

## AT TYCHO FLAT.

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On Friday night the people of Tycho assembled at the school to bid farewell to Private C. P. Richards, who was down on final leave prior to going to the front. Private Richards had been particularly generous in his support of all patriotic functions and funds in the district, and was always a ready supporter of anything for the good of the district. It was, therefore, not surprising that his farewell gathering was very sincere and enthusiastic.

Mr D. O'Sullivan presided, and apologised for the absence of Messrs R. J. McKeown and J. Armstrong, who were in Christchurch. The chairman spoke very highly of the good qualities of the guest of the evening, and expressed the deep regret that everyone in the district felt on parting with him. They recognised, however, that it was necessary and they sincerely hoped that he would return safely from the war and take up his residence among them again. (Hear, hear).

The presentation was made by Mr Morrison, who, in a pithy and well worded little speech, conveyed to Private Richards the best wishes of every person in the district, and on their behalf asked him to accept a wristlet watch. (Applause).

During the evening progressive euchre was played, and a dance followed. Songs were given by Misses Daly (2) and O. Hardcastle, and music was supplied by Messrs F. Biggs and W. Jones. An excellent supper was provided by the ladies of the district.

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