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Britain's Unqualified Warning To Germany: Will Oppose Any Aggression Against Poland

CRISIS APPEARS IMMINENT

Ominous German Troop Movements

FRANCE AND RUSSIA LEND SUPPORT

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LONDON, March 31.

Speaking in the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain repeated that the Government had no official confirmation of rumours of any projected attack on Poland, and that they must not therefore be taken as accepting them as true.

He declared that in the event of action clearly threatening Polish independence, which the Poles considered vital to resist with their national forces, Britain would feel bound to lend Poland all the support in their power and had given an assurance to Poland to this effect.

The French Government had authorised him to make plain that it stood in the same position in this matter as Britain.

Certain consultations were proceeding with other Governments.

The Government had constantly advocated the adjustment of differences by negotiation. No question was incapable of a solution by peaceful means.

The Government did not see the justification for the substitution of force, or threats of force, for negotiation.

Mr. Chamberlain added that the question of a conference was simply a matter of expediency.

"We have no theoretical views about conferences. If they prove the best way, or if there are other and more effective ways of achieving our object, we might dispense with conferences.

"The Dominions are being kept fully informed.

"I am sure that the House realises the potentialities that may arise from Mr. Chamberlain's statement," said Mr. Arthur Greenwood (Lab.). "It may prove to be, in its consequences to us, as momentous a statement as has been made in the House of Commons in the last quarter of a century."

The Foreign Secretary (Viscount Halifax) and the Russian Ambassador to London (M. Maisky) fully discussed the question. There was no doubt that Russia fully understood and appreciated the principles upon which Britain was acting.

An earlier message stated that with ominously frequent though still unconfirmed reports of German troop concentrations on the Polish frontier filtering to London, it is understood that Cabinet yesterday decided to pledge British support to Poland in the event of unprovoked aggression.

It is understood that the exact nature of Mr. Chamberlain's statement in the House of Commons to-day will depend on the Polish reply to certain proposals and questions which the British Ambassador to Warsaw (Sir Howard Kennard) submitted to Colonel Beck.

It is also suggested that Mr. Chamberlain will issue an unqualified warning to Germany that Britain will oppose by all the means in her power any new act of aggression in Europe.

A New York message says that the stock market cracked badly late this afternoon, sending most stocks to the lowest levels of the year, due to disquieting but unconfirmed rumours of the possibility of another European crisis.

"The Times" says that the British Cabinet met specially twice yesterday to consider reports from the Continent regarding Polish-German relations.

Reports of the German suggestions to Poland for a Danzig settlement and the construction of a motor road across the Corridor were confirmed. Poland's attitude toward Russia was examined.

Reports were also received of German military activity at points near the Polish frontier.

The Warsaw correspondent of "The Times" says that so-called Nazi white stockings have appeared in Poland. Their wearers are German nationals.

The Berlin correspondent of "The Times" says that the German Government regards it as essential that Poland now declare where she stands.

Consequently, conversations between the German Foreign Minister (Herr Von Ribbentrop) and the Polish Ambassador in Berlin, coinciding with those between the German Ambassador and the Polish Foreign Minister (Colonel Beck) in Warsaw, may be assumed to be most important.

Sacrifice of Danzig.

Poland, as far as can be gathered, has a chance of collaborating with the Reich on the basis of the sacrifice of Danzig, not necessarily immediately, and the concession of additional facilities to the Reich across the Corridor.

The Reich in return, it is believed, is prepared to guarantee Poland's outlet to the sea. There are also suggestions of a frontier guarantee and the extension of the 10-years treaty of friendship, signed in 1934, for a further five years.

Poland may regard these terms as preferable to a conflict in which she stands to lose even more than is at present indicated.

1937 Agreement.

A Berlin report states that the German Minister of the Interior (Dr. Frick) stated that the German-Polish minorities agreement of 1937 had not satisfied all wishes. There was a series of burning questions for solution.

DEFENCE AGAINST AIR ATTACK

PRECAUTIONS IN NEW ZEALAND

GAS DANGER

Alarmist Statements Deprecated

By Telegraph—Press Association.
WELLINGTON, March 31.

When the attention of the Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. M. J. Savage) was drawn to recent activities in various parts of New Zealand with regard to air raid precautions generally, and protection against gas attacks in particular, he said that for some time past the Government had had this problem under consideration, and had obtained the best advice regarding the protective measures, if any, that should be taken in New Zealand.

"The conclusion to which the Government has come has been reached after careful consideration of existing and prospective conditions by the naval, military and air advisers in this country, and in Great Britain," said Mr. Savage.

"We have not shut our eyes to the possibilities. Full consideration has been given to every contingency and our expert advisers are agreed that there is no need at present for this country to make elaborate preparations against air raids and gas attacks.

"Much publicity has been given to the steps taken in the United Kingdom to meet the threat of danger from the air, but expert advisers state that it cannot be emphasised too strongly that the degree of risk from aerial attacks in Great Britain is very many times greater than it is in New Zealand.

Geographical Advantages.

"The geographical advantages of New Zealand, however, do not justify a policy of complete indifference.

"The Government has therefore made essential preparations, and in the development of these already is giving training in certain measures of anti-gas defence.

"The personnel to whom such training is being given are the police, the health authorities, fire brigades, traffic inspectors and first-aid institutions. This instruction is under the control of Army Headquarters, in co-operation with the Department of Internal Affairs.

"As far as the wider problem of the general disorganisation caused by air raids or other attacks is concerned, the Government is not leaving things to chance. It is taking steps now to advise local bodies and others concerning the safeguards necessary. The activities of all organisations will be co-ordinated so that in the event of a national emergency, although remote, the whole country will be linked up in an efficient plan of safeguards and defence.

"I must therefore deprecate the publication of alarmist statements or the preparation of schemes for the extensive provision of air-raid shelters or for the evacuation of the population of the larger cities. I can only repeat that the Government is satisfied that such measures are not at present necessary."

Mr W. Hitler Calls His Uncle A "Menace"

Son Of Half-Brother To Fuhrer Arrives In New York

Offer Of Job

Gesture Declined Due To "Starvation Wages"

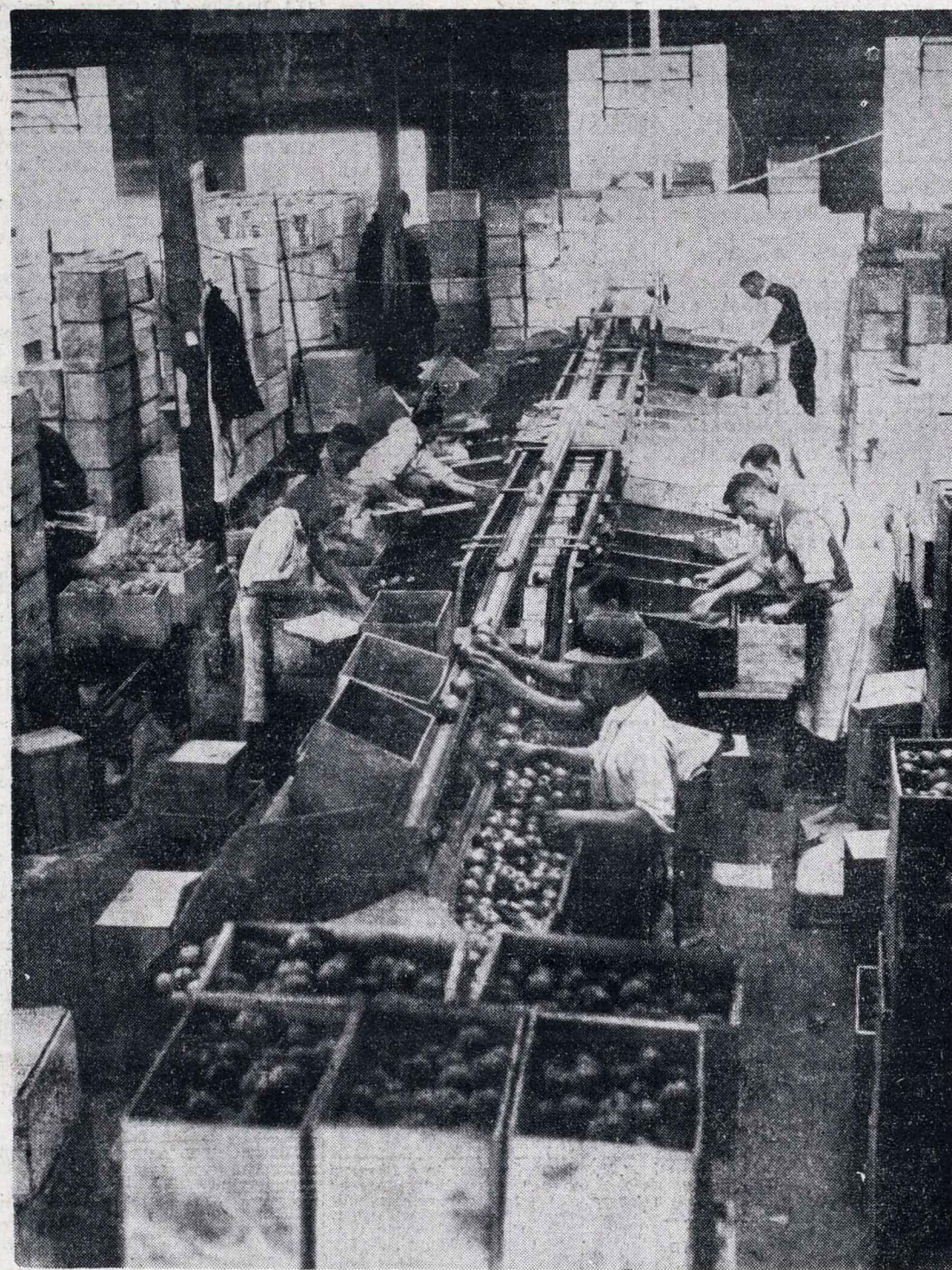
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NEW YORK, March 30. Mr. William Patrick Hitler, a 28-year-old British subject, who said that he is a son of Adolph Hitler's half-brother, Alois Hitler, arrived, accompanied by his mother, a resident of Dublin.

She said that she married Alois in 1910, two years after which he left her, and was now operating a restaurant in Berlin.

Mr. William Hitler said that he was summoned by Adolph Hitler to Berlin, and offered a job in a steamship office, but he declined because it was at "starvation wages."

He said that he planned to write articles for American magazines concerning his uncle, whom he called a "menace."



EXPORT SEASON IN FULL SWING.—A busy scene in an apple sorting and packing shed, where Hawke's Bay fruit is carefully sorted and prepared for export.

TRADE ROUTES WILL BE PROTECTED

Anti-Submarine Measures Evolved By Britain

WARNING TO POWERS

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LONDON, March 31.

The British Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence (Lord Chatfield), in a speech to the Chamber of Shipping, outlined the steps taken to ensure the safety of British trade routes in wartime. He said that Britain had already found a measure for the submarines, but that until war came they could not tell if the measures against air attack were adequate.

"We have a surprise for those who expect to inflict a vital blow on our arteries."

The President of the Board of Trade (Mr. Oliver Stanley) warned Powers who thought Britain decadent: "If the call comes we will answer it, not with the shouts and clamour of a facile mob, easily aroused and easily dissolved, but with conviction, hope, and anger, which will last to the end."

The Duke of Kent said that the shipping industry would get renewed confidence for the future from the Government's new measures for its assistance.

Earlier messages state that, giving full effect to her determination to be ready for any emergency arising from further acts of aggression in Europe, Great Britain is proceeding in an orderly manner with the strengthening of every part of her defence organisation.

The decision to double the war strength of the Territorial force and increase the number of divisions for service overseas from 19 to 32 has met with instantaneous approval. The only criticism offered is that the Government should no longer depend upon the voluntary system for raising the man-power of the army. The opinion, however, is widely held that conscription is not necessary and that the voluntary response of the nation will give adequate proof that conscription is not the only answer to threats based on military might.

Poster Campaign.

A poster campaign, reminiscent of war days has already been started in London. Slogans reading "Civil defence is the business of the citizen" and "We've got to be prepared" are displayed prominently in the streets.

A British Official Wireless message says that there will be a debate in the House of Commons on the international situation on Monday. It is generally assumed that Mr. Chamberlain hopes to be in a position to make a statement then on the consultations which have been proceeding with other Governments on issues arising out of recent events and which, it is also supposed, were under re-examination at this morning's special meeting of Cabinet, which lasted for two and a-quarter hours.

In consequence of the unexpected summoning of Cabinet, Mr. Chamberlain was unable to fulfil an engagement to address the annual meeting of the central council of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations.

Defence Review.

Meanwhile, as part of the re-examination of the present state of national life in relation to the needs of national defence, the necessity of which was proclaimed by Mr. Chamberlain in his Birmingham speech, the Committee of Imperial Defence has instituted a special review of defence arrangements in which every aspect of the present situation is being studied.

In giving this assurance in the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain added that he anticipated that statements would be made from time to time in the House of Commons as conclusions were reached. Time to-morrow will be broadcast. He announced at once the Government's decision to double the Territorial field force.

IMPORTANT SPEECH BY MUSSOLINI

Hitler To Give Address At Wilhelmshaven

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LONDON, March 30.

Herr Hitler will be making a speech at Wilhelmshaven on Saturday.

Signor Mussolini's speech at Reggio at 9.15 a.m. Greenwich Mean Time to-morrow will be broadcast. Well-informed circles believe he will answer the French Premier (M. Daladier).

COURT-MARTIAL FOR BESTEIRO

VICTORY MARCH TO BE HELD IN MADRID MANY REFUGEES

General Miaja At Algiers

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MADRID, March 31.

The Republican Foreign Minister (Senor Julian Besteiro) will be tried by court-martial on April 2.

Martial law has been proclaimed in the city of Madrid, according to an earlier message. Civil Guards are conducting a house-to-house search.

Preparations are being made for a victory march, including a parade of 100,000 women wearing mantillas.

"War Is Ended."

A message from Algiers says that the commander of the Spanish Republican Army (General Miaja) arrived in tears. He said: "Resistance is useless. The war is ended."

The British steamer Stanbrook has arrived off Algeria with 1800 Spanish refugees. Boatloads of refugees continue to arrive at Oran, but they have not been permitted to land.

A later message from Algiers says that General Miaja has left for Cherchel. He told friends: "We will meet again in Spain sooner than you think, for the people of both sides there are Republicans. I did my duty in trying to save the republic."

General Franco has taken over enormous quantities of war material.

Prisoners Captured.

A communique issued at Salamanca stated that 14,723 prisoners and deserters had been captured on the Valencia front; two brigades and six battalions had surrendered and 70,000 prisoners had been captured in the southern zone; and three battalions had surrendered and thousands had been captured or surrendered on the Toledo front.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy has telegraphed General Franco as follows: "While the valorous troops of Nationalist Spain are fighting with heroic deeds, I wish to express to you the admiration of myself and all Italians, who salute the rebirth of a great and friendly nation as a triumph of justice."

ENGLAND AND FRANCE TO AID POLAND?

Report May Cause U.S.A. Protests At Neutrality Law Revision

SENATE OPPOSITION

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NEW YORK, March 31.

The news that the British Prime Minister (Mr. Neville Chamberlain) will announce a tacit understanding with France to go to the aid of Poland in the event of an attack by Germany gave rise to speculation in some quarters in Washington concerning the possible effect upon the pending proposals to revise the Neutrality Laws, says the Washington correspondent of the "New York Times."

The consensus of opinion was that any programme of co-operation between England, France, and Poland that might tend toward an eventual showdown between the European democracies and totalitarians would stiffen opposition in the Senate to granting any greater discretionary powers to President Roosevelt in matters affecting United States neutrality.

Some Senators have expressed the belief that the tension in Europe is lessening, and prospects of a general war receding.

They will probably revise their opinion if an arrangement between England, France, and Poland is announced, and the Senators' determination to prevent changes in the Neutrality law, which would make it easier for the United States to become involved in a European war, would be strengthened.

Bomb Explosions In Britain

LITTLE DAMAGE

Irish Republican Army Held Responsible

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LONDON, March 31.

Three more bomb explosions occurred early this morning at Birmingham, Liverpool, and Coventry, but the damage was negligible apart from broken windows.

Nobody was injured. All the explosions are attributed to Irish Republican Army activity.

MAN-POWER REGISTER OPPOSED

Industrial Conscription?

FEDERAL CABINET'S DECISION

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SYDNEY, March 31.

More union leaders have expressed their opposition to the Federal Cabinet's decision to compile a compulsory register of man-power. The secretary of the New South Wales Trades and Labour Council (Mr. R. King) said: "A compulsory national register is the first step toward industrial conscription."

RICH NATIONS WARNED

RAW MATERIALS MUST BE DIVIDED

TRADE RECESSION?

Italy's National Savings Drawn On

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ROME, March 31.

Complaining that no progress was being made toward the better distribution of raw materials Dr. Azzolini, a governor of the Bank of Italy, said that if no solution were found soon it would be the producing countries controlling the world stocks which would suffer the most, because they would have lost important markets for their products.

A balance must be created between nations as suggested at Munich, based on mutual recognition of their importance. If some countries continued to have an abundance of the means of existence, while others were denied them, the latter would be bound to grow poorer and be ultimately faced with the alternatives of mass emigration and political servitude or death by economic paralysis.

He admitted that Italy had drawn heavily on her national savings in order to balance her Budget, but claimed that her national resources were sufficient to finance schemes for economic independence in the immediate future.

"Will Stand Up For Claims"

ITALIAN AMBITIONS

Mussolini Warns France Of His Intentions

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LONDON, March 30.

A message from Cosenza (South Italy) says that Signor Mussolini, during a speech on his southern tour, said: "Facts or no facts, we will never resign ourselves to remaining prisoners in the Mediterranean."

"Italy is ready to stand up for her claims. Speeches are mere words unless they are accompanied by deeds."

Il Duce's publicist, Signor Gayda, admits that the Italian Note of December 17 did not contain proposals or conditions, but reasons and themes for discussion. "France," he declares, "wants to maintain an adamant 'never.' M. Daladier demonstrated a desire to shut the half-open door. We take note of this attitude. Italy is not impatient. In the meantime, the breach mentioned by Signor Mussolini in his speech on Sunday remains unbridged."

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BETWEEN 9.5 and 10 p.m. 3YA Christchurch will broadcast a B.B.C. recorded programme entitled "Who's Hooper?" Josef Kaartinen, the Finnish saxophonist, will play from 4YA Dunedin at 8.23.

MORNING SESSION. 1YA Auckland.—7.0: Physical exercises session. 7.10: Breakfast recordings. 10.0: Devotional service. 10.15: Recordings. 11.0: Talk to women by Margaret. 11.10: Lunch music. 1.0: District week-end weather forecast.

2YA Wellington.—7.0: Session of physical exercises. 7.10: Breakfast recordings. 10.0: Devotional service. 10.15: Recordings. 10.45: Talk to women by Margaret. 12.0: Lunch music.

3YA Christchurch.—7.0: Session of physical exercises. 7.10: Breakfast recordings. 10.0: Devotional service. 10.15: Recordings. 10.45: Talk to women by Margaret. 12.0: Lunch music.

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AFTERNOON SESSION. 1YA Auckland.—2.0: Recordings. 3.15: Sports results. 5.0: Children's session.

2YA Wellington.—1.0: Week-end weather forecast. 2.0: Recordings. 3.0: Sports results. 4.0: Sports results. 5.0: Children's session.

3YA Christchurch.—2.0: Recordings. 3.30 and 4.30: Sports results. 5.0: Children's hour.

4YA Dunedin.—1.0: Weather forecast. 2.0: Recordings. 3.30: Sports results.

PUBLIC NOTICES. NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS. EASTERN TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

ON 6th, 7th, 10th and 11th April relief express trains (Wellington depart 9.55 a.m., Napier arrive 3.32 p.m. and Napier depart 8.55 a.m., Wellington arrive 4.15 p.m.) will run. On not take passengers for stations Palmerston North to Wanganui, inclusive. Passengers for these stations must travel by the 8.55 a.m. relief express.

ON Thursday, 6th April, night passenger train to New Plymouth, Wanganui and Wellington leaves Napier 9.50 p.m., Hastings 10.22 p.m., Waipawa 11.27 p.m., Waipukurua 11.43 p.m.

ON Thursday 6th, and Monday 10th April, usual 4.24 p.m. Napier-Palmerston North train through to Wellington and leaves Palmerston North 9.45 p.m.

ON suspended Friday ordinary timetable will be given below and express and relief express trains and 7.21 a.m. Palmerston North-Napier 4.24 p.m., Napier-Palmerston North trains run as usual.

ON Easter Monday the usual 10.30 a.m. Napier-Waipukurua train will run. Special passenger train leaves Wellington 5.10 p.m., Napier arrive 12.59 a.m. (11th).

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HASTINGS THEATRES

Regent Theatre advertisement for 'Stablemates' featuring Wallace Beery and Mickey Rooney. Includes showtimes (2.15 P.M. and 8.0 P.M.) and a description of the film as a heart-warming successor to 'The Champ'.

Regent

THRILLING DRAMA OF THE TURF

Wallace Beery In 'Stablemates'

There they go! The turf champions of America have gathered together for the greatest race ever presented on a motion picture screen. Seabiscuit, Dauber, Specify, Indian Broom, Lloyd Pan and other champions turn actor with Wallace Beery and Mickey Rooney in 'Stablemates' which opens today at the Regent Theatre.

Beery is seen as a race track "stumble bum," once a brilliant veterinarian who was framed on a murder charge, 20 years ago. He escapes from prison and years later teams with Mickey Rooney, a stable boy, who has traded his earnings for an injured racehorse. His nerves shattered because of drink, Beery is persuaded to operate on the horse and is successful.

They tour around the country getting their horse in shape for the big race. Two days before the running, Rooney listens to a radio broadcast and learns that Beery is an escaped convict. He tries to persuade him not to go to the track and insults him rather than let him know that he has learned the truth. But Beery goes just the same.

In the meantime the horse wins the race.

Beery then gives himself up to the sheriff according to his promise, to be returned to prison and tells Rooney to go on with his schooling and leave the track. It's a picture with a punch, directed by Sam Wood.

A superb array of Metro features include a Pete Smith comedy and an attractive musical in addition to the latest gazette of world events.

State

GARY COOPER AND MERLE OBERON

'The Cowboy And The Lady' Is Superb

With Gary Cooper and Merle Oberon as the stellar attractions in a swiftly-moving modern-day story combining high comedy and compelling drama, Samuel Goldwyn's 'The Cowboy and the Lady' is now showing at the State Theatre, Hastings.

The tale is of a Washington society girl who gambles position and fortune to marry a sun-browned cowboy of the far west, after a unique meeting at a Florida rodeo, dramatised with telling effect against beautiful backgrounds. The story maintains a rapid pace throughout, and is highlighted by scenes of rich comedy and sparkling direction.

Cooper and Merle Oberon, as the cowboy and the lady of this title, prove again that they are two of Hollywood's leading players. Cooper, as the strong, silent type of hero who dries seas through the chain and glitter of so-called cafe society, returns to the kind of role which first made his famous. Merle Oberon, cast as a gay and witty modern of the upper-crust, enriches her role with fine timing and a beautiful sense of comedy.

The second leads are capably played by Patsy Kelly and Walter Brennan, who turn in some excellent comedy scenes, the acting is further strengthened by the charming performances offered by such well-known featured players as Fuzzy Knight, Mabel Todd and Henry Kolker. H. C. Potter has directed the picture with vigour and liveliness, making the most of background and effective lighting.

'The Cowboy and the Lady' has been produced from the screen play by two of America's leading playwrights, S. N. Behrman and Sonya Levien.

Cosy

SPARKLING MUSICAL ROMANCE

'Road To Reno' Opens To-day

An enchanting glimpse of the world's most popular grand opera is given in Universal's 'The Road to Reno' which opens to-day at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings.

Starring Randol Scott and Hope Hampton, and featuring Glenda Farrell, Helen Broderick, Alan Marshall and David Gray, the film depicts in a gay manner the story of a temperamental grand opera diva who leaves for "the city of broken hearts" to obtain a divorce and goes through a series of tempestuous exploits which wind up with a happy ending in a Reno divorce court.

The film opens with Miss Hampton, as "Linda Halliday," grand opera star, making her farewell performance before going to Reno for the severance of her matrimonial knot. For this performance Miss Hampton, who has been singing opera both in America and abroad since the late 1920's, chose the famous Mussette waltz from the opera 'La Boheme.'

In addition to this operatic aria, Miss Hampton sings three popular songs after her exciting arrival at the dude ranch near Reno, where much of the action takes place. These have been composed by the famous writing team of hit-songs, Jimmy McHugh and Harold Adamson. They are "Home," "Home," "Give My Heart Away" and "Tonight is the Night."

Fast action played against a unique background, and a novel love story, make more than the ordinary quantity of thrills and suspense the high-light features of Universal's 'Pirates of the Skies,' the second attraction.

Featuring Kent Taylor and Rochelle Hudson, the picture embraces the newest branch of the State Law enforcement departments, the Air Police.

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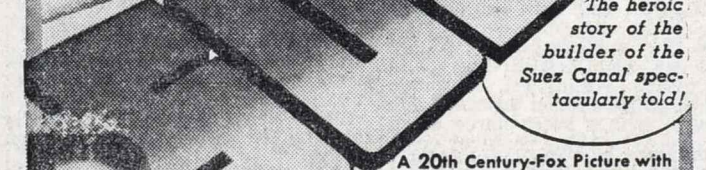
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'THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN CRISIS' by Low Lehr. 'WHAT EVERY GIRL SHOULD KNOW' by OTHERS.

Municipal

PATHOS AND SATIRE IN COLLEGE FILM

'Freshman Year' With 'Blonde Cheat'

'Freshman Year,' featuring Dixie Dunbar, William Lundigan, Constance Moore and Ernest Truex, is now showing at the Municipal Theatre, Hastings.

A realistic comedy drama of college life with music, it is the first of a new series by Universal.

As the title indicates, the picture deals with the exploits of a group of freshmen experiencing their first year of college life. In setting, action and dialogue it has all of the gaiety, sparkle and modernity, as well as the worries and pressing problems, of present-day college youth.

The lighter side of the quest for a higher education is presented with delightful wit. There is also the pathos of aspiring youth, which will make any sacrifice to attain its dreams of college life.

The main story theme centres around three classmates who hit upon the idea of writing "funk" insurance. One of them arouses the ire of a professor, who gives a stiff examination which causes practically a whole class to funk.

Faced with insurance claims far beyond their means, the boys promote a show to raise funds. But even then they are beset with woes. How they work out of their dilemma is one of the highlights of the picture.

The efforts of a socially ambitious mother and a down-to-earth father to marry their daughter off to different men provide the basis of "Blonde Cheat," which co-stars Joan Fontaine and Derrick de Marney.

Lillian Bond is cast as the spoiled daughter who shares her aspiring mother's desire that she marry de Marney, a young socialite. Ceel Kellaway, the young lady's Cockney father, has other ideas, and tries to arrange a match with Robert Coote, as one of his employees.

A musical show is promised the father if he can break his daughter's engagement. Miss Fontaine is in the show, and unwittingly, of course, falls in love with de Marney herself, and gets him.

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Plaza

FAMOUS STARS IN FARCE

'Little Tough Guys In Society'

Hilarious adventures of a gang of East Side alley kids as invited guests at a fashionable Long Island estate are revealed in Universal's gay farce, 'Little Tough Guys In Society,' which opens at the Plaza Theatre, Napier, to-day, with Mischa Auer, Mary Boland, Edward Everett Horton and Helen Parrish.

Not only does the rollicking film present three of the screen's foremost comedy stars in a smartly tailored story, but it introduces Universal's famous group of kid actors, The Little Tough Guys, into the dazzling realm of jewels and ermine.

Filmed from an original screenplay by Edward Ellicu and Mortimer Offner, the story tells what happens when a dizzy socialite mother, Mary Boland, adapts a lot of alley kids as companions to help her indolent son, Jackie Searl, discover the joyous possibilities of youth.

Mischa Auer appears as an eccentric and a very fine actor. Edward Everett Horton depicts the watchful English butler who is horrified by the antics and behaviour of "the little gentlemen from the settlement houses" Helen Parrish, who scored in 'Little Tough Guy,' is seen this time as Searl's sweetheart.

Efforts of the alley kids, led by Frankie Thomas, to get Searl to abandon his idea of spending his life in the city, the tempo for a riot of fast comedy sequences in the film. The picture was directed by Erle Kenton.

To add to the evening's attractions there will be a very fine array of short subjects including news reels, a delightful Travel-Talk picture, "Going Places," a musical, and cartoon.

Mayfair

CHILLING CREEPS AND CRAZY COMEDY

'The Last Warning' With 'His Exciting Night'

A pair of happy-go-lucky characters well known to mystery film fans plunge into another chilling case in 'The Last Warning,' Universal picture which is now showing at the Mayfair Theatre, Napier.

Preston Foster and Frank Jenks are again Bill Crane and Doc Williams, ace sleuths who wise-crack their way through another seemingly impossible case.

The story opens when the detectives agree to investigate a character called "The Eye," who harasses a society youth and his sister with threat notes placed in rooms locked from the inside. A irascible executor of a huge estate, a blackmailing butler, a dark and mysterious feminine secret agent, a menacing fortune hunter and even a frivolous blonde are just a few of the suspects.

Two killings, a kidnapping and gunfights take place before the case is finally solved in a series of dramatic incidents.

Fast and furious farce comedy predominates in the second attraction of the evening, 'His Exciting Night,' which features Charlie Ruggles and a cast of expert comedy players.

'His Exciting Night' presents Ruggles as a bridegroom, snatched from the church and placed in an embarrassing predicament with a gorgeous blonde. His attempts to explain to his wife and her family, and the complications which arise, furnish a fast and laugh-filled plot.

With Ruggles are seen 'Slapstick' Maxie Rosenbloom, Marion Martin, Ona Munson, Stepin Fetchit, Benny Baker, Georgia Caine, Frances Robinson, Raymond Parker, Regis Toomey and Stanley Hughes.

What happens when agents of two foreign Powers try to capture two million dollars sent by an Oriental nation to buy a squadron of fighting planes, is vividly revealed in the fifth episode of Universal's thrilling series, 'Red Barry,' with Buster Crabbe in the starring role.

State

DEVIL-WIND BATTLES WITH MAN

Tyrone Power In 'Suez'

The conflict of a man with the elements around him is the theme of 'Suez,' which is now showing at the State Theatre, Napier.

'Suez' is the story of Ferdinand de Lesseps, the man who, in the political turmoil of the mid-nineteenth century, conceived the idea of tearing two continents apart, that the Mediterranean and Red Seas might be joined, and a short route cut to the East.

The film presents the struggle of de Lesseps to cut the Suez Canal. The ferocious wind was Nature's greatest weapon of defence in the battle waged upon her by de Lesseps. It was known as the "devil-wind" in its ragings across tracks of sand, leaving mountains where once were valleys, obliterating the caravan routes, the all too few oases and almost blinding the sight.

These elements de Lesseps fought, as he fought political and financial discouragement, and attacks from the hostile Arabs.

Tyrone Power plays the role of this remarkable man, who overcame the weight of lavish, natural spectacle. The difficulty has been mastered and close ups have been woven into the general background of terror without slacking of speed or of tension. The atmosphere is vivid, yet the warmth of personal contacts has never been lost. The film is magnificent.

To add to the evening's attractiveness there is a splendid issue of the 'March of Time' series, showing the Czechoslovakian crisis, and an extra film with the ambiguous title, 'What Every Girl Should Know.'

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Universal Motors Ltd. advertisement. Authorized Ford Dealers. Announcement regarding the use of used cars for Easter.

Democracy in Britain is now finding that it has too few princes and princesses. With seven members of the royal family no longer taking part in public engagements, four too young to do so, and two residing abroad, the shortage of royalty is cause for considerable concern among organisers of public functions at which the attendance of a prince or princess is customary. In recent months a number of important occasions have had either to be postponed or cancelled for this reason. One example is the postponement of the Duke of Kent's tour of Social Service Centres of the Midlands. Even more serious for organisers of public functions is the problem of what to do when King George and Queen Elizabeth visit America next summer, and after the departure of the Duke and Duchess of Kent for Australia in the autumn. Duke of Windsor to Return? It has been freely rumoured that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor will shortly return to England, a rumour strengthened by Mr Neville Chamberlain's visit to the Duke when the Prime Minister was in Paris. In influential circles, however, it is not expected that the former King Edward, should he come back to his home country, would take a leading part in public functions for some considerable time. Without the Duke and Duchess of Windsor there will be only two 'Royal Highnesses' available in 1940 to assist the King and Queen by spending even a small part of their time in the public interest—the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester. The departure of the Duke of Kent for Australia is to leave yet another gap, for the United Grand Lodge of England will be without its Grand Master, a position customarily filled by royalty. Before the appointment of the Duke of Kent the Grand Master was the Duke of Connaught, who has now retired from public life. The Duke of Connaught is only one of a number of members of the royal family who have retired, either partially or completely, from public life. Princess Royal, Princess Louise, and Princess Beatrice, who have spent so much of their time, energy and money in the public interest, no longer take part in public engagements. Princess Arthur of Connaught, widow of Prince Arthur, has temporarily retired. Princess Helena Victoria and Princess Marie Louise now appear in public, but seldom. The two daughters of King George and Queen Elizabeth—Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose, are still too young to appear alone except on rare and specially suited occasions. Some part of the situation is the direct result of the Royal Proclamation of 1917, which not only abolished all foreign titles borne by British royalty, but also restricted the title "Royal Highness" to all children of the Sovereign and to grand-children of the Sovereign in the male line only. By the same proclamation the title "Prince" and "Princess" is limited to all children and all children of sons of the Sovereign. One effect of this ruling is seen in the fact that without its restrictions, the Earl of Macduff, who is eleventh in the Order of Succession to the Throne, would be a prince. The Earl of Macduff is son of the late Prince Arthur of Connaught, but received no title from his father, who was a grandson of Queen Victoria, but not "a child of the son of the Sovereign." His earldom comes from his mother's side. Lady Maud Carnegie is Princess Maud until her marriage to the heir of the Earl of Southesk. Viscount Lascelles and the Hon. Gerald Lascelles, sons of the Princess Royal and number seven and eight in the Order of Succession, take their titles only from their father, the Earl of Harewood, and although nephews of the King are themselves not "royalty." Loss of Titles. A study of the 1917 proclamation also reveals that certain junior members of the royal family within a generation or two may have no titles at all, but under present rules, will have to be called Mr or Miss Windsor. For instance Prince Edward, son of the Duke of Kent, will succeed eventually to his father's dukedom and his sons in turn will bear the ordinary designations of the sons of a Duke. But should the Duke of Kent have a second son who in turn has children these children will grow up "plain misters or misses."

STATE

GARY COOPER AND MERLE OBERON

'The Cowboy And The Lady' Is Superb

With Gary Cooper and Merle Oberon as the stellar attractions in a swiftly-moving modern-day story combining high comedy and compelling drama, Samuel Goldwyn's 'The Cowboy and the Lady' is now showing at the State Theatre, Hastings.

The tale is of a Washington society girl who gambles position and fortune to marry a sun-browned cowboy of the far west, after a unique meeting at a Florida rodeo, dramatised with telling effect against beautiful backgrounds. The story maintains a rapid pace throughout, and is highlighted by scenes of rich comedy and sparkling direction.

Cooper and Merle Oberon, as the cowboy and the lady of this title, prove again that they are two of Hollywood's leading players. Cooper, as the strong, silent type of hero who dries seas through the chain and glitter of so-called cafe society, returns to the kind of role which first made his famous. Merle Oberon, cast as a gay and witty modern of the upper-crust, enriches her role with fine timing and a beautiful sense of comedy.

The second leads are capably played by Patsy Kelly and Walter Brennan, who turn in some excellent comedy scenes, the acting is further strengthened by the charming performances offered by such well-known featured players as Fuzzy Knight, Mabel Todd and Henry Kolker. H. C. Potter has directed the picture with vigour and liveliness, making the most of background and effective lighting.

'The Cowboy and the Lady' has been produced from the screen play by two of America's leading playwrights, S. N. Behrman and Sonya Levien.

Cosy

SPARKLING MUSICAL ROMANCE

'Road To Reno' Opens To-day

An enchanting glimpse of the world's most popular grand opera is given in Universal's 'The Road to Reno' which opens to-day at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings.

Starring Randol Scott and Hope Hampton, and featuring Glenda Farrell, Helen Broderick, Alan Marshall and David Gray, the film depicts in a gay manner the story of a temperamental grand opera diva who leaves for "the city of broken hearts" to obtain a divorce and goes through a series of tempestuous exploits which wind up with a happy ending in a Reno divorce court.

The film opens with Miss Hampton, as "Linda Halliday," grand opera star, making her farewell performance before going to Reno for the severance of her matrimonial knot. For this performance Miss Hampton, who has been singing opera both in America and abroad since the late 1920's, chose the famous Mussette waltz from the opera 'La Boheme.'

In addition to this operatic aria, Miss Hampton sings three popular songs after her exciting arrival at the dude ranch near Reno, where much of the action takes place. These have been composed by the famous writing team of hit-songs, Jimmy McHugh and Harold Adamson. They are "Home," "Home," "Give My Heart Away" and "Tonight is the Night."

Fast action played against a unique background, and a novel love story, make more than the ordinary quantity of thrills and suspense the high-light features of Universal's 'Pirates of the Skies,' the second attraction.

Featuring Kent Taylor and Rochelle Hudson, the picture embraces the newest branch of the State Law enforcement departments, the Air Police.

Taylor is seen as a flying officer, who unwittingly stumbles on the solution of many bold and mysterious robberies which have mystified the State police.

The public cannot overestimate the value of good eyesight. To-day tens of thousands of people are learning happier and fuller lives by improved vision aided by glasses. Mr. Bromley M. Bennett, Optician, opposite Plaza Theatre, Napier.

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The Duke of Kent has sent a donation of £5 to the Royal School for the Blind, Leatherhead, of which he is patron.

A chapel is to be included in the new central railway station in Rome. "Travelers" said an official, "are in need of spiritual guidance, and stations must provide all such needs."

Two statues of Lenin in polished granite, the work of the sculptor, M. S. D. Merkurov, designer of the giant statue for the Palace of Soviets now being built in Moscow, have been shipped to New York for the Soviet Pavilion at the World's Fair.

Clive Card Tournament.—The weekly "500" card tournament run by the Clive Card committee was held in the supper room. Results are as follows: Women, Miss B. Merritt, 1; Mrs. R. Teuke, 2; men, Mr. E. Hague, 1; Mr. F. Boyce, 2. Special winners, Mrs. Wallace. Special men's, Mr. S. Birch.

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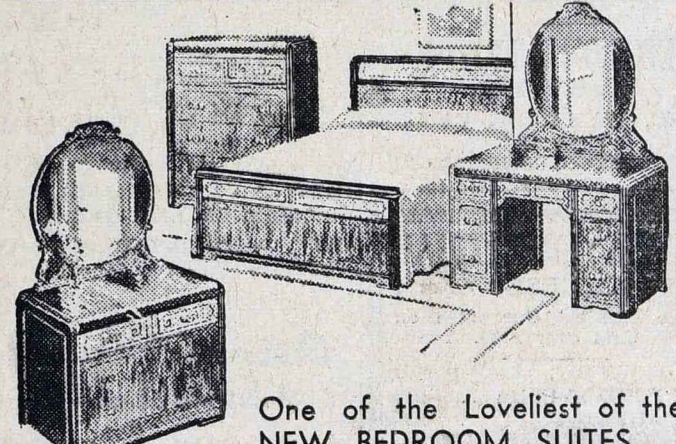
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**Woodford House Old Girls' And
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Attractive decorations as a background for especially
 lovely gowns, tuneful music, and a tempting supper—these
 were features which made an outstanding success of the ball
 given in Hastings last evening by the members of the Hawke's
 Bay branches of the Woodford House Old Girls' and Christ's
 College Old Boys' Associations.

The Assembly Hall was well filled with dancers, all of
 whom voted the evening most enjoyable and a well-chosen
 occasion for the coming-out of seven charming debutantes
 who will long remember last evening as being one of much
 fun and gaiety.

The decorations in the hall were
 arranged to include the colours of
 the two schools, the maroon and
 white of Woodford House, and the
 black and white of Christ's College.
 All round the walls was hung in
 scallops a streamer of lycodium
 with large red and white paper pop-
 pies centred with black and a match-
 ing streamer hung over the stage.
 From the ceiling were suspended
 three large hanging baskets of lycod-
 ium and poppies, from which
 hung large clusters of balloons in
 bright colours.

All along the front of the stage
 were massed dahlias in all shades
 and hydrangeas, these looking par-
 ticularly effective. On either side
 were huge bowls of hydrangeas and
 lovely massed bowl of dahlias, hy-
 drangeas, pink madonna lilies and
 autumn foliage.

Similar decorations with massed
 flowers were arranged along the
 front of the balcony and at the en-
 trance to the hall, while clusters of
 hydrangeas entirely covered the
 edge of a special platform at the side
 of the hall, this being set with easy
 chairs and carpets as a lounge for
 the onlookers. A second lounge was
 arranged off the supper room and
 here bright bowls of nasturtiums
 gave a gay touch of colour.

Those who were responsible for
 these effective decorations were Mrs.
 J. L. Masterson and Mrs. Hubert
 Browning and the Misses Janet
 Groomie, Mary Campbell, Margaret
 Masterson and Margaret Glennie.

**COLOURFUL
 SUPPER DECORATIONS**

In the supper room a very colour-
 ful effect in red and white was
 achieved by Mrs. E. A. Barker and
 Miss Marie Davies. Tall crystal
 bowls were arranged with scarlet
 pom poms and charm dahlias inter-
 mingled with white Michaelmas
 daisies. In between these were
 flat bowls of matching flowers. A
 particularly tempting supper was
 enjoyed by all the dancers.

The members of the committee
 who made the arrangements for the
 ball were:
 Mesdames J. L. Masterson (chair-
 woman), J. R. Stevenson, Peter
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Boys, Hubert Browning, R. Camp-
 bell Macniven and J. M. Chambers;
 the Misses Janet Groomie, Margaret
 Bell and Ruth Small (the secretary).

Excellent music for the dancing
 was played by Lew Munro's orches-
 tra, additional pleasure being given
 by the vocalist, Miss MacInnis.

Supper extras were played by
 Tom Moloney's orchestra.

The very charming host and host-
 ess, untiring in their efforts to give
 everyone a jolly evening, were Mr.
 and Mrs. A. H. Hope, Parangahau,
 the latter president of the Woodford
 House Old Girls' Association. Mrs.
 Hope wore a most beautiful model
 trained gown of black French suede
 silk exquisitely embroidered in sil-
 ver.

She wore a shoulder spray of scar-
 let and white flowers, a gift from
 the association.

The guest of the evening was Miss
 Holland, the principal of Woodford
 House, who was accompanied by Mrs.
 Adam Bell. Miss Holland wore a
 gown of pale rust-shaded georgette
 with gold sequin errotoides at the
 neck and sleeves. She wore a spray
 of golden and flame miniature dai-
 sies, a gift from the old girls' asso-
 ciation.

**THE GOWNS
 OF THE DEBUTANTES**

Miss Joyce Georgetti, daughter of
 Mr. and Mrs. W. Georgetti, Crissoffe,
 Fernhill, gown of embossed satin in
 a rich cream shade, having a fully-
 flared skirt. The corsage was cut
 with a square neckline edged with
 a frill of pleated stiffened net and
 puffed sleeves inset with net. A jew-
 elled corsage clasp was worn at the
 neck, and a tiny coral brooch at the
 shoulder. The gown was decorated
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 neck, and a tiny coral brooch at the
 shoulder.

Miss Margaret Masterson, daugh-
 ter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Master-
 son, Te Moe, Havelock North, wore
 a trained gown of exquisite fine
 French suede silk interwoven with
 silver in a tiny coral design. Her
 gown was fashioned with a softly-
 swathed corsage caught at the V
 neckline in front with a lovely jew-
 elled clasp and having a square-cut
 corsage at the back. She wore
 a cloak of black velvet with shirred
 collar.

Miss Pamela Stewart, daughter of
 Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart, Waimara-
 ma, whose gown was of white tulle
 satin modelled on heavy taffeta. It
 was cut on very simple fitting lines
 with a gracefully flared skirt finish-
 ed at the hem with several rows of
 cording. The corsage was cut with
 off-shoulder effect, being shirred in
 front and having tiny covered but-
 tons at the back, the shoulder straps
 being very fine. She wore a white
 fur cape and diamond star in her
 hair and carried a posy of blue flow-
 ers.

Miss Priscilla Tiffin, daughter of
 Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Tiffin, Elmshill,
 Otane, chose an especially dainty
 gown of ivory silk net with ap-
 pliqued bands on the skirt of finest
 chantilly lace. Lace was also inset
 in the corsage, which was fashioned
 with puffed sleeves, a high neckline
 with Peter Pan collar and satin but-
 tons down the back. A cluster of
 finished flowers of the material
 Miss Lorna White, daughter of
 Mr. and Mrs. H. White, Waireka,
 Otane, chose a gown of parchment
 moire taffeta with butterfly puffed
 sleeves inset with fine lace medall-
 ions. The corsage was shirred in
 front to form a heart-shaped neck-
 line and finished at the back with
 tiny covered buttons below the
 waistline. The wide belt was caught
 in front with an exquisite jewelled
 clasp. She carried a posy of
 shaded pink rosebuds and maiden-
 hair fern.

The committee present were:—
 Mrs. J. L. Masterson, trained gown
 of deepest rust gold-threaded mate-
 lasse finished at the neckline with
 three large flowers of the material.
 Mrs. J. R. Stevenson, black mari-
 ette gown with handmade gold flow-
 ers at the neck and a musquash
 fur cape.

Mrs. Hubert Browning, Ivory taf-
 fetta gown with shirred corsage.

Miss Margaret Glennie, black chif-
 fon velvet with shirred corsage.

Miss Philippa Smith (Dannevirke),
 cherry suede silk with rhinestone
 trimming.

Miss Ronagh Hobin, midnight
 blue chifon with draped corsage
 and sleeves.

Miss Michael Gardiner, flowered
 silk in blue and pink shades.

Miss Valerie Harding, magnolia
 French suede silk gown.

Miss Pauline Kettle, ivory chifon
 with the full skirt edged with satin.

Miss Jacqueline Ormond, gold and
 primrose brocade gown with a top-
 knot of real flowers.

Miss Joan Parker, shell pink net
 with hem frills on the skirt.

Miss Pat Hunter (Dannevirke),
 gown of suede silk in bright floral
 design.

Miss Alison Bridge, petal pink
 tulle gown with shirred corsage.

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*Five o'Clock
 Gossip*

Mrs. D. H. Smith, Raffles Street,
 Napier, will be spending two
 months' holiday in Sydney, and will
 leave Wellington by the Awatea on
 Monday.

The Rev. H. Davies, of the Pres-
 byterian Mission in Canton villages,
 was a visitor to Waipukurau on
 Wednesday night, being met by re-
 presentatives of Bible classes. He
 is one of the two missionaries sup-
 ported by the young men's Bible
 classes of the Presbyterian Church
 of New Zealand.

Mr. W. Hutchens, Mus. Bac.,
 Christchurch, well-known
 throughout the Dominion as a musi-
 cal adjudicator, has been appointed
 judge of the vocal and choral sec-
 tions of the City of Sydney Elsted-
 foff in August. This will be the
 second occasion on which Mr. Hut-
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feta line checked with gold and hav-
 ing flowers at the neckline.

Mrs. J. M. Chambers, palest Nile
 green angelskin lace with trim-
 mings of deeper green velvet.

Mrs. R. Campbell Macniven, black
 corse gown with a sash of mauve
 and cyclamen chifon.

Miss Margaret Bell, gown of pow-
 der blue suede silk with softly
 draped corsage.

Miss Janet Groomie, gown of soft-
 est flower pink chifon with very
 full skirt and gathered corsage.

**AMONG THE
 DANCERS PRESENT**

Others present were:—
 Mrs. A. I. Rainbow, midnight blue
 angelskin lace.

Mrs. W. R. Stead, deepest burgundy
 chifon velvet gown and a
 necklace of Parisian crystal.

Mrs. Ian McLeod, white chifon
 with shirred trimmings.

Mrs. J. N. Lowry, black chifon
 gown made in Grecian style with
 scarf draperies.

Mrs. Noel Beamish, flowered satin
 gown in shades of blue and green.

Mrs. W. Georgetti, black chifon
 velvet gown with white camellias
 at the neck.

Mrs. E. Wall, black mariette
 gown with beautifully beaded cor-
 sage.

Mrs. D. Stewart, black and white
 patterned chifon gown with an
 ostrich feather boa.

Mrs. Egan Williams, gown of
 gold and magnolia lacquered satin.

Mrs. W. Sherratt, gown of lake-
 blue sheer silk with a matching vel-
 vet bolero.

Mrs. Jim Williams, golden taffeta
 gown with shirred sleeves and ruck-
 ed corsage.

Mrs. Keith Outfield, Magnolia
 satin gown with red carnation
 spray.

Mrs. H. S. Rathbone, gown of
 chifon in stripes of black, red and
 green.

Mrs. John Holderness, white satin
 charmelaine with puffed sleeves and
 heart-shaped corsage.

Mrs. Ken Ellison, sea-blue souple
 satin with a cluster of violets at
 the neck.

Mrs. Richard Reed, rust-shaded
 suede silk gown with gold clasp
 at the neck.

Mrs. Allen McKenzie, Edwardian
 gown of pink taffeta with blue true
 lovers' knots.

Mrs. Seton Wenley, powder blue
 matlasse with a brilliant corsage
 clasp.

Mrs. Seymour Belcher, tete de
 negre taffeta with flame flowers at
 the neckline.

Mrs. D. H. Buchanan, white taf-
 fetta with black appliques.

Mrs. R. Bridge, black taffeta with
 silver corsage flowers.

Mrs. Eric Lambe, patent sky-blue
 taffeta gown and coatee with deeper
 blue trimmings.

Mrs. Douglas McHardy, black
 chantilly lace, having puffed sleeves.

Mrs. Peter Shield, black French
 net with tiny frills at the hem and
 corsage.

Mrs. Robin Bell, model gown of
 black taffeta and net, with a bright
 corsage spray.

Mrs. E. Ormond, gown of deepest
 fuchsia silver-threaded brocade.

Miss Margaret Maclean, lovely
 gown of cherry shot taffeta with
 corded trimming on the full skirt
 and tiny corded shoulder straps.

Miss Lorna Johnson, gown of gold
 taffeta, worn with a matching cor-
 set, having stiffened lapels.

Miss Joan White, peacock blue
 silk with rust trimmings.

Miss Zona Haworth, sky-blue and
 silver brocade gown.

Miss M. Rainbow, gown of flower-
 ed stiffened chifon with shirred cor-
 sage.

Miss Y. Pettit, tunic gown of
 mushroom-pink angelskin lace.

Miss Bunty McHardy, blue chifon
 gown with Grecian draperies.

Miss Pam Wilder, deep cream taf-
 fetta with gold circles design.

Miss Margaret Robinson, black
 stiffened net with large flame and
 gold corsage flowers.

Miss Sheila Nilsson, deepest mid-
 night blue cloque with a cameo cor-
 sage brooch.

Miss Fatti Morrin, peacock blue
 taffeta with handmade white lace
 at the hem and neck.

Miss Pat Williams, black chifon
 velvet with jewelled corsage clasps.

Miss Anne White Parsons, white
 mariette with diamond trimming on
 the corsage.

Miss Margaret Pattison, ruby red
 sheer silk gown with a natural
 shoulder spray.

Miss Nancy van Asch, gown of
 chifon in bright multi coloured
 stripes.

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Mrs. de Castro presided over a
 good attendance of members at the
 meeting of the English Speaking
 Union held in Hastings yester-
 day afternoon. The room had been
 beautifully decorated by Miss S.
 White.

Mrs. Fred McKenzie gave an in-
 teresting talk on Australia and the
 early days there, mentioning espe-
 cially Mr. Wentworth, of Wentworth
 House, New South Wales, who was
 one of the early pioneers of Sydney.

Mrs. McKenzie gave the reason why
 Mr. Wentworth travelled to Australia
 and also spoke of Queensland and
 the pioneering days there.

Mrs. Arthur de Castro, spoke of
 the forming of the English Speaking

REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S LIVE STOCK MARKETS

Inferior Quality Fat Cattle Are Hard To Quit At Any Price

(By AGRICOLA)

A feature of this week's sales was the increased interest taken in the fat sheep section. Prime wethers were in greater demand than they have been since the season for these commenced.

The yardings of fat sheep have been short for the last fortnight and this has had a great bearing on the values, prices this week rising to the extent of from 1/6 to 2/- a head for ewes and wethers.

Fat cattle met an erratic market, only those of quality finish creating any interest to buyers. Other sorts were not wanted and met with an extremely dragging sale.

The first of the season's cows with calves at foot were on offer at Stortford Lodge and sold to £4/5/-. The cows were in good forward order, but the calves were small late-grown sorts.

This is the second week of the new season's offerings of store cattle, and each sale so far has been closely followed by a large attendance of farmers.

Prices on the whole have been a shade above expectations, with the inquiry still keen.

Many of the store cattle this week have been raised from Waikato and have shown the effects of feeding on the high, hard country which abounds in that district. These cattle were in light condition and found the market difficult, with buyers not keen.

Farmers in and around the Hastings-Waipukurau district have all they can do to keep their own cattle up to the mark as far as condition goes, and are not anxious to buy in any more in similar order. In spite of this, vendors have been willing to meet the market and passings have been few.

Most of the cattle so far have consisted of young stock, mainly 18-months-old steers and heifers. A few forward bullocks have come forward, for which the selling has been reasonably keen for them to make from £9 1/- to £9 10/.

It is not expected that there will be any "fancy" prices for store cattle until the rains come, as at the present time cattle feed is fairly scarce. Should heavy frosts eventuate before the start of the autumn growth, the outlook will be most serious for farmers, and most of the markets will show a decided drop.

Good Quality Lambs. A feature of the selling this week was the improvement noticed in the quality of store lambs. Right through the season there has been a steady demand for lambs of good forward condition.

This was the case on Wednesday at Stortford Lodge, when a line of excellently grown Blackface lambs, in good forward order and with a fair majority of them just about fit to kill, sold out at 17/-. A further line in from the same source reached 16/10. Other good lines were entered and found a ready market.

Fattening ewes were in poor demand and were hard to sell. There does not seem to be much hope of this class of sheep showing any improvement within the near future, especially with the pastures in such a dry condition.

The general condition of the store sheep this last week was a definite improvement on what has been coming forward for the last few weeks. Wethers still continue to be in short supply and the few that were on offer failed to attract much attention.

Once the feed starts to come away, it is expected that there will be a much greater demand for this class of sheep.

Exporters Busy. Except for a few odd pens, the fat cattle this week have been a mixed lot. Prime finished sorts met with a ready sale, but light and poor sorts were not wanted at any price.

Bullocks made their reappearance at Stortford Lodge on Wednesday. Further Commercial News Will Be Found on Page 8.

Cows and heifers of the same quality also met a ready market. Vealers and runners once again were in over-supply, and consequently prices for these were down.

The tops of the vealers were in good forward shape, but the runners were inclined to be on the small side.

The majority of the buying for the last three weeks has been done by the exporters, butchers keeping out of the market except for odd lines. The prices have just shaded the schedule rates for the better class beef, but other sorts have been selling in favour of buyers.

A line of fat cattle was entered and came down from the Waikato district. The line was made up of cows and heifers, but they did not appeal, as they were only half finished, and most of them were passed in.

Unfinished Beef Cattle. These cattle were practically unkillable and it seemed rather foolishly hard to bring them down to the local market when cattle of the same quality and some of even better quality, in from nearby stations, are so hard to quit.

Store cattle showing breeding and fair condition are on the upgrade and in the event of rain, will rise considerably in price. With this in mind it is quite possible that there will be a gradual fall in the number of half-finished beef cattle which is now coming into the market.

Excellent Fat Sheep. Fat sheep buyers had small yardings to choose from this week, with the result that the competition was high and prices rose accordingly.

This unlooked-for turn of the market is not expected to continue indefinitely, as it is quite possible that next week will see an over-stocked market, and naturally this will bring the prices back to the level of a fortnight ago.

The good prices that have been ruling are only for extra-prime quality lines, medium sorts and poor finished lines selling at prices a shade easier than recent rates.

The supply of lambs is shortening and the quality generally is falling away.

The lambs that are coming forward at the present time are inclined to be "hard finished" and are lacking in weight. The consequence of this has been that the price has dropped accordingly.

The auction marts continue to do

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FALL AT KIDNAPPERS

HE AITUA. TE TAKANGA O TETAHI TAITAMA I TE PARIPARI Te Toanga o Nga Tangata Na Raua I Tiki Te Tangata I Taka Nei. HE AITUA I TE MATAU-A-MAUI (Cape Kidnappers).

I te ono karaka o te ahiahi o te Ratapu ka taha nei ka heke etahi taitama tokorua no Nepia i tetahi paripari poupuu, paripari wetiwei, e rua raua putu pea te poupuu ki te tiki i te tahi taitama no Heretaunga nei i taka iho i tetahi wahi he rau putu pea te tikitike ake ki runga ki te papa pohatu o te awa i raro iho. Ko te taitama i aitia nei no te taone o Heretaunga; i haere raua ko tona hoa ki te Matau-a-Mau (Cape Kidnappers) ki te pihupihu rapeti rokohanga ka aitia a ia. Ko tona ingoa ko Korona Hoani Potene (Lawrence John Pothan) i tau tonu pakeke, a ko tona kainga i 702 Buller Street, Hastings ara Heretaunga. No tona taenga ki te Hoihipera i Nepia ka kitea ana ona Wahi mate; i whatiwhati etahi o te iwi o te pohu a maru katao te upoko, ka nui tona taumaha.

I a Konoro (Conole) ratou ko ona hoa o Nepia ko Herata (Gerrard) ko Karato (Caldow) e hoki ana mai i te pihupihu rapeti i Te Matau-a-Mau ka rongoro ratou i te reo tangata e karanga ana. Ka haere ratou kia kite he aha ra te take o tana karanga. I te ratou taenga atu ki Paripari (Brady) o Tomoana Heretaunga, kua tupurangi ke te ahuia, a nana i ki mai kua taka tona hoa a kei te take o te pari e takoto mate ana.

I whakamata raua ko tona hoa ko Potene ki te heke i tetahi pari poupuu ki te awa i raro iho. I te mea ka waenganui raua e heke ana ka kite iho raua kaore he turanga waewae mo raua i raro iho, na, ka hoki ano raua ki runga. I a raua e piki ana ka mania a Potene ka taka ki raro; ko ia ko Parati i waimarie a he uaua a ia i eke ake ai ki runga. I tona ekeanga ake ki runga ka timata a ia ki te karanga me koru noa a ia e rongonoa e te tangata haere.

Te hihiko o nga ngakau o Konoro ma

I te tirohanga iho o Konoro ma ki raro ka kite iho ratou i a Te Potene e takoto ake ana i raro raua. Ka kororepo ratou a ka whakaae ratou ki a Te Potene he roa rawa atu te matenga o Te Potene i tona takanga kua a ia e waiho kia roa e takoto noa ana. Me heke tika ratou ki a Te Potene he roa rawa ki te huri haere ma nga wahi pai heke ai ki te awa i raro, engari me heke tika ma te pari. Ka mea ratou me heke tokorua o ratou, ko Konoro raua ko Herata. Ka heke teni tokorua, mania iho i etahi wahi i runga huapapa a na te aha noa ranei ka mau nga i nga ki runga otouta noa, ki runga pakiahi ranei. Kotahi haora raua e heke ana ke tae ki raro ki a Te Potene.

I to raua tatutanga atu ki a Te Potene ka tirohia e raua tona ahuia, ka kite iho raua he mate taumaha a ko te mea tika kia hohoro te mau ki te Hoihipera. Ko te piki taha iho i te taha o Potene e takoto ana pakaru katao.

Ko Korata o te tokotoru nei i Haere ki te tiki tangata hei awihina i a ratou ki te amo i a Te Potene.

Te Amonga.

Ka hanga e Konoro raua ko Herata he amo. Ka pouri ka oti, ka hikitia e raua a Te Potene ki runga a ka amohia. I tata pea ki te kouta maero raua e amo ana i a Te Potene ka tutaki mai raua ki nga tangata i haere atu ki te awihina i a raua. I te taenga ki te one ka tahuna he ahi hei whakamahana i te turoro i mua o te amohanga mai ki Kiriwihitana (Clifton). I te amohanga mai i te turoro i te one papaki tonu mai te tai ki nga waewae o nga kalama a i te pouri he orange ngakau te puta, anga mai ki te kaenga tangata. I Kiriwihitana te takuta e whanga atu

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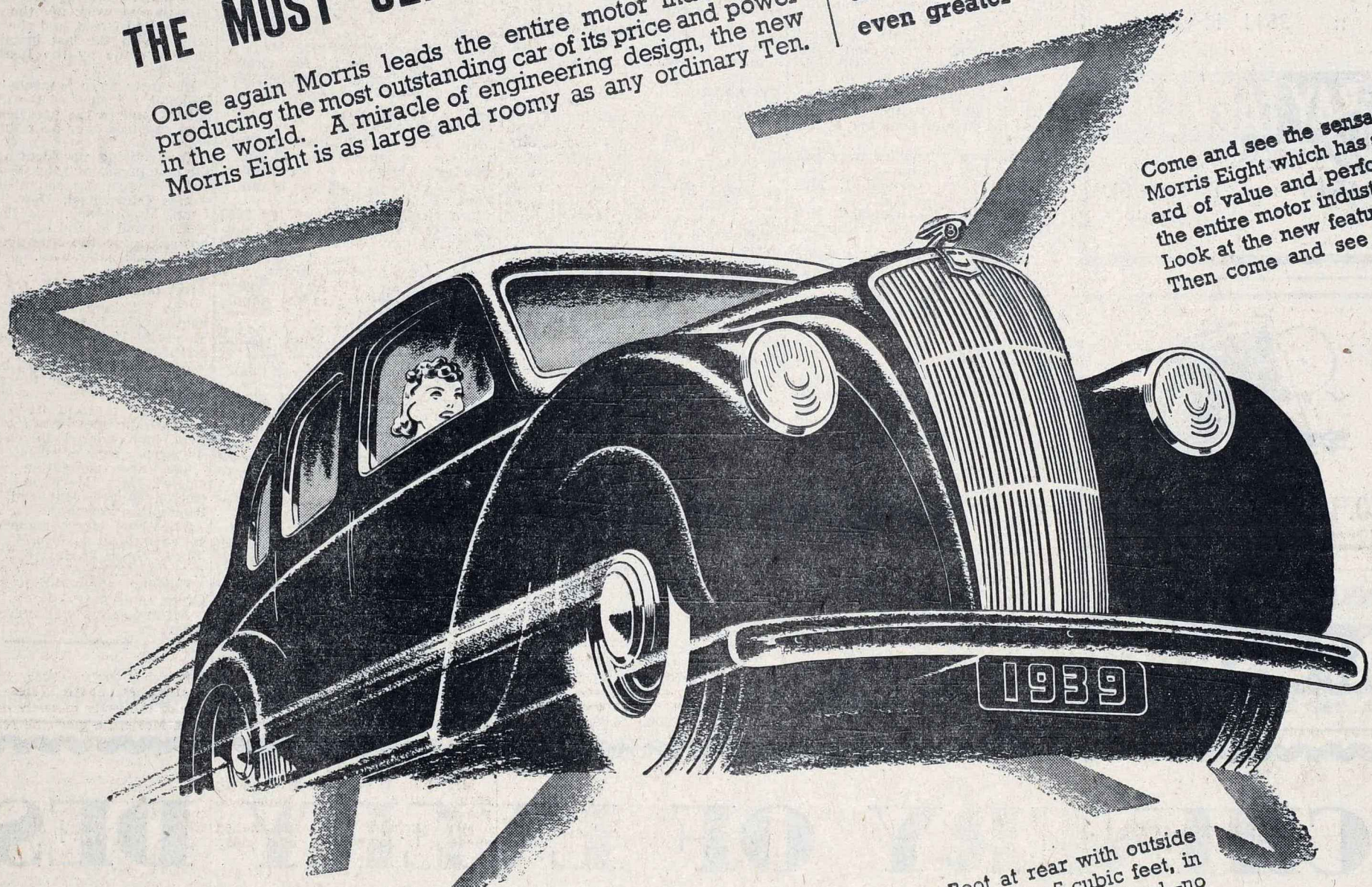
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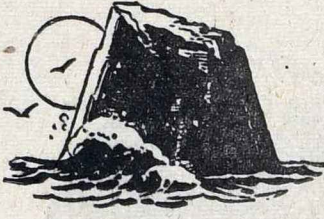
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Reports Of Institute Meetings Held During The Past Month

GREENMEADOWS

The first annual meeting of the Greenmeadows Women's Institute was held in the hall, Mrs. Martin presiding. There was an excellent attendance of members and visitors, among whom were Miss McMichael and Mrs. Carrington, of Twyford. The usual business was transacted and the secretary's report read. The balance-sheet showed a very satisfactory credit balance. Reports were also read by the secretary of the singing, gardening and drama circles, all showing a satisfactory year's work.

Mrs. Martin sincerely thanked all for the help and co-operation accorded during the year. Bouquets were presented to the president and secretary by Mrs. Metcalfe, on behalf of the institute. Mrs. Martin presented Mrs. Sutherland, retiring secretary, with beautiful roses in appreciation of her splendid year's work.

Helpful addresses on institute matters were given by Miss McMichael and Mrs. Johnson, and arrangements were discussed in connection with the forthcoming birthday party.

The election of officers and committee resulted as follows:—President, Mrs. R. Wright; vice-presidents, Mesdames Colwill and Scott; committee, Mesdames Colwill, Farquhar, Goodall, Kane, Larsen, Martin, Scott, Scullin and Ormond. Mrs. Wright expressed appreciation of the honour done her by the institute.

The following trophies were presented by Mrs. Martin:—Flowers: Mrs. Goodall 1, Mrs. North 2, Mrs. Turton 3. Handicraft: Mrs. Ormond 1, Mrs. Martin 2, Mrs. Wright 3. Special: Mrs. Evans.

Mrs. Deverill conducted a "Sing, Say or Penny Pay" roll call, which caused great amusement. The hostesses for the day were Mesdames Armstrong, Workman and Nicholson.

PUTORINO
The Putorino Women's Institute held its fourth annual show recently. Owing to the unfavourable weather conditions this season there were fewer entries than usual.

MARAEEKAKAHO

At the annual meeting of the Maraekakaho Women's Institute, Mrs. Simmonds presided over a good attendance of members. The treasurer presented the balance-sheet, which showed institute finances to be in a satisfactory state.

The secretary read an excellent report covering the wide range of the institute's activities during the past year. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Presidents, Mrs. J. Graham and Mrs. Dasent; vice-presidents, Mesdames L. Maclean, R. Averill, Elliot, Simmonds; secretary, Mrs. Hewitson; treasurer, Mrs. Farmery; committee, Mesdames Hewitt, Ramm, McLagen, Paterson, Wright, Misses Maclean and Farmery.

Poesies were presented to Mrs. Simmonds (president), Mrs. Hewitson (secretary) and Mrs. Farmery (treasurer) as a token of members' appreciation of their untiring efforts in institute affairs. Members adjourned for afternoon tea, served by Mesdames Walker and McConochie and Miss Maclean.

OTANE

The 13th annual meeting of the local branch of the Women's Institute was held in the Town Hall, there being a very good attendance. A very comprehensive report was presented by the secretary (Mrs. A. B. Collins). Votes of thanks were passed to Messrs E. G. Windley and C. Wolfram for assistance rendered during the year, to Mr G. Voyce for auditing, to Messrs Roach and Windley for acting as tellers at the annual ballot, and to the Press.

All the officers were re-elected as follows:—President, Mrs. R. H. Tod; vice-presidents, Mesdames Thomas and Oram; honorary secretary, Mrs. A. B. Collins; honorary treasurer, Mrs. J. Harbottle; delegates, Mesdames F. Smith and E. Stafford; committee, Mesdames Arnott, Collins, Harbottle, McDougall, Oram, Roach, F. Smith, W. Spargo, jun., Thomas, and Voyce.

The points prize for competitions during the past year was won by Mrs. Arnott, with Mrs. McDougall second and Mrs. W. Spargo, jun., third. The day's competitions were as follows:—Hat decorated with vegetables, Mrs. Scrimgeour 3; best flower in garden, Mrs. Bull 1, Mrs. J. Tod 2, Mrs. W. Spargo 3; sausage rolls, Mrs. McDougall 1, Mrs. Roach 2, Mrs. W. Spargo, jun. 3.

The hostesses for the afternoon were Mesdames R. Langridge, F. Scrimgeour, J. Trotter, and A. Arnott.

WALLINGFORD

At the annual meeting of the Wallingford Women's Institute Mrs. J. D. Ormond presided over a large attendance.

After several business matters had been dealt with, a most interesting and comprehensive report on last year's activities was submitted, together with a satisfactory balance-sheet. A ballot was taken for the committee, the following being elected: President, Mrs. J. D. Ormond (re-elected); committee, Mesdames Bevan, J. Canning, T. Geenty, P. Canning, F. Jackson, G. L. Jamieson, A. Judd, S. E. McNutt, R. Stoddart, and R. P. Wilder. For the Golden Thread series, Mrs. Judd spoke on Queen Elizabeth.

Final arrangements were made for the institute garden party, which is to be held at Wallingford on the first Saturday in April. Mesdames W. Stoddart and T. Geenty were appointed delegates to attend the council meeting, to be held at Waipawa in April.

A refreshing afternoon tea was served by Mesdames Bevan, Schepins, J. Byrne, M. Pattison, Misses A. Wilder and Gaston. The results of the monthly competitions were:—Best marked handkerchief (embroidered), Mrs. A. Judd 1, Mrs. Hewison 2, Mrs. Groves 3; best collection of vegetables, Mrs. S. Ward 1, Mrs. R. Stoddart 2.

TE AWAPUNI

The Te Awapuni Maori Institute held its annual meeting at Hukarewa School, Napier, by the kind invitation of Miss Hall, the headmistress.

The election of officers for 1939 resulted in the re-election of Mesdames Lindsay Gordon and Otene as president and secretary respectively, with a good committee. Mesdames Nygata and Tichborne were chosen as delegates to the annual federation meeting.

Beautiful shoulder sprays and a bouquet made by Mesdames Harper and Donovan were presented to Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Turner Williams and Miss Hall.

After tea Mrs. Franklyn gave a most interesting and useful demonstration in Kete flat-weaving, in which many of the school girls took part. Mrs. Franklyn kindly agreed to visit the school regularly until the girls have become proficient. A prize for a taniko band competition was won by Miss Sarah Otene.

A talk on Ceylon was given by Mrs. Turner Williams, during which some of the girls posed as mannequins. A short musical entertainment from the school girls brought the meeting to a close. It was suggested that the institute should hold more frequent meetings at the school, with a view to the fostering of Maori crafts, and this will probably be carried out during the coming year.

RISSINGTON

The annual meeting of the Rissington Women's Institute was held this month at The Mount, Napier. Mrs. Francis Hutchinson presided over a fair number of members. The annual report dealing with the year's activities was read by the secretary (Mrs. G. W. McLean), and the balance-sheet was read by the treasurer (Miss Corrigan).

The president's address dealt with various aspects of the year's work, and extolled the sympathetic and ready help of her committee and all the members. Special thanks were accorded to the Press for their unfailing courtesy in dealing with the monthly reports in the papers.

The Golden Thread for the year had been "Red Cross," and a delightful programme of songs and recitations was given by some of the Junior Red Cross members of the Collegiate School. Precision and dramatic ability marked the recitations, and the varied songs were given with charm and distinction. The accompaniments were played by Mrs. Prime. A Red Cross Junior from Rissington gave a song.

Miss King, O.B.E., gave an interesting and inspiring address on the growth and work of the World's Junior Red Cross, and she was presented with the last instalment of articles made by the Institute for the year.

Bouquets were presented to Mrs. Bicknell, principal of the Collegiate School, and to the president, secretary and treasurer on relinquishing office. The retiring president welcomed the new president (Mrs. Woodward) and the incoming committee (Mesdames Carmichael, Howell, J. McLean, Mulqueeny, and the Misses McLean and M. and L. Peddle). The hostesses for the afternoon were the 1938-39 committee.

TIKOKINO

The Tikokino Women's Institute held its March meeting in the Wai Memorial Hall, there being a poor attendance.

After the business had been dealt with, the report for the past year was read. The president (Mrs. Morrison) thanked the secretary and all the members for the way they had worked in co-operation during her term of office.

The new committee was then elected, Mrs. Morrison being re-elected as president and Miss V. Rumbal as secretary. The best bloom competition resulted:—Class A, Mrs. W. Oliver 1, Mrs. C. Green 2, class B, Mrs. Oliver 1, Mrs. C. Green 2.

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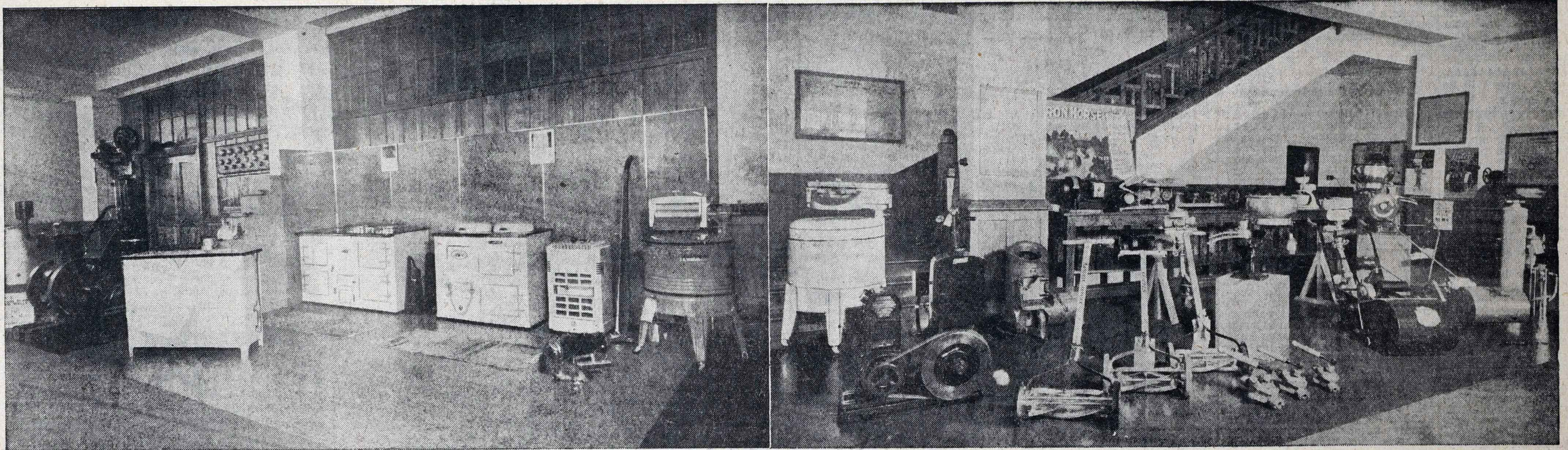


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THE STORY THUS FAR: King Richard, leaving for the Crusades in 1191, put England under a Regency, mistrusting his Saxon-hating brother, Prince John. During a joust before the latter, Sir Robin of Locksley, a swashbuckling young Saxon, worsts Sir Guy of Gisbourne, a Norman knight, thus winning the dislike of Lady Marian Fitzwalter, Sir Guy's sweetheart. Word comes that King Richard has been captured and held for ransom aboard. Prince John, scheming to win the Crown, begins wholesale persecution of the Saxons. After months of hardships in the cause of the Saxons, Robin, with his squire, Will Scarlet, and Much-the-Miller's-Son, a poacher, go to the banquet of Norman barons given by Prince John in Nottingham Castle. The Normans are discussing Robin as he nears the Castle.

CHAPTER III.
The Great Hall of Nottingham Castle flared and faded in the light of torches that hung in cressets on the dark stone walls, from which glistened the gorgeous banners of the Normans—and the long table was surrounded by banqueters. A lusty company they feasted lustily, using huge slabs of bread for their plates—heaping them high with meat and the spits as the servants passed. They quaked with

I've noticed this fact as I've travelled afar,
No matter how lovely the place,
Some people are happy wherever they are,
And others wherever they're not.
—Sent in by Blanche Anthony.

mighty laughter as they gulped the swallows and gorged the food, and gaunt boar-hounds skulked among the shadows snapping up the morsels that were flung at them. All those who were false to King Richard were on hand as honoured guests of his brother, Prince John—the High Sheriff of Nottingham, his little eyes smaller than ever—the sanctimonious Bishop of the Black Canons—and Sir Guy of Gisbourne—with a dozen others of his rank. Prince John, resplendently jewelled, partook of neither meat nor drink, but mused darkly on ways and means to raise himself to the seats of the mightiest. At last he turned to the jocular knight next to him and asked a question. All stopped to listen as the oracle spoke. "Any more objections to the new tax, from our Saxon friends?" "Objections, Your Highness?" guffawed Sir Geoffrey, "with a Saxon dangling from every gallows from here to Charnwood." Up-

Honours For Last Week

Pauline Anderson, 2 marks.
Alice Farmer, 2 marks.
Ronald Anthony, 1 mark.

roarious laughter greeted this sally. "Well said!" exclaimed Prince John, then giggling. "I remember rightly—the day of the joust! What's he been doing?" "Only to-day I caught him killing a Royal deer in the forest!" "Did you take him?" shouted Prince John. "That, Your Highness," began Sir Guy apologetically, would not have easy. "Right!" broken in Sir Geoffrey. "Give the devil his due, Sir Robin of Locksley is the finest archer in all England!"

"But..." thundered Prince John, off on one of his more terrific tantrums, "killing a Royal deer! I want him brought here at once and hanged! D'ye hear me? Hanged, I say." At once! I'll tolerate no... I got no further. From beyond the outer doors came sounds that brought the guests to their feet, hands on swords.

The door burst open and Robin entered, thrusting the lackeys to right and left. "Who's this?" cried Prince John. Then he remembered, for the young man was striding towards him vigorously with the body of a deer across his shoulders. When he reached the banquet table he glanced at the remnants of the meal and at the Prince, and said with an impudently charming smile, "I hope Sir Guy has given me a better meal than my reception indicates! I no sooner enter the castle with a bit of meat—than his hungry servants try to snatch it from me!" He turned to Sir Guy, saying with mild reproach, "You shouldn't starve them... really you shouldn't! They'd work better well fed."

With these words he deposited the deer on the table, directly under the high-and-mighty nose of Prince John, saying with a cere-

monious bow, "With the compliments of your Royal brother, King Richard. God bless him! Prince John, whose anger had been melting into stupefaction, suddenly sank into his chair, threw back his head, and laughed himself into a state bordering on suffocation. "By my faith..." he panted at last, wiping his eyes, "you're a bold rascal, Robin... but I like you! Have you had meat?" "None but this that I brought, Your Highness!"

A Good Idea

Rae Searle sends in a good idea for a Competition. From the following clues find hidden words mixed up in "PLAY-TIME CLUB":
To fasten together.
A small object.
A beverage.
A river in Scotland.
Part of an animal.
A story.
Agent's caress.
A dance.
To accuse.
A domestic animal.
A wooden container.
A garden manure.
A leisure hour.
A baby bear.

Answers to these questions must be in by next Thursday, and five marks will be given to each person who guesses correctly. So get your thinking caps on!

"Sit down then, sit down! Sit there, opposite me! Get up, Sir Ivor, and give him your place! Ho, varlets, bring Sir Robin food! Plenty of it! Such insolence must support a mighty appetite!" "It does need something to support it," said Robin genially, helping himself to food from his neighbour's trencher, for it has little to fatten on when your tax-gatherers are through!

"You think you're overtaxed?" asked Prince John, with a wink at the scandalised Bishop of the Black Canons. Robin nodded energetically as he ate. "Overtaxed, overworked and paid off with a knife or a club or a rope..." he murmured dreamily. Suddenly he stopped eating and looked squarely at Prince John. "You know, we Saxons aren't going to put up with it much longer!"

"Oh, you're not, aren't you?" cried John, his anger rising. "Well, listen to me! I called this meeting of my friends... to tell them that to pay off Richard's ransom, they've got to collect, not two gold marks on the pound, but three... And the money is to be paid to me!" "Why to you, Your Highness...?" asked Robin with ominous calmness, "when King Richard, appointed Longchamps as Regent?" "I've kicked Longchamps out! From now on, I'm Regent of England!"

As he said the words, his crafty face dark with triumph, Lady Marian came to the upper balcony and looked down on the tense scene. It was as though a star shone through the dusk. One after another the knights vowed fealty to Prince John now, and cut down the nearest. Servants, squires and knights tried to bar his way to the door, but he backed his way through. A man-at-arms behind him raised his sword to mow him down. At the shrill scream of a woman Robin whirled—his shoulder, and with terrific force heaved him at his enemies. Then, cutting down another, he dashed to the doorway. Pausing only to flash up to Marian a salute of thanks with his sword, he was out, pulling the door shut behind him. "Quick, my quick! They've got a traitor inside!" (To be continued.)

My Pet Animal

(By Shirley Hannah, Senior Division.)

I have the loveliest cat called Septimus. From a kitten he was well trained. When he was naughty he was punished, and seldom he repeated his mistake.

He is now a cat of six years, perfectly-mannered and gentle. In these six years we have grown very attached to Septimus and could not bear to part with him.

He has very peculiar tastes. Naturally he loves fish, but what astonishes us is that he likes rice bubbles, weet-bix and crisp biscuits. Why? Because they crackle. Believe it or not, he actually eats cheese, peanut-butter and chocolate. Last Easter we gave him a piece of an Easter egg, which he refused, but on being offered another piece of chocolate he immediately ate it. He knows what he likes.

His manners are perfect. He is better behaved than some people. He always gives a mew of thanks when a door is opened for him. When a plate of fish is on the table, he will sit sniffing as near it as possible, like the children in the Bisto advertisements. He licks his lips but knows it is not for him.

He has his own special chair, which once belonged to me. Now, if I am on it when he wants it, he puts his front paws on my knee and looks up pleadingly. He would like to sleep on my bed, but the sound of mother's footsteps always sends him down.

He is as good as a barometer. When it is going to rain he tears through the house, scattering the mats in all directions over the polished floors. Of course, he does some things which do not please us, such as scratching birds. We have scolded him for it, but it is cats' nature to prey on birds.

When we went for a holiday, he was so upset at our absence that he mewd pitifully. Our neighbour, who was looking after him, was so worried that she came over to pet him. His joy at our return was so great that he rubbed lovingly round our legs and followed us around, afraid after we would leave him again. Who could help loving such a devoted pussy? (First Prize, Senior Section—5 marks.)

Results Of Competition 1

Entries for this competition were poor compared with Competition 2, and results are as follows:—
Senior section: Highly commended and 3 marks for Shirley Hannah, Hastings.
Junior Section: First prize of 5 marks to Nancy Paulsen, Takapau.

Fun At Parties

This is great fun for a hunting game, especially if you have lots of hiding places in and about your home. Hide 50 or more cardboard fish in various parts of the house, and your guests are then invited to your angling party (which really lasts about 30 minutes). The fish are given 5 different names, such as salmon, cod, sardine, trout and shark. Each fish counts so many points. For instance—Salmon, 10 points; cod, 8 points; sardine, 6 points; shark, 4 points; and trout, 2 points.

When the fishing party ends, the fish "caught" by each guest are counted by points, and the winner, of course, is the one with the most marks.

Birthday Greetings

April 1.
Joyce Setter (14), Otane.
Ronald Anthony (11), Hastings.

Alice Farmer: Did you have an enjoyable trip to Napier? Fancy cycling all that distance! I think it is bad enough in a car! Still, I suppose a swim in the lovely sea and a laze on the beach would soon rest you. Many thanks for your entry. Love.—P.

Douglas Twigg: Glad you received your badge and that it is satisfactory. I'll bet you are still thinking about "Robin Hood." It was certainly a lovely picture, wasn't it? Write a longer letter next time, Douglas. Best wishes.—P.

Dorothy Austin: Yes, I am very complimented, Dorothy. By the way, don't forget that I shall want a sample of your products if the orange seeds do grow. "Robin Hood" is a splendid serial, and, according to reports, everyone else is buying it. Hope you have no difficulty with your sewing. Love.—P.

Daphne Cooper: Special mention for the neatness of your letter this week. I liked your sporting remark that "you did your best for your school." Evidently, the sports-instructor ranks very high in your school. Anyway, doing your best is the main thing, isn't it, and maybe next year you may have better successes.—P.

Norah Austin: Was the Harvest Festival a success? I do hope so. Yes, it's a pity about Green House, but Dorothy doesn't seem to be worrying much. Don't forget to write Competition 3, will you?—P.

Lona Person: Sorry, your drawing was not amongst the "very best," but I hope to see a very good attempt and I hope to hear more from you in this section. Hope you enjoyed the Show. Love.—P.

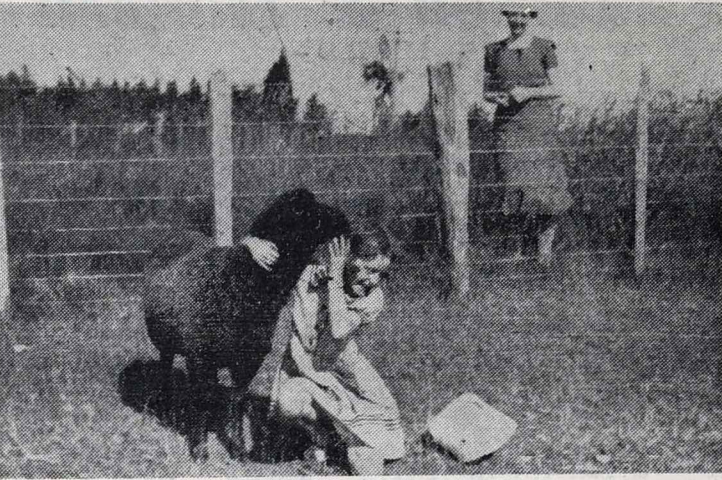
Blanche Anthony: A hearty welcome to you from all. Sorry you weren't in time for last week's enrolment, but hope you'll be a very active senior from now on. Thanks for the contributions. Love.—P.

Ronald Anthony: So pleased you finally did remember me. What a lovely holiday you must have had seeing "Snow White," the Museum, the Zoo and the sports. By the way, I should love to see that snap of you, playing the bagpipes. Do you think I could be privileged? Best wishes. —P.

Mary Mackay: Your badge is on its way, Mary. How funny that you weren't in time for last week's enrolment, but hope you'll be a very active senior from now on. Thanks for the contributions. Love.—P.

Hune Steel: Well, it is good to hear from you after the very long silence. No, I don't make any bets about marks, but I wish you both the best of luck. Write very soon.—P.

Mary Foulds: We are all well and hope that you are too. Gracious, you are a tall girl for your age. Your drawing was very good, but if you study the Rules this week you will know in future just what you shall see about your pen-friend.—P.



NANCY PAULSEN (11), Takapau, and her pet lamb. A special prize, Nancy, of 3 marks (Junior Section).

"The Secrets Of Treasure Island"

"THE CRASH"

Episode X

(Courtesy of Columbia Pictures Proprietary Limited.)

In episode nine we saw Larry rescue Toni from the burning building on Vulture's Peak. Then they were once more befriended by Captain Cuttle, who showed them how to escape from the island by an underground tunnel. In this secret tunnel Larry discovered he had lost Toni's half of the pirate treasure map. Then while seeking to recover the lost map Larry and Toni lost their bearing and again fall into Collins's hands. He demands the treasure clue from Larry and Toni to believe he has lost it. Toni and he are then forced to walk the plank...

hurry to Cortez by the tunnel route and take refuge in the hotel where Pedro, the bartender, is his friend. As Larry and Toni make their way through the tunnels they hear the Island Guards in a side passage. They come upon the boy and girl and commence to pursue them, but the ghost of the Black Pirate suddenly appears and routes them. Larry and the girl reach the little Mexican hotel in safety and are given rooms.

They decide to forget all their worries and spend a happy evening together. Lightheartedly they leave one another to prepare for the outing.

Back at the island Collins believes Larry was drowned after he walked the plank and orders his men to search every inch of the bay until they recover the body—and the map.

Three sailors hired by Grindley, who saw the couple depart for Cortez, follow Larry to his room and, armed with machetes, they attempt to capture him. Using a chair, Kent defends himself from the dangerous blades, then leaps through the window.

While this is taking place, Toni is in her room donning a charming new evening gown especially for Larry's admiring eyes. Now that she is away from the island she is feeling better than she has for months, and is humming a little tune to herself, when a knock comes upon the door. The maid admits a big sailor, who informs Toni that Larry wants her to go down to the ship, where he will meet her.

Thinking it a trifle odd that he didn't come for her himself, but realising that perhaps he had some business to attend to, she quite innocently follows the man out of the hotel.

Once in the street he claps his hand over her mouth and forces her into a waiting car. Larry, after his jump from the window, sees the man make away with Toni in the car and jumps into another and follows. After a hectic chase lasting for about an hour he finally succeeds in overtaking the first car and running it into an embankment. Rescuing Toni, who is very badly bruised, Larry drives on madly, trying to get away from another car that has been following him.

They crash through a detour sign and into a steam shovel, the scoop of which descends upon them and sweeps the top off the car. What does Captain Cuttle know about Westmore?

What is "the secret of Treasure Island?" Will Larry and Toni go back to Treasure Island? (To be continued.)

Puzzle Pie

What is it that you can put up the chimney down but you can't put down the chimney up?—An umbrella. —Avery Jack. Why did the cotton reel?—Because it saw the machine turn. —Blanche Anthony.



DOROTHY AUSTIN sends in a snap of her young brother Chris, and "Bingo," their pet dog.

PAM'S LETTER

Dear Boys and Girls,
It's not April Fool's Day yet, but already one can notice the general air of suspicion and wariness about the office, so I can't imagine what it will be like to-morrow. It will be only the very sleepy people who get caught at the "Daily Mail" Office on April Fool's Day, so I shall be very wide awake. Look out, all of you, for those people who love playing practical jokes, and see if you can't turn the tables on them. It's Easter next Saturday, if you please, and I shall have a surprise for you in the way of a new competition (that will be Competition 3, won't it?). Easter is a thrilling time of the year, and I suppose you are all busy with lessons before you relax once more for a few days. In the meantime, get as much fun as you can out of this April Fool's Day, and write and tell me all about it. Love and best wishes.

Pam.

My Animal Friend

One very wet day in August a little black lamb was born. Her mother died soon after. When the shepherd saw her he thought, "This will make a lovely pet for Nancy." That is how Nigger became one of my best animal friends. For weeks her eyes were very sore, and we thought she was going blind. Bathing improved them, however, and they gradually became well. "Nig" had many funny little tricks. On washing days Mummy leaves the pet box with some pegs in it out on the lawn so that when she takes the clothes in she just drops the pegs into it. Nigger delights in taking them out in his teeth and dropping them on the grass. She is the most inquisitive lamb I have ever seen. She loves eating our shoes and our hair. When the time came for weaning the lambs, Nigger was turned out with the flock, much to my regret, as I thought I would never see her again. However, when shearing time came, Dad came home at dinner time with a funny story to tell us. A shearer who was shearing a black sheep said to a man standing by, "That's a quiet sheep." The other said, "I suppose it's a pet."

It was Nigger. When he had finished shearing her he put her in a little pen with some other sheep and went to get another. When he pulled it on to the board and started shearing it, there was "Nig" standing on the board watching. When he had finished the sheep he was shearing he put it and Nig into the pen again and went to get another sheep. When he came back, there was "Nig" standing on the board, so he put her out. Again she came up. This happened seven times. When she is being driven from paddock to paddock she will take no notice of the dogs, but will sometimes follow the horse. "Nig" still loves me and will follow me all over the paddocks. Does anyone wonder that I love her? —Nancy Paulsen, Takapau, aged 9. (First Prize Junior Section—5 marks.)

Arithmetic Up-to-Date
1.—Addition.
An Englishman, quite free and easy, you know, With a peace-loving Scot was engaged in a chat, When into the picture there came all at once A cheery souled, hot-tempered fellow called Pat.

2.—Subtraction.
The peace-loving Scot, "uncanny" withal, Saw what it would be if the others fell out, So, discreetly remarking he had to be off, He wished them good-day and then turned "right-about."

3.—Multiplication.
They talked for a time, until, sad to relate, They couldn't agree on a theme that arose; Sympathisers came up, and they all had their say, Till things looked distinctly like coming to blows.

4.—Division.
Few moments went by ere they split up in camps, And hostile opinions were heard from each side; Disputes turned to sub-disputes, words turned to shouts, And to show he was right every arguer tried.

5.—Fractions.
Reinforcements came up, and the storm at last broke, They argued with sticks and with belts of good leather; I'll finish the story when some clever man Has collected the pieces and stuck them together. (Copied.) —Lillian Stanley (13).

PEN FRIENDS

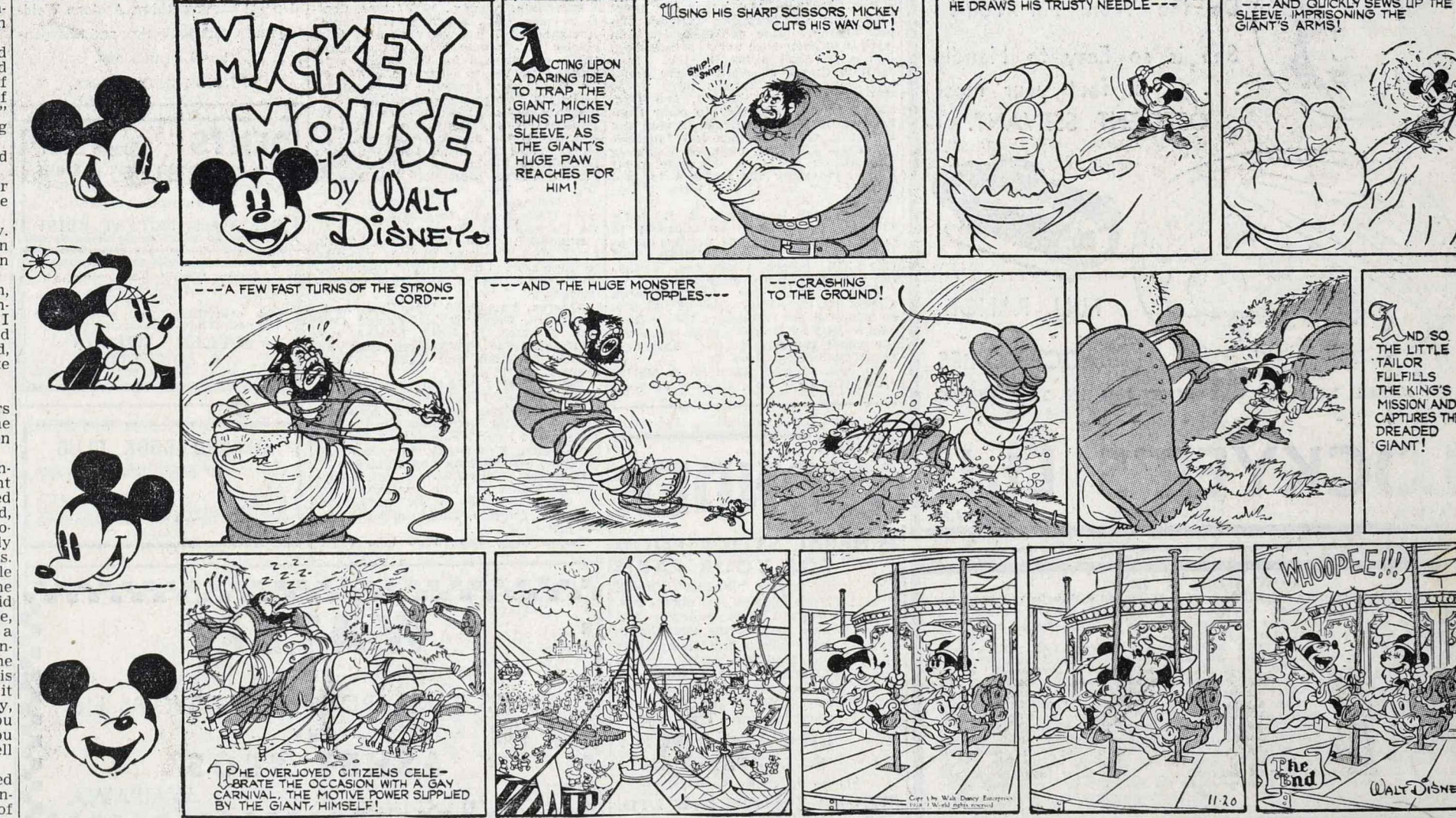
Some very kind person has forwarded me two names of pen-friends for publication, thinking maybe some of you would be interested. They are:—Verna Winn, Candiac, Saskatchewan, Canada, 15 years old, and living in a small Polish settlement in Canada. She would like girl pals. Mr. Merlin Nixon, Abbey, Saskatchewan, Canada, no age given, would like to exchange stamps.

Welcome, New Members!

Blanche Anthony (14), Hastings.

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The Sun is shining brightly as we set out for a day in the Country, but how will the day end? The game is going right, for we are winning, but how will it end? The story received as a Prize, begun well, has charmed us so far, but how will it end?
So with the lives of young folks, so many begin well, go on well, but the vital question is How do they end? Now, if you want to begin well, go on well, and above all, well, here is the secret. Begin well by coming to Christ, just as you are, where you are, at what age you are, and COME NOW! Rest assured you need a Saviour, you can find a Saviour. He will save you now. His promise is "Him that cometh unto ME I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37). Go on well by "looking unto Jesus" (Heb. 12:2), "keeping yourselves in the love of God" (John 21:1). Keep busy, keep in fellowship with God and His Children, keep "looking for that Blessed Hope" (Titus 2:13), the Coming of the Lord. End well by hearing His Voice saying at the end of a busy, happy life: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant... enter thou into the joy of thy Lord" (Matt. 25:21). It is possible for you, by His Grace and Love, TRUST HIM NOW. But begin badly by neglecting or rejecting Christ; live a careless life; die a Christless death; and you will be lost Eternally.

Shipping at the Port of Napier

SUN.
To-day, rises 6:29 a.m.; sets 6:18 p.m.

PHASES OF THE MOON
Full moon, 3:58 p.m., April 4.
Last quarter, 8:51 a.m., April 12.
New moon, 4:15 a.m., April 20.
First quarter, 6:05 a.m., April 27.

TIDES.

	H.W.	L.W.
Apr. 1, Sat.	2:10	2:32
Apr. 2, Sun.	3:01	3:29
Apr. 3, Mon.	3:52	4:19
Apr. 4, Tue.	4:50	5:20

All times N.Z. Summer Time.

VESSELS AT BREAKWATER.
Korowai, ex Sydney, 9 a.m. to-day.

VESSELS AT INNER HARBOUR.
Kiritona, at moorings.
Kouau, at moorings.
Koutanui, at moorings.
Tu Atu, at moorings.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS.

Roadstead.
Port Gisborne, ex London, April 3.
Port Wyndham, ex Waikopu, April 9.

Domestic Monarch, ex Auckland, April 17.
Imperial Star, ex Gisborne, April 19.
Mahana, ex Auckland, April 21.
Otalo, ex Gisborne, April 22.
California Star, ex Auckland, May 17.
Tekoa, ex Liverpool, May 24.

Breakwater.
Korowai, ex Sydney, 9 a.m. to-day.
Pakura, ex Wellington and Lyttelton, April 3.
Kaimiro, ex Westport, April 3.
Pukeko, ex Portland, April 6.
Kopara, ex Auckland, April 7.
Wainui, ex southern ports, April 9.
Paua, ex Wellington, April 22.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.

Roadstead.
Port Gisborne, for New Plymouth, April 4.
Port Wyndham, for Auckland, April 15.
Domestic Monarch, for Wellington, April 19.
Imperial Star, for Wellington, April 19.
Mahana, for Nelson, April 22.
Otalo, for Wanganui, April 28.
California Star, for Wellington, May 15.
Tekoa, for Wellington, May 25.

Breakwater.
Korowai, for Auckland, April 3.
Pakura, for Gisborne, April 3.
Kaimiro, for Wellington, April 4.
Pukeko, April 6.
Kopara, for Auckland, April 7.
Wainui, for Wellington, April 11.
Paua, for Wellington, April 22.

VESSELS FOR PORT OF NAPIER.

Awahou, 410 tons (Richardson and Co.), at Wellington for Napier, via Lyttelton, due at Auckland on May 11 to commence homebound loading, thence on May 15 for NAPIER (due May 17), thence on May 19 for Wellington, May 20-25 for London.

Domestic Monarch, 27,135 tons, Capt. W. H. Hartman (Shaw Savill), due to leave Wellington to-day for Auckland (discharging). Tentative loading as follows: Auckland April 5-15, NAPIER April 17-19, Wellington April 20-25. Expected to clear Wellington on April 26 for Southampton and London, via Australia and South Africa.

Imperial Star, 20,783 tons (Shaw Savill), left Liverpool on February 18 to discharge in Australia, thence Auckland (due April 9) to commence homebound loading, thence on April 14 for London, via Panama.

Mahana, 8739 tons (Shaw Savill) (Murray Roberts, Napier agents), due at Auckland on April 17 from Gladstone to commence homebound loading, thence on April 19 for NAPIER (due April 21), thence on April 22 for Nelson, April 24-27, Wellington April 28-29, Lyttelton April 30-May 3, and Bluff May 5-10. Expected to clear Bluff on April 30 for Halifax, London and Newcastle, via Panama.

Otalo, 1,200 tons, Capt. H. J. Wilde (N.Z. Shipping Co.), left Liverpool on February 27 (in ballast), via Cape of Good Hope. Due at Oamaru on April 11 to commence homebound loading, thence on April 15 for Timaru April 17-18, Gisborne April 20-21, NAPIER April 22-23, and Auckland April 24-25, and Lyttelton May 8-11. Expected to clear Lyttelton and Liverpool on May 11 for London, Avonmouth, Liverpool and Glasgow.

Pakura, 719 tons, Capt. C. Caldwell (Richardson and Co.), loaded at Lyttelton on Thursday and loads at Napier to-day for Port Napier, Gisborne and Waikopu. Due here on Monday, April 3, and leaves the same night for Gisborne and Waikopu, thence Wellington on Sunday, April 9.

Paua, 1092 tons, Capt. D. R. Paterson (Shell Oil Co.), due NAPIER on April 22 from Wellington to pump bulk benzine.

Port Gisborne, 11,060 tons, Capt. Kipkens (Port Line, Ltd.) (Williams and Kettle, Ltd., Napier agents), due at Dunedin to-day from Lyttelton, thence NAPIER (due April 3), thence New Plymouth and Nelson (discharging) ex London.

Port Wyndham, 11,400 tons d.w. (Port Line Ltd.) (Hawke's Bay Farmers, Napier agents), due at Waikopu on April 3 to commence homebound loading, thence on April 8 for NAPIER (due April 9), thence on April 13 for Auckland April 15-19, Timaru April 20-22, Wellington April 27-May 1, and Dunedin May 2-5. Expected to clear Dunedin on May 5 for Dunedin, London and Hamburg, via Cape Horn and Teneriffe. Pukeko, 736 tons, Capt. S. M. Petley (Richardson and Co.), left here about 6 p.m. yesterday for Port Napier, via cement for Gisborne and Napier. Due here on Thursday, April 6.

Tekoa, 8889 tons, Capt. H. E. Kelly (N.Z. Shipping Co.), is expected to leave Liverpool on April 8. Due Auckland May 18, thence NAPIER (due May 24), thence Wellington, Lyttelton and Dunedin (to discharge).

Wainui, 1633 tons, Capt. Duncan (Union S.S. Co.), left Napier at 6:15 p.m. on Thursday for Wellington, thence Dunedin to load for Napier and Gisborne, via the usual southern ports. Due here again on Sunday, April 9.

Tu Atu, 42 tons, Capt. W. J. Martin (Richardson and Co.), at inner harbour.

GENERAL SHIPPING NEWS.

Aorangi, m.v., 7,451 tons, Capt. T. V. Hill (C.A.M.S. Line, Ltd.), left Vancouver at 10 a.m. on March 15, due Auckland April 3, leaves Auckland April 4, arrives Sydney April 20, thence on April 26 for Wellington to discharge. Tentative loading as follows: Wellington May 1-6, Lyttelton May 7-12, Dunedin May 13-18, and Auckland May 19-23. Expected to clear Auckland on May 19 for Southampton and London, via Panama and Curacao.

Arawa, 14,150 tons (Capt. T. V. Roberts, R.N.R. (Shaw Savill)), arrived Wellington yesterday morning from Lyttelton for final loading. Expected to dispatch April 6 for Southampton and London, via Panama and Curacao.

Awatea, 13,482 tons, Captain Davey (Union S.S. Co.), due to leave Sydney last night, due Wellington April 3, leaves the same day, arrives Sydney April 6.

Cambridge, t.s., 10,846 tons, Capt. A. J. Angel (Federal Co.), was expected to clear Lyttelton finally on March 30 for London, via Avonmouth, Liverpool and Glasgow. (Hawke's Bay produce aboard.)

Cornwall, t.s., 10,603 tons, Capt. F. C. Prett (Federal Co.), left Lyttelton (discharging) ex W.C.U.K. Tentative loading as follows: Dunedin March 31, Timaru April 1-3, Lyttelton April 4-5, Wellington April 6-11, and Auckland April 12-22. Expected to clear Auckland on April 22 for London, Avonmouth, Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow.

Doric Star, 10,092 tons, Capt. Oswald (Blue Star Line), at Bluff for final loading. Expected to clear to-day for Bluff to-day for London, via Panama.

Fordsdale, 9948 tons, Capt. D. Christie (Shaw Savill), due to leave Lyttelton to-morrow for Dunedin and Bluff (discharging) ex Liverpool. Tentative loading as follows: Bluff April 7-8, Wellington April 12, Wanganui April 13-14 and Auckland April 16-21. Expected to clear Auckland on April 22 for London, Avonmouth, Cardiff, Liverpool and Glasgow, via Panama.

Hertford, t.s., 10,923 tons, Capt. J. C. Turrett (Federal Co.), left Liverpool on March 12. Due Auckland April 20, thence on April 26 for Wellington, Lyttelton and Dunedin (to discharge).

Mariposa (Pacific Mail) (Murray Roberts, Napier agents), left Sydney on Thursday, arrives Auckland April 3, and leaves the same day for San Francisco, where she is due on April 18. Leaves there on April 25, due Auckland May 12.

Monterey (Matson Line) (Murray Roberts, Napier agents), was expected to leave Los Angeles on Wednesday, March 28, due Auckland April 14, thence Sydney, due April 17.

Niagara, 13,415 tons, Capt. A. T. Totten (C.A.M.S. Line, Ltd.), left Auckland at 1 p.m. on March 21 for Vancouver, where she is due on April 7. Leaves Vancouver April 12, arrives Auckland April 13, leaves Auckland May 2, arrives Sydney May 7.

Northumberland, t.s., 11,555 tons, Capt. E. P. C. Ashby (N.Z. Shipping Co.), left (in ballast), due at Bluff on April 15 to commence homebound loading, thence on April 18 for Dunedin, Lyttelton and Auckland, via Wanganui April 24-25, Wellington May 5-8, and Wellington May 9-13. Expected to clear Wellington on May 13 for London, Avonmouth, Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow.

Opawa, t.s.m.s., 10,334 tons, Capt. F. S. Hamilton (N.Z. Shipping Co.), left loading at Nelson, thence on April 6 for Wellington April 7-13. Expected to clear Wellington on April 13 for Halifax, London and Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Piako, s.s., 8288 tons, Capt. W. Evans (N.Z. Shipping Co.), arrived Dunedin March 30 from Lyttelton for final loading and dispatch. Expected to clear Dunedin to-day for London and Hamburg, via Cape Horn.

Port Alma, 10,600 tons d.w. (Port Line, Ltd.), was expected to leave London last Thursday. Due Auckland May 7, thence Wellington and Dunedin (to discharge).

Port Brisbane, 8,315 tons, Capt. Steele (Port Line, Ltd.), arrived Auckland April 29, left for Dunedin, Southampton and London, via Cape Horn.

Port Caroline, 8263 tons, Capt. Syvret (Port Line, Ltd.), arrived Wellington April 29, left for Dunedin, Southampton and New Plymouth, thence on April 5 for Auckland April 7-12. Expected to clear Auckland on April 12 for London, Avonmouth, Liverpool and Glasgow, via Cape Horn.

Port Chalmers (Port Line, Ltd.), is expected to leave London on April 13. Due Wellington May 22, thence Auckland (to discharge).

Port Gisborne, 11,060 tons d.w. (Capt. W. G. Higgs (Port Line Ltd.) at present discharging at Dunedin. Tentative loading as follows: Nelson April 17-20, Wanganui April 21-23, Wellington April 26-29, Lyttelton May 1-3, and Wellington May 6-9. Expected to clear Wellington on May 9 for Dunedin, Southampton and London, via Cape Horn and Teneriffe.

Port Townsville, 11,400 tons d.w. (Port Line, Ltd.), is expected to leave to-morrow from Launceston to commence homebound loading, thence on April 6 for New Plymouth, April 8-13, Wellington April 14-19, Bluff April 21-24, and Lyttelton April 25-29. Expected to clear Dunedin on April 29 for Dunedin, London and Hamburg, via Cape Horn and Teneriffe.

Rangitata, m.s., 16,712 tons, Capt. H. L. Upton, D.S.O., D.S.C., R.N.R., R.D. (N.Z. Shipping Co.), left London on March 3. Due Wellington April 6, thence Auckland (to discharge). Tentative loading as follows: Auckland April 15-21, Tokoroa Bay April 24-25, and Wellington April 27-May 4. Expected to clear Wellington on May 4 for London, via Panama.

Rangitata, r.m.m.v., 16,737 tons, Capt. E. Holland (N.Z. Shipping Co.), arrived Auckland at 7 p.m. on March 29 from London, via Cape Horn and Teneriffe, thence on April 3 for Wellington April 5-13. Expected to clear Wellington on April 13 for London, via Panama. (Hawke's Bay produce aboard.)

Remuera, t.s., 11,383 tons, Capt. F. W. Robinson (N.Z. Shipping Co.), left Lyttelton on March 29, due Wellington, via Suva, April 22, thence Lyttelton and Dunedin to discharge. Tentative loading as follows: Bluff May 4-10, Timaru May 11-13, New Plymouth May 15-19, and Wellington May 20-23. Expected to clear Wellington on May 23 for London, via Panama and Curacao.

Rimutaka, 17,000 tons, Capt. C. B. Lamb (N.Z. Shipping Co.), is expected to leave London on April 12. Due Auckland June 1, thence Wellington (to discharge).

Rorua, t.s., 10,890 tons, Capt. A. E. Lettington, D.F.C. (N.Z. Shipping Co.), was expected to leave London last Thursday, due Wellington May 10, thence Lyttelton and Bluff (to discharge).

Tairoa, Capt. J. V. Jinks (Shaw Savill), loading at New Plymouth. Due to leave to-day for Opa April 3-4, Auckland April 5-12 and Wellington April 14-18. Expected to clear Wellington on April 19 for London, Avonmouth, Liverpool and Glasgow, via Panama and Kingston.

Taranaki (Shaw Savill), left Liverpool on March 25. Due Auckland April 29, thence on May 5 for Wellington, Lyttelton, Dunedin, Timaru and Oamaru (to discharge).

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DANNEVIRKE STOCK SALE

Reports By Brokers

REALISATIONS ON THURSDAY

Hawke's Bay stock brokers report the following realisations at the Dannevirke stock sale on Thursday—

H.B. Farmers' Co-op. Assn., Ltd.
They offered a small yarding to a small attendance of buyers, all classes sold on a par with recent sales. They quote: Fat ewes at 12/3, wethers at 14/-, 2 1/2 ewes at 17/6, 1 1/2 3/4, fat dairy cows at £3 10/0 to £4 10/0, springing dairy cows at £6 10/0 to £8, store cows at £1 10/0 to £3, potter bulls at £4 to £6, weaner pigs at 10/0.

Williams and Kettle, Limited.
They offered a small yarding of both sheep and cattle to a good attendance of buyers. The quality of the offering was poor and the sale throughout was of a dragging nature. However, they managed to sell practically the whole of their entry under the hammer and by private treaty at the following rates—
Sheep: 2 1/2 ewes at 23/7, 5-year ewes at 13/1 to 13/9, fat ewes at 12/3, M.A. ewes at 16/-, wether lambs at 6/1 to 11/6, ewe lambs at 10/7 to 13/6, B.F. lambs at 5/- to 10/2, S.D. rams at 11/6 to 2/6.

Cattle: Fat P.A. cows at £5 15/-, fat Jersey cows at £4 7/6 to £3 19/6, springing Jersey cows and heifers at £5 2/6 to £7 12/6, Jersey steers at £4, store Jersey cows at £2 9/0 to £2 10/0, potter bulls at £4 17/6 to £6.

Grass seed growers have been making inquiries as to whether they can obtain for early sowing any of the Government stock ryegrass seed issued by the Plant Research Station at Palmerston North. It is understood, however, that supplies of this seed will not be available until next October.

Further Commercial News Will Be Found on Page 5.

Yesterday On 'Change

Transaction List

Following is a list of transactions on the New Zealand Stock Exchange yesterday—

WELLINGTON EXCHANGE

	Sales Late Thursday.
Broken Hill Pty.	2 19 0
Sales Yesterday.	
3 1/2% Stock, 1933-37	91 10 0
4% Stock, 1949	92 10 0
Bank of New Zealand	1 18 3
Bank of New Zealand	1 6 6
Farmers' Trading (B pref.)	0 19 0

CHRISTCHURCH EXCHANGE

	Sales Late Thursday.
N.Z. Govt. 3 1/2% Insc. 1933-37	91 10 0
Commercial Bank of Australia	0 15 11
Grey River	0 18 3
New River	0 0 6
Sales Reported.	
N.Z. Govt. 4% Bonds, 1955	99 5 0
Commercial Bank of Australia	0 16 0
British Tobacco (cum div.) (date sale Thursday)	2 9 6
Austral N.Z. Mining	1 4 1

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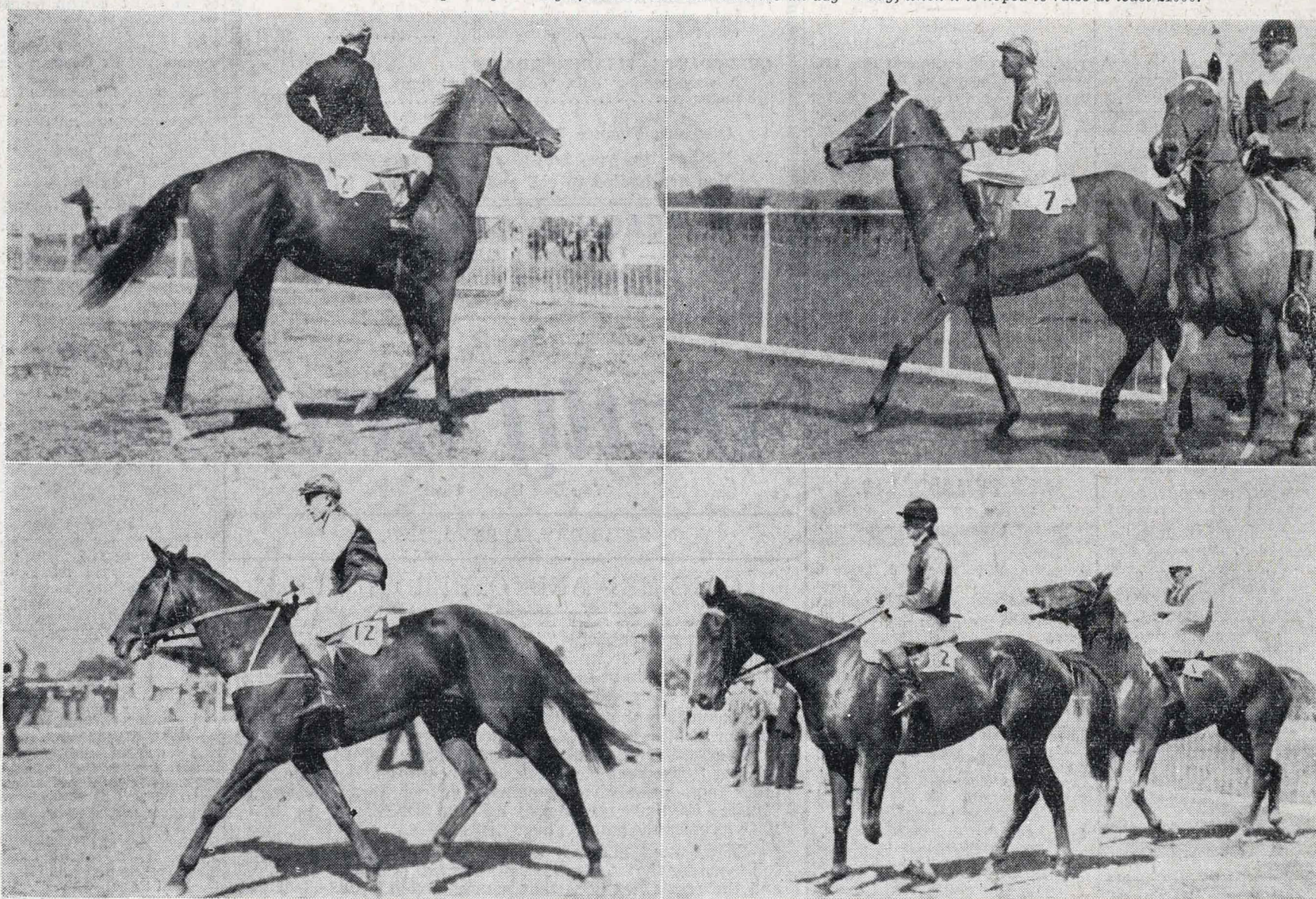
THE ETERNAL EVE.—But who could refuse a bite of Hawke's Bay's finest apples? Crates of fancy sturmer apples are seen ready for export.



A WORTHY CAUSE.—A portion of the girls' branch of the Hawke's Bay Children's Home (Randall House). The Home's annual appeal opened yesterday afternoon and will continue all day to-day, when it is hoped to raise at least £1000.



SPEED AND CARE.—Wrapping apples in special fine paper covers. A familiar scene at this time of the year in Hawke's Bay sheds.



FORM HORSES FOR HASTINGS.—The Ring (top left) won so easily on Thursday that she will count many friends to-day. Nora Gregor (top right) is a class two-year-old in the Nursery Handicap to-day. Royal Spades (bottom left) paid a tall price on Thursday while Small Boy (bottom right) will again have the services of A. E. Lord.

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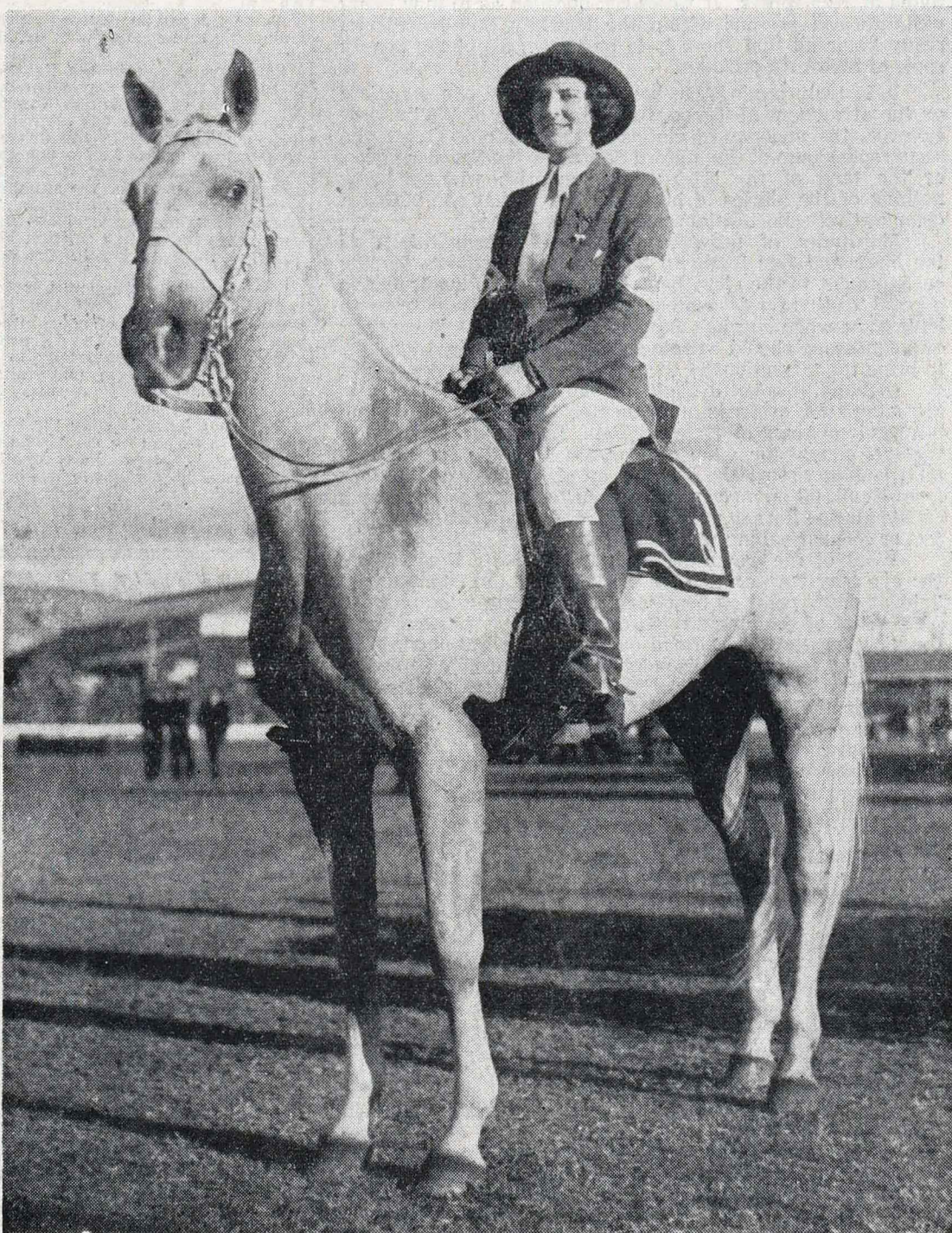
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SYDNEY'S BIG SHOW.—A competitor poses for a picture while "trying out" for the Royal Agricultural Show which opens at Sydney to-day.

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GANNETS AND OTHER THINGS

The recent publicity "drive" designed to interest Easter holiday tourists from Hawke's Bay and elsewhere in the attractions still to be found at Cape Kidnappers is an example of the kind of appeal that should be made more frequently.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Native Appellate Court The Native Appellate Court is to sit at Hastings on Wednesday, April 5. Chief Judge Jones and Judge Shepherd will preside.

UNPLEASANT FACTS THAT THE PUBLIC MUST FACE

European War Mindedness And Its Effects On The Dominion Thanks to the Munich agreement in September last, the British Empire, France, and the United States have been given a respite in which to prepare for the next crisis which may come soon and may result in war.

Germany's Strength On the other hand, the cables inform us that, while the unemployed in Great Britain number close on 2,000,000 and those in America fully 12,000,000, Germany has added to the 10-hour day, that there are no unemployed in Germany, and that Germany has even had to import hundreds of thousands of labourers from neighbouring States.

A HOLIDAY ABROAD PLANNED Mr and Mrs C. Griffiths GIFTS ON EVE OF DEPARTURE Church Gatherings

Happy Holiday. At a meeting of the St. Andrew's Women's Guild, eulogistic reference was made to the services rendered by Mrs. Griffiths, who has been secretary for eighteen years.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Improving Peak Road The work being carried out improving the Peak Road by the Mata Park Trust Board under subsidy during the past few weeks is completed. Workmen have been engaged under the supervision of Mr. F. E. Smith improving the section of the road which was constructed last year.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Chilled Beef Championship Considerable interest will be added to the judging of the Hawke's Bay chilled beef championship at Tamoana to-day by the announcement that Mr. T. A. Duncan, chairman of the New Zealand Meat Producers' Board, will address those present at 10 o'clock this morning.

Personal HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

Messrs. M. Richards and L. Hicks, Hastings, have been successful in securing their first degree of the National Diploma of Horticulture.

"DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS FOR FINE, WARM WEATHER. Following is the "Daily Mail's" special forecast for Hawke's Bay:—

Hastings Weather

Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5 p.m. at the Hastings Magnetic Observatory, Cornwall Park, were as follows:—

Napier Weather

Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5.30 p.m. by the Government recorder at Napier (Mr. R. T. Hutton) are as follows:—

Dominion Forecast

General Situation: Pressure is still relatively high to the north, with a shallow westerly depression being acrossing the South Island. This latter is being followed by a secondary.

Forecast: Winds: North-west to south-west prevailing, moderate mainly but strong at times in exposed positions, especially about Cook and Foveaux Straits.

To-Day's Diary

Hastings. Opening of 1939 season of the Parkvale Golf Club. Members of other clubs invited.

The Breakfast Table

"What's wrong with you, John?" "Oh, I've been given a ticket for a lecture. The subject is 'Acker Fools,' and the ticket says, 'Admit one'."

WOOL SALE PROSPECTS EXPRESSED

Buyers Consider Prices Will Be Firm

FAVOURABLE VIEW TAKEN

Those wool-growers in Hawke's Bay who are offering wool in Monday's sale will be pleased to know that the buyers are favourably impressed with the clip inspected yesterday.

The indications are for a good sale, it was gathered by a "Daily Mail" reporter in conversation with several buyers, and it can be said with safety that the prices realised will be in excess of those which prevailed at the Wanganui sale.

Buyers stressed the fact that the Wanganui sale showed only a slight drop, pointing out that as an end-of-season sale this was quite a good one.

Inferior quality wools would probably realise about 1d. per lb. less than at the previous Napier sale, but the demand for the super and ties, and the prices, should be maintained on Monday.

"The selection offering consists of good average top-making wools," said one buyer.

"There is a sprinkling of super wools, and there seems to be an absence of seed, which is a great consideration."

Clips Unskirted. At the Auckland and Wanganui sales, he said, there was a greater proportion of clips which were unskirted—that was, clips having pieces and bellies packed in with fleeces.

There was an absence of this in the Hawke's Bay offering.

"I really think that prices will be better than at the previous Wanganui sales, and I think that the good and top-making wools will make prices on a par with the Auckland sale," said the buyer.

He considered that the inferior quality wools would probably make about 1d. per lb. less than the last sale, but he emphasised that this must be expected at this time of the year, when the residue of the wool was offering, and dusty clips were on the market.

Cleaning-up Sale. "Some of the clips offering in this sale have been shorn early, and, through being packed wet, are inclined to show signs of yoke," said one buyer. "In view of this, the seller cannot expect to gain top price."

It was natural that there should be an apparent drop in price in the final sale of the season, on account of the fact that these were the cleaning-up sales, which incorporated the scraps which were not offered earlier.

"Wanganui, as a matter of fact, was quite a good sale, although, from a reader's point of view, this may not have appeared to be so," said a buyer.

The public and the growers should not take too much note of an apparent drop at this time of year, because it was no indication of the market, but was merely indicative of the altered quality offering.

England, it seems, is the largest buyer of New Zealand wool.

Steady Buying. "We buy steadily and quietly, but I guarantee that Bradford buys more New Zealand wool than any other two countries in the world," he said.

England did not excite the market. They merely bought more than any other country and said nothing about it.

FRANCE BUYS MORE PETROL AND OIL

Pact With Rumania DUTIES AND TAXES TO BE REDUCED

List Of Products

United Press Association—Copyright. PARIS, March 30.

France and Rumania will to-night sign a commercial agreement under which France will double her purchases of Rumanian petrol and reduce her duties on Rumanian produce.

FARMER PAYS THE COST

WAGE INCREASES TO WATERSIDERS

NEW PROPOSAL

Should Have Voice In Deciding The Rate

By Telegraph—Press Association. GISBORNE, March 31.

A request to the Government that the farming industry be represented at the conferences concerning the waterside disputes was authorised at the annual meeting of the Poverty Bay and East Coast Sheep-owners' Union, when it was pointed out that the farming community had to face the increased cost of the waterside workers' demands and therefore should have a voice in what they should be paid.

Companies Criticised. Mr. L. H. Maclean considered that reform was overdue. The shipping companies did not fight the proposals for wage increases sufficiently, he contended, for the companies knew that they could pass them on, using the increased cost as a lever in exacting more profits for themselves.

"And when they do have a row they look to the farmers to go down and shift stuff," commented the president (Mr. H. Williams).

Mr. J. C. Graham said that the present Government had to be impressed with the fact that before its members got into power they did all they could to make the horse job. It was difficult now to make the horse stop jibbing.

Mr. Williams asked if the industry had any legal means for recovering losses.

Sue for Losses? The secretary said that they could not sue the unions but could sue individual members.

Mr. Williams suggested that even if the individual members and only got a small proportion back it would draw more attention to the position.

"Why should we not do it?" Mr. Williams asked. "They take the money out of our pockets and why should we not try to get something back?"

Dash To Port With An Injured Seaman

A Motor-Ship Reaches Auckland In Early Morning

Radio Message

Indian Member Of The Crew Taken To Hospital

By Telegraph—Press Association. AUCKLAND, March 31.

Three hours ahead of her time, after a dash at full speed to the New Zealand coast, the Bank Line motor-ship Foresbank arrived in Auckland Harbour at an early hour this morning to land an Indian member of the crew who needed urgent medical attention.

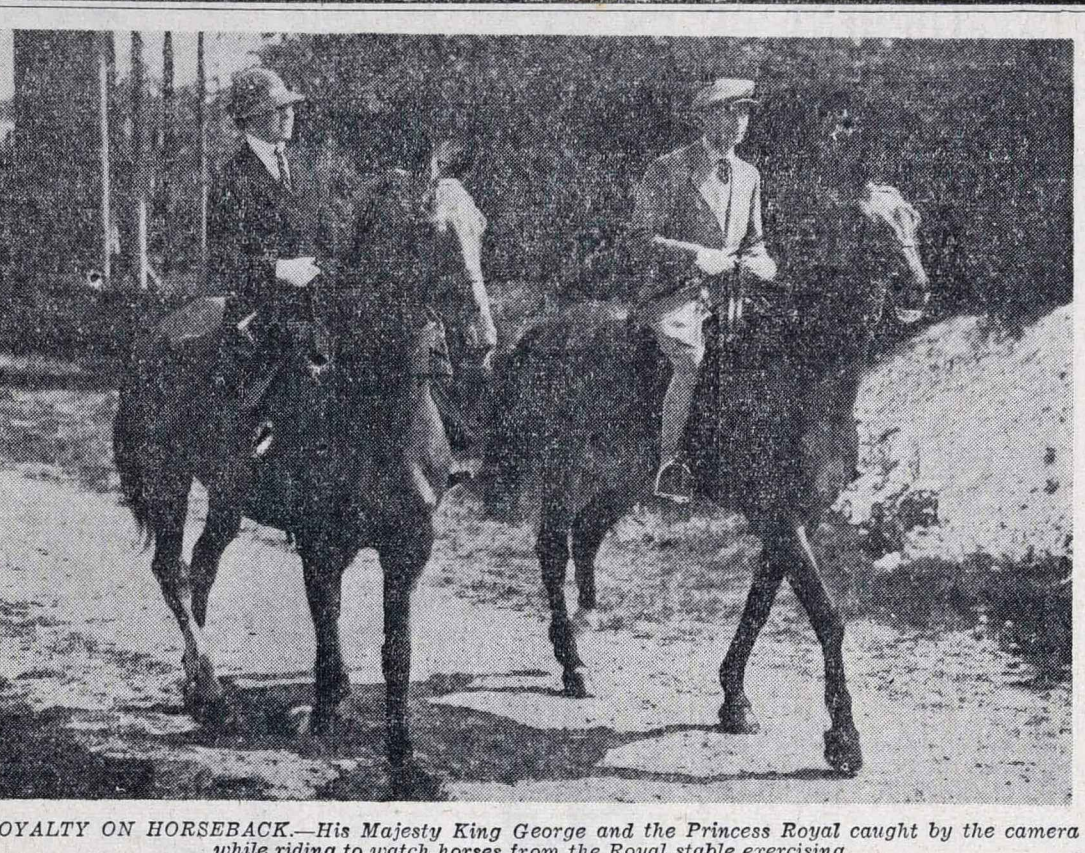
The injured man was Derimeri Frigun, an able-bodied seaman, who had suffered a fractured ankle, fractured leg and head injuries in an accident at sea. He was admitted to Auckland Hospital at 5.30 a.m. and his condition is not serious.

The Foresbank was due at Auckland later in the morning to discharge phosphate from Nauru Island, and her agents, the British Phosphate Commission, were not aware of any change in her plans until about 11 o'clock last night, when the New Zealand manager of the commission, Mr. T. H. Donaldson, received a radio message from the ship stating that she was making all possible speed to port as it was imperative for the injured man to receive immediate attention.

Arrangements were made with the Auckland Harbour Board and on the arrival of the ship the injured man was transferred to the pilot launch Waitemata, which proceeded at full speed to the Admiralty Steps, where it was met by an ambulance.

New Manager. Mr. Shrinier then introduced the new manager, Mr. S. Akoorie, who had been in charge of the State Theatre, Onehunga.

In a short speech, Mr. Akoorie said that he fully appreciated the sentiments expressed at the departure of Mr. Shrinier. He came to the State Theatre when everything was in excellent running order. He could only say that he would do his utmost to fill Mr. Shrinier's place to the best of his ability.



ROYALTY ON HORSEBACK—His Majesty King George and the Princess Royal caught by the camera while riding to watch horses from the Royal stable exercising.

POPULAR THEATRE MANAGER

TESTIMONIES TO MR J. A. SHRINER

NAPIER EVENT

A Multitude Of Well-wishers

A striking testimony to the popularity of Mr. J. A. Shrinier among members of his staff and also the business fraternity of Napier, was witnessed in the State Theatre, Napier, last night, when his many colleagues and friends gathered to bid farewell to Mr. Shrinier and his wife. He leaves to-day for Wellington.

Mr. Shrinier, after two years in charge of the State Theatre, has been transferred, on promotion, to the management of the State Theatre in Wellington.

An impressive eulogy of Mr. Shrinier's splendid leadership and co-operation with his staff was made by Mr. M. Sayegh, business manager of Amalgamated Theatres, Ltd. He said that his departure from the district would be widely regretted. During his short stay in Napier Mr. Shrinier had endeared himself in the hearts of all with whom he came in contact.

Amalgamated Theatres had gone to no end of trouble to bring Mr. Shrinier from England to join their staff. The policy of the company was to get the best men possible at the helm of the theatres. They sometimes made mistakes, but their faith in Mr. Shrinier's capabilities had been more than justified. He knew that all those present would join with him in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Shrinier a happy and prosperous future in the capital city.

Presentation. On behalf of the staff Mr. Sayegh presented a sandwich dish to Mrs. Shrinier and a set of cuff links and dress studs to Mr. Shrinier. On behalf of the ushers of the theatre a bouquet was presented to Mrs. Shrinier.

In a brief but feeling reply Mr. Shrinier thanked those present for their kind tributes to himself and Mrs. Shrinier. He sincerely regretted having to leave the district after having made so many genuine friendships.

To his staff he could only express his heartfelt appreciation for their splendid co-operation. He knew that the same happy co-operation would be extended to his successor.

New Manager. Mr. Shrinier then introduced the new manager, Mr. S. Akoorie, who had been in charge of the State Theatre, Onehunga.

In a short speech, Mr. Akoorie said that he fully appreciated the sentiments expressed at the departure of Mr. Shrinier. He came to the State Theatre when everything was in excellent running order. He could only say that he would do his utmost to fill Mr. Shrinier's place to the best of his ability.

Mr. and Mrs. Shrinier were the recipients of tangible tributes from a legion of friends and business acquaintances.

Gusher Of Water In City Streets

WOMAN SOAKED

Trams Plough Through Heavy Deluge

HYDRANT BURSTS

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, March 31.

While the policeman usually on duty in the neighbourhood was otherwise engaged at the scene of Tuesday night's fire some person or persons succeeded in opening the office safe of Independent Motors, in Wakefield Street.

They got about £110, all in cash, composed mainly of £5 and £1 notes. "The lock was apparently picked or opened with a key."

FRANCE'S MAGINOT LINE INSPECTED

High Officers Of British Army

United Press Association—Copyright. PARIS, March 30.

General Gamelin, Commander-in-Chief of the French armed forces, personally conducted the British Chief of Staff (Viscount Gort) and members of his staff on an inspection of the Maginot Line.

Many units, totalling 500,000 troops, concentrated in the Maginot districts exercised during the afternoon and were watched by the visiting British officers.

Railway Charges In Debate

MR HAMILTON'S REPLY

Cost Of Administration Under Labour

COMPARISONS GIVEN

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, March 31.

The public are entitled to more than half the story, states the Leader of the Opposition (the Hon. Adam Hamilton), replying to the Minister of Railways (the Hon. D. G. Sullivan) on the question of the railways administration.

"In plain language, the railways are costing more to run to-day than formerly, and they are costing more than they earn."

He asked why the latest Abstract of Statistics, February 27, set out the position as follows: Percentage of expenditure to revenue for the year ended March 31, 1937, 91.81; March 31, 1938, 96.05; January 8, 1938, 98.48; January 7, 1939, 103.45.

On January 8 of last year, says Mr. Hamilton, the proportion of revenue to expenditure was only 2.43 per cent. above the average for that year. On January 7 of this year the percentage was 7.4 above the average for the previous year.

Increased Fares. The first month of operation of increased freights and fares, with the Christmas season to back them, produced only a little more than 1 per cent. reduction in the excess of expenditure over revenue.

In regard to his statement that prior to the increasing of fares and freight charges the cost of earning £100 was £106, with which statement Mr. Sullivan had quarrelled, he could only refer him again to the Government's Statistics, the abstract for December last showing that for the year ended March 31, 1937, the proportion of cost to earnings was 91.81 per cent., for the year ending March 31, 1938, 96.05 per cent.; for the 227 days to November 13, 1937, 100.04 per cent.; for the 226 days to November 12, 1938, 106.19 per cent.

Mr. Hamilton said that he would not join issue with Mr. Sullivan in details aimed to sidetrack the fundamental point, namely, that political control of the railways under Labour has increased their cost to the people of this country enormously.

IMPORT LICENCE RESTRICTION

CUTS ON FOREIGN GOODS

SECOND PERIOD

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, March 31.

From the second period import licences issued in Wellington so far, it appears that the Government's policy is to cut foreign importations more than in the January-June half of last year.

The restrictions on many British lines are also being extended. Most retail and the smaller importing firms are still wanting to know how they will fare in the July-December period, but some of the large warehouses have received up to two-thirds of their licences.

The manager of one warehouse said to-day that the restrictions on foreign lines amounted practically to a prohibition. In most cases there were ample stocks in New Zealand for the winter season, so far as the drapery trade was concerned, he said. The pinch would come next September. In the grocery trade, where ordering is done from month to month, instead of from season to season, it may come earlier.

Application Refused

He said that his application for licences to import shirts, collars, and pyjamas from the United Kingdom had been refused entirely in the first period. Imports of these lines had been cut by 50 per cent. on these for the corresponding period of the previous year.

He gave the following comparison of cuts imposed in other lines, all of them British:—

Table with 3 columns: Item, 1st per cent, 2nd per cent. Items include Fancy goods (25%), Toys (30%), Haberdashery (30%), Woollen piece goods (40%), Cotton piece goods (0%).

The speaker added that he understood that other warehouses had received the same treatment as his firm.

Other importers, still awaiting their second period licences, said to-day that in the meantime their businesses were at a standstill because they had already disposed of all that they had been allowed to import in the first half of the year.

ADDITIONAL RAIL SERVICE

PALMERSTON NORTH TO WELLINGTON

TWICE WEEKLY

Connection From Hawke's Bay

An additional rail service to Wellington, which may prove useful to travellers from Hawke's Bay, will be provided with the inauguration of the New Plymouth-Wellington rail car on April 16.

The service will be thrice weekly, the down trip being made on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. On the latter two evenings the passenger train which leaves Napier at 4.24 p.m., Hastings 5.0 and Waipukurau 6.22, reaching Palmerston North at 9.20, should connect with the rail car, which will leave at 9.26, reaching Wellington at 11.40 p.m.

It is to be noted however, that no reservation of seats on the rail car can be made between Palmerston North and Wellington, and passengers from Hawke's Bay will be carried only if seats are available.

Subject to this restriction the service should prove useful, especially to the business community, on the two evenings on which it will run.

Time-Honoured Pleantries

APRIL-FOOL'S DAY

Ancient Variants Of A Harmless Custom

THE INDIAN VERSION

If your friend tells you this morning that you are to telephone a certain number with the greatest expediency, think twice—and remember the date.

The origin of "All-Fools' Day" has been much disputed; it is in some way a relic of those once-universal festivities held at the vernal equinox which, beginning on old New Year's Day (March 25), ended on April 1.

In India, at the Feast of Huli, the last day of which is March 31, the chief amusement is the befooling of people by sending them on fruitless and frivolous errands.

Although April 1 appears to have been anciently observed in Great Britain as a general festival, it was apparently not until the beginning of the eighteenth century that the making of April fools was a common custom.

In Scotland the custom was known as "hunting the gowk," that is, the cuckoo, and April fools were "April-gowks," the cuckoo being there as it is in most lands, a term of contempt.

In France the person befooled is known as "poisson d'avril."

OBJECTIONS BY DOCTORS

SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STRONG ATTITUDE

A Report From Taranaki

By Telegraph—Press Association. NEW PLYMOUTH, March 31.

Doctors in Taranaki, it is understood, are unanimously opposed to the Social Security Act as far as it affects them through medical benefits.

A recent statement in the Press to the effect that they were in agreement with the Government proposals are emphatically denied.

It was stated to-night that, if anything, the attitude of the doctors was hardening against the Government proposals, and that indications, as one doctor put it, pointed to an early "show-down."

One Taranaki doctor said to-night that the Government was very slow in submitting full details to the profession. Some details of the scheme were known to the doctors, but not all, including some of the more important.

Taranaki doctors met at Stratford last night when the agenda paper for the conference of doctors at Wellington next Wednesday was discussed. It was decided that Taranaki would fall in line with whatever decision the conference reached.

WHAT DOES THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT REQUIRE?

Detailed Provisions Of The Legislation Which Is Effective To-day

The obligations of employees and employers under the Social Security Act, 1938, which comes into force, as it concerns payments and some benefits to-day, are clearly set out in a pamphlet which has been issued by the Government, and which is now being posted to every person involved. The pamphlet deals only with contributors and not with beneficiaries under the Act. Separate pamphlets containing further details are being issued to professional and business men and also to farmers.

The pamphlet emphasises that male persons who have already registered under the Employment Promotion Act are not required to re-register and will continue to use the coupon book (if any) held by them. Persons receiving a war pension granted for total disability are not required to make the declaration of income other than salary or wages. Persons liable to register must do so within one month after to-day. Where a person becomes 16 years of age after to-day, registration must be effected within one month after the 16th birthday.

The pamphlet sets out briefly the duties and obligations of all persons aged 16 years or over under the act:—

Registration: Register within one month from April 1, 1939 (or within one month of attaining 16 years of age), unless already registered. Obtain a coupon-book unless one is already held.

Registration fee: Pay each instalment of the registration fee within one month of the due date, unless entitled to exemption.

Coupon-books: Produce coupon-book to employer when commencing employment and also immediately on leaving. Under the payment of each instalment.

If so required, lodge coupon-book with employer for custody during the continuance of employment.

Charge on Income: Furnish in May of each year a declaration of income other than salary or wages and occupational status. If not in receipt of income other than salary or wages, to write "Nil" across the declaration before signing and lodging it.

Employers' Position. The pamphlet sets out as under the rights, duties, and obligations of employers and employees. Under the Employment Promotion Act, the wages of female persons in respect of private domestic service were exempt. Under the Social Security Act, any such wages, together with the value of keep, earned after March 31, 1939, are liable to the charge. For private domestic servants the value of keep should be assessed as follows:—Board and lodging, £1 a week; board only, 15/- a week; lodging only, 5/- a week.

If meals only are provided, 1/- for each meal, with a maximum of 15/- a week. The value should be added to the cash wages and the charge (1d for every 1/8 or part thereof included in the total amount) deducted and accounted for at the time of payment, by means of Social Security stamps.

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NAPIER

Borough Statistics

PAST YEAR UNDER REVIEW

Increased Value

Excluding the State Housing Department's activity at Mawera, there were fewer dwellings built in Napier during the 12 months ended yesterday than in the preceding year, according to figures released by the Napier Borough Building Inspector (Mr. T. H. Johanson).

The total value of building permits issued in the past year, however, was £22,860 in advance of the previous year's figure. The value of permits issued during the period under review was £107,786, 15/- as compared with £85,126/5/- in 1937-38.

Last January was the peak month, when the permits totalled £33,389, while during the previous year, May was the best month with £22,907. The number of dwellings erected in 1937-38 was 37, as compared with 30 in 1938-39.

Statistics for the month ended yesterday show that only two dwellings were erected, costing £705 and £800 respectively. Permits to the value of £336 were issued for alterations and additions to existing dwellings, and a permit valued at £125 was issued for one concrete retaining wall.

The month's total made a rapid advance when permits valued at £17,886 were issued to the Vacuum Oil Company, Ltd., for the construction of new bulk storage premises at Port Ahuriri. The complete figures for March were £19,942.

NAPIER'S VITAL STATISTICS

Quarterly Figures

MARRIAGE LICENCES INCREASE

Deaths At Average

Sixty-eight marriage licences were issued by the Napier Registrar at the Courthouse during the first quarter of the current year, while 46 deaths and 106 births were recorded. The death figures were average and the birth registrations slightly above normal, according to a statement made by the Registrar yesterday.

The total number of marriage licences issued was one less than the total for the last quarter of 1937-38, when the highest figure since the beginning of 1934 was registered.

During the month of March this year, 32 marriage certificates were issued, and 43 births and 20 deaths were recorded. The births were the highest registered since November of last year, when a record was set with 54.

There were two bankruptcies filed at the Napier Courthouse during March of this year, bringing the total for the first quarter of 1939 to five. Two petitions were filed in February and one in January.

CRITICISM AIMED AT HOSPITAL BOARD

Proposed Building Plan HASTINGS BOROUGH COUNCIL DISAPPROVES

System Of Rate Collection

Dissatisfaction with the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board's proposed building plan was expressed at a special meeting of the Hastings Borough Council on Thursday night. The high costs involved in the scheme were the subject of councillors' disapproval, and resolutions embracing the salient points were passed and are to be presented at the next meeting of the Hospital Board.

At a preliminary meeting of the board attended by council representatives, it was considered that the information given concerning the building programme was too meagre, said the Mayor (Mr G. A. Maddison) on Thursday night.

He pointed out that no allowances had been made for the furnishing of the various buildings, nor for the additional maintenance costs involved. These had now been supplied by Mr E. T. Rees, managing secretary of the board. He had advised that, though the original proposals were estimated to cost £103,000, this amount had been reduced to £87,000, due to the temporary shelving of the proposals regarding the old people's home, estimated to cost £16,000.

Resolutions passed at the meeting and released in a statement for the Press yesterday were as follows:—

"That while this council appreciates fully the need for efficient and adequate hospital services to be provided for the benefit of the people in the district, nevertheless it is perturbed at the high cost of the buildings as set out in the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board's proposed building programme. As an instance of this, the cost of the accommodation to be provided for nurses works out at approximately £630 per nurse. There are other items in the schedule also, which in this council's opinion appear unnecessarily high, and in particular the council desires to bring under the notice of the Hospital Board the following:—

(A) MORTUARY AND CHAPEL, NAPIER HOSPITAL £4,595.

The council considers that the erection of a chapel at the hospital is entirely unnecessary. While certain improvements may be required to the present accommodation, it is considered that the provision of a chapel is not warranted. The council understands that in not more than 20 to 30 cases per year would such a building be required, and when it is remembered that the churches are available at all times for the purpose, together with the fact that in many cases services are held at the graves only, it appears that the provision of a conveniently arranged morgue would be all that would be required. It is pointed out that recently such a building has been erected at the Hastings Memorial Hospital, for a sum of between £200 and £300, and it appears to be quite satisfactory.

(B) RECREATION HALL, HASTINGS, £2,800.

RECREATION HALL, Napier, £600

The council desires to point out to the Hospital Board that it considers expenditure in this direction is not necessary for the following reasons:—

The value of recreation and amusements to nurses is fully appreciated by the council, and it is readily agreed that every opportunity should be taken to provide, at the same time, however, it is considered that a greater benefit would be derived by nurses if these amusements, both inside and outside, were obtained away from the hospital environment. If they were away from the place where they work all day.

(C) PARK ISLAND OLD PEOPLE'S HOME, £16,000.

The council considers that this expenditure should not be gone on with. It is of opinion that homes of this nature should be centralised, say two or three in each island, and that hospital boards should not attempt to erect expensive buildings in their districts all over New Zealand.

(D) LEVY

The council desires to point out to the board the steep increases that are occurring in the annual hospital levy.

In 1928-29 the levy on this council was £4,520.

In 1938-39 the levy was £6,755.

If the building scheme as submitted is carried out in its entirety, the additional levy on this council will be £1919, therefore the total levy for the coming year will be £8674, which is nearly double that of 10 years ago.

The hospital rate struck last year amounted to 1.25d in the £; the additional amount required for the proposed building scheme is 36d; the total levy for the coming year would therefore be 1.61d.

In connection with the rating, the council also desires to point out that it considers that the rate should be levied and issued by the Hospital Board, and not by the council. The facilities of the valuation roll and rate book could be made available to the board, and if necessary the demands attached to and issued with the borough rate demands, and the council could act as collecting

DEVELOPMENT OF NELSON PARK

RESIDENTS EXPRESS CONCERN

HASTINGS SCHEME

Closing Of Caroline Road

The proposal by the Mayor of Hastings (Mr G. A. Maddison) to proceed with a scheme for the development of Nelson Park, Hastings, is viewed with concern by residents in the vicinity of the ground. The enlargement of the park will entail closing Caroline Road, and ratepayers in this road express concern in a letter to the "Daily Mail."

"The undersigned, on behalf of the residents concerned, desire to draw the attention of the public, and particularly of the sporting members of the community, to the following: In September, 1938, a petition signed by 68 of the ratepayers concerned was presented to the Borough Council praying that Caroline Road be not closed. This petition received scant consideration.

"On February 24 last the four undersigned, on behalf of petitioners, called on Mr. Maddison, asking him not to proceed with the enlargement of the park, but to have the road blocked off Caroline Road. Again no satisfaction whatever was received. They were informed that the work was to proceed and that part of Caroline Road would be destroyed and fences erected across that road opposite each of the present north and south boundaries of Nelson Park.

"For many years, Sir, the residents in the vicinity of Nelson Park have looked forward to the day when this park would be a park in the real sense, in that it would be open to all. Parents are reluctant to open their children to the day when the unsightly iron fences would be removed, trees planted, and children could without fear play in that area. Parents are reluctant to allow young children to enter that enclosed area. It must be remembered that the money for the purchase of that park was supplied by the ratepayers, but it has now been taken over by the council. The forced retirement of these workers is resulting in local bodies endeavouring to find men to replace them.

"It has been revealed that, while the majority of these men are receiving £4/10/- a week net, some engaged on Rivers Board contract works have received up to £7 a week. If these men fail to find other employment they will receive the retiring allowance of £1/10/- a week provided under the Social Security Scheme.

Following is a table of the men employed on Scheme 13 affected by the retirement, and their average weekly earnings:—

Hastings Council	No.	Wage
H.B. Rivers Board	18	£4 15 0
(Contract men up to £7)		
H.B. County Council	10	£4 13 4
Napier Bor. Council	16	£4 13 4
Tardale Town Bd.	6	£4 13 4
Napier Harbour Bd.	6	£4 15 0
Havelock Town Bd.	—	—

"The future holds... "M. Maddison explained that the front of the grandstand would be in line with the west side of Caroline Road, and that the area at the back of it towards the railway would be an open space, except for the road which would be built there, being a continuation of Russell Street. So the net result of over-riding the wishes of petitioners is to increase the area of the park by the width of Caroline Road plus the present grandstand.

"Heavy Expenditure.

"It will be seen, therefore, that heavy expenditure would be entailed for a negligible increase in playing area. This expense being augmented by the scrapping of a section of costly hot-bitumen road.

"The deputation pointed out to Mr. Maddison that in their opinion he was not taking a long enough view in this matter of sports ground. His reply was that those who came later must handle their own problems and pay for them themselves—a most extraordinary point of view for a man in his position to take.

"Support Wanted.

"Now we appeal to the spirit of fair play with regard to closing Caroline Road, and that is where we need support. We are sporting fraternity ourselves who expect to receive the same treatment of their own games. We ask all those outside Caroline Road and vicinity to take heed of what we write and to support us. We ask players to take a long view of these matters, to stay these Nelson Park proposals and to acquire now a large area away from the busy centres that will serve for many years to come, but not only for football games but other games as well.

"So far as the closing of Caroline Road is concerned petitioners have approached the Mayor and councillors in an amicable way, but as no satisfaction has been given it is their intention to oppose by all means available any interference with the present alignment of Caroline Road.

We are,
D. W. HURSTHOUSE,
T. CUNNINGHAM,
P. E. SHINNICK,
E. A. POPPELWELL.

Accident At Havelock North.—Mrs. A. Parkinson, Napier Road, Havelock North, met with a painful accident a few days ago. While helping a neighbour to move, she tripped and damaged a sinew in the knee. It will be some weeks before she is able to get about again.



PRECARIOUS PERCH.—Australian axemen demonstrate the "high chop," always a spectacular event at the Sydney Show, which opens to-day.

50 Men Out Of Work

SOCIAL SECURITY

Automatic Retirement Of All Over 60

NAPIER-HASTINGS AREA

Notice that their employment terminated yesterday was received by approximately 50 men over the age of 60 employed upon subsidised local body works under Scheme No. 13 in the Napier-Hastings district. The forced retirement of these workers is resulting in local bodies endeavouring to find men to replace them.

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BOTTLES SAVED: FOOT FRACTURED

Hotel Porter's Fall

A SACRIFICE TO DUTY

Accident At Napier

Devotion to duty resulted in a painful injury yesterday afternoon to a hotel porter at Napier.

Carrying a case of bottles down to the cellar, he missed his footing and slipped on the concrete stairs. His first thought was for his burden, which he clutched wildly in an endeavour to prevent its destruction. He was successful, but in the process sprained his ankle and fractured a bone in his foot. He was removed to the Napier Hospital for X-ray examination and was detained there.

"His condition is satisfactory."

"ALL QUITE ABOVE BOARD"

Mayor Replies To Letter From Residents

"It is full of inaccuracies," said the Mayor (Mr. G. A. Maddison) when the Caroline Road residents' letter was referred to him last night. "There is nothing unfair about the scheme. It is all quite above board, and no one will be treated unjustly."

Mr. Maddison said that when a deputation of residents from the vicinity waited on him a full record of the conversations was taken, and that was available.

No plan had yet been formulated, and there were no tentative proposals which involved enclosing the park in iron fences.

"When the time arrives the full facts will be presented," said Mr. Maddison.

"MOST GRATIFYING POSITION"

HASTINGS BOROUGH FINANCES

ANNUAL BALANCE

Work Completed In Four Hours

For the fourth successive year the Hastings Borough Council office staff has struck the annual balance within four hours of the close of the financial year. At 16 minutes past eight at the council office, culminating a period in which adding machines clicked furiously and men worked feverishly, the correct balance was struck at the first attempt last night.

The accounts reveal a credit balance of approximately £5000 in the general account, which is the main administration account of the borough. A detailed account of both accounts will be prepared and presented at a later date.

"I am particularly proud of this achievement which was carried through by the Town Clerk (Mr. Noel C. Harding), the Assistant Town Clerk (Mr. H. G. Jones), the accountant (Mr. F. Murray), and Mr. L. J. Wright," said the Mayor (Mr. G. A. Maddison) last night.

MASSSED BANDS TO PARADE

Display In Hastings

GREAT EVENT ON SUNDAY

There is only one thing needed to make the Masssed Band performance in Hastings on Sunday a great success—the attendance of the public in large numbers.

The bringing of all these bands to take part in this undertaking, is by no means a small order, and the keenness of the six bands, from Dannevirke, Waipukurau, Hastings, Napier (2) and Wairoa is ample proof that they are right out to put on a display that has never been seen in Hastings before.

The parade to the Methodist Church in the morning will show each band on the march, as they pass through the town; the Wairoa Band has been invited to play the hymn at the offertory.

On the Raccourse in the afternoon at 2.30 all the bands, comprising about 180 men will appear in a dazzling marching display to the ever popular "Colonel Bogy" and "Invencargill". Masssed hymns and individual items will also be given during the afternoon.

Each of six drum-majors has had his band in training for this event, and a thrilling spectacle it should prove to be with the different coloured uniforms of the bandsmen, "swanky" drum-majors, and gleaming instruments.

This will be only the second occasion that this has been attempted in New Zealand, the first being at Napier recently, when it proved a great success.

The day will conclude with another masssed performance in Nelson Park at 8.15, when each band will be heard in individual numbers, as well as masssed hymns and marches.

The Brass Bands' Association solicits the fullest support from the town and surrounding districts to give the visiting bandsmen a royal welcome.

A French Brocade Wedding Gown

FOR HASTINGS BRIDE

The Honeymoon In Australia

HEWITT—HYSLOP

A very lovely wedding gown of magnolia French brocade richly woven with gold was worn by Elizabeth Ruth, eldest daughter of Mr. W. Hyslop and the late Mrs. Hyslop, North Auckland, and formerly of Hastings, for her wedding yesterday to Patrick Anthony Hewitt, of Hastings, younger son of Mrs. R. P. Hewitt, Woodroff, Cranbrook, Kent, England.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. T. Drake at St. Matthew's Church, Hastings, and Mr. C. B. Spinney played the wedding marches and the music for the hymn, "Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us."

The bride, who was escorted by her father, entered the church with her two bridesmaids and a little flower girl. Her gown of brocade was simply fashioned to show to perfection the richness of the material. The skirt was cut with a very long train and was shaped on to the corsage in front with slight gathers. A very narrow belt defined the waistline and the corsage with off-shoulder effect was finished with tiny shoulder straps. With her gown she wore a matching coatie buttoned high at the neck. The long fitting sleeves were gathered at the shoulders and a tiny rounded collar finished the neckline. Her veil of cream cut tulle was worn with a single magnolia blossom top-knot and she carried a bouquet composed of miniature magnolias with trailing buds.

Gowns of magnolia chiffon mounted on taffeta were worn by the two bridesmaids, Miss Gwyn Hyslop, the bride's sister, and Miss Joan Hunter. They were fashioned exactly alike with very full skirts and a wide shaped band at the waist. The corsage with a V neckline was softly full and was gathered to this band. The sleeves were puffed and each maid wore a necklace of pearls. They wore magnolia top-knots and carried magnolia bouquets.

The little flower girl, Judith Jackson, wore a long frock of magnolia chiffon cut exactly like those of the older maids, and she carried a gilded basket of magnolia buds.

Mr. George Coleman, North Auckland, was the best man, and Mr. Bill Hyslop, the bride's brother, was the groomsmen.

The wedding reception, which was a very happy one, was held at the H.B. Women's Service Club, where the flowers in the lounge and on the wedding breakfast tables were in magnolia and golden shades.

The guests were received by the bride's father and his daughter, Miss Margaret Hyslop, who wore a model frock of finely pleated burgundy angora cut with a tiny Peter Pan collar. Her becoming toque matched her gown and was caught in front with two little feather mounts. She carried a lovely bouquet of pale blue flowers.

The guests were mainly relatives and a few close friends, the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Hyslop, sen., being present.

The bride and bridegroom will sail by the Awatea next week to spend their honeymoon in Australia, and when they return their home will be at Turame, Hastings.

For travelling, the bride chose a Viennese model suit of a blue fine wool with flowers in braided effect down the front of the jacket. She wore a cravat of tan velvet, and a matching blue hat with tucked crown and slightly upturned brim. Her shoes, purse and gloves were all tan.

CHILDREN'S HOME APPEAL

Substantial Sum Has Come To Hand

The amount collected at the present stage in the Hawke's Bay Children's Home appeal cannot be calculated, but the following donations totalling £62, received by the treasurer, are acknowledged with the thanks of the trustees:—

- National Tobacco Company, Limited, £30; N. Kettle, £5 5/; Mrs. E. D. Holt, £3; F. W. Triggs, Rainbow and Hobbs, T. J. C. Warren, £2 2/; Anonymous (Havelock North), £1 10/; F. D. Logan, A. B. Eames, F. C. Wilkinson, C. Athol Williams, F. L. Bone, H. R. Dockery, £1 1/; Mrs. H. Stewart, J. C. Furringer, W. Penlington, Mrs. W. G. Moore, John A. McNeill, W. J. Williams, Mrs. A. North, Mrs. Oliver Deane, £1; Mrs. W. C. McCormick, Mrs. M. S. Macdonald, Anonymous (Dannevirke), £10/; C. J. Anderson, 3/6.

PLANS FOR AN EASTER BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Full Details Of The Excellent Entries For Easter Games In Hawke's Bay

Excellent entries, totalling 44 rinks, have been received for the Hawke's Bay Bowling Centre's annual Easter tournament, which will be played on the Havelock North, Hastings, Kia Toa, and Heretaunga Bowling Clubs' greens during the approaching holidays.

The entries comprise six rinks each from the Heretaunga, Port Ahuriri, and Napier clubs, five from Hastings, four from Havelock North, three from Kia Toa, two each from Bluff Hill and Omarunui, whilst Taneatua, Masterton, Seatoun, Palmerston North, Terrace End, Stratford, Waipawa, Waipukurau, National Service, and Khandallah are each represented by one rink.

Games will be of 18 heads and three rounds will be played each day. Play will commence at 9 a.m. sharp. Morning and afternoon teas will be provided on all greens, but players will be expected to make their own luncheon arrangements. The lunch hour will be from 12.45 to 1.45 p.m.

Given fine weather, there should be very keen competition, the centre having received entries from seven outside clubs. This should add considerable interest to the tournament.

The following is the draw for all sections:—

SECTION A.
FRIDAY, APRIL 7.
Havelock North Green.
Poppelwell (Port Ahuriri) v. Curtis (Stratford), Belcher (Napier) v. Petherick (Waipawa), Joll (Havelock North) v. Brown (Omarunui), McBride (Heretaunga) v. Pirie (Port Ahuriri), Tunniff (Napier) v. Warren (Heretaunga), Tonkin (Hastings) v. Haldane (Waipukurau).

Second Round.
Brown v. Pirie, Joll v. McBride, Tonkin v. Tunniff, Warren v. Haldane, Curtis v. Petherick, Poppelwell v. Belcher.

Third Round.
Warren v. Tonkin, Tunniff v. Haldane, Curtis v. Belcher, Poppelwell v. Petherick, Joll v. Pirie, McBride v. Brown.

SATURDAY, APRIL 8.
HERETAUNGA GREEN.
Fourth Round.
Poppelwell v. Joll, Curtis v. Brown, McBride v. Tonkin, Haldane v. Pirie, Petherick v. Tunniff, Belcher v. Warren.

Fifth Round.
Petherick v. Tonkin, Haldane v. Belcher, Joll v. Tunniff, Warren v. Brown, Curtis v. Pirie, Poppelwell v. McBride.

Sixth Round.
Curtis v. McBride, Petherick v. Joll, Pirie v. Warren, Tunniff v. Brown, Belcher v. Tonkin, Haldane v. Joll.

MONDAY, APRIL 10.
KIA TOA GREEN.
Seventh Round.
Poppelwell v. Warren, Curtis v. Joll, Pirie v. Tunniff, McBride v. Belcher, Petherick v. Haldane, Brown v. Tonkin.

Eighth Round.
Curtis v. Haldane, Petherick v. Warren, Poppelwell v. Brown, Joll v. Tonkin, Pirie v. Belcher, McBride v. Tunniff.

Ninth Round.
Belcher v. Joll, Tonkin v. Poppelwell, McBride v. Haldane, Pirie v. Petherick, Brown v. Tunniff, Curtis v. Warren.

SECTION B.
FRIDAY, APRIL 7.
HASTINGS GREEN.
First Round.
Parkinson (Hastings) v. Dykes (Port Ahuriri), Burge (Kia Toa) v. Childs (Terrace End), Wilson (Taneatua) v. Elmes (Napier), Wardell Johnson (Bluff Hill) v. Bewley (Hastings), Jenkinson (Heretaunga) v. Anderson (Khandallah), Webley (Port Ahuriri) v. Flanders (Havelock North).

Second Round.
Elmes v. Bewley, Wilson v. Wardell-Johnson, Jenkinson v. Webley, Anderson v. Flanders, Dykes v. Childs, Parkinson v. Burge.

Third Round.
Anderson v. Webley, Jenkinson v. Flanders, Dykes v. Burge, Parkinson v. Childs, Wilson v. Bewley, Wardell-Johnson v. Elmes.

SATURDAY, APRIL 8.
KIA TOA GREEN.
Fourth Round.
Parkinson v. Wilson, Dykes v. Elmes, Wardell-Johnson v. Webley, Bewley v. Flanders, Childs v. Jenkinson, Anderson v. Burge.

Fifth Round.
Childs v. Webley, Burge v. Flanders, Wilson v. Jenkinson, Elmes v. Anderson, Dykes v. Bewley, Wardell-Johnson v. Parkinson.

Sixth Round.
Dykes v. Wardell-Johnson, Childs v. Wilson, Bewley v. Anderson, Parkinson v. Jenkinson, Burge v. Webley, Flanders v. Elmes.

MONDAY, APRIL 10.
HERETAUNGA GREEN.
Seventh Round.
Parkinson v. Anderson, Dykes v. Wilson, Bewley v. Jenkinson, Burge v. Wardell-Johnson, Flanders v. Childs, Elmes v. Webley.

Eighth Round.
Dykes v. Flanders, Childs v. Anderson, Parkinson v. Elmes, Wilson v. Webley, Burge v. Bewley, Wardell-Johnson v. Jenkinson.

Ninth Round.
Burge v. Wilson, Parkinson v. Webley, Flanders v. Wardell-Johnson, Childs v. Bewley, Jenkinson v. Elmes, Dykes v. Anderson.

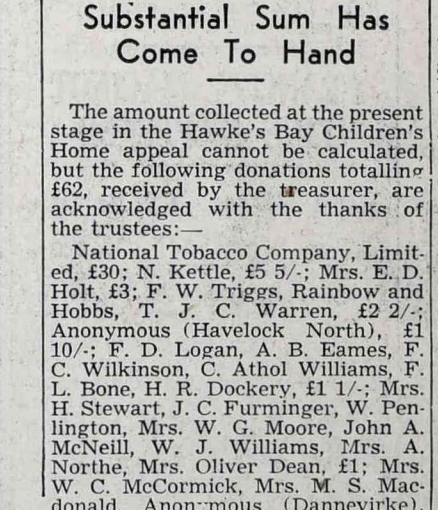
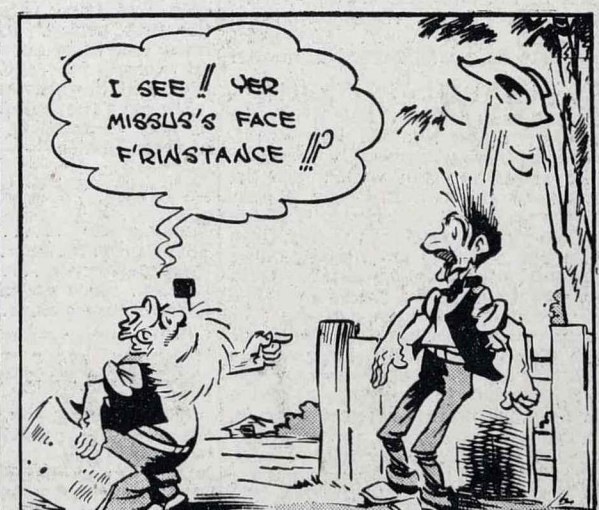
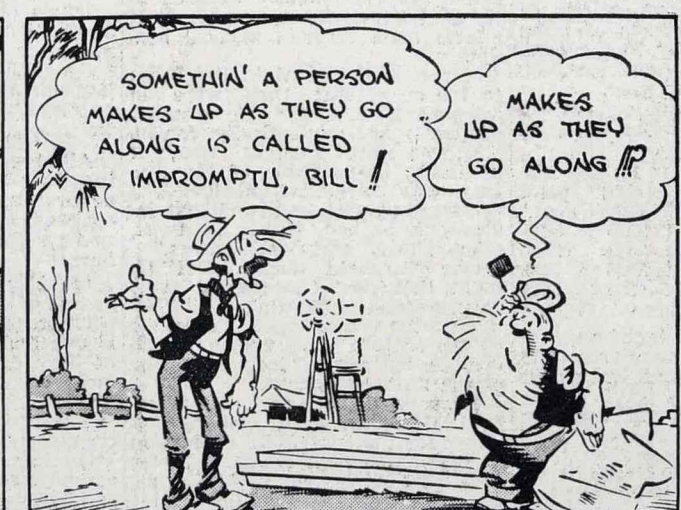
SECTION C.
FRIDAY, APRIL 7.
KIA TOA GREEN.
First Round.
Thomas (Napier) v. Johnson (Palmerston North), Pirie (Napier) v. Mayo (Port Ahuriri), Wilson (Havelock North) v. Burge (Heretaunga), King (Hastings) v. Somerset Smith (Bluff Hill), Keast (Kia Toa) v. Wilmer (Napier).

Second Round.
Pirie v. Somerset-Smith, Wilson v. Wilmer, Johnson v. King, Mayo v. Keast, Burge v. Thomas.

Third Round.
King v. Keast, Somerset-Smith v. Burge, Mayo v. Thomas, Pirie v. Wilmer, Johnson v. Wilson.

This is the first tournament conducted by the Hastings Club at Easter, and the courts have been well cared for and are receiving special treatment before next week. It has now been decided to include in the programme, junior men's and women's singles for players under 18. Already several entries have been received for these events. Entries close on Wednesday next, April 5.

A "cocky" out west named McClure had suffered from coughing and chills; and never would spend on his ill. At last, in despair and much pain, he opened his purse, did McClure. Some "hawbees" went bang, but the praises he sang Of Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.



TWO HIGH SCHOOLS OR A CONSOLIDATED ONE?

Central Hawke's Bay Problem May Be Solved By Minister

"Daily Mail" Special Service

WAIPUKURAU.

The announcement of the visit of the Minister of Education (the Hon. P. Fraser) to Waipawa next Wednesday has aroused considerable interest in education circles in Central Hawke's Bay, as it appears that some decision may be reached in the much-debated problem of secondary education in the district.

There are some peculiar anomalies in the position as it stands at present. The district high schools of Waipukurau and Waipawa are only six miles apart, and the idea of combining them has been in the minds of the authorities for some time. The school at Waipukurau is the more modern of the two, and is also better equipped in respect of its grounds.

The Waipawa School, on the other hand, is due for replacement, and also needs additions to its playing area.

The roll numbers of the two institutions are very similar, each having between 90 and 100 pupils. There is, however, the difference that Waipawa draws from a larger area, including Otane, Tikokino and Ongaonga, whereas the children attending the Waipukurau School come almost entirely from the town and its environs.

The Minister inspected the two schools almost a year ago, and held a short conference with the respective committees, but as the meeting was not unanimous on any course of action the matter was deferred.

Transport Problem.

A further anomaly, though not directly connected with the main question, is that of rail transport for pupils living between Waipukurau and Ormondville. At present they are forced to make the long journey to Dannevirke and back each day, as the connections to Central Hawke's Bay are unsuitable.

The slow train by which they travel leaves Waipukurau at 6.20 a.m., Takapau at about 7 o'clock, Ormondville 7.55, and arrives at Dannevirke at 8.43 a.m. The return train leaves Dannevirke at 3.50 p.m., Ormondville at 4.48, and Takapau at 5.27.

When it is considered that the trains are often late on account of the goods traffic, the unsatisfactory nature of the arrangements does not need emphasising.

Consolidation.

The Minister has stated that he is not anxious to force the issue between the two towns, but it is evident that he will make strong endeavours to have some finality reached, and he is known to favour the consolidation of schools where it is practicable.

The suggestion has been made

that a special train might be run to whatever centre is chosen, in which case the expense would be simply a transfer from one Government department to another. An education authority pointed out that there would be ample precedent for such a course, and instanced the case of the special service between Waitara and New Plymouth, where a much smaller number of pupils is transported by the train than would be the case in Central Hawke's Bay.

Vital Statistics For Hastings

MONTH AND QUARTER

Figures Reveal Births Increase

An increase in the number of births and a decrease in deaths are predominant features of the Hastings vital statistics to date this year, compared with those of the previous quarter of last year.

Compared with last year, figures for the month of March reveal a sharp decrease in the number of deaths, and an increase in births. Figures are—

Births.		Deaths.		Marriages.	
March	1939	1938	March	1939	1938
Quarter	52	40	Quarter	134	118
March	7	18	March	3	18
Quarter	38	49	Quarter	7	18
March	23	26	March	23	26
Quarter	60	64	Quarter	60	64

MANY VISITORS AT SPORTS

ANNUAL PORANGAHAU GATHERING

LARGE ENTRIES

Results Of Yesterday's Events

"Daily Mail" Special Service.

FORANGAHAU. The thirty-ninth annual sports meeting was held on the Porangahau sports ground yesterday. There was a large attendance, many visitors being present from Waipukurau sports ground yesterday. There were all competitors drew big fields, and many close finishes were seen.

Events were run off promptly, and the meeting was regarded as the most successful for some years. Results are as follows:—

Children's Races.

Boys under 9: Hotu Kuru 1, J. Sidwell 2.

Girls, 10 years and under: Dawn Ward 1, Joan Lancaster 2.

Boys under 16: Rex Ross 1, Ray Marsh 2.

Girls under 16: Joan Lancaster 1, Heather Stevenson 2.

Boys Wrestling: Ru Scia Scia 1, Hector Ross 2, Naki Hokianga 3.

Horse Events.

First Medley Handicap: Mr. J. Deakin's Terraplane 1, Miss J. Davidson's Paul 2, Mr. P. Healey's Davison 3.

Maiden Jump: T. Kuru's Sonny Boy 1, Allison's Hitler 2, W. Parsons's Maree 3.

Pony Jump: Miss L. White's Star 1, P. M. Davidson's Digger 2.

Ladies' Bracelet (Threading the Needle): N. Ward's Lady Jane 1, A. Goodall's Aloa 2, M. Hobson's Hammer 3.

Second Medley: J. Deakin's Terraplane 1, R. Scott's Piebald 2, J. Allison's Hitler 3.

Open Hunters: A. W. Parsons's Tumai 1, A. W. Parsons's Tuakana 2, Miss Bousefield's Mako 3.

Jumping Competition: A. W. Parsons's Tuakana 1, R. H. Liddell's Merrivale 2, A. W. Parsons's Tumai 3.

Apple Bobbing: M. Hobson 1, H. McKenzie 2.

Pony Jump: Miss L. White's Star 1, P. M. Davidson's Digger 2.

Consolation Jump: R. Liddell's Merrivale 1, M. Wall's Hilaria 2, W. Hobson's Mr. Sponge 3.

Flag Race: J. Davidson 1, W. Parsons 2.

Turning: S. Wright 1, D. Cochran 2.

Drover Memorial Cup (for most points throughout the meeting): A. W. Parsons.

Special Prizes (for best girl and boy riders): W. St. Hill Warren 1, H. Kuru 2, A. Kuru 3, B. Smith 4.

MORE BUILDING IN HASTINGS

£13,000 INCREASE FOR PERIOD

£98,709 TOTAL

Details For The Past Nine Years

An increase of more than £13,000 in the value of Hastings building permits over the previous 12 months is revealed in returns compiled by the borough building inspector (Mr. C. Carrell). During last year 189 permits representing £98,709 were issued, as compared with £85,000 for the previous year.

In 1930, before the earthquake, values represented in building permits amounted to £163,000. In 1932, the year of reconstruction after the earthquake, the figure reached £215,000.

In 1933 the figure dropped to £137,000, a difference between the two years of £28,000. This difference was, of course, natural, as 1932 was an exception.

In 1934 the value of permits was lower to the extent of £59,000 than the previous year.

In 1935 the figure rose to £114,000 an increase of £36,000. A further rise to £140,000 in 1936 brought another increase of £26,000.

The figure fell again in 1937 to £132,000, a decrease of £8,000. Last year the total slumped to £85,000, a decrease of £47,000, and one of the largest percentage decreases yet. Details of last year's permits are:—

Seventy-two dwellings £64,967, 39 alterations and additions to dwellings £5009, 2 blocks of flats £4950, 1 shop and dwelling £1245, 2 garages £1886, 2 alterations and additions to garages £185, 1 school £7223, 1 alteration and addition to school £798, 3 workshops £3470, 4 alterations and additions to workshops £254, 1 scout hut £530, 1 church £2177, 1 shop and glasshouse £516, 28 motor sheds £946, 1 alteration to motor shed £23, 17 sheds £999, 3 alterations and additions to sheds £88, 3 alterations and additions to offices £960, 1 addition to convent £328, 3 sets loose boxes £420—£98,709.

In the month of March 15 permits to the value of £7319 were issued, compared with 19 permits representing £9108 for the corresponding month in the previous year.

Noted Musician's Death

WORK IN HAWKE'S BAY

Mr E. Varley Hudson's Career

SCHOLASTIC SERVICES

A teacher of wide repute and a musician of high qualifications, Mr E. Varley Hudson, who was stationed in Hawke's Bay for many years, died at Auckland on Thursday.

Born in Suffolk, England, in 1874, Mr Hudson came to New Zealand with his parents when he was six years old. He started his teaching career in Christchurch, and was then appointed to Wairoa School, Hawke's Bay, where he remained until 1899.

Hawke's Bay Service

In that year he was transferred to the old Napier main school as second assistant master. In 1902 he was promoted to the post of first assistant master at the Hastings District High School. After 11 years, he went to Napier again to take over the headmastership of the newly-opened Nelson Park school.

In 1926 Mr Hudson was appointed headmaster of the Auckland Normal School, and he remained there until his retirement in 1932. He had then had 40 years' service with the Education Department.

A man of many parts, Mr Hudson was a musical authority and had made a lifelong study of music in all its branches, holding the musical degree of A.T.F.C. In Napier he was conductor of the Napier Choral Society for some time, and in 1921 was conductor of the Napier Operatic Society. He had also been conductor of the Hastings Choral and Operatic Societies, and was conductor of the Hastings Liedertafel in 1904.

Help to Young Singers

In later years Mr Hudson conducted the combined Napier, Hastings and Royal Wellington Choral Societies in performances of "Elijah" and "The Messiah." In Auckland he devoted much time, especially after his retirement, to the encouragement of young singers. He also conducted the primary schools' massed choirs on several occasions.

In 1930 Mr Hudson was president of the Teachers' Institute in Auckland and he was also on the executive of the Headmasters' Association. In 1932 he was appointed conductor of the Auckland Municipal Choir, and was recently appointed to a part-time lectureship in music at Auckland University College.

He was also interested in the volunteer movement and was an officer first in the Napier Rifles and then later in the Hastings Rifles.

OUTSTANDING SUCCESS AT FLOWER SHOW

Hastings Townswomen's Guild Give Splendid Display

A most successful flower show organised by Mrs L. W. Goldfinch and members of the gardening circle of the Hastings Townswomen's Guild was held in the guild room yesterday afternoon. The show was the first attempt that the guild had made in this direction, and certainly, from the exceptionally attractive display of flowers, cooking, and handwork, the organisers and entrants had every right to feel their efforts had proved an outstanding success. The numerous entries in each class showed the keenness the members had taken in their show.

Mrs A. C. A. Hyde, president of the guild, in declaring the show open, said that she felt it a pleasurable privilege to be asked to open the guild's first flower show. She remarked on her surprise at the number of entries in the flower classes, as it was late in the season, and said how splendid she had found the cooking classes and the industry evidenced in the display of needlework.

The speaker said that she wished to draw special attention to the splendid work done by Mrs. Goldfinch, who had worked untiringly in the interests of the show. The members showed their appreciation by giving Mrs. Goldfinch a hearty clap. The president expressed the hope that the guild would be well represented at the Hawke's Bay Horticultural Show to be held next month. She regretted that through influenza Mrs. A. F. Glenny and Mrs. F. Deans were unable to be present and said that the prizes for points would be presented at the next meeting. She then declared the show open.

The stewards were as follows:—Cooking, Mrs. Esler and Miss M. Sowersby; needlework, Mrs. L. W. Goldfinch and Mrs. E. E. Smith; flowers, Mrs. Kittermaster and Mrs. P. Baumgart; decorative classes, Mrs. E. Brown and Mrs. McAlister; Mesdames Price, Kittermaster and Esler did splendid work in supplying a delicious afternoon tea to the large assembly present.

The judges for the various classes were as follows:—Cooking, Mrs. B. Millar; flowers (all sections), Miss Hopcraft and Miss Mitchell; needlework, Miss Ruth Small.

During the afternoon Mrs. H. Lovell-Smith reminded members that next Tuesday, Miss Robson, president of the Waikato Women's Institutes' Federation, would be present to speak to members.

Points Prizes. The results were as follows:—Needlework: Mrs. L. W. Goldfinch. Flowers: Mrs. Gray. Decorative flowers (novice): Mrs. R. Campbell. Decorative flowers (open): Mrs. Dyer and Mrs. Mardon, equal. Cooking: Miss Ebbett.

The different classes resulted as follows:—

Needlework. Mrs. Goldfinch, 2 firsts, 3 seconds; Mrs. Smith, 3 seconds; Miss Mardon, 2 firsts, 2 seconds; Mrs. Kelly, 1 first, 1 second; Miss Elliott, 1 first; Mrs. Price, 1 first, 1 second, 1 third; Mrs. Doak, 1 first; Mrs. Berkahn, 1 third; Miss Sowersby, 1 first; Miss Coles, 1 second; Miss Ebbett, 1 first; Mrs. Whetstone, 1 third.

Flowers, Open. Mrs. Graham, 5 firsts, 2 seconds, 2 thirds; Mrs. I. Campbell, 2 firsts, 4 seconds; Miss Elliott, 2 firsts, 2 thirds; Mrs. Brown, 2 firsts, 1 second, 1 third; Mrs. Anderson, 1 third; Mrs. R. Campbell, 2 seconds; Mrs. MacMillan, 1 first; Mrs. Mardon, 1 second; Mrs. F. Kirkman, 1 first, 1 third; Mrs. Moon, 1 second; Mrs. Young, 1 second, 1 third; Mrs. Baumgart, 1 second; Mrs. Fisher, 1 first, 1 third; Mrs. Spence, 1 second; Mrs. Hyde, 1 second.

Flowers, Novice. Mrs. Campbell, 4 firsts, 5 seconds, 1 third; Mrs. Dyer, 4 firsts, 2 seconds, 1 third; Mrs. Anderson, 2 firsts, 1 second, 2 thirds; Mrs. A. Graham, 1 first, 1 second, 3 thirds; Mrs. Lovell-Smith, 1 second; Mrs. Corkingdale, 1 second; Mrs. Jones, 1 second.

Cooking. Mrs. Ebbett, 2 firsts, 3 thirds; Mrs. Harper, 1 first, 2 seconds, 2 thirds; Mrs. Clatworthy, 2 firsts, 1 second; Mrs. Anderson, 2 firsts; Mrs. Graham, 2 firsts, 1 second; Mrs. MacMillan, 1 first, 2 seconds; Mrs. Spence, 1 first; Mrs. Esler, 1 second; Mrs. Geaton, 2 firsts; Mrs. Brown, 3 seconds; Mrs. Rigg, 1 second, 1 third; Mr. Berkahn, 1 second; Mrs. Kelly, 1 second, 1 third; Mrs. Kirkman, 1 second.

METHODIST CHURCH GATHERING

Presentations Made

STATE HOUSE THAT WAS SUBLET

OFFENCE UNDER THE TENANCY

Assignment Forbidden

By Telegraph-Press Association. WELLINGTON, March 31.

An order for possession of one of the new State houses, part of which the tenant had sublet, was made in favour of the State Advances Corporation by Mr J. H. Luxford, S.M., in the Magistrates' Court, Lower Hutt, yesterday.

Under the conditions of tenancy a tenant is forbidden to assign his tenancy. In this case he had sublet part of the house, which is also contrary to the conditions of tenancy. Subsequently he vacated the house and the sub-tenants took over the whole of the house. The corporation refused to accept the sub-tenants as tenants and sued for possession, an order for which was made to become operative within seven days.

Baths Scheme For Taradale

CENTENNIAL IDEA

Committee Gives Its Approval

"Daily Mail" Special Service. TARADALE.

At a meeting of the Centennial Committee on Thursday evening it was decided to continue the baths scheme, in a revised form, as a suitable memorial for the Taradale-Greeneadows district.

The question of baths has been long before the district, but the committee hopes to have a swimming pool available for instruction work before another year passes.

It was decided that a deputation from the committee meet each organisation and sports body in Greeneadows and Taradale to outline the aims and to enlist assistance.

The next general meeting will be held in the Town Hall on Thursday, April 20. The committee feels that it must have local support to bring success to its endeavours.

OUTSTANDING SALE

Offerings From Bushy Park Stud

One of the most outstanding auction sales of stud and run Hereford cattle will take place at the station homestead, Old Bushy Park, Wanganui, on April 20. The selling will commence at 10.30 a.m. and will be conducted by Messrs. Murray Roberts in conjunction with other stock firms.

The sale is on behalf of Mr G. F. Moore who has placed no reserve on his stock which is on offer. The Bushy Park stud has a Dominion-wide reputation of high standard and uniformity. A splendid opportunity offers itself to breeders and run-holders to procure at this sale animals boasting some of the best blood of the Hereford world. The Hereford is becoming ever more popular as a beef producing beast.



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Holiday Sports Attractions In The District

"Daily Mail" Special Service

WAIROA.

Wairoa regards Easter time as holiday time, judging by the wide variety of attractions in the district extending from to-day to Easter Monday.

A speed-boat regatta, the 1939 trials of the Wairoa County Collie Club, athletic sports meetings, and a golf tournament will, it is expected, draw a large number of visitors to the town.

Plans to organise a monster full-day boat regatta on the Wairoa River have been almost completed by the Wairoa Power and Sailing Boat Club. The programme provides for at least six speed-boat races in addition to numerous novelty events.

The boats taking part, particularly the outboard speedboats, will be among the fastest in the Dominion. These will include the crack Auckland outboard C-U-Later, the New Zealand champion, Miss Hamilton, the Silver Slipper, (from Huntly), Ouida II and Miss Tikorangi, both from Waitara. In addition, four fast Gisborne outboards, two Wairoa boats, the South Island champion, Atlanta, and the H. Ho.

Representing the inboard classes, E. A. Jones's Baby Pam, Wairoa, will be featured, as well as Yvonne II, Gisborne, J. Hart's Miss Wairoa,

and J. Hedley's Maha II, both of Wairoa. The course will extend over half a mile, with one buoy situated about 200 yards below the bridge and the other opposite the Wairoa Hotel.

Championship and handicap events in both classes will provide a feature of the regatta as will a proposed aquaplaning race.

As conditions are such that the club will be unable to make a gate charge to witness the events, it has been decided to make a collection to assist in defraying the fairly heavy expenses.

A fitting finale to the day's programme will be a ball organised by the club in the evening, when trophies will be presented by the president.

Dog Trials.

The 1939 trials of the Wairoa County Collie Club will open on Monday and will be continued on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Work will start at 9 a.m. on Monday and 8 a.m. on each subsequent day.

This year the trials will be held on Mr. A. T. Carroll's property at Hurumua, the site being at the railway crossing on the Awamara road.

The programme comprises the usual classes, heading and holding in ring, short head and yard and huntway, and the popular "Star Event" has been reinstated. The star event will be commenced at 2.45 p.m. on Wednesday, the competing dogs being the winners, first and second, in Classes 1 and 2, with two more dogs selected by a special committee.

Spectators visiting the trials on Wednesday will be able to see all the best dogs in action, and for that reason it should prove popular with the residents of the town.

The Prize Money.

The prize money, £6, £3, £2, £1 in each event, is higher than previously, while the members' subscription has been lowered to 5/.

The annual dance will be held on Wednesday evening in Osler's Hall.

Golf Season Opening.

To-day will see the opening of Wairoa's golf season. It is expected there will be a large attendance, including players from outside clubs.

At the conclusion of the drawing of the first ball by the president (Mr. H. Crichton) a mixed foursome will be played and those unable to arrange partners will be accommodated at the club house.

A club tournament will be conducted during the Easter holidays, with men's and women's events.

The course is in excellent condition in spite of the dry weather.

Sports Meetings.

One of the principal attractions during the Easter period will be the Wairoa Sports Club's annual meeting, which will be held next Saturday.

Arrangements are being made to hold the Wairoa Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club's first championship meeting at Lambton Square, Wairoa, on Easter Monday.

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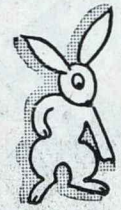


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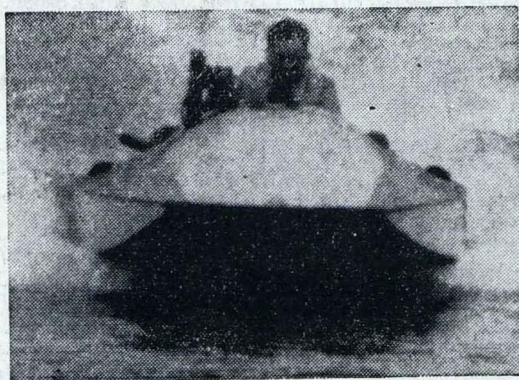


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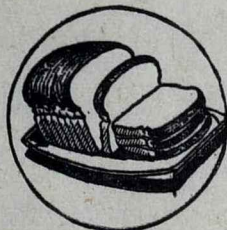


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WAIROA'S STATE HOUSES OPENED YESTERDAY

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PROGRESS OF WAIROA DISTRICT

Construction Programme Reviewed

"Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIROA.

The opening yesterday at Wairoa of the first three of 12 State houses marked a further step in the progress of the town.

A large attendance witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by Mr. E. L. Cullen, M.P. The Mayor of Wairoa (Mr. H. L. Harker) presided, and also on the platform were Mr. D. Glengarry, contractor; Mr. Cockcroft, manager of the State Advances Department, Napier; Mr. Higgins, accountant, Napier; and Mr. T. Rockett, vice-president of the Wairoa branch of the Labour Party.

The construction of the State houses would alleviate the Wairoa housing problem considerably, said Mr. Harker, in paying a tribute to the work of the builder (Mr. D. Glengarry).

A comprehensive review of the Government's housing programme was given by Mr. Cullen, who apologised for the unavoidable absence of the Minister of Housing (the Hon. H. T. Armstrong) and the Under-Secretary of Housing (Mr. J. A. Lee).

First Contractors.

In September, 1936, the Government first set up its housing department and the first contracts were called in March, 1937, for the building of the houses at Miramar.

State houses had been constructed in 90 towns throughout New Zealand. The number of Government houses under construction in the Dominion at present totalled 2385.

Continuing, Mr. Cullen advised that 2837 had been completed since March, 1937, and altogether 1152 tenders had been called. This made a total of 6374 for New Zealand. The number of men directly employed in this work in the country totalled 5709.

Applications for the houses received so far numbered between 16,000 and 17,000. As a result of the building schemes, carpenters and tradesmen were being brought from Australia and he had been officially informed that they were proving as good as those in New Zealand.

Modern Architecture.

The houses have every convenience of modern architecture. Apart from renting houses, the Government was, through the State Advances Corporation, advancing loans up to 90 per cent. to applicants who wished to own their own homes. Further, cheap money had also been lent to boroughs for them to re-lend to people desiring to own their own homes.

In this respect Mr. Cullen congratulated the Wairoa borough for taking the opportunity of procuring a loan to assist the Government in the housing problem.

He congratulated Mr. Glengarry and those who had assisted in the establishment of the Wairoa houses on the creditable way in which they had been erected.

Mr. Cullen said he had been given the assurance that within three weeks tenders would be called for a further five to ten additional houses for Wairoa.

He concluded by welcoming the successful applicants, Messrs. E. L. Rockett and Glengarry also spoke.

In the building of the houses Messrs. O. Johansen and Sons carried out the plumbing and painting, Mr. W. H. Hole the electrical work, and Mr. J. M. Hislop the plastering.

The three houses opened all typically modern, comprise four rooms and a sleeping porch.

UP-TO-DATE PREMISES AT WAIROA

Herbert's New Drapery Opened

Keeping abreast with Wairoa's progress and with the development of the drapery industry Herbert's have just opened a new up-to-date establishment in Marine Parade. Built on specially modern lines the premises give a striking appearance to the centre shopping area in the town.

The effect is enhanced by a neon sign depicting Peter Pan—the only one of its kind in New Zealand which predominates, above the front of the shop.

The windows, unfortunately, have not yet been completed, for until they are finished in stybril or chromium (in about 8 weeks) the display will not be at its best. Since this work has been unavoidably delayed it has not yet been practicable to install fittings in the windows.

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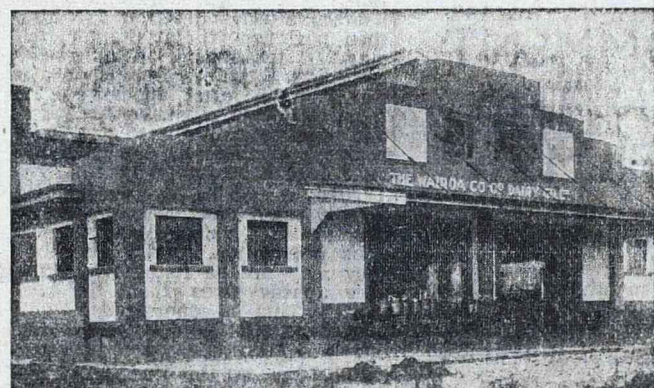
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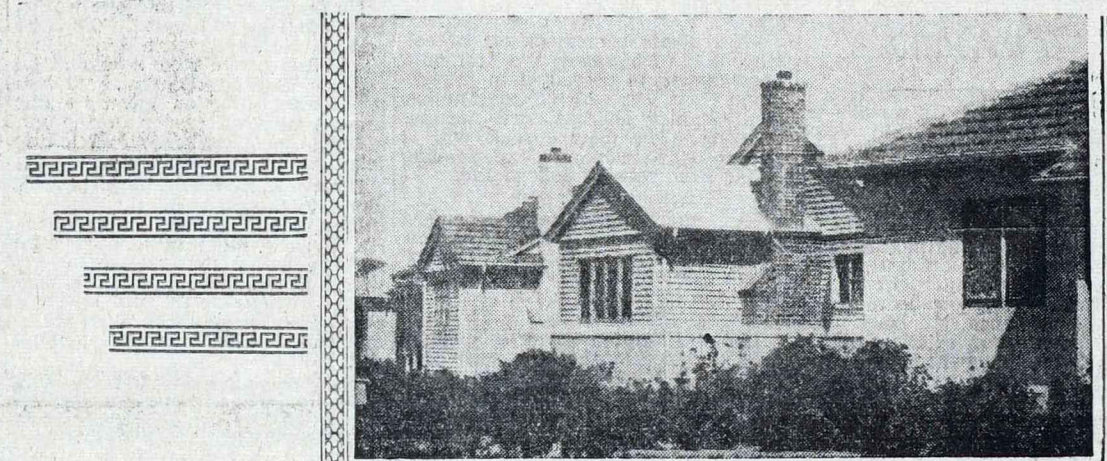
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A cast which includes Edward Everett Horton, Mischa Auer and Mary Boland appears in the film, "Little Tough Guys in Society," to-day's attraction at the Plaza Theatre, Napier. Some of the leading players are shown here as they appear in the picture.

The "Weaker Sex" WHEN FAINTING WAS FASHIONABLE

(By David Lipton for the "Daily Mail.")

One hundred and twenty-five years ago when it was the fashion for women to have "vapours," to take a pinch of snuff, to faint daintily at the sight of a mouse, and otherwise give every reason to be called the weaker sex, a woman created the most horrible monster in literature, and set the pattern for all future literary effort in which such creatures of horror were depicted.

In 1814, Mary Shelley's Frankenstein was living in Italy with her famous poet-husband, Percy Bysshe Shelley. She wrote the story called FRANKENSTEIN. With her husband, Lord Byron, and a friend, she was on a holiday in Switzerland when all four set themselves the task of writing a purely imaginative story of a monster, the more horrible the better. Mrs. Shelley's FRANKENSTEIN was the only one of the four to be completed, and it still lives to be the most gruesome piece of literature ever conceived.

Seventy-five years ago, 1854 to be exact, Florence Nightingale plunged herself body and soul into the thick of the four to be completed, and War setting a heroic nursing standard which has subsequently been followed by millions of her sex.

Mary Shelley and Florence Nightingale were modern in the sense that the word is applied to the women of the 20th century. To-day's women are popularly supposed to have emancipated themselves from horror at the sight of blood, a scurrying mouse, books or pictures which portray the gruesome and horrible. Superstition is also on the wane; yet still exists a Hollywood superstition that to portray one of the members of the Frankenstein family is fatal. Frederick Kerr and Colin Clive, who bore the name of Frankenstein in FRANKENSTEIN and THE BRIDE OF FRANKENSTEIN, are both dead.

Robert Kalloch... fashion creator at Hollywood studios, has announced that Edwardian coiffures are no longer being worn by the stars of the screen. In their place is coming a much simpler and just as effective version of the page boy bob.



The Metropolitan opera star, Hope Hampton, and Randolph Scott as they appear in the gay musical comedy, "The Road to Reno," to-day's attraction at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings.

Sahara Simoon

The zohbah-hah, the devil-wind of Egypt, started wherever caravans travel the desert, roars across the screen in all its cataclysmic terror in "Suez."

"Suez" is 20th Century-Fox's spectacular story of Ferdinand de Lesseps and the great canal which has become the jugular vein of the world. Research experts found that the Sahara simoon was perhaps the greatest physical obstacle in the 100-mile path of de Lesseps, and so Darryl F. Zanuck included it in the production.

Tyrone Power interprets the canal builder's role in the film, sharing starring honours with Loretta Young and Annabella.

Boys Eat Twelve Turkeys

Six members of Universal's rollicking band of young kid actors went on a vegetarian diet upon completion of their roles in Little Tough Guys "In Society," comedy drama with Mischa Auer, Mary Boland and Edward Everett Horton.

DELIGHTFUL FAMILY STORY

Janet Gaynor, Douglas Fairbanks, Jun., and Paulette Goddard make their debut as an exciting new screen trio in David O. Selznick's comedy-romance THE YOUNG IN HEART. Roland ("Topper") Young, Billie Burke, Henry Stephenson, Richard Carlson, romantic newcomer from the New York stage, and Minnie Dupree head the imposing supporting cast of this screen version of the I. A. R. Wylie "Saturday Evening Post" serial "The Gay Banditti."

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Death takes the stage in "The Last Warning," which presents popular Preston Foster in another starring role. It is a further film of the Crime Club series, and for excitement and thrills, it is the best so far produced. Universal have extended themselves on this film and it should be marked down on filmgoers' lists as "must."

Once again starring Charlie Ruggles in the role that made him famous—"the worm who turned"—"His Exciting Night," also brings to the screen the noted boxer Maxie Rosenbloom. A fast and furious pace is maintained throughout this farce which should appeal widely to filmgoers who like light entertainment.

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COMMENT ON THE FILMS

HASTINGS.

In recent months Mickey Rooney has proven to be one of the most popular of all young film players. His latest success is the splendid film "Stablemates," in which he appears with Wallace Beery. The story of the picture is well told by an excellent cast.

A cast which includes Merle Oberon, Gary Cooper, Patsy Kelly, Mabel Todd and Walter Brennan appears in the romantic comedy "The Cowboy and the Lady." Cooper and Miss Oberon are together for the first time in this most successful production.

A realistic comedy-drama of college life with music, the first of a new series, is presented in "Freshman Year," in which Dixie Dunbar and Stanley Hughes are leading players. The picture deals with a group of freshmen experiencing their first year of college life.

A sparkling, newly-organised screen team is presented in the new comedy-drama, "Blonde Cheat." Joan Fontaine and Derrick de Marney are in leading parts.

Hope Hampton gives a splendid performance in the Universal comedy "The Road to Reno," in which she appears with Randolph Scott. Their marital affairs provide many amusing situations in this film.

The candid camera system is revealed in the thrilling film "Exposed," which appears Glenda Farrell and Otto Kruger. Both sides of the situation are shown as the film tells how sensational news is reported through the camera.

NAPIER.

Featuring the famous "Dead End Kids" in a new type of role, "Little Tough Guys in Society," is an uproarious comedy of the wild escapades of six little hooligans who disturb the peaceful serenity of the Fifth Avenue social set. Edward Everett Horton, who is stated to be one of the most popular featured players in Hollywood, is at his best in this film which should appeal to both adults and youngsters alike.

Twentieth Century-Fox's "Suez" is a classic film which should not be missed. Tyrone Power and Loretta Young are again co-starring, only this time there is the famous Annabella to add appeal.

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Being Funny Is Not Easy

COMEDIANS' JOB NO SINECURE

The most indefatigable worker in Hollywood is Bob Hope, who never seems to have anything to do. He is constitutionally unable to function unless he is under extreme pressure, but outwardly he hasn't a care in the world. Right now the young comedian is shouldering a load that encompasses practically every branch of the entertainment business, yet you can usually find him at the golf course near his home.

Within the last three months he has worked in two pictures, appeared in a musical comedy revival, filled vaudeville dates, made radio appearances, and contracted for an air show of his own, written a play, written a scenario—and lost the club championship at the Lakeside links to Bing Crosby.

These varied tasks are doubly difficult because of advance preparation. A dramatic star simply rehearses a script written for him, then performs it on the air, the stage or the screen. Not so the comedian. Before Bob Hope can fill a radio guest appearance he must toil hours preparing his jokes, and woe to the guest star who comes in labelled as a comedian and then fails to be funny.

This responsibility weighs so heavily upon most comedians that they are in a constant state of nervous prostration. The fear that they may not be funny next time they appear gives them the horrors. This is one reason why comedians offstage are proverbially dour and sad.

Bob Hope, on the other hand, undertakes a record-breaking multiplicity of jobs and tosses worry out the back window. Right now he's with Shirley Ross in "Thanks for the Memory," their new Paramount comedy. Should he get an afternoon off, does he work on the script of his new radio programme, on the third act of his play, on the climax of his scenario? No! He plays golf.

No one knows when Hope works. He doesn't know himself. When he and his accomplices are thinking up gags, Bob has a fine time and he regards it as amusement. To him it is the same as when he sits around between scenes in the set, kidding the electricians and telling jokes to his fellow-players.

Hope unconsciously helps himself along by keeping in the thick of things. He is seldom, if ever, alone. He thrives on people and loves nothing better than to sit around with a group, tossing gags back and forth. In striving to "top" someone else's joke he gets himself a lot of material that he otherwise wouldn't get.

The comedian wasn't kidding when he gave out his famous collection of gags about houseguests. His place at Toluca Lake is filled with guests all the time. He said the place looks like a hotel lobby with windows, and that when the guests left they had eaten everything but the dog, even leaving teeth marks on the icebox door. He drained the swimming pool and found four guests who had been missing for days. One guest (Hope hasn't been introduced to him) wore Hope's clothes, complaining they didn't fit, and then brought in an appraiser with an eye to borrowing money on the furniture.

The houseguests, in fact, gave Bob a monumental gag for "Thanks for the Memory." In discussing his place, Hope says "I sure wish I had the hat check concession here."

COMEDIAN'S JOB NO SINECURE

THE SUN-TAN WAS SYNTHETIC

A scientifically acquired sun-tan will be worn by James Ellison in place of make-up in his starring role with Lucille Ball in RKO Radio's NEXT TIME I MARRY.

Accompanied by a make-up man, Ellison spent a regular number of hours in the sun each day for ten days prior to beginning work in the film. As an unemployed relief worker on an outdoor project, he is to have a deep tan, and Ellison is fair-skinned. Because much of the picture was to be shot on location, the make-up department believed a natural tan would be more practical than make-up.

This is the first time in his career that Ellison has worked without make-up.

SCREENS MEANEST MAN

"I am simply dying to meet you so I can slap your face!" That is the opening sentence of a farce set in the London underworld, which plays the "meanest man" roles in motion pictures. The rest of the letter was in the same vein. His frenzied feminine correspondent went on to give him a long perambulation of scolding for his machinations against the celluloid love life of her two favourite screen heroes and heroines. She wound up by saying that she was going back to see the picture a second time, so she could hate him all over again.

Rathbone, who plays the lead in Universal's "Son of Frankenstein," receives as much fan mail as the ascendant romantic stars, but with a difference. Instead of requests for autographs and proposals of marriage he gets requests for his scalp and proposals of mayhem. He courteously answers them all and saves the worst in a huge scrapbook as testimonials to his efficiency as a cinematic cad.



Beautiful Merle Oberon as she appears in "The Cowboy and the Lady," the attraction offered patrons of the State Theatre, Hastings, to-day. Male lead is taken by Gary Cooper.

Mundin's Death

HOLLYWOOD, March 7. Herbert Mundin, the 40-year-old English comedian who was killed in a motor-car accident near Hollywood, died peacefully.

The British United Services Club of Los Angeles is meeting the expenses of his interment in the British plot at Inglewood Cemetery purchased by the club for British ex-soldiers and dedicated as British soil.

Mundin's estranged wife, professionally known as the singing actress Ann Shaw, was unable to leave New York owing to the reported interruption of the aeroplane service through storms.

Mundin has no relatives at Hollywood, but the pall-bearers included Alan Mowbray, Ronald Colman, Herbert Marshall, the Earl of Warwick and Andre Charlot, in whose revues Mundin first succeeded on the London stage.

Recently Mundin had not been working and has been reduced to living in a parking place for motor trailers.

Recently, however, he was induced to take part in an old-time vaudeville show organised by Alan Mowbray for British United Services Club charities. Mundin gave a striking impersonation of George Robey, which resulted in an offer of firm work only an hour before he died.

MANAGERS ON PROMOTION

The announcement earlier this week that the managers of the State Theatres at Napier and Hastings—Messrs. J. A. Shriner and H. F. Pearson respectively—were to be transferred on promotion to Wellington theatres, came as a distinct surprise to picture patrons in both towns. The enterprise and ability of both managers has played its part in the successful establishment of their theatres in Hawke's Bay. With Mr. Shriner and Mr. Pearson will go the best wishes of all who knew them in Hawke's Bay, and their successors will be extended a welcome.

"Stage Coach"

Elvira Rios, Mexico's foremost concert singer and interpreter of native folk songs has been added to the cast now making Walter Wanger's production STAGE COACH under John Ford's direction. Miss Rios plays the part of Yakeema, wife of a frontier stage-coach relay station keeper. Miss Rios has won fame with her rich voice and her interpretation of Mexican history and song. This is her first trip outside Mexico.

According to the nationwide motion picture poll held in the spring of 1938 Rathbone's name led all the others in the voting for head villain. He garnered 37% of the total vote, running lengths ahead of his nearest competitor, Edward G. Robinson. One of his fellow male-actors in SON OF FRANKENSTEIN, STEIN, Boris Karloff, specialist in film monsters, mummies and ghouls, was well up in the final standing, finishing fourth. But even Karloff's fourth was far behind Rathbone, with only 7% of the ballots. Bela ("Dracula") Lugosi, was not a nominee in the election.

Even if he had been a candidate, it is doubtful that Lugosi, in spite of his international fame as a motion picture vampire, could have given Basil much of a battle. Rathbone has done too much major league sneering and scheming for any one contestant to match. He has played virtually all the great historic, literary and legendary villains, including Pontius Pilate in THE LAST DAYS OF POMPEII, Tybalt in ROMEO AND JULIET, and the Marquis Evremonde in A TALE OF TWO CITIES.

Yet before he began his life of villainy in Hollywood, Rathbone was definitely on the side of the angels. His stage work consisted in playing great lovers with special attention to Romeo. Lugosi had the same experience of becoming a bouncer after being a romantic star and playing Romeo on the Hungarian stage. Only Karloff has been a villain since his debut.

Virginia Weidler... who already has one pet twice as large as herself has acquired another, Rex, a towering Great Dane, to be added to "Princess." Carroll will retain the ships and operate them on a rental basis.

Chill Of Death

Night, the air laden with the chill of death; a girl, wanted for murder, sits nervously in her roadster on the front end of a San Francisco ferry; a police car is driven on to the boat, and two officials alight to peer into every car; without a moment's hesitation, the girl drives crazily into the water—and the darkness; the swirling fog silently covers the splash. This is one of the first thrilling scenes in TRADE WINDS, Walter Wanger's adventure romance with Fredric March and Joan Bennett in the starring roles. The girl who seizes this daring chance of escape is Miss Bennett herself. A few days later the San Francisco police are notified that she has pawned a ring in Honolulu. Thus begins a chase that extends halfway round the world, with March, debonair private detective with an inordinate fondness for beautiful girls, in close pursuit of the fugitive. Another exciting romance is contributed by Ralph Bellamy and Ann Sothern, who also do their sleuthing on the run. TRADE WINDS was directed by Tay Garnett and is released by United Artists.

ACTORS ARE EVERYWHERE? POTENTIAL STARS ARE LEGION

The bulk of the world's acting population lives neither in Hollywood nor in Elstree. They live in almost every city and hamlet in every part of the universe. Their names have never been in lights, they have never faced cameras or audience and they may never have seen Claudette Colbert or heard of Helen Hayes. Yet in the true sense of the word they are actors and actresses, and potentially great.

Isa Miranda has a flair for authoring unorthodox statements. The Italian beauty, who is making her Hollywood screen debut in Paramount's HOTEL IMPERIAL, startled interviewers a little time ago by observing that glamour is a product of nature, and cannot be developed by beauty specialists, hair-dressers and all the finery in Hollywood. With the same simple candour, she explains why she believes that she and her colleagues have no monopoly on the mart of make-believe and that potential stars can be found everywhere.

"A woman who feels in her heart the urge to act is truly an actress," she says. "It is as simple as that, but it must be an honest urge, an ambition born of itself, and not artificially planted or falsely encouraged. If the urge is innate and honest, she is truly an actress, whether she has had training or not. There doubtless are a million women who already are actresses."

This does not mean that training and experience is unnecessary or unimportant. It does not mean that a movie-struck shop girl could be handed Miss Miranda's script in HOTEL IMPERIAL, and be expected to register a "hit." All the pretty European star means is that such a girl would have the rudiments to become a recognised actress, possibly even a star.

Miss Miranda believes this from her own experience. Born in Northern Italy, she came of no theatrical family. In girlhood, she didn't know what she wanted to make of her life. So she left it to fate. "Then one day, an inspiration struck me," she recalled. "I decided to become an actress. So I became one."

The going was not easy, but she persisted until she became one of Europe's most popular stars. To Miss Miranda, experiences are highly important to a successful career. Tragedy, romance, hardship, gaiety in life are the alloys she believes are important to temper raw talent. The ability to draw on these experiences for a desired emotional effect, coupled with honest ambition, make the star, in her opinion.



Tyrone Power and Loretta Young head a large cast in "Suez," the film which is to be presented at the State Theatre, Napier, to-day. The story of the production deals with the construction of the Suez Canal.

CURRENT PRODUCTIONS AT THE THEATRE

NAPIER.

State Theatre— Now showing to Thursday: SUEZ (Tyrone Power, Loretta Young, Annabella).

Plaza Theatre— Now showing: LITTLE TOUGH GUYS IN SOCIETY ("Dead End Kids," Mischa Auer, Edward Everett Horton, Mary Boland, and Jackie Searle).

Mayfair Theatre— Now showing to Monday: THE LAST WARNING (Preston Foster, Frank Jenks, Kay Linaker, and E. C. Clive); HIS EXCITING NIGHT (Charlie Ruggles, Ona Munson, Maxie Rosenbloom, and Stepin Fetchit). Tuesday to Thursday: THE GIRL FROM SCOTLAND YARD (Karen Morley, Robert Baldwin, Eduardo Ciannelli); MOUNTAIN MUSIC (Bob Burns, Martha Raye, John Howard, Terry Walker).

HASTINGS.

Regent Theatre— Now showing to Thursday: STABLEMATES (Mickey Rooney, Wallace Beery).

State Theatre— Now showing to Tuesday: COWBOY AND THE LADY (Gary Cooper, Merle Oberon).

Wednesday to Thursday: THE AFFAIRS OF ANNABEL (Jack Oakie, Lucille Ball); and ARIZONA LEGION. Commencing Friday: SUEZ (Annabella, Tyrone Power, Loretta Young).

Cosy Theatre— Now showing to Tuesday: ROAD TO RENO (Randolph Scott, Hope Hampton); and PIRATE OF THE SKIES. Wednesday and Thursday: EXPOSED (Glenda Farrell, Otto Kruger).

Municipal Theatre— Now showing to Monday: BLONDE CHEAT (Joan Fontaine, Cecil Kellaway); and FRESHMAN YEAR. Tuesday to Thursday: GIRLS' DORMITORY and IT HAPPENED OUT WEST.

VISITING HORSES TOOK ALL THE "PLUMS"

Dainty Sue Impressive

NOTES ON THE FORM ON THURSDAY

The Ring Is Stoutly Bred

(By MOTUROA).

Visiting horses made practically a clean sweep of the programme at Hastings on Thursday, taking all the "plums" in the five races they won out of the seven on the card. As well, they secured five minor placings and won £1065 of the £1490 offered in stakes for the day.

It was a bad day for Hastings and Greenmeadows stables, but the success for outside horses must eventually prove a good thing for racing in this district, as it will tend to bring those winning owners, as well as others, back to future meetings in the district.

The visitors were simply too good for the local representatives. Dainty Sue won the Hawke's Bay Cup like a really high class mare, finishing too solidly over the last quarter of a mile for any excuses to be offered for the beaten division, while Aureus was brilliant enough to make the most of her opportunities to win the Havelock Flying.

Small Boy and Hanover had no opposition in the hurdles events, the local hopes going out of the contest early, while Lutanist decisively accounted for the two-year-olds. In the hack middle-distance race Tom Tom gave nothing else a look in from the bottom of the straight, and left the impression that the best has not been seen of her.

UNFORTUNATE features of the day's racing were the straggle in several events and the low standard of riding. In this latter department the apprentice riders had a day off and few of the indentured boys escaped criticism—some efforts being very disappointing.

Experience is a great thing and confidence is an essential, therefore one is left convinced that more races solely for apprentices should be held.

Indeed, it would be a good thing for racing if the Racing Conference directed that one race on every programme throughout the country was to be confined to apprentice riders.

Consistent. NOTHING has raced more consistently this year than Dainty Sue, whose next race will be the Feilding Cup on Easter Saturday.

The Drake mare started off the New Year by running second to Red Sand in the Eltham High-weight at Stratford, being considered very unlucky to be caught on the post. On the second day she won the Malone Memorial just as she liked, this being her first win in open company.

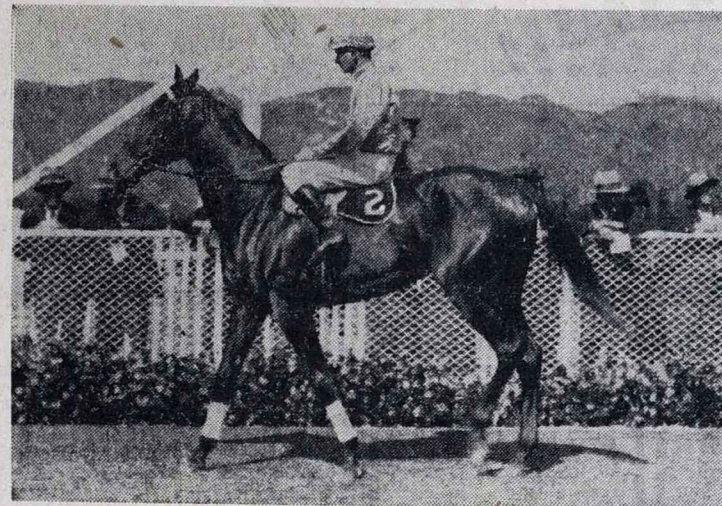
Dainty Sue was not asked to race again until the beginning of last month, when she ran Peerless to a neck in the Rangitikei Cup, the Oaks winner having the advantage of more recent racing.

In her next start Dainty Sue covered a lot of unnecessary ground the first day at the Manawatu meeting and ran third to Galtee-more. That race improved her out of all knowledge and she carried off the most important prize of her career on Thursday in a manner which leaves no doubt that there will be more important handicap successes for her before she is put to jumping, which is a feature of her family.

Mr. S. A. "Rawdon" bred the mare in Victoria and she was purchased by Mr. C. Boyle as a yearling for 120 guineas.

HANOVER'S defeat at the hands of Small Boy at Hastings on Thursday should not detract from his prospects in the Mangere Steeplechase at Ellerslie on Easter Saturday, and that race appears to be well within the compass of "Doc" Knapp's charge.

Hanover is a faultless jumper and gained lengths at every hurdle



CORONATION was one of those badly left in the Hawke's Bay Cup. He may show up to better advantage to-day.

AUCKLAND EASTER MEETING

THE ACCEPTORS

Hawke's Bay Horses In Most Events

By Telegraph-Press Association. AUCKLAND, March 31. The following are the acceptors for the first day of the Auckland Racing Club's Easter meeting, at which win and place betting will be used—

Table listing horse names and jockeys for the Auckland Easter Meeting, including President's Handicap, G.N. Oaks, and various other races.

First Gold Money 8.10, Gay Opal 8.10, Homily 8.10, Kaitiaki 8.10, Maxim 8.10, Peerless 8.10, Silver Quex 8.10, Spinning Wheel 8.10, Sudan 8.10, Waldene 8.10.

Table listing horse names and jockeys for the Auckland Easter Meeting, including Electric, Full of Scotch, and other races.

Table listing horse names and jockeys for the Auckland Easter Meeting, including Round Up, Langanell, and other races.

DEFAULTER'S FIRST OUTING

DEFAULTER, the New Zealand champion colt, is to make his Australian debut in the £650 Chipping Norton Plate, at Warwick Farm to-day. A winner at his last eight starts, his interest will be taken in his form to-day.

prior to his race on Thursday, is engaged in the Easter Handicap at the Wairarapa meeting on Saturday next and, with 7.10, he looks as if he will be a very hard horse to beat.

Yours Truly is a good looking colt by Siegfried from the Great Northern Oaks and C.J.C. Metropolitan winner My Own, dam of the top-priced colt at the National Yearling Sales in January last.

My Own, like Yours Truly, was bred by Mr. J. S. McLeod, and is by Lord Quex from the Great Northern Oaks winner Tressida, dam of the Derby winner Rintymede, and those good performers Raasya, Ganymede, Happy Landing and Simba.

Bred at Okawa. AUREUS, winner of the Havelock Flying Handicap on Thursday, was bred at Okawa and was purchased by the Palmerston North sportsman, Mr. Maurice Millar, at the 1936 Sales for 250 gns.

Following her good effort at Awapuni last week her early return to the winning was not unexpected, though it was considered by the majority that she would be all the better for another race. However, she won well and her victory enhances her prospects in the Mangere Handicap at Feilding next week. She won this race last year.

Aureus is by King John horse Gascony from Aureate, by All Black from Aurarius, by Maltster from Aurous, by Wallace from Aura, the dame of the Melbourne Cup winner Auraria.

Aureate, who won the Dannevirke Cup and Handicap, was full-sister to the peerless Desert Gold, and to that good racehorse and sire, Nigger Minstrel.

Real Stayer. TOM TOM has taken a little while to come right, but she has made wonderful progress during the short time she has been in the care of L. G. Morris, at Awapuni. Her success in the Heretaunga Handicap on Thursday was most impressive and more important wins should come her way before the season is over.

There were a number of good races credited to this half-sister to Catalogue last season, but she showed no early pace at all in her races until the recent Manawatu meeting, when she was beaten only in the last half furlong by the more seasoned Cuisinier. Even though she was not too well placed early on Thursday, her newly found speed

enabled her to run up to a handy position coming into the straight. Tom Tom impresses as being a real stayer and, now that she has opened her winning account, there should be more in store for her. She is engaged at the Feilding meeting and the mile and a quarter Orouta Hack Cup on Easter Monday is a race which should suit her nicely.

The weights for the Waipukurau Racing Club's autumn meeting on Easter Monday, are due to make their appearance on Monday.

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Form Is Well Disclosed For Concluding Day Of The Hawke's Bay Meeting

Prospects Bright For To-day's Racing At Hastings

Fields Are Even

Several Newcomers May Trouble The Form Horses

(By MOTUROA)

All roads will lead to the Hastings racecourse to-day, when the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's autumn meeting will be concluded, and prospects are bright for the meeting. Fine weather is assured and the fields are well balanced, promising keen and interesting racing.

Thursday's form will have to be taken into account by patrons, for there were several decisive winners, but the situation will be made more interesting by the inclusion of several fresh horses whose recent form warrants their consideration.

Single pool betting will be used, and the programme opens with the—

KARAMU HURDLES HANDICAP, Of £150; about 11 miles. Small Boy 11 5 Str Nigel 9 0 R Rufus 10 5 Parry 9 0 Lutanist 9 11

Small Boy has a lot yet to learn about jumping, but he should be all the better for his experience on Thursday. Red Rufus did not impress last week at Awapuni. Lutanist had two races over hurdles at Trentham in July, but did not impress, though he is a good type for the game and his recent Trentham form indicated that he was at the top of his form. Sir Nigel and Parry would need to improve, but Parry should be all the better for his experience. However, the bulk of the money is likely to be for

SMALL BOY LUTANIST

1.15—TOMOANA ELECTRIC HANDICAP, Of £130; 6 furlongs. The Ring 9 0 Penny 8 7 Farthing 8 1 Rufay 8 7 Eola 8 1 Arabie 8 1 Po Atarau 8 1 Kalika 8 1

The Ring won so convincingly on Thursday that her extra weight will not trouble her. She will be suited by the extra distance to-day. Colin should stay on better than De-fray, but Arabie went well enough to suggest possibilities. Kalika may do better for a stronger rider. However, it is hard to go past

THE RING COLIN

2.0—TWYFORD HANDICAP, Of £130; 4 furlongs. Boldstep 9 0 Lindrum 7 9 Royal Spades 8 4 Quillp 7 8 Screen Lord 8 3 Mimley 7 7 Halley 8 2 Imogen 7 7 Blonde 8 1 Selassie 7 7 Princess 8 0 Tycoon 7 7 Lucullus Boy 7 12 Young Song 7 7

Boldstep had anything but the best of matters on Thursday. He drew the outside of the field and was never closer in than four or five horses. And, as he is a hardy sort, the race will improve him. Royal Spades finished from the clouds to

HIS FORM IS GOOD

ARTHUR LORD, the popular Hawke's Bay horseman, has never been riding in better form than at present. In his last five mounts over the battens he has scored wins on Queen's Dream, Sunee and Small Boy, and second on the first two mentioned. He will be on Small Boy again to-day.

win the first day, and he may be on the upgrade, but Screen Lord appeals as being a much more solid type.

Halley and Blonde Princess would have to improve a lot, but Lucullus Boy, having his first race since the spring, was right up at the finish. That race may knock him back a little, but if it improves him at all he stands out as a wonderful betting proposition for there is no doubt he is more than useful.

Quillp ran a really good race yesterday, while Mimicy showed some pace. The outing might improve Imogen, and Halie Selassie's best form would stand him a chance. However, form points to

LUCULLUS BOY SCREEN LORD

2.45—HASTINGS HANDICAP, Of £300; 11 miles. Siegmund 8 6 Penny 7 12 Comequick 7 0 Taitoru 7 10 Gay Milmie 7 0 Fursting Cat 7 0 Fossicker 7 0 Coronation 7 0 Granvale 7 0

Siegmund was badly left on Thursday and then ran a good race to get up to the leaders half a mile from home. This big gelding is good when he is right. Big Dook will be better with the good horses out of the road. He showed up a quarter of a mile from home the first day.

Taitoru and Hunting Cat do not appeal on their recent form and Coronation, Pennycomequick and Granvale should be the pick of the light-weight. All going well, the issue should be fought out by

SIEGMUND BIG DOOK

3.30—JUVENILE HANDICAP, Of £150; 5 1/2 furlongs. Nora Gregor 9 12 Regale 7 0 Endorsement 9 1 Tidal Lass 7 0 Lord Midas 7 6 City Song 7 0 Charles 7 6 Hinerangi 7 0 Edward 7 2 Romano 7 0

Nora Gregor has a huge weight, but she should win here if she is to warrant a trip to Ellerslie for the Champagne Stakes. Unlucky in the running on Thursday, Endorsement is sure to improve on her first day's effort, while Lord Midas is worth considering. Regale is a smart galloper and so

TOOK A SPECTACULAR FALL.—Parry may find jumping easier than falling to-day at Hastings.

is City Song, while Tidal Lass might improve on her fifth on Thursday. However, the palm is handed to

NORA GREGOR ENDORSEMENT

1.15—AKITIO HANDICAP, Of £130; 11 miles. Mataroa 9 5 Classical 7 7 Red Witch 8 9 Solitec 7 7 Minnow 8 4 Rob and Flow 7 7 Hamarin 8 4 Raana 7 7 Opho 8 0 Elados 7 7 Hunting Mint 7 10 Elettra 7 7 Birkology 7 9 Reay Bridge 7 7

Mataroa always races generously, but he will find it hard to concede 10lbs. to Red Witch, who was unlucky at Awapuni last week and finished fourth on Thursday after running off the course coming into the straight. She is evidently hard in the mouth and a stronger horseman may keep her on the track to-day.

Minnow would need to improve a lot, but Opho is a genuine sort. He ran a game race the first day. Birkology finished last into third place behind Sudan and Red Witch at Awapuni and is back to his best, while Classical is a good stayer. She should be the pick of the division on the minimum, though Elettra may be surprise packet.

This should be one of the best races of the meeting, and the final summing up may be in favour of

RED WITCH BIRKOLGY OPHO

The meeting concludes with the

5.0—OKAWA HANDICAP, Of £225; 6 furlongs. Black Thread 9 0 Rakahanga 8 0 Peter 8 5 Buster Brown 7 5 Beckford 8 4 Golden Blonde 7 4 Kaitiaki 8 4 Omarene 7 0 Taitoru 8 1 Solaria 7 0

Black Thread will be all the better for his race the first day, but Kaitiaki should again finish in front of him. She was very unlucky on Thursday.

Rakahanga raced well at both Trentham and Awapuni with the luck against her both meetings, while old Buster Brown can always be depended upon for a solid effort. Golden Blonde might improve, but the issue appears to lie between

KATHBELLA RAKAHANGA

WESTPORT FIELDS REVIEWED

A Chance For Pladie To-day

(By MOTUROA).

Single pool betting will be used at the Westport meeting to-day, at which the following promise to find favour:—

Trial Handicap: Aggravate, Comus.

Adamson Memorial: Shangri-la, Rebel Queen.

Buller Trot: Worthy Scot, Baron Silk.

Morley Handicap: Pladie, Golden Dart.

Scanlon Handicap: Golden Dart.

Granity Trot: Janet Gaynor, Worthy Scot.

Electric Handicap: Bon Tray, Arrowrose.

Karamea Handicap: Nolana, Capital.

The acceptors are:—

TRIAL HACK HANDICAP, Of £75; 6 furlongs. Bonnie Agnes 9 0 Real Lady 7 9 Aggravate 8 4 Gay Spear 7 7 La Plata 8 1 Middle Watch 7 7 Comus 7 12 Lord Hawk 7 7 ADAMS MEMORIAL HACK HANDICAP, Of £85; 1 mile. Rebel Queen 9 0 Pol Roger 7 7 Comus 7 10 Amoretto 7 7 Shangri La 7 9 Lord Hawk 7 7 Gay Spear 7 7

BULLER HANDICAP TROT, Of £85; 2 1/2 class; 1 mile. Baron Silk scr Silk Attire 12 Great Ayora scr Balacava 24 Red Worthy scr High Noon 24 Worthy Scot scr Tarn 35 John Worthy 12 Atarau Queen 48

MORLEY HANDICAP, Of £140; 1 mile. Mishna 8 12 Rebel Queen 7 5 Pladie 8 3 Windward 7 0 Golden Dart 8 3

SCANLON HANDICAP, Of £100; 7 furlongs. Golden Dart 8 5 Pontic Agnes 8 1 Palmyna 8 4 Bonnie Agnes 7 6

GRANITY HANDICAP TROT, Of £85; 3/4 class; 1 1/2 miles. Balacava scr Tarn 24 Baron Silk scr Atarau Queen 36 High Noon scr Janet Gaynor 60 Red Worthy scr Red Glow 60 Worthy Scot scr

ELECTRIC HANDICAP, Of £85; 5 furlongs. Arrowrose 9 2 Lisnacree 7 7 Bon Tray 8 0 Passenger 7 7 Capital 7 12 Rebel Rank 7 7 Real Lady 7 7 Gemara 7 7

KARAMEA HANDICAP, Of £85; 6 furlongs. Fladie 9 5 Windward 7 7 Potent 8 13 Skyrena 7 7 Nolana 8 3 Passenger 7 7 Capital 7 10 Gemara 7 7

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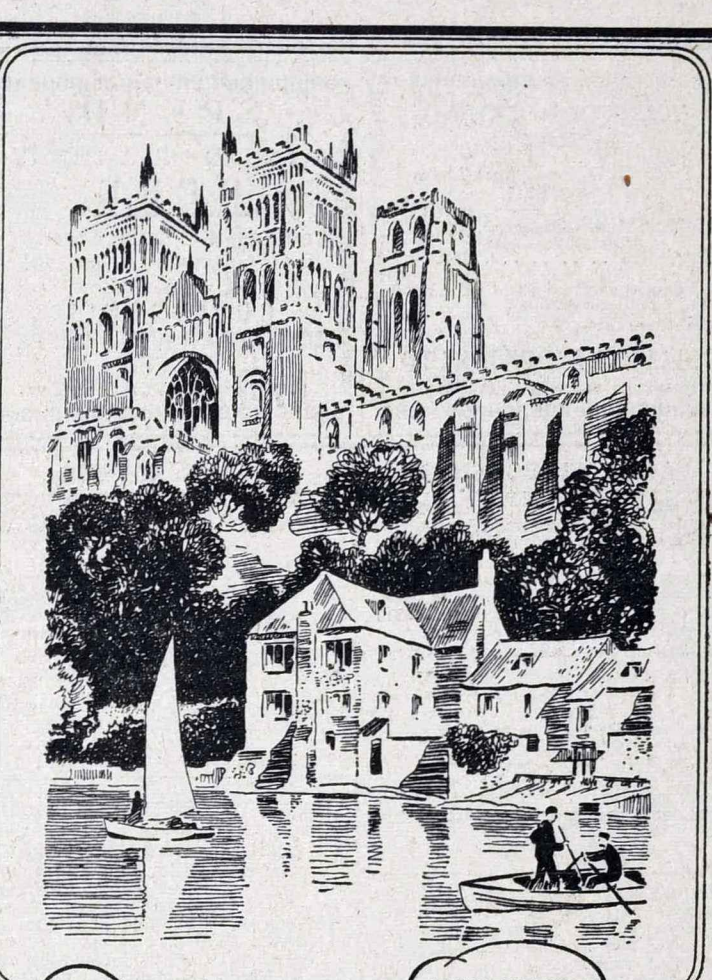
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PUBLIC NOTICES THE LAW SOCIETY OF THE DISTRICT OF HAWKE'S BAY. EASTER VACATION, 1939. THE OFFICES OF SOLICITORS in this District will be closed from Good Friday, April 7, to Low Sunday, 16th, idem in accordance with the HENRY de DENNE, Secretary.

SITUATIONS VACANT WANTED: A Porter. Apply Crown Hotel, Port Ahuriri. WANTED: A Youth about 16 or 17 years for Bakery. Wages 30/- Apply Wilson's Bakery, Hastings. WANTED: Girl to help with household work in small home. Phone 6417, Hastings.

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DEATHS DEACON—At the Public Hospital, Waikato, on March 30, 1939, Allan Frederick Deacon, second son of Mr and Mrs S. C. Deacon. Aged 15 years 9 months. The funeral will leave St. Paul's Anglican Church at 2 o'clock to-day, April 1, for the Waikato Cemetery.

HAWEKES BAY ELECTRIC POWER BOARD. SHUT-DOWN. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Power will be cut off from Mid-night on SATURDAY, April 1, 1939, to 2 a.m. on SUNDAY, April 2, 1939, in the whole of the board's area except the central area of the Borough of Hastings and the area near the Hastings Memorial Hospital.

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DEATHS WILLIAMS—At his residence, 804 Willow Park Road North, on March 31, 1939, Frederick, beloved husband of Elizabeth Williams. Aged 86 years. The funeral will leave his late residence at 1.30 p.m., Sunday, for the Hastings Cemetery.

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