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## Hitler Hoping To Join Allies Against Soviet

### A NEW PEACE OFFENSIVE PREDICTED

### Might Rearrange Czechoslovakia And Poland

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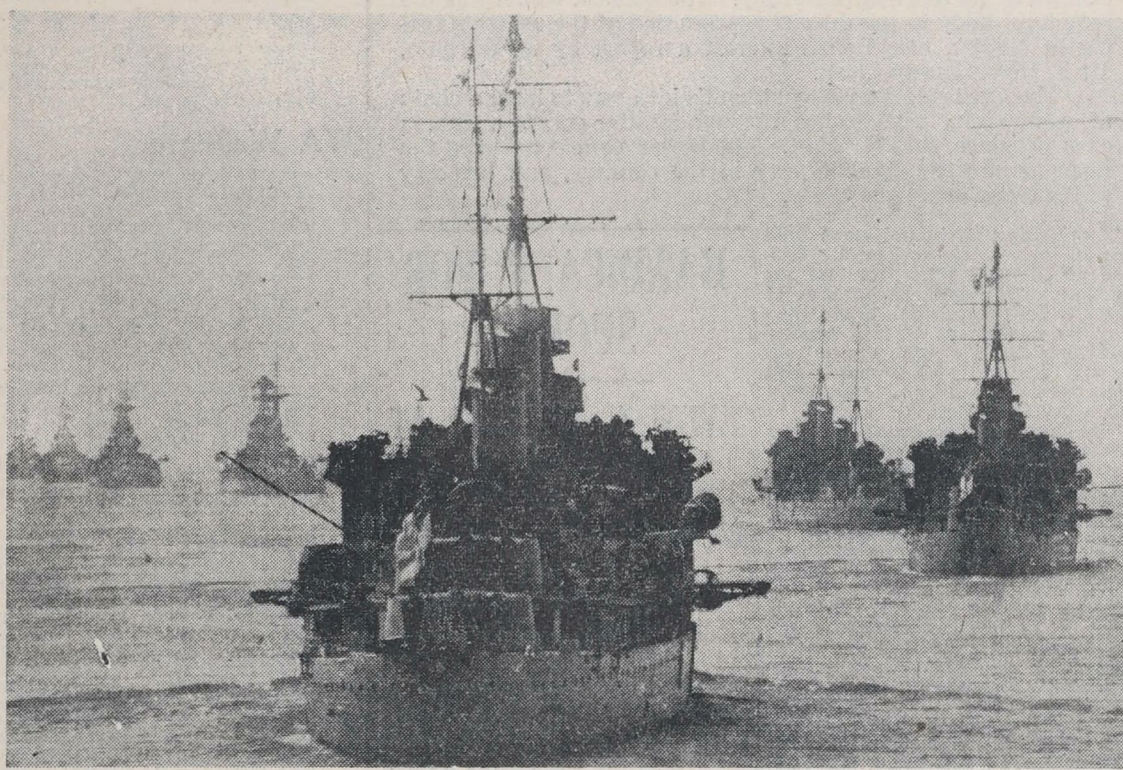
PARIS, Dec. 11.

"Germany will seek to launch another peace offensive during the League meeting," states "Le Journal," which publishes "with reserve" a report that Hitler is prepared to reconstitute Czechoslovakia without Sudetenland and restore Poland in districts exclusively occupied by Poles; White Ruthenia and East Galicia would be buffer States, and a plebiscite would be held in Austria.

It is also suggested that he would ask the Allies to join the Nazis in an anti-Bolshevik crusade.

Other Paris newspapers warn their readers not to listen to suggestions that Hitler is less dangerous than Stalin, stating that Hitler's plan is to destroy Communism with the aid of the Allies and then destroy the Allies with the aid of Italy and Spain, whom he can later easily dominate. M. Daladier and Mr Chamberlain have seen through the manoeuvre.

Most commentators agree that the League can do little to stop Russia and Germany.



THE MIGHT OF BRITISH SEA-POWER.—The 2nd British cruiser Squadron, led by H.M.S. Sheffield, H.M.S. Glasgow and H.M.S. Southampton during recent manoeuvres.

## WARMEST WELCOME EXTENDED

### FRENCH GREETING TO BRITISH TROOPS

#### Stirring Order Issued To Men In Maginot Line

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The arrival of British troops in the Maginot Line has been a well-kept secret, but when the news of their establishment was released it spread like wildfire. French civilians and soldiers alike turned out and gave a most enthusiastic reception. The honour of being the first British soldiers to contact the Germans was given to certain regiments of the line, including men from the North and the Midlands.

The British sector consists of undulating farmlands dotted with dense pinewoods. No Man's Land is fairly wide. Patrols are ceaselessly active exchanging shots with German infantrymen. When the King visited the Line the commanding officer showed him the first Order of the Day issued to British front line troops, reading:—"You have been chosen to go into action. We shall be in the closest touch with our allies, who have extended the warmest of welcomes. A unique honour has been conferred on you. The opportunity is yours to maintain and enhance the glorious traditions inscribed on your colours. Be vigilant, be cool, and fire low to the last man, the last round, and a bit more. Not only the eyes of your country are upon you, but those of our allies and the whole Empire. With justice on our side, the watchwords will be: "On ne passe pas (they shall not pass). On les aura (we shall win)."

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### HIS MAJESTY INSPECTS SOLDIERS AND GOES TO VANTAGE POINT OVERLOOKING THE NAZI LINES

British Official Wireless. (Received December 11, 9.45 p.m.) RUGBY, Dec. 10.

Having spent Friday with the Royal Air Force, his Majesty, accompanied by General Georges, visited a section of the Maginot Line, where he was met by a guard formed of British troops who a few hours earlier had been on duty in the front line. It was in connection with his Majesty's visit that it is revealed that British troops have taken over a section of the Maginot Line previously held by the French. The presence of these British forces has been a well-kept secret, for they already had been in the line some days and had been engaged in patrolling No Man's Land, which work is carried out mostly after darkness.

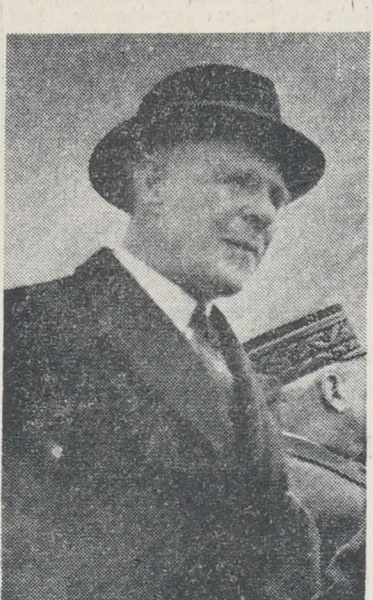
As at present constituted, No Man's Land consists of a wide space of country dotted with deserted farms, hamlets, woods, and stretches of open country. Although this is continually patrolled by both sides, close action is called for only when two opposing forces meet unexpectedly. So far the British forces have suffered no losses whatever.

His Majesty was one of the first visitors to the British sector, in which he went to a vantage point looking over the German lines and into the country beyond. This point was no great distance from the German positions and his Majesty went even closer to the enemy lines when he went on to inspect posts held by British units.

The King also visited one of the largest forts in the Maginot Line, where, in the presence of a guard of honour of two French companies and one British, he conferred decorations on a French cavalry captain and a French pilot. The King witnessed the conferring of a decoration by Marshal Gamelin on Pilot-sergeant Phillips, who received the Croix de Guerre.

Pilot-sergeant Phillips was badly wounded but remained in his machine until the last moment to avoid crashing in a French village, after which he parachuted.

The King later inspected a battery of heavy French artillery and saw a parade of famous French



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units, including an Algerian regiment of Spahis. His Majesty took up quarters in the special locality often used by Marshal Gamelin.

The King was accompanied throughout his tour by the British Commander-in-Chief (Viscount Gort) and the Duke of Gloucester. His Majesty the King crossed the Channel from France yesterday in a destroyer and landed at a south coast port. There was little ceremony.

He then motored to the Palace, where he immediately began to overtake arrears of State papers. Throughout his absence, the King wrote to the Queen every day, dispatching his letter by King's Messenger.

## GRADUATES FROM DUNTRON

### THE DOMINION LIST ANNOUNCED

#### STAFF POSTS May Join Expeditionary Forces

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Fourteen New Zealand cadets at Duntrou Royal Military College obtained diplomas at the annual graduation ceremony to-day. At the presentation the Governor (Lord Gowrie) announced that some New Zealanders and Australians would be appointed to the staff corps of the expeditionary forces from their respective Dominions. The list of 71 graduates constitutes a record for one year. New Zealand graduates are as follows: R. Bay, R. Paterson, D. Dubletton, L. Kermodie, A. Mollineaux, B. Boulton, D. Powrie, J. Pountney, E. Maxwell, C. Nathan, W. Norkison, F. Mowha, L. Cross, D. Harrowell.

### FINLAND ASKS FOR ARMS

#### Geneva Campaign "ADVANCE GUARD OF CIVILISATION"

#### Facing Enemy Alone

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The Scandinavian delegates to the League of Nations are campaigning for a resolution asking all States who are members to send arms to Finland.

Finland has officially appealed to the world for assistance to meet the Soviet invasion. The Speaker of the Diet (Parliament) on Saturday addressed a proclamation to all civilised nations declaring that Finland, as the advance guard of Western civilisation, had the right to expect active help from other civilised countries.

He added that Finland so far had been fighting alone for all that was sacred, but she did not believe that the civilised world which had already given testimony of its sympathy, would leave her to her fate and to face a more numerous enemy alone.

## Unanimity Unlikely At Geneva

### FUTURE OF THE SOVIET

#### Expulsion From League Might React Adversely

### SMALL STATES' FEARS

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The Geneva correspondent of "The Times" says: "A decision in the Russian-Finnish dispute is expected on Thursday. It is doubtful whether unanimity can be achieved for the expulsion of Russia. Britain and France would support expulsion if the sentiment were overwhelming in favour of such a step, but they realise that the consequences of expulsion would directly affect several States who are members."

The Geneva correspondent of the British United Press reports that the British delegate (Mr R. A. Butler), in an interview, said it would hardly be possible to expel Russia owing to the technical difficulties.

China has informed Britain and France that she will abstain from voting in the Russian-Finnish dispute, eliminating the possibility of unanimity if China is re-elected to the Council.

The "New York Times" correspondent at Geneva (Mr. P. J. Philip) says: "It seems that the views of the Soviet's neighbours—China, Turkey, Rumania and Scandinavia—have moderated the opinions of others regarding the advisability of the League expelling Russia. It is now being asked: 'What good would Russia's expulsion do Finland?' Would not the situation be adequately met if a strong motion of condemnation was voted, leaving the States to help Finland individually according to their own interests and desires?"

"The South American countries—New Zealand and some others are standing firm, insisting on exclusion on moral grounds, but it is doubtful if this view will find a majority in the Assembly. Everybody is agreed, however, that they should collectively condemn the Soviet in terms that leave Stalin no alternative but to give two years' notice."

A Buenos Aires message says that the Foreign Minister (Senor Jose Cantilo) has announced that Argentina is prepared to withdraw from the League in the event of the League failing to apply sanctions against Russia.

## BOMB FOUND ON NAZI REFUGEE VESSEL

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The Sierra Cordosa, carrying 1200 Germans repatriated from Latvia returned to port after the discovery of an incendiary bomb hidden in the cargo.

## PATROL ENCOUNTERS ON WESTERN FRONT

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The French official evening communiqué states: "There were patrol encounters at various points of the front."

## SOVIET ARMY ADVANCES

### CLAIMS MADE BY MOSCOW

### KARELIAN FRONT

#### Finnish Troops Prepare Defences

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The night communiqué on the Finnish situation claims advances in all directions of from three to four miles, including the occupation of Kuolojarvi, on the Karelian sector.

#### Tank Traps Built

The Associated Press of Great Britain's correspondent on the Karelian front says that the Finns are taking advantage of a lull in the fighting to dig in and complete tank traps and barbed-wire defences in anticipation of an intensification of the Russian onslaught on the Finnish front, which is still well ahead of the Mannerheim Line, the Finnish Maginot Line, and comprises an incredible maze of machine-gun nests and artillery emplacements. The Russian lines can be observed from the Finnish outposts.

The Finnish Intelligence Service expresses the opinion that a million Russians will shortly be available for an attack with the object of swamping the small Finnish force as soon as a hard freeze-up enables the movement of mechanised units.

The British United Press correspondent at Helsinki says that the Finns are also rushing up reinforcements to the northern and Lake Ladoga fronts. Refugee trains, lorries and carts are crammed with soldiers returning to the war zone immediately they are emptied. It has been discovered that women are fighting in the Russian ranks, in addition to piloting bombers.

#### Reinforcements Rushed

The London "Daily Telegraph's" correspondent at Helsinki says that, while indecisive but sanguinary attacks have occurred on the southern sectors, the Russians have continued to push on the 200-mile central sector, whose objective is Oulou, in the north of the Gulf of Bothnia, with the aim of cutting Finland into two. The Finns are rushing reinforcements to Oulou and thence to the front, where there is ten degrees centigrade of frost. The Russians also are rushing up reinforcements to meet strong Finnish counter-attacks.

A Finnish communiqué says that the Russian Taibela River attacks continue to be repulsed and that violent fighting has occurred on all fronts except Petsamo, in the extreme north. The Russians on Saturday bombed coastal islands. The Finnish Air Force destroyed a column of tanks and armoured cars.

#### Mustard Gas Used

The Finnish Government claims that 25,000 Russians were killed in the first week of the war. It says also that the Russians have used mustard-gas north of Lake Ladoga.

The correspondent of the Stockholm newspaper "Tidningen," writing from the Karelian Isthmus, says he saw burns on a Finnish soldier whom doctors certified to have been poisoned by mustard-gas on December 8.

London "Daily Telegraph's" Helsinki correspondent says that the Russians are using on several fronts shells containing chlorine and picric acid gas.

## LAWS VIOLATED BY ALIENS

### SWEATED LABOUR IN AUSTRALIA

### WARNING ISSUED

#### Factories Created In Homes

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The allegation was made at a conference of the Australian Native's Association at the week-end that many alien refugees are violating Australian factories and awards conditions, particularly in the clothing industry, by working at cut-throat rates for very long hours in flats and houses.

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## Honours Awarded By King

### BRAVERY IN THE AIR

#### Marshal Gamelin Given The G.C.B.

### FIELD DECORATIONS

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During his Majesty's surprise visit to the Royal Air Force he awarded the first decorations in the field. In the military division of the O.B.E. the recipients were: Flying Officer R. C. Gravelly, who rescued an observer from a burning plane; Sergeant F. H. Gardiner, who navigated a damaged bomber to its base and extinguished the wireless operator's burning clothes regardless of the fact that his own were aflame.

His Majesty invested Marshal Gamelin with the G.C.B. and General Georges, the French commander-in-chief, with the G.B.E. He also awarded the D.S.O. to a French cavalry officer and the D.S.M. to a French fighter pilot who assisted a British fighter to bring down an enemy plane.

His Majesty wore the blue uniform of a marshal in the R.A.F. during his four-hour inspection of bomber squadrons. It was bitterly cold with occasional sleet. Fighters and bombers circled over ceaselessly.

The French gathered in hundreds to cheer the King as he arrived at an unnamed village where the squadrons are billeted.

His Majesty met his former commanding officer, General Cranwell. The King donned gumbots and inspected the 'dromes. He received a bound volume of Siegfried Line photographs taken by British pilots.

### On the Frontier.

The visit to the German frontier occupied the whole of Saturday. Marshal Gamelin conducted him on an inspection of one of the largest Maginot Line forts. His Majesty visited a forward British observation post, where he surveyed the German positions for 20 minutes. Although the Allied group was visible to the enemy and within range of the guns, his Majesty did not wear a steel helmet.

It was a quiet day with an occasional boom of distant gunfire. He lunched in a Maginot Line fort hundreds of feet below the ground. His Majesty inspected a British unit and spoke to many personally. He expressed pleasure with their appearance and spirit.

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The story is one of the best known in the world, dealing with the miser Scrooge whose acts of harshness cause him to be visited by the ghosts of his dead partner and the three Christmas spirits. They show him his youth, the dire poverty with which he is surrounded in teeming London and the happy Christmas of Cratchit, his clerk, and his family. How the miser's heart is touched by the child, Tiny Tim, and the rest of the dramatic story of the book is all in the picture.

Over who plays Scrooge, is one of the foremost character actors of screen and stage, and was chosen for the part by Lionel Barrymore, who on doctor's orders had to relinquish the role. Players include Gene and Kathleen Lockhart as the Cratchits, Leo G. Carroll as Marley's Ghost, Lynne Carver and Barry Mackay as the romantic leads, Lionel Braham, Ann Rutherford, D'Arcy Corrigan and Ronald Sinclair.

The dramatic highlights include Scrooge's dismissal of his clerk on Christmas Eve; the Christmas celebration in the family of the clerk, from whom his dismissal is kept secret; the encounter of Scrooge with the ghost of his dead partner, who explains that the chains he wears were forged by his own unkindness on earth; Scrooge's visit back to his boyhood with the Spirit of Christmas Past; his flight over London with the Spirit of Christmas Present, and the grim moment when he sees his own forgotten grave in the future.

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SEARCH FOR NEW SEA ROUTES

American Hopes EMPIRE COUNTRIES PREFERRED Britain Approves United Press Association—Copyright, WASHINGTON, Dec. 3. President Roosevelt, speaking at a Press conference to-day, said he had discussed with Mr. J. P. Kennedy, United States Ambassador to London, the problem of diverting American shipping to non-European trade routes, particularly those abandoned by the belligerents between neutral ports.

The President said that plans that American ships should carry goods under the Anglo-American barter agreement had not gone as far as he had hoped. Mr. Kennedy, commenting on the problem, said he had also discussed with the President the question of diverting American ships to Australian and other Empire routes and the possibility of United States southern pine timber displacing Scandinavian timber, which was increasingly difficult for the belligerents to obtain.

He added that British officials with whom he had discussed the matter were in accord with his shipping ideas. Members of the Hawke's Bay branch of the Carpenters and Joiners Union are notified of a meeting to be held to-night at 8 p.m. in the Friendly Society Hall, Warren Street, Hastings.

For two breaches of his prohibition order, Gustav Albert Petersen was fined £1 on each charge by Mr. W. F. Stilwell, S.M., in the Napier Magistrate's Court yesterday morning. Costs in each instance were 10/-.

State LATEST WILL HAY COMEDY

"Hey! Hey! U.S.A." Is Hilarious

A new Will Hay film is always an eagerly anticipated event. This peerless comedian whose facial antics and irresistible wisecracks are always hailed with uproarious enthusiasm by filmgoers of every age and type, will be seen in his latest comedy, "Hey! Hey! U.S.A." now showing at the State Theatre, Napier.

Bringing to the screen that unique blend of simultaneous suspense and hilarity peculiar to a Will Hay film, "Hey! Hey! U.S.A." shows how this famous character starts out in the guise of a harmless hotel porter who is drugged, and awakes to find himself on board an American-bound liner. In an attempt to achieve his only possible salvation he is compelled to impersonate a distinguished professor of education, becoming a tutor to a spoiled American brat whose subsequent kidnapping provides the exciting central theme of the film.

With the action-packed sequences of the picture ranging in the background from the giant interior of a trans-Atlantic luxury liner to the bustling thoroughfares and sinister gangster quarters of Chicago, the star is aided and abetted in his madcap mirth-making by two famous American screen personalities—Edgar Kennedy, bald seven-stone comedian renowned for his "slow-burn" method of expressing rage—a brand of humour identified solely with him—and Tommy Bupp, a Hollywood juvenile actor.

He portrays the star's youthful charmer while Edgar Kennedy is seen as "stooge" to the gangsters who plan the child's abduction, the combined antics of this perfectly matched trio providing highlights of hilarity which set a new record in laughter scores.

The associate feature "A Romance in Flanders" features many of the rousing old war-time songs which were sung by the Tommies on the march in France. An exciting drama "A Romance in Flanders" reveals the twists of life 20 years after the Great War. Also screening the latest issue of "The March of Time."

Patrons are requested to note the advertised starting time of to-day's session.

Regent "SANDY" THE BABY STEALS HONOURS "East Side Of Heaven" Screening

"Sandy," the new infant player, steals the honours in the excellent film "East Side of Heaven," showing finally at the Regent Theatre, Napier, to-day. The story is fast-moving, and this is a film which must appeal to the most blasé picture-goer.

Prominent roles are filled by Joan Blondell, Mischa Auer and Bing Crosby. The part of a cruising troubadour is competently filled by Crosby, cast as a singing taxi-driver. Miss Blondell, cast as his sweetheart, is a telephone operator at a fashionable hotel. Mischa Auer is Crosby's unemployed room mate who has learned from the stars that he should not even look for work until 1942.

That is the background of the story, delightfully interpreted by a talented cast. "Sandy" is "deposited with Crosby by Irene Hervey" who takes this means of keeping the baby from her wealthy and hard-fisted father-in-law portrayed by C. Aubrey Smith. That is when the fun really starts—when Bing, Joan and Mischa try to take care of the youngster.

There is the music, four new lilted tunes. They are called "East Side of Heaven," "Sing a Song of Sunbeams," "That Sly Old Gentleman from Feathered Lane," and "Hang Your Heart on a Hickory Limb." Johnny Burke and Jani Monaco, two of America's favourite composers, wrote them. Crosby sings them in that style which is all his own. Furthermore, each song has a definite and natural place in the plot. Laugh, and beauty are features of the mystery comedy.

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## TOUR ABROAD DESCRIBED BY MR AND MRS H. HARVEY

Travellers Welcomed Home By Members Of The English Speaking Union

A very pleasant party was held in the English Speaking Union's rooms in Hastings yesterday afternoon by members of the union, to welcome home Mr and Mrs Hedley Harvey, who have recently returned from a trip abroad. Mrs de Castro, president of the branch, welcomed the two guests and called upon them to address the members.

Mr Harvey, who spoke first, said that through Mrs de Castro they had joined the English Speaking Union in England, and on arrival had booked in at Dartmouth House, the headquarters of the English Speaking Union. There they had met a New Zealand friend who took them up to London.

Mr and Mrs Harvey, having travelled via Java, arrived in England in the spring and found the countryside beautiful. They toured the whole of the British Isles. "We were fortunate," said Mr Harvey, "to be in time for the Chelsea Flower Show, which was beautiful—one of the finest flower shows in the world—the orchids in particular being really wonderful."

They also saw the Derby with a party of English Speaking Union members from Dartmouth House. They took moving pictures of it, and saw also the Trooping of the Colours, the Richmond Horse Show, and the Royal Centennial Agricultural and Animal Show, which was visited by the King and Queen. This was the first time 50 years that the King and Queen had attended the Show, the last Royal visit having been made by Queen Victoria.

Presented to Duke and Duchess of Kent.

Mr Harvey described a banquet in the Guildhall in London, which he had attended as a Hastings representative of the Chamber of Commerce. Many important people in the Empire were present, but the greatest event of the evening to the two travellers was their presentation to the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

In England they were often greeted by people from New Zealand, meeting one Hawke's Bay woman at the Chelsea Flower Show, and Mr H. M. Campbell in London. On the Strand they met Miss Ebbett, of Hastings, and also the daughters of Mr and Mrs H. W. C. Baird, Hastings.

One intensely interesting morning was spent in the House of Commons, where they heard Mr Lloyd George forcefully condemning Mr Chamberlain's policy. They heard Mr C. R. Attlee speak, and Mr Chamberlain reply in a voice that was calm and quiet in comparison with the forceful speakers of the Opposition. They listened to Mr Winston Churchill and Mr Anthony Eden on the Soviet Pact, and also Mr R. A. Butler and the Rt. Hon. L. Horne-Belisha, all in the course of the tour.

Extensive Tour of the Continent.

After a few weeks in London they went to the Continent, where they visited the Belgian battlefield. Mr Harvey compared the utter ruin he had known during the Great War with the present huge area in crops, from which they looked across to the New Zealand Memorial.

In Germany they journeyed down the Rhine to the Black Forest, finding the guides courteous, and the people happy and against war. Switzerland they thoroughly enjoyed, seeing the Zurich Exhibition. In Northern Italy, no one seemed to want war and all seemed to like the British.

Denmark, Norway and Sweden were visited, the speaker considering Copenhagen a rival city to compare with Paris. While in Paris they attended the night races. When war broke out they decided to return to New Zealand as soon as possible. They had booked on the Queen Mary, but, through the Bank of Australia, managed to get berths on a Cunard-White Star liner which sailed in October.

For the first night out they were escorted, but after that went on alone; everyone was full of anxiety. There were 1000 people on board. When they arrived in New York Mr and Mrs Harvey went to the English Speaking Union headquarters and saw Miss Briggs, the secretary, who showed them the shops, introducing them later to the general secretary, who took them to the World's Fair, where they saw the New Zealand and British Pavilions.

Recent Impressions of America.

From New York they went to Washington, where they saw the Senate in session and heard Senator Reynolds speak on the Neutrality Bill.

In America everyone, said Mr Harvey, queried Britain's reasons for entering the war, and could not realise that England was not fighting against Germany but against Dictatorships.

They met Mr Frank Tucker, vice-president of the Commonwealth Club in San Francisco, where they heard Clarence K. Streit, who appealed for a union of world democracies, at a luncheon which was attended by 500 people. Mr Streit said that if there were no tariff barriers, or barriers of any description, 90 per cent. of the democratic peoples of the world against 40 per cent. dictatorships.

During the talk afternoon tea was served, and at the close of Mr Harvey's address Mrs Harvey said how much she had enjoyed the party and how pleased they had been to meet the English Speaking Union people throughout England and America. It had been good, she said, to find a place where they would welcome them at each town.

First Visit Thoroughly Enjoyed.

It was her first visit, said Mrs Harvey, and she had loved the English country-side. She regretted that the war had cut short their trip to Scotland, and their planned visit to the North of Ireland.

What impressed Mrs Harvey most was the wild flowers in every country. Being naturally fond of flowers she was delighted with the wild spring blooms in England, also on the Continent and Switzerland, where she had found crocuses and mountain roses up in the Alps.

Mrs Harvey said they were entertained by Lady Elibank at her beautiful home in Sloane Square, London, and also by Lady Astor, at her home in St. James' Square.

At the conclusion of the talks Mr H. E. Grainger heartily thanked the two speakers for their interesting and vividly detailed talks.

Before the party closed Mrs T. H. Lowry said that she had had word that a supply of Red Cross parcels would be needed before Christmas. She reminded that there were three missions, one in Germany, one in Poland, and one in China, and that the only way to get through to prisoners of war was by means of the Red Cross. She urged everyone to do all that they could to help, no matter what the nationality.

Mr Grainger announced that on January 25, the Rev. Dr. Inkster, of Canada, would be in Hastings, and would attend a welcome at the Hawke's Bay Farmers' tea rooms. Among those present were: Mr and Mrs H. Harvey, Mr and Mrs H. E. Grainger, Mesdames A. de Castro (president), A. D. S. Whyte, T. F. Lowry, G. Rochfort, A. E. O'Meara, Mrs Nelson, F. Sutcliffe, Donald Robertson, K. Crompton, Christie, Moss, H. Baird, Wood, Frost, A. F. Glenny, R. H. Cole, W. McNair, Miss E. Pickett.

**Farewell Parcels For Hawke's Bay Soldiers**

**Flag Week Arranged In Hastings To Assist Patriotic Fund**

A meeting of women convened by Mrs. G. A. Maddison, Mayor of Hastings, for the purpose of finding volunteers for Flag Week, was held in the Borough Council Chambers yesterday afternoon. Representatives of many Hastings women's organisations were present and volunteers for Flag Week came forward.

The days will be Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On the first two days there will be a house-to-house sale of flags to assist the Patriotic Fund, and on Friday there will be a street sale. Everyone is urged to assist as far as possible.

A willing band of helpers also came forward when arrangements were made for the packing and tying up of farewell parcels to the Hawke's Bay men.

The following articles will compose one farewell parcel:—  
Two handkerchiefs  
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One tin barley sugar  
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One tooth brush  
One tube tooth paste  
One shaving stick  
One tin salt water soap.

Any persons wishing to contribute such a parcel or some of the articles in the parcel should address them to the Patriotic Fund, care the Borough Council of their own town.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. T. H. Lowry is holding a meeting in the Community Club rooms, Hastings, for the purpose of collecting and making up some of these parcels. These will go through the Red Cross Society.

**INTERESTING TALK ON GARDENING**

**Final Meeting**

**W.D.F.U. BRANCH AT MANGATERETERE**

The usual monthly meeting of the Mangateretere branch of the W.D.F.U. was held in the school on Saturday. The speaker, Mrs. D. J. Holden, was in the chair, and with her was the secretary, Mrs. A. W. T. Webb.

The president welcomed members, being especially pleased to see several members who had been ill recently. The branch goes into recess over the holidays and the next meeting will be on February 10. Correspondence included the programme for the Hastings Centennial celebrations next March and the day allotted to women's organisations, also a letter from his Worship the Mayor concerning the provision of comforts, games, and extra food for men who are in camp in New Zealand and those overseas. One new member was elected.

A community sing was enjoyed prior to a delicious afternoon tea being served. The hostesses being Mesdames F. Cook, McCallum, Gledhill and E. Flanders.

Mr J. G. C. MacKenzie, superintendent of borough reserves, gave a talk on the ever interesting subject of gardening, and brought with him an assortment of flowers in bloom at the present time, explaining the way and time to grow them, and soil conditions, after which he replied to a number of questions asked by members. Mrs. D. J. Holden thanked Mr MacKenzie for his talk.

The president wished members a very happy Christmas and the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem brought a happy afternoon to a close. Competition results are as follows:—  
Best bloom: Mrs W. R. Davis, Mrs Giles and Mrs McCallum 2 equal, Mrs Rutherford and Mrs Burrell 3 equal.  
Best bowl of roses: Mrs D. J. Holden 1.  
Christmas cake: Mrs MacCallum 1, Mrs Giles 2, Mrs E. Farmery 3.

**ENGAGEMENT**

The engagement is announced of Miss Mana Paratene, daughter of the late Mr. P. Paratene and Mrs. Toko Franklin, to Mr. Walter Rere-moana, second youngest son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Hirini, Foxton.

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*Five o'Clock Gossip*

Mrs A. Murdock, of the Sunner Mansie, who has just returned from a tour abroad, is at present the guest of her daughter, Mrs R. E. Hope-Pearson, Hastings, before returning to Christchurch.

Miss L. M. Croft, matron of the Napier Public Hospital was granted permission to attend a meeting of Training School Matrons in Wellington on December 19, at yesterday's meeting of the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board in Napier. The permission was sought by the Director-General of Health (Dr M. H. Watt) in a letter to the board.

Mrs A. McGlone, laboratory assistant at the Napier Public Hospital has resigned her position. An announcement to this effect was made at the monthly meeting of the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board held in Napier yesterday afternoon.

Miss Marjorie Black, of the Wellington Training College, has returned home for the summer vacation.

Miss A. Williams, "Ashridge," Napier, left yesterday to spend a few days in Wellington.

Mrs David Williams, Waipawa, is on a visit to Wellington.

Mrs J. Pollock and Miss G. Pollock, Dannevirke, are visiting Wellington.

Mrs M. F. White left Hastings by last night's express for Auckland.

Mrs. C. J. Patey left Hastings by yesterday morning's express for Lower Hutt.

Mr and Mrs W. Georgetti, "Crisso," Fernhill, accompanied by their daughter, Joyce, returned yesterday from a visit to Wellington.

Miss Lorna Gilberd, Tennyson Street, Napier, has returned after a lengthy stay in New South Wales.

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Coarse salt is useful in the effort to protect furs from moths. A tin of insecticide (even a kerosene tin) makes a safe storage for furs, and salt should always be placed in the tin. The other method is cool storage, but it is not always available.

When silver is mildewed, rub on some prepared chalk mixed with kerosene. Leave it to dry, then wash off with boiling water.

To clean and brighten a carpet—hard work at any time—it is wise to use a special carpet soap. Get a good lather with a stiff brush; wipe over with a damp cloth; then rub the way of the pile with a dry cloth.

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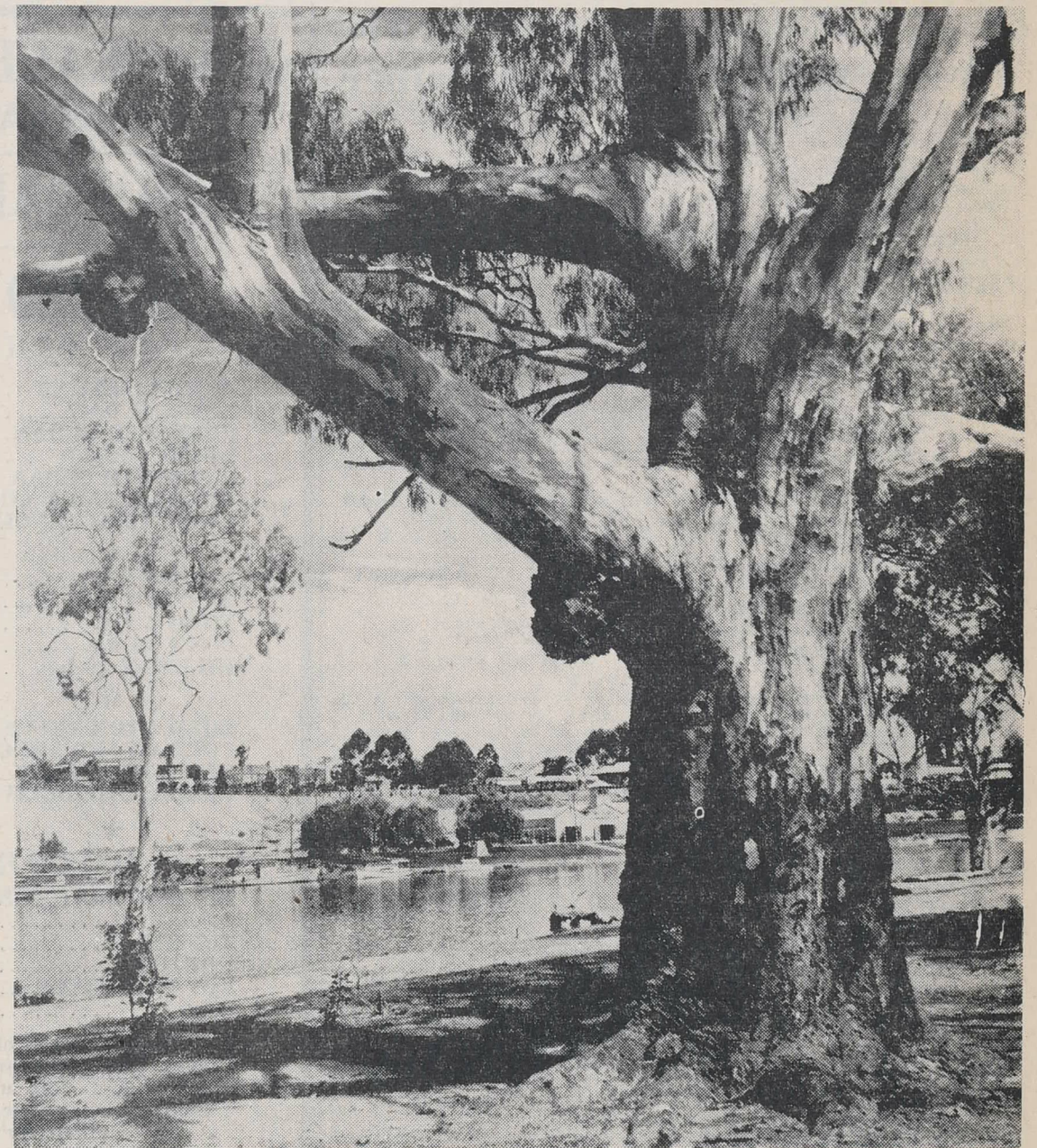
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NAPIER IN THE SUNSHINE.—Looking towards the sea. This panorama of the centre of the business area in Napier gives a good example of the wise provision of open spaces and the planning of reserves.

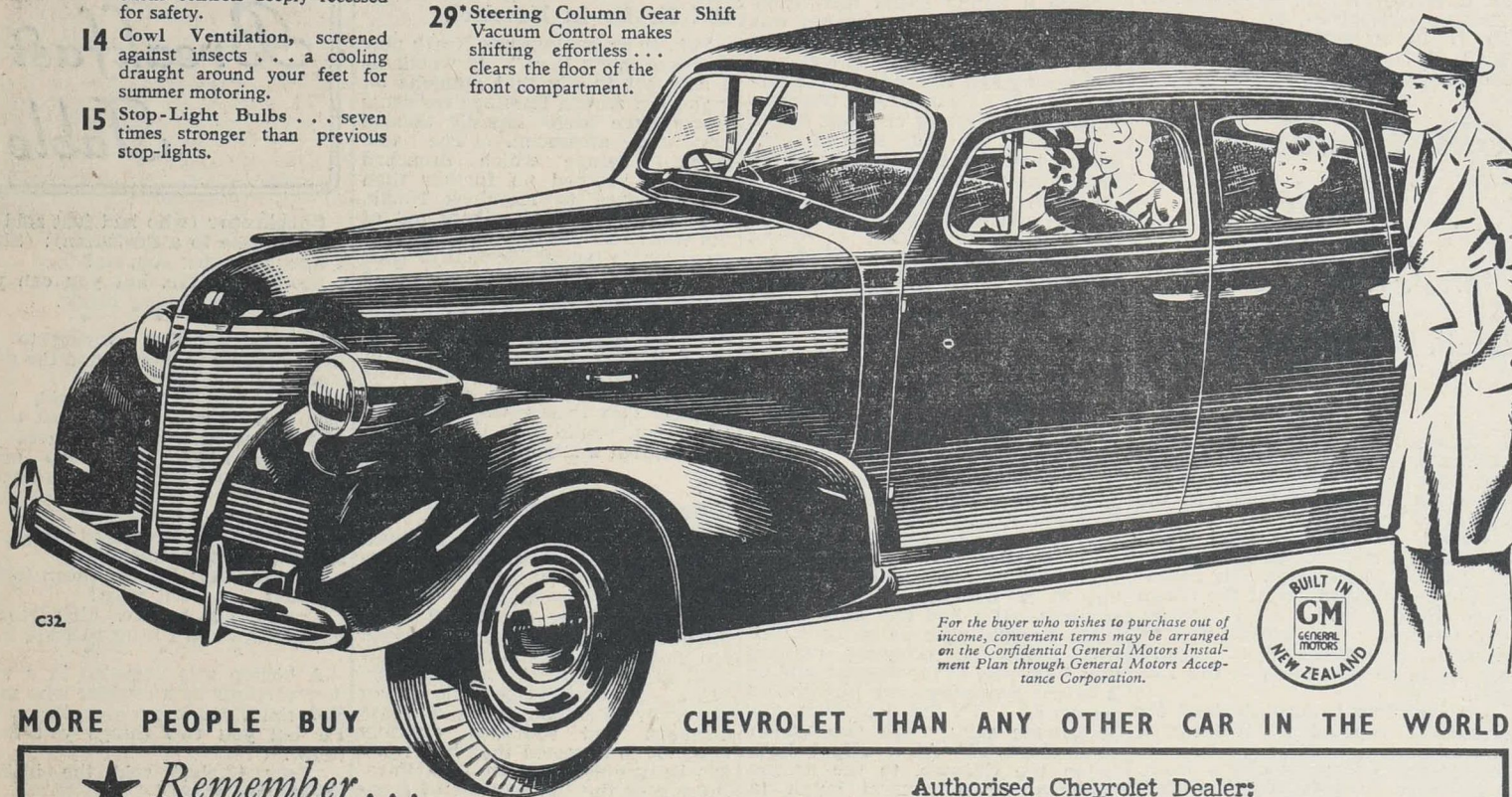


THE SENTINEL OF THE RIVER.—A beautiful study of one of the giant gum-trees on the bank of the Murrumbidgee River, Victoria.

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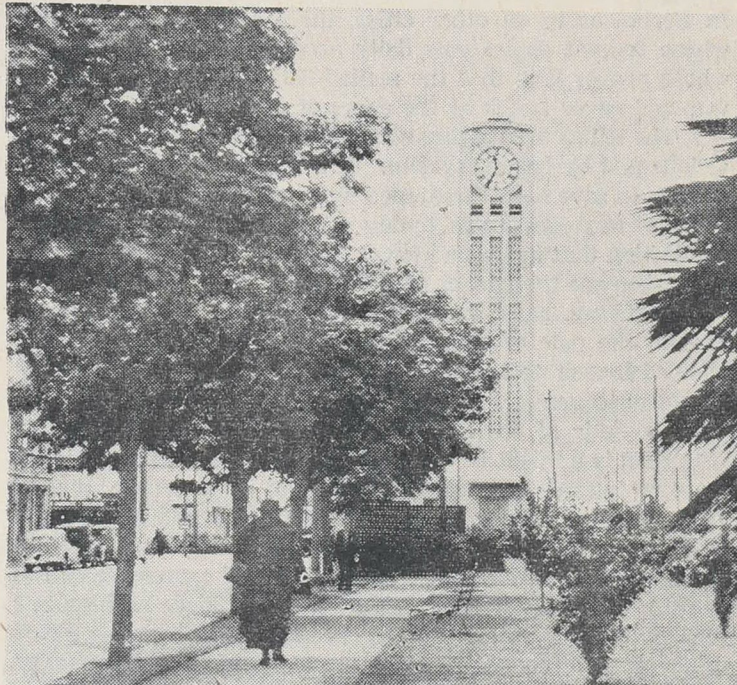
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A PEACEFUL CORNER OF HASTINGS.—This unusual view of the clock tower is taken from the railway reserve.



HE'S ALIVE, ALL RIGHT.—This is not a Christmas toy but a live koala bear, one of the quaintest and most amusing animals in existence.

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THE WAR'S INNER MEANING

"Everywhere in the world the enemies of Nazism are the friends of Germany." Think that over. It is a sentence from the striking and thought-provoking article reproduced in yesterday's "Daily Mail" and written by the distinguished wife of Sinclair Lewis, the American novelist.

Germany, says the writer referred to, has put herself beyond the pale of decent human contacts because she has allowed herself to be cheated and misled by a resurgence of the inconsequential, arrogant, blustering, and bullying spirit characteristic of the ancient Goths and Vandals and Huns.

Germany has more, much more than Nazism to offer as a contribution to the progress of mankind. The people themselves are being humbugged into a ridiculously false sense of national pride and truculence. Think it over, and find that it is true: Nazism's enemies are Germany's friends.

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor must be written on one side of the paper only and in ink. The correspondent's name and residential address must be given even if the letter is to be published anonymously.

Broadcasting

Sir—We, the users of the wireless, are just about fed up with commercial broadcasting bickerings and Labour propaganda—poor Mr Mulholland and his henchmen are being baited until their patience is well nigh exhausted.

Personal

Dr Alan Berry, Napier, who has been visiting England, was granted extended leave of absence for a further month at a meeting of the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board in Napier yesterday.

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Mr and Mrs J. Sharkay left Hastings by last night's express for Palmerston North.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Visit to Gannets
Pupils of the Napier Boys' High School to-day are to visit the gannet sanctuary at Cape Kidnappers.

Riverslea Road Sealing
The Hawke's Bay County Council at its monthly meeting held in Napier yesterday morning received advice from the Hastings Borough Council that consideration would be given to the request for the sealing of Riverslea Road when next year's estimates were being prepared.

First Offending Inebriates
Three first offending drunks who appeared before Mr W. F. Stillwell, S.M., in the Napier Magistrate's Court yesterday morning were all convicted and discharged.

Havelock Domain
The clerk (Mr W. H. Anderson) reported to the Havelock North Town Board at the monthly meeting last night that all improvements to the Havelock North Domain had been completed.

A Doctor's Writing
"Is this the certificate of a registered medical practitioner?" the counsel asked a defendant in a maintenance case in the Napier Magistrate's Court yesterday.

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The Red Cross Society is to make a general appeal for funds for war work in February, according to a statement by the president of the Napier branch (Miss M. King) at yesterday's meeting at the office of the executive of the Provincial Patriotic Council.

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Charges of being on licensed premises after hours were preferred against Charles Justin Cleary and Edward Allery in the Napier Magistrate's Court yesterday morning.

Motion of Condolence
A motion of condolence with Mr G. Phillips, Havelock North, in his present ill-health, was recorded at the monthly meeting of the Havelock North Town Board held in Havelock North last night.

Donation for Patriotic Fund
According to an announcement by the Town Clerk of Hastings (Mr Noel C. Harding) yesterday, Mr H. W. C. Baird has promised to make a donation of £10 each month for five months a total of £50. The first payment of £10 was acknowledged on Saturday.

Building at Havelock
During November three building permits covering two new residences £2900 and alterations to one dwelling £55, were issued at Havelock North, according to the monthly report of the clerk (Mr W. H. Anderson) presented at a meeting of the Havelock North Town Board last night.

Pakowhai Queen Carnival
A social evening in the Pakowhai Hall last night concluded the Queen Carnival held in aid of the baths funds. The results of the election were: School Queen (Miss M. Ramsay), 15,832 votes; Women's Institute (Miss R. Howard), 12,350; Sports (Miss M. McCormick), 11,410. The funds will benefit substantially from the election.

Welcomed Home
Mr H. E. Edgley, Napier, who has returned from a tour of duty in the Havelock North, was welcomed at last night's meeting of the Napier Secondary Education Board by the acting chairman (the Hon. W. E. Barnard, M.P.).

Redcliffe Bridge Approach
That lorry drivers viewed with concern the steepness of the curved approach to Redcliffe bridge was mentioned by Cr. E. H. Beamish at a meeting yesterday of the Hawke's Bay County Council.

One Back On The Announcer
The loudspeaker service did good work at the Stratford Show by restoring lost children to worried parents. Then a constable arrived with another child. "Better announce this one," the constable told one of the speakers (Mr R. Puffett) who agreed that the super-elevation at that point was far too steep for slower moving vehicles, though it would be safe for high-speed machines.

Rare Surf Fatality
The most amazingly simple surf accident recorded on a Sydney beach resulted in the death of Manly of William Charles Andrade, 75 years of age. Standing fully knee-deep in the surf he was "dumped" by a wave and flung forward. His respiratory nerve was injured and he quickly suffocated. A doctor described the cause of death as extremely rare, although the fact that the child was in the announcer's box and urged the mother to reclaim him. In due course his wife arrived but she had the last laugh when she left the child with him.

Oh! To Be In Havelock
"Oh, to be in Havelock North now that summer's here." It would be a safe bet to say that opinions that point to Havelock North would have been equally divided yesterday afternoon. The subtropical deluge which drenched Hastings reached no further than the boundary to Havelock North. Whether the rain was kept out of the village by the fear of creating a far-reaching border incident or whether it just sufficed and refused to shower its benighted waters on Havelock gardens will never be known. Residents of Hastings caught out by the downpour without raincoats or suitable shelter would probably vote in the affirmative. Gardeners, whether they themselves were soaked or not, would vote in the negative without a moment's hesitation.

Ryegrass Entries
Including late entries received since closing-time on Friday afternoon the total of ryegrass paddocks for certification is 5078 acres. Save for about 100 acres of cocksfoot, Montgomery and broad red clovers all this is ryegrass. A total of 566 paddocks have been entered. Paddock inspections began yesterday afternoon, in the extreme northern and southern districts first. It is expected that this work will be completed before Christmas. Officers of the Department of Agriculture, who have to attend to the certification details, will expect to receive forms from farmers giving notification of the date on which threshing is to begin. It has been pointed out that farmers who telephone the information instead of sending in the forms provided may find that attention to their requirements is delayed as where the forms are used officers handling the work will be able to plan out their day in advance.

HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

"DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS FOR HEAVY RAIN, POSSIBLY FLOODS.

The "Daily Mail's" special forecast for Hawke's Bay is as follows: Winds: Moderate to fresh northerlies at first, but a change to strong southerlies, to gales during the day. Weather: Unsettled with heavy rain, and possibly flooding. Temperatures: Becoming cooler. Seas: Rough.

Hastings Weather

Table with columns: Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5 p.m. at the Hastings Magnetic Observatory, Cornwall Park, were as follows: Dry bulb temp. 64.0deg, Wet bulb temp. 62.0deg, Maximum temp. 75.0deg, Minimum temp. 58.2deg, Grass 56.0deg, 1ft. underground 61.0deg, Cloud 10, Wind 10, Rain .85in, Rain for month .80in.

Napier Weather

Table with columns: Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5.30 p.m. by the Government recorder at Napier (Mr R. T. Hutton) are as follows: Dry bulb temp. 63.0deg, Wet bulb temp. 60.5deg, Maximum temp. 68.5deg, Minimum temp. 59.5deg, 1ft. underground 67.0deg, 3ft. underground 64.6deg, Grass 56.0deg, Visibility 4, Cloud 10, Wind 10, Sun 9.1hrs, Humidity 86 p.c.

Dominion Forecast

A deep extensive cyclone is centred over the North Island, moving very slowly south-eastward. Forecast: Moderate northerlies at first in the Hawke's Bay and Poverty Bay area, otherwise winds between south-east and south-west prevailing, moderate to strong generally, reaching a gale or strong gale force in many places from Marlborough northwards. Seas (New Zealand waters): Moderate south of Banks Peninsula and Farewell Spit, elsewhere rough to high. Eastern Tasman: Strong southerly winds to gales, rough seas. Weather fair to cloudy in western and southern areas of the South Island, elsewhere stormy and unsettled with widespread rain and heavy falls. Flooding likely in central areas and later in the Hawke's Bay and Poverty Bay districts.

To-Day's Diary

- HASTINGS: Central School Parents' Day, 1.30 p.m. The Theatres: "A Christmas Carol," Cosy, 2 and 8 p.m. "Kentucky" and "Mr. Moto Takes a Vacation," State, 2.15 and 8 p.m. "The Four Just Men," Regent, 2.15 and 8 p.m. "The Mighty Treve" and "Night Key," Municipal, 8 p.m. NAPIER: Dance, Oddfellows' Hall, 8 p.m. Carnival Ball, Foresters' Hall, 8.15 p.m. The Theatres: "Flight From Glory" and "Minstrel Boy," Mayfair, 2 and 8 p.m. "East Side of Heaven," Regent, 8 p.m. "Hey! Hey! U.S.A." and "Romance in Flanders," State, 7.45 p.m.

The Breakfast Table logo

Shopkeeper (who had just sold an attaché case to a Scotsman): Shall I wrap it up for you, sir? Scotsman: No, but you can put the paper and string inside. The teacher was trying to get little Freddie to understand the principles of subtraction. "Now, Freddy," she said, "you have ten fingers. If you lost three of them, what would you have?" Freddy brightened. "No more music lessons, teacher," he promptly replied. Tramp: Would you lend me a cake of soap, please, mister? Householder: Do you mean to tell me that you want soap? Tramp: Yuss, mister. Me partner's got hiccups and I want to scare him. A bishop was accosted in a railway carriage by a reveler who said: "You think you know everything, but I'll tell you two things you don't know. 'Very likely,' said the bishop. 'What are they?' 'I'm your cook's husband and I'm wearing your shirt.'" Elsie (aged five): I do hope some Dutchman will marry me when I grow up. Aunt Mary: Why, dear? Elsie: 'Cause I want to be a duchess! Christmas Gifts at "Parkers." We have a wonderful selection for both men and women. An early inspection is advisable. "Parkers."

MAIL NOTICES

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## GRAVE DAMAGE TO STOCK

The greatest flood within living memory swept the Hutt Valley this afternoon and to-night, covering hundreds of acres, isolating houses, flooding and rendering roads impassable, destroying and damaging bridges, and drowning large numbers of stock.

At high tide to-day (5.30 p.m.) the normally calm Hutt River was a surging torrent. From 100 yards within the stopbanks to a mile wide across country, a terrific rush of water created breakers as formidable as those on an ocean beach.

Dead stock, large trees, and huge quantities of debris were swept irresistibly downstream, smashing through fences and any obstacles en route. There was almost a tragedy on the Mangaroa Valley road, when a house was undermined and shifted 12 feet off its foundations by a landslide. The only occupants at the time were a child and a young woman. The child's father was leaving New Zealand to-night and the mother was in Wellington seeing him off.

The young woman heard the ominous creak of the threatening landslide and rushed the child to safety in the nick of time.

The bridge at Maoribank, usually 20 feet clear, was awash with the waves, and a tree crashed on to it, removing some of the upper deck piping.

So extensive was the flooding that at one point at Silverstream the entire flat between the hills forming the valley was one vast sheet of turbulent water, fences and roads being invisible.

The new concrete two-way bridge on the main Wellington-Wairarapa road at the foot of Mangaroa Hill has sagged in the centre and to-night was negotiable at the risk of users.

Many bridges were affected in the Whitemans and Mungaroa Valley areas on the Akatarawa Gorge road, which is impassable for traffic.

Bridges suffered considerably and there were slips at frequent intervals.

The main highway was impassable at Silverstream and at Temuera. So great was the rush and volume of water at the upper valley end approach to the Silverstream bridge that a two-ton lorry which endeavoured to force its way through was swept across the road by the force of the water.

A full block of houses was surrounded by water in Charles Street, Belmont, and its inhabitants shut off from outside communication unless they cared to tramp through two feet of water.

At Haywards the flood mounted so rapidly that one family visiting another in a house 100 yards away was unable to return.

There were rescues from the houses and hurried evacuations in the Upper Hutt area. Four families evacuated their houses at Karori and there were numerous slips in and around the city residential area.

The parks were completely covered with water and at Seatoun the military camp was evacuated.

Rail communication was interrupted and disorganised on the Wairarapa-Wellington line and passengers were transferred to buses and back to trains to cope with the varying conditions effected by the flood on the route.

A communication-carrying power pole completely collapsed and slips also affected the Johnsonville line.

Most golf courses in the Hutt Valley were transformed into lakes. One clubhouse was so marooned as to make it appear like a houseboat at anchor and on several courses only the green flags fluttering above the water gave any indication of what lay beneath.

Early this afternoon the lacquer factory in the Kaiwarra Gorge was made inaccessible by the Kaiwarra Stream, which changed from a comparative trickle to a mountain torrent, reaching its most spectacular point in a great waterfall effect over the concrete emplacement at the Atlantic Union Oil Coy's property.

The old Maymorn railway bridge was washed away. It was one of the largest bridges near Wellington, being a timber structure six or seven chains long and about 100 feet above the river. It was built in 1913 by a company that had as its objects the milling of timber on the western side of the upper reaches of the Hutt River and the laying of a railway from Mangaroa to Otaki.

It had not been used since shortly after its construction.

**Colossal Figures**  
Between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. to-day, 2.5 inches of rain fell. Between 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. another 1.6 inches fell and by 11 p.m. approximately five inches had fallen in thirteen hours. There were gusts of wind up to 62 miles an hour and the average force of the southerly which blew strongly throughout the day and night was 25 to 30 miles an hour.

Despite the storm, it was not cold, the maximum temperature being 61 degrees and barometric pressure 998.1 millibars.

The rainfall is stated to be a Wellington record since records were kept.

**Auckland Also**  
A further Press Association message from Auckland states that heavy rain squalls and winds of gale force were again experienced throughout the province to-day when it was accompanied by meteorologists as an extratropical cyclone rainfall in the nature of a cloudburst was experienced on the East Coast.

Boisterous conditions have also been experienced in North Auckland. The B class yacht Scud capsized near Whangarei heads on Sunday. The crew being picked up by other craft and the boat later beached.

## A STOP-WORK MEETING

### VICTIMISATION IS ALLEGED

## TOBACCO WORKERS

### A Four Hours' Break

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11. Complaining that one of their number had been victimised, tobacco workers in the factory of Godfrey Phillips (New Zealand) Ltd., Tory Street, Wellington, where about 200 men are employed, refrained from work this afternoon.

Mr T. J. Tucker, secretary of the Wellington Tobacco Workers' Union, said that the workers believed that the dismissal of an employee on Thursday was victimisation. The hold-up lasted from 1 p.m. till 5 p.m. During the afternoon he, representing the workers, met a representative of the employers with a liaison officer of the Labour Department (Mr C. L. Hunter) and the secretary of the Federation of Labour (Mr F. D. Cornwell).

It was decided that the workers should resume work pending the decision of the disputes committee, which is to meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday.

## Application For New Trial

## LABEL CASE HEARING

### Complaint Against Foreman Of Jury

## ALLEGED DISCUSSION

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11.

An allegation that the foreman of the jury of twelve which heard the claim for £4000 damages brought by John Robertson, M.P. for Masterton, against Garnet H. Saunders, of New Plymouth and Harry Thompson, of Napier, motion picture exhibitors,

## MR FRASER ON HIS WAY HOME

## War Discussions Concluded

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11.

After discussing questions relating to the war with the Imperial authorities, the Minister of Education (the Hon. F. Fraser) has left England for New Zealand.

## WOMAN DIES IN HOSPITAL

## Effect Of Accident

## STRUCK BY MARKET GARDEN TRUCK

By Telegraph—Press Association, ASHBURTON, Dec. 11.

Miss Emily Mabel Oakley, aged about 40, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. H. Oakley, of Overide, Rakai, died in the Ashburton Hospital yesterday as a result of injuries received in an accident on the main south road at Rakai on the evening of June 15.

## Two Safes Blown Open

## HUTT BURGLARY

### Total Of About £180 Stolen

## GREAT FORCE USED

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11.

Two safes in the premises of the Hutt Valley Electric Power Board were blown during the week-end and about £180 was stolen. A number of cash boxes were also broken open.

The strongroom is of the usual type, with a large steel door. Inside is another safe set in concrete. The outer door was blown open with a force that cracked the surrounding concrete. The inside safe was treated similarly, and in both cases the shock was sufficient to twist heavy steel and scatter packing material about the floor.

## OFFICERS FOR THE SPECIAL FORCE

## Additions To Those Already Gazetted

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11.

In addition to those already gazetted the following officers have been selected for service in the Special Force:—

- Regular Forces: Colonel E. Puttick.
- Staff Corps: Colonel R. Miles, Lieut.-Colonel G. B. Parkinson, Lieut.-Colonel W. G. Stevens.
- Royal New Zealand Artillery: Lieut.-Colonel T. J. King.
- Army Ordnance Corps: Lieut.-Colonel K. L. Stewart, Lieut.-Colonel S. H. Crump, Major F. W. Hunt, Major A. W. Greville, Major W. G. Gentry.
- New Zealand Staff Corps: Lieut. A. H. Andrews.
- Army Ordnance Corps, Territorial Force: Lieut.-Colonel M. Inglis.
- Class one, Reserve of Officers: Lieut.-Colonel K. MacCormick.

# CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL CHILDREN ENTERTAINED

## Minister Of Finance Acts As Host To Scholars In Parliament Buildings

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11.

Pupils of the Education Department's correspondence school, their parents, and the staff of the school were the guests to-day of the Minister of Finance (the Hon. W. Nash) at afternoon tea in the social room in Parliament Buildings.

Approximately 400 pupils and parents from all parts of the Dominion are at present visiting Wellington. Some of them are from as far away as the Bay of Islands, Westland, Southland, and the East Coast.

The pupils include a number of physically handicapped children for whom the correspondence school provides the most satisfactory method of obtaining education.

Before attending the reception given by the Minister, the members of the party inspected Parliament Buildings, and before returning to their homes they intended to see other places of interest, more particularly the Centennial Exhibition.

## Successful Week In The Air

## DARING FLIGHTS

### Attacks On Enemy On Land And Sea

## SUBMARINES SUNK

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11.

Unofficial air authorities here point out that last week has been one of the most successful since the outbreak of the war for the Royal Air Force. During the last seven days there has been a daring and successful raid on Heligoland; three enemy submarines have been attacked, of which two were sunk and a third almost certainly damaged, if not sunk; a successful reconnaissance flight by the R.A.F. over North-West Germany; enemy reconnaissance aircraft successfully attacked and forced to turn back after at least five were hit by British fighters; and finally, among the outstanding achievements, there was the dramatic rescue work by the Coastal Command pilots who brought ships to the help of seven seamen clinging to rafts.

And not one British plane was lost as a result of these activities.

## CHRISTMAS RUSH IN PARLIAMENT

## Busy Days Ahead

## SECRET SESSION ON WEDNESDAY

## Review Of The War

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11.

In the last few days, before the adjournment on Thursday for the Christmas recess, Parliament will be fully engaged.

In the House of Commons there will be a secret session on Wednesday when discussion will be on the supply of arms and munitions. The allegation of misconduct was a statement of the war in the aid by the Secretary for Air (Sir Kingsley Wood), while before the adjournment on Thursday the Prime Minister will review the progress of the war as a whole.

On all three days a question list will be long. The Russian attack on Finland, and further measures towards the co-ordination of the organisation of the nation's economic effort are subjects in the forefront of interest.

## Shooting Affair In Victoria

## LAWLOR ARRESTED

## Man Who Fired At Duchess Of Kent

## TWO VICTIMS

## SIX SOLDIERS KILLED ON CROSSING

## Accident In Black-Out In Paris

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## A Chapter Of Accidents In The Bush

## Two Pig-Hunters Meet With An Extra Share Of Bad Luck

## Both Injured

## Unfortunate End To A Gallant Effort At Rescue

By Telegraph—Press Association, AUCKLAND, Dec. 11.

A painful ordeal in the bush at Mangawai following injuries suffered while pig-hunting was experienced by two farmers, James Brosnan, aged 39, and Thomas Chappell, aged 48, who were brought to the Auckland hospital this morning.

The pair were pig-hunting on Sunday afternoon on the Brynberwyn Ranges when Brosnan fell down a cliff which was concealed by brushwood. Brosnan had both bones in his leg fractured.

Chappell made him comfortable and went to Waipua for help. He arrived back late in the afternoon with a rescue party and horses.

While cutting some splints Chappell's right arm and shoulder were broken. Both men had then to be assisted out of the bush, this taking some hours.

The journey to Auckland was made in a motor truck, which arrived at Takapuna at 3.30 o'clock this morning.

The ambulance met the truck and transferred the injured men, who were taken across the harbour in a launch.

## OIL FUEL LAW BROKEN

## GROSS NEGLIGENCE, SAYS MAGISTRATE

## FINE OF £55

## Sold 4000 Gallons Over Lawful Amount

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, Dec. 11.

Comment on the "gross neglect" by a service station proprietor was made by Mr J. H. Luxford, S.M., in the Magistrate's Court to-day during the hearing of a case in which Joseph Oliver Billings, service station owner, was charged with five breaches of the Oil Fuel Regulations.

Billings was fined a total of £55, with £8 12/- costs. The authorities alleged that defendant's sales during September and October were about four thousand gallons in excess of the legitimate amount. The Magistrate said he did not believe there had been a deliberate attempt to disregard the regulations, but it was such gross neglect that he had to treat the offence as serious.

## Military Camps Are Praised

## "A HOME FROM HOME"

## Mr Cullen Sees Burnham, Cave And Trentham

## SINCERITY OF MEN

The sincerity of the officers, n.c.o.'s and men in their training for active service overseas was the subject of favourable comment by a member of Hawke's Bay (Mr E. L. Cullen) who has just returned from a visit to the military camps at Burnham, Cave and Trentham.

## PHYSICAL WELFARE INSTRUCTORS

## Three More Appointed

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## Outstanding Achievement

## Escaped From Borstal In Court

## SEVERAL CHARGES AGAINST YOUTH

## Board's Decision

## Fresh Supplies Of Milk

## OPERATION NEXT YEAR

## Farm For Napier Hospital

## Several Charges Against Youth

## Escaped From Borstal In Court

# "A WRONG AND UNJUST PROCEDURE"

## County Council Protests

## INTEREST ON OUTSTANDING HOSPITAL LEVY

## Board's Support Sought

"With reference to the amount of 10/2 as interest on overdue levy, which has been owing by the Hawke's Bay County Council since 1937, the council is aware of the technical liability existing and has for some years attempted to have this most unjust form of levy altered. These efforts have not been successful and the council feels that it should have the support of the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board in the matter. It will be remembered that for the last two years the council has assisted the board with progress payments where there had been delay in having the estimates finalised.

"The council realises that the easy and obvious answer is that the procedure is governed by law. Its contention, however, is that the procedure is wrong and unjust and that steps should be taken by all interested parties to have the matter rectified.

"The present position is a sufficient instance of the heavy burden placed on the contributing local authorities. Eight months of the current financial year have passed, and the amount of hospital rates collected by this council is approximately £1500, while during this period the council has paid over £18,000 by way of levy, increasing an already heavy overdraft—the interest on this amount would be a very substantial item.

"More and more each year the ratepayers are delaying payment until the last few days, so that by February the position as described will be intensified.

"The council would be pleased if the board would express an opinion on the matter."

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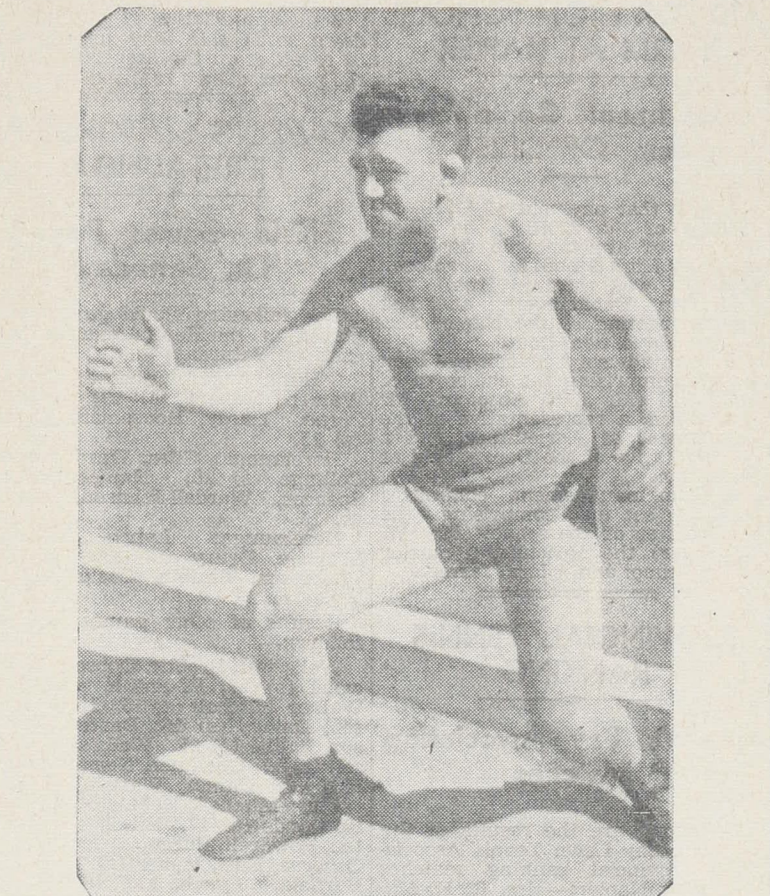
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CHAMPIONSHIP WINNER—Fred "Oscar" Brock, Napier, who won the New Zealand professional middleweight wrestling title in a bout at Napier on Saturday night.



THEir COMMENTS WERE UNDER TAKEN

Hawke's Bay County Council And Beacons Aerodrome CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

The Hawke's Bay County Council is not committed to any expenditure in connection with the proposals for the development and maintenance of the Beacons Aerodrome at Westshore, Napier.

"The false impression is widely abroad in my riding that the Government is to stipulate what proportion of the total estimated cost is to be borne by the County Council," said Mr Lassen when the minutes of the conference of local bodies held to discuss the project were received from the Napier Borough Council.

The chairman recalled that a suggestion had been put forward at the conference that the Minister of Internal Affairs (the Hon. W. E. Parry) should recommend the proportionate amounts to be found by each local body concerned.

The County Clerk (Mr. W. J. O'Connell) referred to the minutes of the conference and informed the council that it was not clear that they were in any way committed to any financial outlay in connection with the proposals.

A letter was received from the member for Hawke's Bay (Mr. E. L. Cullen) advising that the Minister of Public Works (the Hon. R. Semple) was at present unable to take any action towards having the Napier-Taihape road declared a main highway.

"Notwithstanding the war, I think the Minister should be reminded of his promise to inspect this road," said Cr. E. H. Beamish. "It might be difficult for him to arrange a visit, but once undertaken it would not take him long to make the inspection. I consider this an urgent matter."

Land Of Pine And Silver Birch A VISIT TO FINLAND Napier Traveller's Impressions

Finland, land of 40,000 lakes and 80,000 islands, was eloquently described by Mr D. W. Peters, in a timely address delivered at yesterday's luncheon of the Napier Rotary Club.

Approach to Finland was through the Baltic Archipelago, and it was no less than 40,000 charted rocks and islands, said Mr Peters. The Baltic was shallow and tideless, and the water was nearly fresh.

Finland was an interesting country, entrancingly beautiful, and for the climate, we got the shock of our lives," said Mr Peters.

Napier Defence Rifle Club FOURTH SERIES Varying Light And Erratic Wind

In an erratic wind and with varying light the fourth practice of the fourth series of the championship of the Napier Defence Rifle Club was held on Saturday.

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In the twelfth century Finland was conquered by Sweden, who held her until 1809, when she surrendered to Russia and Finland was handed over.

Concluding his address, Mr Peters described the beauties of Helsingfors, a city of about 250,000 inhabitants.

APPEAL TO THE RATEPAYERS

HAWKE'S BAY COUNTY COUNCIL PATRIOTIC FUNDS

Chairman Commends The Campaign

A request to ratepayers to give their fullest support and co-operation to the public appeal for funds to be made by the Napier and Hastings Zone Committees of the Hawke's Bay Provincial Patriotic Council this week was voiced by the chairman of the Hawke's Bay County Council (Mr. C. C. Smith) at the monthly meeting in Napier yesterday morning.

"The men in military camps will soon be going overseas and the patriotic funds campaign should give members of the community an opportunity of showing their gratitude to the young manhood of New Zealand who have so quickly responded to their country's call," declared Mr. Smith.

The chairman also drew attention to the proposals of the patriotic committees to have 1100 pairs of socks knitted for the men in camps. Pamphlets had been printed giving explicit instructions and these would be available to any women in the county desiring to assist.

Provided suitable lights are obtainable Havelock will be festively illuminated over the Christmas and New Year period according to a decision of the Havelock North Town Board at the monthly meeting held at Havelock North last night.

ASSAULT ON A GIRL YOUNG MAN CHARGED AT NAPIER AFFAIR AT NIGHT Defendant Admitted To Probation

A railway employee, Arthur Philip Henry, married, aged 24, appeared in the Napier Magistrate's Court yesterday morning charged with assault on a 14-year-old girl in Kennedy Road, Napier, on the evening of December 1.

The defendant was convicted by the Magistrate (Mr W. F. Stilwell) and admitted to probation for 18 months. He is to take out a prohibition order.

"I do not think that I would be justified in dealing with this as an aggravated assault," said the Magistrate. "Apparently the liquor this man consumed had some effect on him."

The Magistrate said that as the defendant had been in custody since the incident occurred and considering the nature of the offence, he would be justified in granting probation.

A taxi-driver, Meryl Gordon Cameron, in evidence said that on the particular night he was walking along Kennedy Road. He heard a scream and saw a girl lying on the ground with a man running along the footpath.

A fine was imposed as stated, in default a month in the Napier prison. The defendant was allowed a month in which to pay.

CHINESE WITH OPIUM PIPE Offence At Taradale A FINE OF £25 IMPOSED Plea Of Guilty

The first case of its kind in Hawke's Bay for several years, was heard yesterday, when a Chinese, Sue Yee Nam, appeared in the Napier Magistrate's Court yesterday morning charged with having an opium pipe in his possession.

The defendant, who pleaded guilty, was fined £25 (costs 15/6).

The information was laid under the Dangerous Drugs Act, said Senior-justice P. C. Felton. Constable Garty visited the defendant's market garden at Taradale. On entering the house, the constable found the defendant lying on a bed, with a pipe, slush lamp and wire pricks on a pillow nearby.

A fine was imposed as stated, in default a month in the Napier prison. The defendant was allowed a month in which to pay.

Girl on the Ground Phyllis C. Armour, who accompanied the previous witness, Cameron, stated that she heard a scream and looked around to see a girl on the ground and a man on top of her.

Evidence was given by the girl concerned, and Constable W. G. Sharpe, who had taken the defendant to the police station.

Tackled From Behind The defendant in evidence stated that on the evening of December 1 he had had a number of drinks, and was to meet several friends. Shortly after 9 p.m. he was near Kennedy Road in a gateway. He heard a noise of someone running, and then was tackled from behind.

After a struggle he submitted and the man said to him: "There has been too much of this bag-snatching going on around here."

"While several other men held him the man who had tackled him went for the police. He recalled hearing two sets of footsteps of people running before he was accosted.

Questioned by Senior-justice Felton, the defendant said that he was not wandering about aimlessly, but that he was near the railway station to meet his friends at 10.30 p.m. He alleged that he was not given an opportunity to speak at the time of the incident.

The defendant was convicted and admitted to probation.



"SMOKO" FOR DOBBIN AND CO.—Just a little good-natured "chaff" as three faithful companions take a breather from the hard work of the day.

Havelock North Affairs TOWN BOARD MEETING Festive Lights For Christmas PATRIOTIC MATTERS

Provided suitable lights are obtainable Havelock will be festively illuminated over the Christmas and New Year period according to a decision of the Havelock North Town Board at the monthly meeting held at Havelock North last night.

The chairman (Mr H. R. von Dadelzen) presided over Messrs A. Toop, H. Christie, A. R. Greenwood, H. E. Phillips, P. A. McHardy, J. J. Nimmon and the clerk (Mr W. H. Anderson).

The question of festive light was raised by the Havelock North Businessmen's Association in a letter to the Board asking that the same arrangements as last year should be made.

The presentation of a ship's lifebuoy to the Havelock North Swimming Club by W. H. Richardson and Mrs. C. J. Lid, Fort Anurui, was announced in a letter from the manager (Mr K. McLeay). The buoy has been re-canvassed and painted.

It was decided to send a letter of appreciation to the company for their generous gesture.

A donation of £2 2/- to the Havelock North Volunteer Fire Brigade was made by Mr H. J. Longstaff in recognition of about services given when his garage caught fire.

Havelock North's share of the national art union funds distribution for relief of distress was £53. This probably will be used to provide children with Christmas presents.

For the purpose of discussing what should be done in Havelock North in connection with patriotic matters, a public meeting has been called for to-night.

WAR BY NIGHT AT ROY'S HILL DEFENCE POSITIONS ASSUMED A SUDDEN ALARM Manoeuvres By Napier-Hastings Units

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PROVINCIAL TENNIS RANKING Hawke's Bay Association Matches

Following are the results of the Hawke's Bay Lawn Tennis Association's provincial ranking matches played at Napier:—Mrs. R. H. Milburn beat Mrs. Cotterill, 6-3, 6-3; S. Clifford-Jones beat P. Watson, 7-5, 6-2; R. Fullerton beat W. H. Read, 4-6, 9-7, 7-5.

HEAVY RAIN IN THE BAY SUDDEN DOWNPOUR A SURPRISE BRIEF VISITATION Some Peculiar Features

After a gloriously fine morning at Napier, the weather suddenly clouded over in the afternoon and a torrential downpour—fortunately of brief duration—sent people scuttling for shelter at about 5.30 p.m. Later the disturbance seemed to pass on to the south.

From the hill district of Napier at about 4.30 p.m. yesterday an unusual phenomenon was seen in the direction of Taradale. What appeared to be a vertical column of cloud moved slowly across the landscape and was in view for some minutes before it disappeared in the hills.

The formation had a peculiar sinuous appearance and extended from near the ground to the low ceiling of clouds. At the time heavy rain was falling in that district.

Heavy at Hastings. A particularly heavy fall of rain occurred in Hastings at about 5.15 p.m. yesterday, accompanied by thunder. Storm-water drainage systems in the town were severely taxed and in parts of Heretaunga Street and along Karamu Road the water extended practically across the roadway.

The rain, which fell for a few minutes only, extended only over the more westerly side of the town, a much lighter shower falling in the Riverside Road area.

Fernhill "Dry." According to a report from Fernhill last night the Ranguroro River was not showing signs of rising far beyond its normal level. Although the river was a little swollen it was not expected that it would rise any higher. The heavy fall of rain experienced elsewhere in the district late yesterday afternoon was not felt in Fernhill.

Woodville Storm. A storm broke at Woodville at noon, continuing through until the afternoon and reaching its peak shortly before 2 p.m. All streams in the district were running bank-high by nightfall and returning race traffic to northern Hawke's Bay encountered a sea of mud on the devils in the Riverside Road area.

At Masterton. A Press Association message states that rivers are running high in Masterton as a result of the heavy rain. The water level effect is that a number of cars were held up on the highway north of Greytown, which was flooded by the Waiohine.

Trucks were getting through late yesterday afternoon but the river is still rising. There is some flooding on secondary roads.

At Waipukurau. Following heavy rain on Sunday evening, yesterday in Waipukurau was fine until the evening, steady rain beginning to fall at about 6.30 p.m. Light rain was still falling at a late hour last evening.

In the higher country towards the ranges, and in Takapau, Dannevirke and Woodville heavy rain fell most of the day, giving rise to fears regarding flooding. Farmers, although pleased with the downpour, agree that sufficient rain has now fallen, and would be pleased to experience a spell of warm weather.

Some appreciation of values at today's sale may be expected to result from the drenching which the pastures have received.

The following shield games were played at the Heretaunga Bowling Club on Saturday:—

Heretaunga: Osborne, Thomas, Warren, Maher (s) 19; Napier: Zorne, Hardy, Houseman, Plested (s) 15.

Heretaunga: Giles, Ward, Evison, Collinge (s) 20; Napier: Young, Spencer, Wardell-Johnson, Lomas (s) 15.

Heretaunga: Lynch, Maulder, Sharkey, Drury (s) 13; Napier: Thompson, Chubin, Cooke, A. W. Pirie (s) 25.

Results of other games were as follows:—

Wells jr., Proffitt, Dobson, Usherwood (s) 27; L. Smith, McQuire, Walker, Mitchell (s) 15. Little, Nielsen, Daines (s) 16; Denton, Robinson, Baillie (s) 25. Wells sen., Kessel (s) 17; Goldfinch, Newton (s) 21.

McQuire, Daines, Warren, Collinge (s) 18; Mitchell, Robinson, Rieckard, Rowlands (s) 17. Crocker, T. Preston, Powdrell, Maher (s) 18; Nielsen, Osborne, Ellis, Buge (s) 28. Baillie, Burfield, Lynch, McBride (s) 23; Giles, E. Hounsell, Ward, Martin (s) 21.

Nielsen, Dobson, Baillie, Burfield (s) 14; H. Hounsell, Evison, E. Hounsell, Warren (s) 19.

New Workshop To Be Built NAPIER HIGH SCHOOL Replacing Building Lost In Fire

An estimated cost of \$8686 10/-, a new workshop block is to be provided for the Napier Boys' High School. The plan prepared by the Napier Secondary Education Board's architect was approved by the superintendent of technical education when he visited Napier.

At last night's meeting of the board at Napier it was reported that the department had benches and most of the tools required, which had been available for use in some other centres, but which were not now required.

Formal application was made to the department to obtain this equipment, and the department had advised that it would shortly forward the tools and benches. A fairly complete range of equipment could be supplied, and detailed lists would be sent when the tools were ready for dispatch.

Woodwork Classes. For the accommodation of woodwork classes, the Education Board was prepared to place at the disposal of the Napier board the manual training centre at Clive Square. These would enable the woodwork classes to resume when the school reopened in 1940.

It was stated that the superintendent of technical education inspected the salvaged lathes and other machines, and expressed the view that it would not be wise to spend much money on the older models to condition them. Two or three of the recently-purchased machines could be used again, but as far as the remainder was concerned, he suggested that it would be wise for the board to obtain prices for the equipment required for replacement purposes, and to lose no time in acquiring it from existing stocks.

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THE QUEEN CARNIVAL ACTIVITIES Napier Arrangements

The Napier Skating Club advises that a dance will be held in the Oddfellows' Hall, Milton Road, to-night at 8. The charges are: Ladies 1/-, gentlemen 1/6, and all are asked to come and give the Skaters' Queen their support.

The inter-house sports committee has arranged a grand community ball sponsored by all the teams at the Heretaunga Hotel to-night at 8.15 to 1 a.m. Over 200 of the girls have promised to be there, so that partners are assured.

Lew Munro's Orchestra will be in attendance and extras will be arranged. Support will be given by Betty Prebble, No. 4, the popular inter-house queen candidate.

Lovers of dancing will be interested to hear that in the Victoria Hall to-morrow Monarch Motors team will hold a dance in aid of the Interhouse Sports Funds. Admission is only 1/-, and a good orchestra will be in attendance, and supper will be provided.

A "500" card tournament is to be held in the Community Hall, Miller Street, on Thursday, December 14, at 2.15 p.m., when special prizes will be awarded. Admission charges are 1/- and afternoon tea will be provided. This function is being held by the ladies' committee for the Friends' Fund funds (Miss Peggy Black).

The inter-house sports committee announces special cooking displays on Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday, at headquarters, Emerson Street. Bring your own cakes along to be cooked for 1/- each on the latest electric stoves. Home-made cakes will be on sale daily, and a cooking expert is in attendance and will be pleased to give advice to anyone.

The Milo Queen committee No. 5 are holding jumble sales and shop days on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week, in premises next to J. M. Etheridge's, Emerson Street. Donations will be received at the shop, or ring 4187, and they will be called for.

MR CULLEN'S CRITICISM STRONGLY CHALLENGED Middle Grades Are Included In The Schedule, Maintains Mr L. C. Rolls

Criticism of the statement made by the member for Hawke's Bay (Mr E. L. Cullen) upon the grades of wool included in the Government schedule for wool appraisal was made by the chairman of the Hawke's Bay Woolbrokers' Association (Mr L. C. Rolls) in an interview with the "Daily Mail" last night.

"Mr Cullen stated," said Mr Rolls, "that no provision had been made for middle-grade wools. This is contrary to fact, and evidently Mr Cullen has been misinformed regarding the position."

Mr Rolls explained that the following grades in their order of merit were included in the schedule and had been used by appraisers in all centres since the work of appraising commenced:—AA, A, BB, B, C, D, E.

"It will be seen from these grades," continued Mr Rolls, "that the BB grade, to which Mr Cullen referred, is not an inferior wool, nor is the A a middle grade.

"Woolbrokers feel," he concluded, "that ample provision has been made for all types of wool and growers may rest assured that their interests have been fully protected and that they have not sustained the probable loss of 1½d per pound on inferior wools, as Mr Cullen indicated."

NAPIER PATRIOTIC APPEAL DRIVE TO BE MADE NEXT WEEK PARCELS FOR MEN Providing Comforts For The Soldiers

A decision to hold a flag appeal for funds to provide comforts for the soldiers in camp on Thursday next week was made at a meeting of the Napier executive of the Provincial Patriotic Council yesterday. This will be an initial appeal for funds on which the executive may operate.

All business firms in Napier received circulars yesterday asking for donations to the council. In this circular it was stated that the immediate purposes were to provide extra comforts for the men, such as fruit, sports gear, hand instruments, equipment for recreational hutments and farewell gifts to men on final leave.

"Because the Government has brought down regulations controlling collections for patriotic purposes, there is a misconception abroad that any money collected goes to the Government," stated that circular. "This is definitely not the position. All money collected in Hawke's Bay is pooled and is controlled by the Provincial Patriotic Council. As far as possible, the money is to be spent in the town in which it is collected, and also, as far as possible, the money is to be spent for the benefit of our Hawke's Bay men."

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Great Hitting At Flaxmere MATCH WITH WAIROA Brilliant Batting By Schoolboy MAHONEY'S CENTURY

In spite of a day that was dull and overcast and the necessary abandonment of play owing to rain in the closing stages of the game, there was some excellent cricket seen at Flaxmere last week-end in the first of the two annual matches played between the Wairoa and the Flaxmere Clubs. This was the second successive draw due to rain in these matches.

Flaxmere batted first. With two wickets down in quick succession for a mere seven runs, their position was not bright. Wairoa, however, had still to deal with Mahoney, who, from a dour and cautious beginning, blossomed into his best and freest style.

Mahoney has passed the first half-hour of solid concentration he is a handsome bat to watch. On Sunday he showed all his finest shots and his century was a piece of nicely calculated workmanship and invaluable to his side.

In the early stages McDonald supported him ably for a well-earned 31. He showed that a rot was not inevitable.

Wairoa replied magnificently and when stumps were drawn because of rain had scored 144 for the loss of two wickets.

Cook, a High School boy, aged 17 years, was in devastating form. He provided one of the best exhibitions of hurricane hitting seen at Flaxmere for some time. His treatment of Christison, whom he hit for four 6's in four overs, was particularly noteworthy and showed the proper contempt of youth for those more mature in years. His 61 not out included six 6's and three 4's.

In Wairoa's innings, Mitchell's wicketless and steady model efficiency. A leg bye was the only extra.

Detailed scores were:—

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Martin c Cook b Croker, Mitchell b Croker, Mahoney b Martin, McDonald c McLean b Croker, Swallow b Urwin, Dorreen c Harrison b Croker, Christison c Cook b Shadbolt, Wilcox b Martin, Boyd b Croker, Baird not out, Extras.

WAIROA Total for 2 wickets at stumps 144

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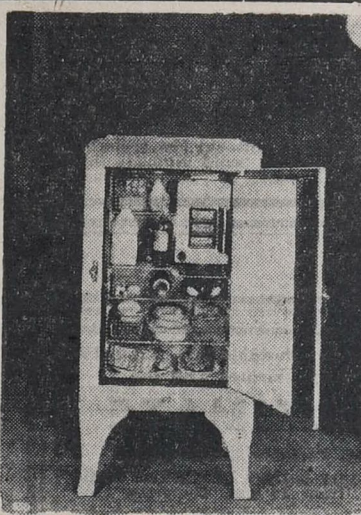
FIRE PROTECTION AT NAPIER HIGH SCHOOL A Water Supply DEPARTMENT IS ACTIVE

Replying to an opinion expressed by the Napier Secondary Education Board, that had a proper water supply for available at the time of the recent High School fire, a large portion of the building could have been saved, the district engineer of the Public Works Department (Mr. A. Dinneen) stated that the fire had struck hold when the brigade arrived, and the advantage of a fire service at that time would have been negligible. This was conveyed in a letter from the engineer, received at last night's meeting of the board.

All necessary material for installing a proper and efficient fire service had been requisitioned, stated Mr. Dinneen. He was endeavouring to complete an arrangement with the Borough Council, in which they would lay the piping and subsequently maintain the service as part of the borough reticulation. All possible steps would be taken by the Public Works Department to make the water service available at the earliest possible date.



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**BEAUPARTIR'S BRILLIANT EFFORT**  
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**KENA SURPRISES IN THE GOTHARD HANDICAP**

**Ringling, Aurora's Star, Kehua**  
(By MOTUROA.)

The Gothard Handicap at Woodville yesterday was run in blinding rain and the conditions, which were against the favourites, played into the hands of the Rotorua visitor, Kena, who is a rare mud-lark. Kena was never far away from the leaders, but he unfolded a devastating run from the distance to leave the field standing in the last 50 yards.

Russian Ballet, a staunch favourite, came across from the outer in the first furlong to take over control going out of the straight from Lord Moutoa, Colfort, Silvanus, Hunting-Cat, Flying Ace, and Kena. On reaching the back stretch Russian Ballet tried to open up a break, but Colfort and Flying Ace were at her all the way, the latter joining the favourite across the top.

Flying Ace had actually headed Russian Ballet as they straightened up, but he was displaced almost immediately by Colfort, with Kena, Lord Moutoa, Colonel Bogey, and Lady Furst coming fast. Kena had the race won 50 yards from home and gave nothing else a chance, but there was a good race for second, with Colfort, Colonel Bogey, Lord Moutoa, and Lady Furst being lined across the course in that order. Flying Ace was next.

Colonel Bogey was well back all the way, but came home with a rattle. Russian Ballet stopped to a walk.

ANINI, who was suffering from seasonal troubles the first day, paraded in much better condition for the Papatua Hurdles and she duly won, though not convincingly enough to justify her short price. However, her performance was quite good, as she was not at home in greasy going.

Primak got away half a dozen lengths in front of the field and made the early running from Great Quex with Anini and Limbohm together next, the last-named being the medium of heavy support. There was no change until five furlongs from home, where Limbohm's rider lost his reins.

High Peer, who had tailed the field to this stage, then ran up fast into second place, with Anini also moving forward. High Peer outpaced Primak as they made the home turn, but Anini joined him at the first fence. In the run home Anini showed superior stamina and was going away to win by a neck.

Limbohm's pace on the flat carried him into third place, while Primak stopped to a walk and finished last.

**TWO-HORSE RACE**  
The Novice Stakes turned out to be only a two-horse race for Dynasty joined the pacemaker, Val Pere at the bottom of the straight and the pair cleared right away from the field. In a gruelling finish Dynast got the verdict by a narrow margin.

Great Fair was hopelessly left and Hunting Dawn led over the first furlong from Val Pere, who joined him at the half-mile where the pair were clear of the Tryst, Goldcraft and Rowlawy. The Tryst struck trouble on the turn and dropped back to last.

Val Pere was just gaining the upper hand of Hunting Dawn at the straight entrance, when Dynast moved up fast to join him almost as soon as they straightened up. Val Pere looked as if he would come on at the distance, but Dynast showed greater stamina and wore him down on the post.

Goldcraft battled on gamely and headed Hunting Dawn for third money on the post while Rowlawy and Greatfere were at the head of the remainder.

**LIKED THE GOING**  
RINGLING, who won well in the mud at Feilding, scored another impressive victory in the Juvenile Handicap in which she came from some distance back on the turn. However, she swept past Ringcraft at the distance and was going away at the finish. She looks a class filly.

Teacoy began well and was clear across the top from Ata Fawhero, Isis, Desert Tide, Ringcraft and Ringling. Desert Tide had moved into second place at the three furlongs, but Ringcraft followed Teacoy into the straight, with Ringling coming fast on the outer.

Ringcraft took over from Teacoy at the distance, but he could not withstand the brilliant late run of Ringling, though he finished a comfortable second from the bracketed pair, Teacoy and Desert Tide.

Lambour and Isis were half a dozen lengths behind them the former finishing on well.

**SUPERIOR CLASS**  
BEAUPARTIR, even though he appeared to be anything but at ease in the greasy going, showed superior class in the Railway Handicap. He and Tableau were last into the straight, but the Auckland cup favourite settled down to serious work below the distance and he made short work of Nora Gregor over the last hundred yards.

Nora Gregor was not too well away, but she gained the lead in a furlong and was clear across the top from Race Call and Alchemic. Nora Gregor was still clear into the straight, where Tableau had just displaced Beupartir. Nora Gregor looked like hanging on to the distance, but she brought out the top.

**EASIEST WIN OF MEETING**  
AURORA'S STAR, despite her 9.1, simply revelled in the bad going in the Stewards' Handicap. She improved her position on the home to be in front as they straightened up, and she bolted away to win by several lengths pulling up. This consistent mare now comes into favour for the Manawatu Cup, in which she will be ridden by W. J. Muddford.

Thrasos immediately took up the running from Joe Louis, Richelle Pearl, Aurora's Star, and Ruatiti, while Colibri was chopped out, losing several lengths. This order through the straight was unaltered until the half mile, where Big Wave ran up fast into second position, but Aurora's Star began a forward move on the turn and had no difficulty in running up to Thrasos.

Aurora's Star went on into the lead as they straightened up. Thrasos being followed by Larwood, Ruatiti, Big Wave, and Colibri. The top weight was four lengths clear at the distance and she went on to win pulling up from Colibri, who finished well to beat Thrasos for second.

Larwood was a fair fourth and stung out behind him were Joe Louis, Hasten, Gay Fox, The Ring, (who was in trouble throughout), Richelle Pearl, and Ruatiti. The last-named was all at sea in the going.

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Also started: 4 Hunting Dawn (W. J. Broughton); 5 Hollway (W. J. Broughton); 6 Greatfere (P. Williams); 7 Great Fair (H. Marsh); 8 The Tryst (E. B. Tattersall).  
Neck; six lengths. Hunting Dawn was fourth. Time, 1:19.  
(Winner trained by W. Rayner, Rotorua.)

**GOTHARD HANDICAP**  
OF 1180, 1 mile and a distance.  
1-KENA, K. L. Richards's b g by Muskatoon-Missil, aged, 7.4, car. 7.3 (J. Stevens) ..... 1  
2-COLFORT, W. Devoy's br by Melfort-Columbia, 4yrs., 7.0, car. 7.4 (H. N. Wiggins) ..... 2  
3-LIMBOHM, A. J. Foxward's br g, aged, 8.0 (C. C. Goulden) ..... 3  
4-TREVOR'S b g by Nightmarch-Kilmiss, 7.8, car. 7.5 (A. Midwood) ..... 4  
Also started: 4 Lady Furst, 9.1 (P. Williams); 5 Aurora's Star, 8.1 (W. J. Broughton); 6 Hunting Cat, 8.0 (H. Callaghan); 7 Hunting Dawn, 7.8 (H. Callaghan).  
Neck; eight lengths. Great Quex was fourth. Time, 2:54.  
(Winner trained by H. S. Greene, Greenmeadows.)

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**TASK FOR THE JUDGE**  
The Gorge Handicap presented the judge with a difficult task as there were the narrowest of margins only between Little Dorrit, Beupartir, and Chandley, who finished in that order. Little Dorrit, who ran up to her good form the first day, was ridden by the diminutive F. G. Buchanan, who was having only his second mount.

Game fit made the early running, being clear down to the half mile from Vandane, Chandley, Trench Law and Kobi. Little Dorrit was handy to them at this stage and she ran around the field smartly to go into the lead as soon as they straightened up.

Little Dorrit ran rather wide and carried Trench Law and Kobi out. Chandley (on the rails) and Trench Law then put in strong challenges to the first day's winner, but they just failed to get up. The placed horses were just clear of Kobi, while Game Fit and Vandane followed.

Royal Spades was always toiling along in the rear and could not handle the going.

**KEHUA IMPROVED**  
IMPROVED by her race the first day Kehua registered a bright performance in winning the Kiritaki Handicap, for she was awkwardly placed in about ninth position as the bunched field swung into the straight. An opening presented itself, however, and she dashed through to head the field, looking like gaining the day.

Chief Lord and Military Maid were prominent at the start, but Hui ran through into the lead at the end of a furlong from Military Maid, with Punaru, Dunmanway, Chief Lord, and Liberal's Counter following her on to the bend. Chief Lord had joined Hui at the straight entrance, where Liberal's Mint, Counter and Dunmanway were prominent.

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**HAWKE'S BAY ENTRIES TO-MORROW**  
HAWKE'S BAY owners and trainers are reminded that the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's summer programme for December 30 and January 1 is their next consideration. The nomination list should be a good one and it should be noted that entries for all events close with the secretary, Mr. E. B. Whelan, Hastings, to-morrow (Wednesday), at 8 p.m.

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**HOLIDAY MEETINGS SAVED**  
DESPITE the rain at the end of last month, most tracks had again become very hard, none being worse than those in Hawke's Bay, and with the approach of the holiday meetings in this province, both trainers and racing officials were regarding the position with some apprehension. The week-end's soaking rain, however, has saved the district clubs and there is no possibility of the tracks being iron-hard this year.

The Wairarapa Racing Club for its summer meeting at Tauherenikau are always attractive to Hawke's Bay owners and trainers. Indications are that the meeting will be well patronised this year.

There is no stake on the programme under £150, with the event of prime importance on the opening day, the Wairarapa Cup, over a mile and a quarter. This race carries a prize of £500, inclusive of a £75 cup. The winner of the winner of this race receives a £15 canteen of cutlery and the winning jockey a £10 trophy. The big race the second day is the President's Handicap (£400, nine furlongs and eighty yards). Other open races on the programme are of six, seven and eight furlongs while there is a £200 two-year-old race the first day and one of £150 the second day.

This year the club is staging a highweight race each day for qualified horses and riders, while the main back race is the Centennial Handicap the second day. This carries a stake of £250 and is run over nine furlongs and eighty yards.

Nominations for all events close with the secretary, Mr. N. C. Shepherd, Featherston, at 8 p.m. on Thursday next, December 14.

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