand Hotel at 7.15 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. on the 2nd September. The Hon. F. Langstone will preside.

There will be opportunity for discussions following this function.

A VISIT TO ROTORUA:

No definite arrangements have yet been made regarding this until your wishes have been ascertained.

J.W. HEENAN.

Under-Secretary.