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## RUSSIAN TROOPS IN FLIGHT BEFORE FINNISH ATTACK

### Successful Move On Two Fronts

#### SOVIET AIR RAIDS

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STOCKHOLM, Dec. 21.

A successful conclusion to a two-day counter-attack by Finnish troops at Kuolajarvi (in the central district) forced back the Russians 20 miles and averted immediate danger to Kemittask, which is connected by rail with Rovaniemi and Sweden. The Finns captured scores of machine-guns, 30 armoured cars, and 200 horses. The Russian dead on this front are reported to be 20,000.

Italian and Spanish airmen participated in several bombings of the Leningrad-Murmansk railway.

The Russians on the Petsamo (northern) front were driven back many miles north of Nautil, which is the southernmost tip of the Norwegian frontier, north of which the bare terrain favoured an advance, but the Finns have now received modern anti-tank guns. Moreover, east of Kyro, a 60-mile belt of forest and hills renders the Russians' advance much more difficult.

A message from Svanvik states that the Russians were seen retreating in disorder through Salmarjarvi, the Finns advancing along the Pasvig River. The retreat was due to Russian carelessness in the establishment of communications to their base.

A Moscow message says that wounded and soldiers are arriving there because the Leningrad hospitals are over-crowded.

It is officially stated in Helsinki that the Russian air raiders killed 23 civilians, including women and children, in the raids, which included Kontiamaki, and Sorjavala. The air attacks on the battlefield were without result. The enemy were dispersed by fighters.

**A Rear Attack**  
The Finns attacked the enemy's rear and also made reconnaissance flights over Leningrad, but they dropped no bombs.

A passenger on a machine-gunned train said: "Five planes attacked us in ten minutes from a height of 150 feet. We were an easy target, but we ran into the woods immediately the train pulled up. A second train which was machine-gunned was full of refugees."

A Finnish communique states that the Karelian Isthmus offensive continued all day. The positions were unchanged at nightfall. The enemy losses were severe and included eight tanks and at least 20 machine guns.

The Finnish artillery bombarded the enemy lines, causing heavy losses.

The battle at Aglajarvi continues, the Russians losing nine heavy tanks, two field guns, three armoured cars, and 20 machine-guns. The Finns destroyed a battalion, killing 600 between Pielisjarvi and Grigoriev. The Finns advanced at Kuolajarvi, destroying a battalion, killing 800 and capturing much equipment.

**Many Air Raids**  
Four hundred Soviet bombers yesterday dealt death and destruction throughout South Finland, killing 23 civilians in the Sortavala district and many others in other areas, including two passengers in a machine-gunned refugee train, states an earlier cable.

The Finns replied with magnificent attacks on all fronts, capturing enormous quantities of material, killing thousands and thrusting back the Russians in the north for miles. Stalin's airmen celebrated his birthday by raining 600b. high-explosive bombs on Finland's chief southern towns, destroying two hospitals, damaging three and seriously injuring patients too ill for evacuation. The raiders simultaneously bombed several towns within a 25-mile radius from the capital.

Sixteen Russian planes dropped between 25 and 30 bombs on the Helsinki hospital district. At present it is believed that the casualties are small, because warnings enabled the people to reach shelter. They attacked Hanko, at the western end of the Gulf of Finland and its approaches, machine-gunned two trains bound from Turko to Helsinki, and bombed Porvoo's and Turko's working-class district, setting fire to many homes, and, it is believed, killing and wounding many people.

They are also reported to have swooped on the important industrial centre of Tampere with similar results. They visited Wasa, which is 300 miles from the nearest Russian air base.

#### SWEDISH VOLUNTEERS DEPART

#### Two Hundred On The Way To Finland

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STOCKHOLM, Dec. 22.

The first contingent of Swedish volunteers, numbering 200, has gone to Finland.

#### Last Tribute Paid To Captain Of Graf Spee

Lutheran Pastor Conducts Ceremony At Cemetery

#### Thousands Watch

Ambassador Attends In Nazi Uniform

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BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 21.

One thousand sad-faced German seamen marched into the Argentine naval arsenal this afternoon to pay a final tribute to Captain Langsdorff. Outside, only 1000 spectators waited to glimpse the coffin as it went on its way to the German cemetery. Three hundred German seamen were given permission to leave the arsenal precincts to accompany the body for burial.

Captain Kay, second-in-command on the Graf Spee, accompanied by two Argentine officers and 11 automobiles bearing Graf Spee officers, followed the hearse. Ten thousand were massed at the cemetery gates, whence three officers and five men carried the coffin containing the body of Captain Langsdorff. The ship's band played a dirge and a Lutheran pastor conducted the service.

The Ambassador (Herr von Therman), dressed in Nazi uniform, spoke, after which German residents, officers and the crew saluted and sang "I Had a Comrade."

#### Frenchwomen Leave To Help In Finland

#### VOLUNTEERS WHO PAY THEIR OWN EXPENSES

#### Section Already Serving On West Front

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PARIS, Dec. 22.

Two ambulances driven and manned by society women volunteers have left for Finland. The women belong to the motor section of the French Red Cross. They provide their own cars, pay their own expenses, and undergo the severest endurance tests before enrolment.

One section already serving on the Western Front has bought 12 and ordered 30 more ambulances.

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIANS SCORE WELL

#### Sheffield Shield Game

#### TOTAL OF 553 FOR FOUR WICKETS

#### The Chief Scorers

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MELBOURNE, Dec. 22.

In a Sheffield Shield match against New South Wales, Victoria, in the first innings, made 280—Tamblyn 58, Johnson 41, Hassett 33. O'Reilly took 4 for 75 and Pepper 3 for 91.

At Adelaide, in their Sheffield Shield Australia in their first innings have lost 4 wickets for 553 runs—Bradman 138, Ridings 121, Waite not out 58, Badcock not out 172.

#### GO SLOW ON PETROL

#### APPEAL MADE TO FARMERS

#### SUPPLIES SHORT

#### Statement Made By Mr Mulholland

By Telegraph—Press Association.  
WELLINGTON, Dec. 22.

In a statement to the Press, Mr. W. W. Mulholland, Dominion president of the Farmers' Union, said the reasons, which arose out of war conditions, that made it necessary for steps to be taken to conserve supplies of petrol and economise in its use, had been communicated to him confidentially. From this knowledge he could endorse the appeal to practise strict economy in the use of liquid fuel supplies, and accordingly would appeal to farmers to do so, and also ask that if the licensing system should be renewed, they would accordingly limit the amounts they named in their applications strictly to the quantity they would require if sparing in its use.



THE BRITISH RESERVE.—Britain generally has some little odds and ends up her sleeve, in the way of fragments of the Reserve Fleet such as this. The King's Royal barge is alongside a battleship during a recent review.

#### SILK-CLAD ANKLES ON THE WESTERN FRONT

#### Englishwoman On Blood Supply Service Surprises The Air Force

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LONDON, Dec. 22.

On the Western Front, hard-boiled members of the Air Force were dumbfounded when they pulled up a 'plane and saw a dainty shoe and a silk stocking thrust over from the cockpit. The owner followed, tucking a curl in her forage cap and smoothing her gold-banded uniform.

It was an Englishwoman who had left her son, aged 10, and joined up with the blood transfusion transport service. She is the first airwoman to fly to the Western Front, and she carried a consignment of blood.

#### Christmas Bombs From I.R.A.

#### LITTLE DAMAGE DONE

#### Pillar-Boxes Again On Fire

#### SEVERAL INCIDENTS

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LONDON, Dec. 22.

I.R.A. incendiary bombs exploded in pillar-boxes and postal sorting offices throughout the country last night, including London, where three postal workers were injured, Birmingham, Crewe and Wolverhampton.

Apart from burning hundreds of Christmas cards and letters, little material damage was done.

#### Earthquake Recorded Near The Celebes

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SYDNEY, Dec. 22.

A severe earthquake was recorded to-day, its epicentre being located about 2720 miles from Sydney, near the island of Celebes in the Dutch East Indies.

#### FAMOUS VICTIM OF MENINGITIS

#### Anthony Fokker, Aeroplane Designer

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NEW YORK, Dec. 21.

Anthony Fokker, the famous aeroplane designer, was taken to hospital to-day critically ill with pneumococcus meningitis.

#### YANGTSE MAY BE REOPENED FOR TRADERS

#### JAPAN'S SEARCH FOR BUSINESS

#### Good Faith Doubted In America

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(Received December 22, 0.45 a.m.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.

"The Japanese Foreign Office spokesman confidently predicts that the United States will reply before Christmas to Japan's notice of her intention to re-open the Yangtze," says the Tokyo correspondent of the United Press. The correspondent at Shanghai of the "New York Times" states: "The evidence is multiplying that the proposed re-opening of the river is based on a genuine Japanese desire to restore trade and show that her previous promises were not empty words. Most of the exports of the region, such as furs and raw materials, can justifiably be claimed as essential to support the Japanese army in the Yangtze regions.

"Despite the professions of good faith, pessimism continues. Everybody remembers nearly thirty months of promises and commitments by the Foreign Office, which the military clique would not permit to be implemented. It is feared that the plan to re-open the Yangtze is in the same category as the re-opening of the Tsingtao's port to foreign trade, which proved meaningless and valueless. Americans and Europeans are surrounded by licence and permit systems which have hopelessly barred trade."

#### GIFT OF £1000 FROM KING FAROUK

#### Entertainment Of Troops In Egypt

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CAIRO, Dec. 22.

King Farouk has made a gift of £1000 to the Christmas fund for the entertainment of the British Egyptian troops.

#### Nazis Poised To Attack Neutral Neighbours

#### A LIGHTNING ASSAULT

#### French Say "Forewarned Is Forearmed"

#### NO CHANCE OF SUCCESS

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PARIS, Dec. 21.

The French War Office spokesman to-day said that the Germans are poised for an attack on the Belgian, Dutch, and Luxembourg frontiers, similar to last November.

The forces will probably move within 48 hours of receiving their marching orders.

The spokesman added that the chances of success are most remote. "It is a case of forewarned is forearmed," he added.

An official Belgian statement says that fighters and anti-aircraft units drove off German planes at various points to-day. One German opened fire as he fled northwards.

The Belgian Government has protested to Germany. The Siegfried Line is undergoing an extension eastwards along the Rhine as far as Lake Constance, on the north-east border of Switzerland.

#### American School Of Sabotage

#### CONSPIRACY CHARGES

#### Acid-Throwing And Assault Alleged

#### UNION ACCUSED

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NEW YORK, Dec. 21.

The existence in a Manhattan basement of a union-operated school of sabotage was alleged when 15 members of the "United Machinists of the Needle Industries," which is affiliated with the Committee of Industrial Organisation, were charged with conspiring to commit violence.

Eight pleaded guilty. The trial date has not been fixed. The charges included acid-throwing and assault.

#### TWO DRY DOCKS IN HAWAII

#### BIG EXPENDITURE BY AMERICA

#### CONTRACTS LET

#### Will Accommodate Big U.S. Battleships

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.

Contracts have been awarded for the construction of two dry docks at Pearl Harbour, on the Hawaiian coast, for 6,260,000 dollars.

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"Shipyard Sally" With Gracie Fields

Hearty comedy, glorious singing of old favourites and new hits by the one-and-only Gracie Fields, and a strong story combine to make "Shipyard Sally," which is now at the State Theatre, Hastings, among the most satisfying entertainments the screen has offered in many a season. It is the best Gracie Fields film to date.

Clydeside, where the story opens, is seen as a period of prosperity and poverty and despair settle over the workers. Gracie Fields appears as Sally, a music-hall artist who finds that to keep her errant father, the "Major," in order is becoming almost a full-time job.

The "Major" is played by Gracie's costar, Sydney Howard. He buys a Clydeside "pub" with Gracie's savings and looks thirstily forward to drinking the profits. There are no profits, however, for the men can no longer afford to pay for their beer.

Gracie proves a friend to the workers, dispensing beer and encouragement without hope of reward beyond their profound gratitude and friendship. A commission is appointed in London to report on the situation at Clydeside, and Sally is sent to London to plead a resumption of work.

Lord Randall (Morton Selten), head of the commission, is both busy and elusive. When orthodox methods fail to bring Sally an interview, she uses her voice and her ingenuity. She poses as an American blues singer and becomes the hit of a party at Randall's house; she impersonates a young man of Mayfair and passes through the portals of Lord Randall's very conservative - and all male - club; she continues her impersonation of the singer at a country house-party and at last her efforts are rewarded with success.

Gracie sings other songs, too, a list of old favourites and specially written hits including: "Wish Me Luck," "In Pernambuco," "I Got the Jitterbugs," "Grandfather's Bagpipes," "Annie Laurie" and "Danny Boy."

Cosy HULBERT-TOBIN FILM "KATE PLUS TEN"

With "Mutiny On The Blackhawk"

"Kate Plus Ten," which opens at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings, to-day, is a fast-moving Edgar Wallace thriller, with Jack Hulbert as the amusing detective set against a hair-raising woman crook. Dramatic moments are mingled with sparkling comedy and the hero's final pairing off with his feminine adversary caters for romantic interest. The Hulbert-Tobin team is first-rate.

This gripping Wallace thriller sees Jack Hulbert discarding his song and dance talents in favour of the more serious business of crime detection. His principal worry is Kate Westhanger, a brilliant girl leader of a gang of ten men.

The thrills start early with a well-staged bank robbery, in which two of Kate's men work a job disguised as policemen, putting genuine constables out of action with tear gas bombs. The closing reels are also extremely exciting, the crooks sealing a train laden with bludgeons and dashing off down a disused track to a derelict coal mine hideout. The Yard man's use of this train to capture the villains when they later attempt to escape by road brings the picture to its finale, but not before level crossings are smashed and signalmen completely panicked. There is a generous leavening of amusing Hulbert comedy, and the romance is nicely handled.

"Mutiny on the Blackhawk," the second attraction, is a powerful and exciting drama of the high seas. Richard Arlen, Andy Devine, and Noah Beery are in the leading roles.

Christmas Night Programme

On Christmas night, at 8.30 o'clock, "Way Out West," a Laurel and Hardy film of more than usual hilarity, will be screened. They portray a couple of desert prospectors of the gay 90's, and encounter many thrilling and spine tingling adventures before accomplishing their mission, that of handing over the deeds of a valuable goldmine to its rightful owner.

Lieut.-Colonel D. G. S. Urmsion, late of the Indian Army, has been appointed a general staff officer at Army Headquarters, Wellington.

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Mayfair

TWO BOY PLAYERS IN SPLENDID DRAMA

Associate Film Provides Good Contrast

"Thanks For The Memory" and "Back Door To Heaven" will be shown finally at the Mayfair Theatre, Napier, to-day.

Jackie Cooper and Freddie Bartholomew take leading roles in the splendid film "Two Bright Boys," a drama of the oil fields which is to begin a season at the Mayfair Theatre on Monday (Christmas Day).

Cast as Rory O'Donnell, Jackie Cooper is cast as a fiery tempered youth of 16, who is trying desperately to complete drilling on a wild-cat well on his rundown farm in the east Texas oil country. He is aided by his attractive mother, Kathleen (Dorothy Peterson) and a loyal old driller, Mike Casey (J. M. Kerrigan).

Bill Hallet (Alan Dinehart), ruthless oil baron who has cheated the O'Donnells in the past, sends agents to discourage Rory and gain control of the property. Rory drives the agents away at the point of a gun.

When Hallet catches a well-dressed English rascal (Melville Cooper) cheating in a card game, he forces the stranger to do his bidding.

Upon Hallet's orders, Harrington and his motherless son David (Freddie Bartholomew) reluctantly begin the odious task. Posing as a rich banker, Harrington tries to win the O'Donnell's confidence, hoping to put through a loan so that Hallet can foreclose on the farm.

When David saves the well during an accident, the Harringtons win the goodwill of Rory and his mother. The picture is brought to an exciting conclusion by a series of splendidly-filmed scenes.

Penny Singleton, Arthur Lake, Larry Sims and Donald Meek are prominently cast in the comedy, "Blondie Takes a Vacation." It is a family comedy, of the type that must appeal to every theatre-goer.

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"THE FOUR FEATHERS" MAGNIFICENT FILM

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The drama-packed story of Harry Faversham, who is accused of cowardice by his closest friends when he resigns from his regiment on the eve of its departure to join Kitchener's Army in the Sudan, and who redeems himself by some of the most dardevil feats on record, is unfolded in the gripping tale of "The Four Feathers," Alexander Korda's new Technicolor feature showing to-day and Monday at the State Theatre, Napier.

Heading the cast of "The Four Feathers" which was directed by Zoltan Korda and adapted from A. E. W. Mason's popular novel, are Ralph Richardson, John Clements, C. Aubrey Smith and June Duprez, stunning 20-year-old beauty who was discovered by Alexander Korda and awarded the leading feminine role.

All the outdoor scenes and the big battle sequences for "The Four Feathers" were photographed in the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, the actual locale of the story. When Zoltan Korda arrived in the Sudan, "The Four Feathers" company proceeded to the East Nile, and with a company of engineers of the Sudan Defence Corps completed a camp that extended for two miles along the east Nile back to South Sabalauka Gorge. Here, almost on the very site once occupied by the Dervishes, was photographed Lord Kitchener's greatest battle, showing his gunboats being hauled up the cataracts.

The filming of this battle took 4000 native troops, a battalion of the East Surrey Regiment, a regiment of the Sudan Horse, hundreds of Dervishes and "Fuzzy-Wuzzies" - the only native troops ever to breach a British square - and hundreds of horses and camels. This dramatic scene also shows the natives pulling the English Army on flat-boats over the dangerous cataracts.

Supporting the main feature is the "World Window in Technicolor - Jerusalem," the sacred sights in the ancient capital of Palestine, the House of Calphas, the Garden of Gethsemane, the "Tomb of the Mother of Christ, the "place called Golgotha," "Via Dolorosa," the "Holy Sepulchre," wherein the body of Christ was laid after His death, and many other interesting scenes will be shown.

The plans are at the theatre, phone 2928.

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Patients and members of the staff of the Napier Public Hospital were entertained on Thursday night by a party from the Napier Rotary Club. Keen interest was shown in coloured slides exhibited by Mr. A. B. Huxst, illustrating his recent tour, and a request was made that he repeat the performance at some future date.

Items given by the Rotarians included a humorous sketch by Messrs. A. C. Gregory and D. Stark, and a sketch by Messrs. H. F. Foster and Gregory. Mr. W. T. Foster, the accompanist, contributed a pianoforte solo.

At the conclusion, the club president (Mr. F. W. Brown) extended to the patients and staff the season's greetings. The matron (Miss L. M. Croft) thanked the party, and supper was provided.

An open tournament will be held on the Maraenui Golf Links on December 30 and 31 and on January 1. There will be separate events each day.

A medley of Strauss waltzes adapted by H. J. Salter with lyrics by Ralph Freed.

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## Recipes for the Enterprising Housewife

### The Gooseberry Season Is Here Again Fill Up The Preserve Cupboard

#### GOOSEBERRY ROLL

Ingredients: 3oz. butter, 6oz. flour, pinch of salt, 1 teaspoonful baking powder, 1 teaspoonful sugar, 1 egg, little milk, 1lb. gooseberries, sugar, nutmeg, golden syrup.

Method: Rub the butter into the flour, add the salt, baking powder, teaspoonful of sugar and make into a light dough with the well-beaten egg and a little milk if necessary. Put on a floured board and roll out. Top and tail the gooseberries, arrange them on the pastry, sprinkle with sugar, grated nutmeg, and about a dessertspoonful golden syrup. Roll up, pinch the ends together, brush over with egg, and bake in a good oven. Serve with custard or sweet sauce.

#### SPICED GOOSEBERRIES

Ingredients: 3 quarts gooseberries, 4lb. sugar, 2 teaspoonfuls ground cinnamon, 2 teaspoonfuls allspice, 1 teaspoonful ground cloves, 1 pint of malt vinegar.

Method: After topping and tailing the fruit, wash it thoroughly. Place in a jar, stand in boiling water or in a cool oven. Add the sugar; cook for 1 1/2 hours. Remove the jar from the stove, turn the contents into a pan, add the vinegar. Stir in the cinnamon, cloves and allspice. Bring to the boil, and boil until a little sets when tested on a cold plate. Put in small, warmed jars and seal with airtight covers. This spiced preserve is especially good with cold boiled bacon, ham, cold meat, and poultry, and is tasty served with cheese and salad.

#### PRESERVED GOOSEBERRIES (Green)

Ingredients: 2 breakfastcupful cold water, 1 tablespoon butter, 1 tablespoonful castor sugar, pepper, salt, and nutmeg.

Method: Prepare the gooseberries, place in a saucepan with the cold water, and cook until soft. Rub through a sieve, return the pulp to the pan, stir in the butter and sugar. Season to taste, make very hot without boiling, and serve in a very hot tureen. This sauce is a suitable accompaniment for roast pork or young duckling or it may be served with fish, baked liver, bacon, or an onion dish.

#### GOOSEBERRY SAUCE

Ingredients: 2 breakfastcupful cold water, 1 tablespoon butter, 1 tablespoonful castor sugar, pepper, salt, and nutmeg.

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#### GOOSEBERRY CHUTNEY

Ingredients: 3lb. green gooseberries, 2lb. raisins, 2lb. onions, 1oz. ground ginger, 2 teaspoon cayenne pepper, 2 table-spoons salt, 1 quart vinegar, 1lb. sugar.

Method: Top and tail gooseberries, cut raisins in halves, chop onions. Put all together and boil gently for 3 1/2 hours. Stir well. When cooked, put into jars and seal down.

#### GREEN GOOSEBERRY JAM

Ingredients: 3lb. gooseberries, 1 quart of water, 1lb. sugar.

Method: Boil together for half an hour, then add 5lb. sugar. Bring to the boil, and boil quickly for 5 minutes. Put white hot. This jam sets beautifully, and remains perfectly green.

#### A Bridal Gown Of Magnolia Satin

HASTINGS WEDDING  
Three Bridesmaids In Daffodil Georgette

RAPLEY—CURTIS

The Methodist Church, Hastings, was the scene of a pretty wedding last week when Patricia Maureen, fourth daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Curtis, Hastings, was married to John Douglas, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. Rapley, Waipukurau.

The Rev. C. H. Olds performed the ceremony and during the service Miss Doris Price sang "Promise Me."

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a beautiful gown of magnolia satin charnelaine cut wholly on the cross, the skirt flaring into a long train. She wore a soft magnolia veil and carried a pretty gold basket, a gift from the bridegroom.

Three bridesmaids were in attendance, the Misses Jean Watson (chief), Lillian Birch and Sybil Rapley.

They were frocked alike in daffodil georgette with square shirred necklines finished with velvet ribbon, two bands of velvet ribbon defining the waistlines of the pleated skirts. The bodice had full bell sleeves and each "maid" wore a pearl necklace, the gift of the bridegroom.

Mr Raymond Rapley was best man and Messrs Douglas Curtis and Reg. Rapley were groomsmen.

Leaving the church the bride was presented with lucky horseshoes by Beverly May, a niece of the bridegroom, and Bruce Flanagan, a nephew of the bride.

A jolly reception was held in a large marquee on the lawns at the home of the bride's parents in Dufferin Street, where about 140 guests were entertained. The chief feature of the bridal table was the 4 tiered wedding cake made and iced by Mrs R. W. Price. The bouquets were made and given by Mrs R. Marden.

The guests were received by the parents of the bride and groom, the bride's mother, wearing a smart frock of London tan with hat and accessories to tone, and the bridegroom's mother wearing a brown ensemble with touches of orange and matching accessories to tone.

When the bride and groom left for their honeymoon the bride travelled in an attractive frock of London tan with a matching scalloped coat and picture hat and accessories to tone. Mr and Mrs J. D. Ranley will make their future home in Hastings.

#### The Sense of Dress Should Be Taught At An Early Age

Children Take a Pride In Their Personal Appearance

The little girl is just as proud of pretty frocks as is her eldest sister or her mother. Colour, of course, plays the largest part with the younger child, but it is surprising how soon most children learn and know what will suit them.

The mother who is heard to complain frequently of the older girl's lack of pride in her appearance does not realise that she is to blame for this.

From her earliest years the little girl can be trained really to look at her clothes and recognise how attractive trimness and neatness can be. Most youngsters naturally go through a stage when the frocks they want are just those that they certainly should not wear, and then the mother has to try to instil into their minds the importance of suitability.

Colour, freshness and daintiness attract the small girl, and the careful mother has no difficulty in guiding her liking towards frocks in which she will look well. This year she will dress her in gay prints— inexpensive, easy to launder and attractively patterned.

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#### ENGAGEMENTS

The engagement is announced of Irene Dora, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. R. Bone, Twyford, to Hubert Crawford (Jack), second son of Mr and Mrs P. W. Barlow, Napier.

The engagement is announced of Hazel Lilyan, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F. W. Holland, Clive Square, Napier, and Stanley Eric, second son of Mr and Mrs E. W. Crook, 102 McLean Street, Hastings.

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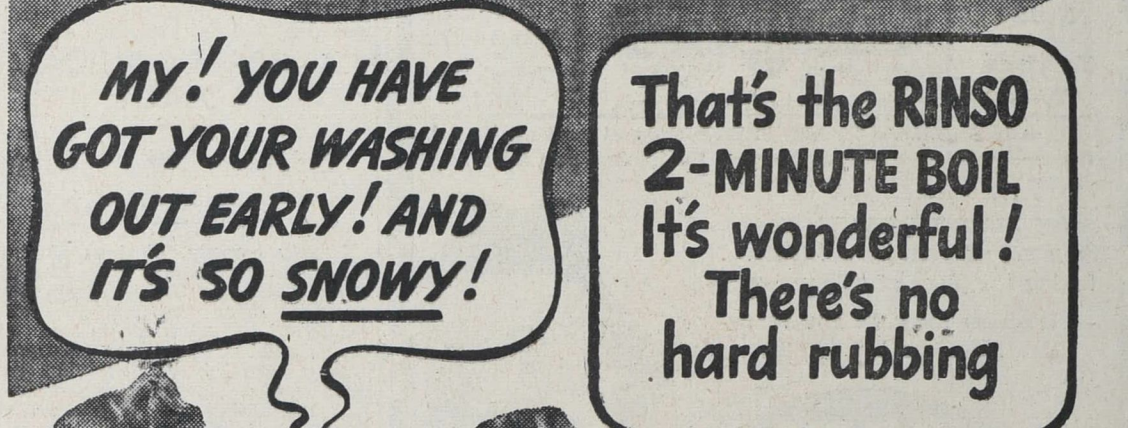
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7.0 a.m.: Physical exercises. 7.10: Breakfast session. 10.0: Devotional service. 10.15: Recordings. 11.0: Talk to women. 11.15: Recordings. 12.0: Lunch music. 1.0 p.m.: Week-end weather forecast. 2.30: Classical hour. 3.15: Sports results. 3.30: Light music. 4.0: Weather forecast. 4.30: Sports results. 5.0: Children's session. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News and reports. 8.0: All Baba and the Forty Thieves. A recorded pantomime. 9.20: Weather report and station notices. 9.25: Cedric Roche Sextet. "Christmas Fantasy." 9.30: Christmas music. 9.45: Nat Shikret and His Orchestra.

2YA Wellington
7.0 a.m.: Physical exercises. 7.10: Breakfast session. 10.10: Devotional service. 10.25: Recordings. 10.45: Talk to women. Commentaries on the Plunket Shield cricket match. Wellington v. Auckland. Will be broadcast at intervals throughout the day. 12.0: Lunch music. 1.0 p.m.: Week-end weather forecast. 2.0: Light music. 3.0: Sports results. 4.0: Sports results. 5.0: Children's session. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News and reports. 7.35: Cricket review. 8.0: Savoy Orchestra. 8.15: Allan Jones (tenor). 8.35: "One Good Deed a Day." 8.55: Charlie Kunz (piano). 9.24: Regal Pantomime Company. "Dick Whittington." 9.45: Will's Accordion Orchestra. 9.48: Wanda Melville. 9.55: Derek Oldham. 5.55: Orchestra Mascotte. 9.20: Weather forecast and station notices. 9.25: "Kentucky Minstrels," devised and written by Harry S. Pepper. (A B.B.C. production.) 9.52: The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra (Monday). 9.55: Children's Sports summary. 10.15: Dance music.

4YA Dunedin
7.0 a.m.: Physical exercises. 7.10: Breakfast session. 10.10: Selected recordings. 10.50: Talk to women. 12.0: Running commentaries on the racing at the Dunedin Jockey Club's meetings. Lunch music. 1.15 p.m.: Weather forecast. 2.0: Recordings. 3.30: Sports results. 4.45: Sports results. 5.0: Children's sessions. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News and reports. 7.40: Cricket talk. 8.0: A light orchestral and ballad concert featuring Louis Levy and His Orchestra, Gaynor Paape (soprano), The New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra in "Summer Suite (Coates), Ivan W. Hartman (baritone), The London Palladium Orchestra, Gaynor Paape (soprano) and Jack Bylton and His Orchestra in "The Selfish Giant" (Coates). 9.20: Weather report and station notices. 9.25: Christmas programme by Ted Andrews and the Reveliers' Dance Band. 10.3: Sports summary. 11.15: Dance music.

2YH Napier
7.0-9.0 a.m.: Breakfast session. 11.0: Light music. 12.0-2.0 p.m.: Lunch session. 2.0: Light music. 5.45: For the Children. 6.0: "Carson Bobbin and His Pioneers." 6.30: "The Japanese Housewife." 6.45: Weather report and forecast for Hawke's Bay. Summary of cricket results. 7.0: Government news. 7.15: "Littles." 8.0: Concert session: London Symphony Orchestra, "Polka and Flutes" ("Schubert's Bag-Pipe Music"). 8.10: "The Madrigal Singers." 8.12: Kennedy (cello), "Melodie" (Rachmaninoff). 8.13: The Celeste instrumental Trio, "La Serenade." 8.14: Night, Holy Night." 8.36: Grand Symphony Orchestra, "South of the Clouds" (Sullivan). 8.45: Children's (tenor). 9.20: "The Crimson Trail." 9.33: Programme of light variety.

1YA Auckland
9.0 a.m.: Recordings. 11.0: Church of Christ service. 12.15 p.m.: Recordings. 1.0: Dinner music. 2.0: Recordings. 3.30: Piano and orchestral symphony by F. Dind, played by Marguerite Long and the Cologne Symphony Orchestra. 3.50: Recordings. 5.30: Children's song service. 6.0: Presbyterian service. 8.15: Recordings. 8.30: Act 1, Scene 1, of Verdi's "Rigoletto." 8.45: Christmas greetings by the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition (the Hon. Adam Hamilton). 9.25: Weather report and station notices. 9.30: "He That Should Come," a Nativity play, specially written for Radio by Dorothy Sayers. An E.B.S. production. 10.28: Recordings. 12.0: Midnight Mass, relayed from St. Gerard's Repentist Church.

2YA Wellington
9.0 a.m.: Recordings. 11.0: Salvation Army church service. 12.15 p.m.: Recordings. 1.0: Dinner session. 2.0: Elgar's "Falstaff," a symphonic study, played by the London Symphony Orchestra, conducted by the composer, Sir Edward Elgar, Bart., O.M., K.C.V.O. 2.32: Recordings. 3.0: "Brains in the Family" (No. 1); Famous Sisters. 3.30: Recordings. 5.30: Children's song service. 7.0: Anglican Church service. 8.15: Recordings. 8.30: Recital by the Rosario Bourdon Symphony, with an interlude by the Buceaneres' Octet. 9.15: Christmas greetings from the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition (the Hon. Adam Hamilton). 9.25: Weather report and station notices. 9.30: "He That Should Come," a Nativity play, specially written for Radio by Dorothy Sayers. An E.B.S. production. 10.28: Recordings. 12.0: Midnight Mass, relayed from St. Gerard's Repentist Church.

3YA Christchurch
9.0 a.m.: Recordings. 11.0: Anglican service. 12.15 p.m.: Recordings. 1.0: Dinner music. 2.0: Recordings. 3.0: The Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Eugene Ormandy, in "Rumanian Rhapsody No. 1" (Enesco). Recordings. 5.30: Children's song service. 6.15: Recordings. 7.0: Salvation Army meeting. 8.15: Recordings. 8.30: A concert of light orchestral music by the Light Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Eric Coates, with vocal interludes by John McCormack. Christmas greetings from the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition (the Hon. Adam Hamilton). 9.25: Weather report and station notices. 9.30: "He That Should Come," a Nativity play, specially written for Radio by Dorothy Sayers. An E.B.S. production. 10.28: Recordings. 12.0: Midnight Mass, relayed from St. Gerard's Repentist Church.

port and station notices. 9.30: A programme of Christmas music by the Carol Singers with interludes by the J. H. Squire Celeste Octet, the Cedric Roche Sextet and the Chapel Bells Trio. 10.35: Recordings. 12.0: Devotional service.
4YA Dunedin
9.0 a.m.: Recordings. 10.0: Selected recordings. 11.0: Presbyterian service. 12.15 p.m.: Recordings. 1.0: Dinner music. 2.0: Recordings. 3.30: "Serenade in E for Strings," by Dvorak, played by the Boyd Neel String Orchestra. 3.5: Recordings. 5.30: "A Second Mixed Bag." Notable Centenaries of 1939. 5.50: Recordings. 5.50: Children's song service. 6.30: Baptist service. 7.45: Recordings. 8.15: "The Messiah" (Handel), by the B.B.C. Choir with orchestra and organ. Soloists: Hubert Edzell, Arnold Williams, Mattie Arnschill, Dora Labbette and Nellie Walker. Conductor: Sir Thomas Beecham. 9.25: Christmas greetings to the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition (the Hon. Adam Hamilton). 9.25: Weather report and station notices. 9.30: "The Messiah" (continued).

Monday
1YA Auckland
7.0 a.m.: Breakfast session. 9.0: Recordings. 10.0: Combined service. 11.0: Anglican service. 12.15 p.m.: Recordings. 1.0: Dinner music. 2.0: Recordings. 5.30: Children's song service. 6.0: Concert programme. The London Palladium Orchestra in "The Rose" (Potpourri of English Melodies). 8.15: An English Christmas. 8.24: Marek Weber and His Orchestra in "Potpourri of Christmas Music." 8.30: The Radio that the "Merle Fears." 8.45: "Ravenshoe." 9.20: Weather report and station notices. 9.25: "Memories." Programme of musical entertainment of forty or fifty years ago. 9.55: Charles Renard and His Orchestra (baritone). 10.0: Favourites old and new.

2YA Wellington
7.0 a.m.: Breakfast session. 9.0: Recordings. 10.0: Devotional service. 10.25: Recordings. 12.0: Dinner session. 2.0: "Unimportant People." 2.35: Recordings. 3.0: Progress reports of Plunket Shield cricket match throughout the afternoon—Ottago v. Canterbury. 3.10: Rosario Bourdon and His Orchestra, assisted by Vivian Della Chiesa, lyric soprano from the Chicago Opera Company, and Thomas L. Thomas, baritone of the Metropolitan Opera. 3.30: Recordings. 5.30: Children's song service. 6.0: News. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: Review of day's play in Plunket Shield cricket match. 7.15: Recordings. 7.30: Carol service relayed from the Christchurch Cathedral. 8.30: The State Opera Orchestra, Berlin, in "Christmas Fairies" (Overton). 8.45: Derek Oldham (tenor) in "Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal" (Quilter). 8.48: The London Philharmonic Orchestra in "Romance, Reveille and Fete of the Capulet" (Berlioz). 9.20: Weather report and station notices. 9.25: Music from the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer fantasy, "The Wizard of Oz." 10.0: Favourites, old and new.

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2YH Napier
11.0 a.m.: Recordings. 2.0 p.m.: Afternoon concert session. 6.30: Recordings. 7.0: After-dinner music. 8.0: Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, "Academic Festival Overture" (Brahms). 8.11: Marton Anderson (contralto). 8.39: "Cavalcade of Famous Artists." London Philharmonic Orchestra, "Festivo—Tempo di Bolero" (Sibelius). 8.45: Oscar Natzke (bass). 9.20: Henry Croudson (organ). 9.26: Tim Ross (tenor). 9.32: The Albert Sandler Trio. 9.45: "Waltz of the Flowers" from "Nutcracker Suite" (Tchaikovski).

Appointments to the advisory council of scientific and industrial research are announced in the Gazette. They are Professor H. G. Denham, (chairman), Dr. J. C. Andrews, Mr. A. H. Cockayne, Mr. G. A. Pascoe, Dr. R. O. Page, Sir Theodore Rigg, Mr. J. M. Ranstead, and Professor W. Riddett (Massey College).
Captain G. B. Morgan, formerly master of the Maunganui, is temporarily in command of the Awatea, in the absence on sick leave of Captain A. H. Davey.

APPRECIATION OF THE MAORI LANGUAGE

Lessons For All Who Wish To Know Something Of A Beautiful Tongue

LESSON XXX.

Note. The 1st tense given in Lesson XXIX, was the perfect subjunctive.
Future Contingent.
1st Person: Ki te aroha ahau.—If I should love.
2nd Person: Ki te kore ahau e aroha.
3rd Person: Ki te aroha koe.—If you should love.
4th Person: Ki te kore koe e aroha.—If you should not love.

Future Consequential.
1st Person: Kia aroha ahau.—That I may love.
2nd Person: Kia aroha koe.—That you may love.
3rd Person: Kia aroha koe e aroha.—That you may not love.
4th Person: Kia aroha koe e aroha.—That you may not love.
Future Precatory.
1st Person: Kel aroha ahau.—Lest I should love.
2nd Person: Kel kore ahau e aroha.
3rd Person: Kel aroha koe.—Lest you should love.
4th Person: Kel kore koe e aroha.—Lest he should not love.

Exercise.
1. Ki te haere mai a Turi raua ko Hoani apopo ka tohe (urge) ahau kia haere atu raua kia kite i a Koe.
2. Me ki atu (tell) koe ki a Mere (to desert) a ia i tana tane i a Hoani.
3. Haere ki taku mara (garden) ki te haka (to fetch) kai mau kai mau (to be consumed) katoa nga kai i nga taina o kuwai mai.
4. Te take (the reason why) i whakaae ai a Hoani ki te hoki ki a Mere.
5. E hoki ana ahau ki Tu-ranga kia rokohanga (to be in time for) a te Hatarei te rua te kau ma rua o nga ra o Oketopa.
6. Me haere koutou ki te mahi (to work) kia whiwhi (to be possessed of) hereni (money) ai koutou mo te wa (time) o te kirihiri mete; kei hao (wish for) noa koutou mo nga taonga (goods) a etaha (these).

Germany Helped By Factories

AMERICAN BRANCHES
Several hundred million dollars of American capital invested in huge American branch factories in Germany, is helping Reichsfuhrer Hitler to carry on his war against Britain and France and are causing some uneasiness among high officials at Washington (reports the Associated Press).
The situation is leading to careful inquiry into the policy of establishment of American factories abroad. The plants, branches of vast corporations, were constructed before the Nazis came into power. In 1933, a reliable authority estimates, they were valued at 300,000,000 dollars. Since then their valuation has greatly declined owing to numerous Nazi restrictions on operations and profits and prohibition against export of their products to the United States. Nevertheless, some of them are still tremendous plants employing thousands of workmen. In the last few years the German Government has placed overseas in the plants with such wide powers that there is a question in official quarters as to whether the factories are actually under American control. Before the war began, they were thoroughly integrated into the German economic system and are now working, just as are German factories, in producing whatever materials are required for the pursuance of the war.

Products in Competition
The administration was concerned about the plants even before the war started. The chief reason was the fact that products from the plants were competing seriously with goods made in America. Originally, the branches were established to supply the German nearby markets, but the German economic authorities forced them to export overseas goods so as to provide Germany with foreign currency.

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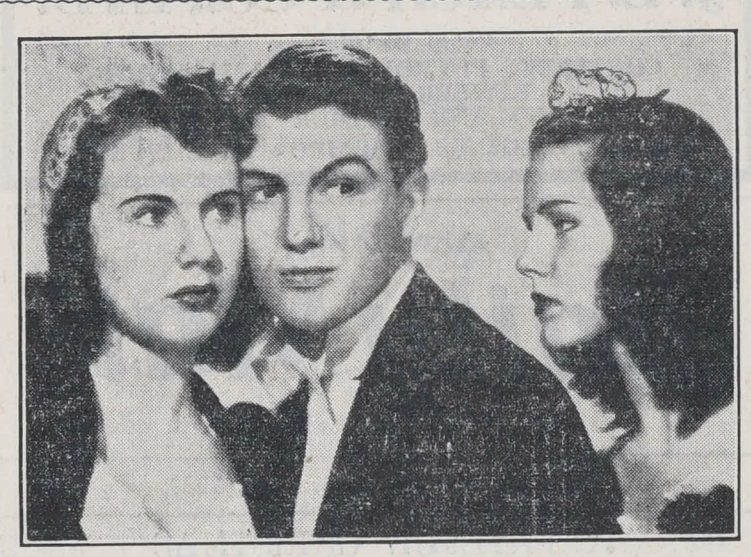
NAPIER
A dramatic tale of British heroism in the Sudan campaign in Egypt is told in "THE FOUR FEATHERS." The cast includes G. Aubrey Smith, Ralph Richardson, John Clements and Jean Duprez.
Lupe Velez returns to pictures in a striking role in "THAT GIRL FROM MEXICO" in which she fills the title role. Donald Woods is the leading male player.

Ginger Rogers, whose recent adventure into bright comedy in "Bachelor Mother" was acclaimed by the critics, has a leading role in "FIFTH AVENUE GIRL." Walter Connolly and Tim Holt are prominently cast.
Wallace Ford and Patricia Ellis have leading roles in the film "BACKDOOR TO HEAVEN." This is a splendid drama, enhanced by a rather unusual theme.

Splendid entertainment is offered by the romantic comedy "THANKS FOR THE MEMORY." The film tells the story of the adventures of a pair of newly-weds, and has in its cast Bob Hope and Shirley Ross.
"THE TWO BRIGHT BOYS" is a drama centred about the oil fields, telling of the courage of two boys in the face of disaster. Jackie Cooper and Freddie Bartholomew have the title roles.

Deanna Durbin scores again in her latest triumph, "FIRST LOVE" in which she is supported by Helen Parrish, Robert Stack, Eugene Pallette and Lewis Howard. Miss Durbin sings four songs in this film.

HASTINGS
"SHIPYARD SALLY," Gracie Fields' latest comedy, places the star in a bright and entertaining story of the Clydeside dockyards. Gracie is supported by a fine cast.
Nevest in the succession of triumphs starring Deanna Durbin is "FIRST LOVE," an admirable blend of music, comedy and sincere drama



The screen's "singing sweetheart," Deanna Durbin, in a scene with Helen Parrish and Robert Stack from "First Love," now at the Regent Theatre, Hastings.

"Strad" Goldwyn GAY ENTERTAINMENT

In these days of stereotyped screen drama, crime pictures and the like, it is refreshing to come across a film which is both original and richly entertaining. Such a photoplay is Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "THE WIZARD OF OZ."
A favourite story with children throughout the world, "The Wizard of Oz" has been made into a motion picture which is a triumph artistically, and a delight as entertainment. Imagine an Emerald City of great green bubbles which serve as houses, trees which talk and throw apples at all who dare to go near, a horse which changes colour at a word, and flying monkeys who are the servants of a wicked witch.
These are but a few of the marvels of "The Wizard of Oz." Judy Garland appears as Dorothy, the little girl who is blown away by a cyclone into the land of Oz, where she meets hundreds of remarkable people.
"Breakaway" in film jargon, means something substantial which is supposed to break with a minimum of fuss and trouble. In short anything that is supposed to give you on touch is so labelled.
The violins for use in Goldwyn's production "THEY SHALL HAVE MUSIC," starring Jascha Heifetz, world renowned virtuoso, will receive rough handling by Gene Reynolds, a 15-year-old actor who is rapidly coming to the fore.



Walter Connolly, Tim Holt and Ginger Rogers in argumentative mood in a scene from "Fifth Avenue Girl," to screen at the State Theatres, Napier and Hastings, as the New Year attraction.

"Heigh Yo, Silver!"

The most famous adventure-call of fiction is "Heigh Yo, Silver!"—action cry of the Lone Ranger, masked rider of justice. Recently seen in Hastings was the first series of episodes dealing with the thrilling adventures of this hero, and now a second series has been filmed, to be presented in fifteen gripping chapters. Entitled "The Lone Ranger Rides Again," this serial will open at Napier this week-end and at Hastings on December 29. Entirely new adventures are faced by the Ranger in this production.
D. W. Griffith, pioneer motion picture director and producer, will produce the forthcoming Hal Roach spectacle "1,000,000 B.C." but will not direct it. The story by Eugene Roche is a saga of prehistoric man's struggle for existence against monsters and natural phenomena that stuns the senses



Ginger Rogers, James Ellison and Kathryn Adams in a scene from the hilarious comedy, "Fifth Avenue Girl," to be screened simultaneously at the State Theatres, Hastings and Napier, next Friday.

CURRENT PRODUCTIONS

HASTINGS
STATE THEATRE: Now showing to Tuesday: "Shipyard Sally" (Gracie Fields, Sydney Howard). Wednesday and Thursday: "Chicken-wednesday Family" (Jane Withers, Leo Carrillo) and "The Escape" (Laurence Olivier, Ralph Richardson, Valrie Hobson).
MAYFAIR THEATRE: Now showing: "Backdoor to Heaven" (Wallace Ford, Patricia Ellis) and "Thanks for the Memory" (Bob Hope, Shirley Ross). Chapter one of serial "The Lone Ranger Rides Again." Monday and Tuesday: "Two Bright Boys" (Jackie Cooper, Freddie Bartholomew), and "Blondie Takes a Vacation" (Penny Singleton, Arthur Lake) and Chapter six of "The Oregon Trail." Wednesday and Thursday: "Sea Devils" (Preston Foster, Victor McLaglen), "Don't Tell My Wife" (Guy Kibbee, Una Merkel), and chapter 10 of "Zouls to the Rescue."
STATE THEATRE: Now showing to Tuesday: "The Four Feathers" (Ralph Richardson, C. Aubrey Smith, John Clements). Wednesday and Thursday: "That Girl From Mexico" (Lupe Velez, Donald Woods, Leon Errol). Commencing Friday: "Fifth Avenue Girl" (Ginger Rogers, Walter Connolly, Tim Holt).
Deanna Durbin tops the list of the first five English and American screen favourites of both sexes, according to the latest English poll.



The famous comedy players, Oliver Hardy and Stan Laurel, as they appear in "Way Out West," screening at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings, on Christmas night (Monday) at 8.30 p.m.

Too Realistic!

It is a night scene for "BEAU GESTE." The company is working in a picturesque barracks set on Stage 12. Men are crowded round a big wicker table on which J. Carroll Nash is held spread eagle on his back. He has just been caught stealing from "Beau" (Guy Cooper), and Foreign Legionnaires deal severely with one among their ranks who takes what does not belong to him.
Two men stand on benches on either side of the table. Each has a sabre. With the full co-operation of their companions these two propose to pin the unfortunate victim's hands to the table.
"Now," orders Director William Wellman, "as the camera moves in, lift your sabres high, hold them poised for a moment and then snap them down." "And for pity's sake be sure you miss!" amends Nash. "Snap them down indeed! Bill, you change places with me and when you look up at those points see if you still want them snapped down."

Donald Meek takes a lot of kidding about his name—but it is his rank which is the cause of the Meek, famous Scotch artist. During filming of "The Housekeeper's Daughter" in which he portrays a fiery newspaper editor, Meek broke down and admitted that in his youth he was engaged to a girl named Mabel Milde!

Ingrid Bergman, Swedish star soon to be seen in a United Artists release, "Intermezzo," in which she appears with Leslie Howard.

Freddie Bartholomew will deliver the welcoming address to the 15,000 Boy Scouts on Boy Scout Day at the San Francisco Exposition.



Deanna Durbin and Helen Parrish, who appear in "First Love," latest of the former's succession of triumphs, which is now at the Regent Theatre, Napier.



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TIDES H.W. H.W. L.W. L.W. a.m. p.m. a.m. p.m.

VESSELS AT INNER HARBOUR Kiritona, at moorings. Koutunui, at moorings. Tu Atu, at Jull wharf.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS Poolta, ex Greymouth and Westport, to-morrow.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES Kopara, for Auckland, 4 p.m. yesterday.

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Hawke's Bay Daily Mail Your Own Morning Paper

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1939. A FATEFUL CHRISTMAS

If the early Christians were to come back to earth, they would stand amazed at the irrelevant—not to say in many cases irreverent—celebrations that have come to be associated with the sacred occasion.

In other places far from the fields of war, including New Zealand, Christmas is, as often as not, the annual excuse for "whoopie" parties and unregulated conduct.

Nations are at war, and a nation is but the individual written large. Peace is something that is not imposed from without, but that is evolved from within.

The genuine desire for peaceful relationships among people of different walks of life really ought not to need any artificial stimulation, nor should it require even a special season of the year.

Nothing is to be gained from blinking the fact that lip-service is rendered to Christian principles while these principles are being betrayed at every turn—betrayed at Christmas time as at any other time.

There are many who believe that the Founder of Christianity is still aware of what goes on during the annual celebrations of His birthday, and such people must be given ample food for thought in contemplation of the heavy dining and wining that go on at this time.

When everything that is righteous and decent is in dire peril because of the onslaught of anti-religious forces like Nazism and Bolshevism, the time has come for the mobilisation of a new army of Christian crusaders who will rally forth once more under the True Cross to do battle for the Prince of Peace.

There should be something much more fundamental is needed. There should be solemnity as well as hilarity at Christmas time.

Christmas Gifts at "Parkers." We have a wonderful selection for both men and women. An early inspection is advisable. "Parkers."

Personal

Mr and Mrs T. B. Ferguson, Coleman Terrace, Napier, leave to-day to spend the holiday at Tauranga.

Mr G. W. B. Lawson, who recently relinquished his position as engineer at the Napier Harbour Board, was given a farewell by the staff yesterday morning.

Mr Lindsay Castle, Gisborne, is spending the week-end in Havelock North before leaving for Wellington.

Mr C. P. Millman, Napier, who has been in the Napier Public Hospital for nearly a month, has been discharged.

Mr J. McNeil, Paki Paki, was a passenger by last night's express for Auckland.

Mr J. O'Donnell will leave Hastings this morning for Rotorua.

Mr D. Inder will leave Hastings this morning on a visit to Wellington.

Mr S. D. J. Cohen will leave Hastings to-morrow for Wellington.

Dr. L. A. Briggs, Auckland, is at present visiting his parents, Mr and Mrs. Charles Briggs, of Hastings.

S.S.M. Hayes has arrived in Hastings from Narrow Neck Instruction Camp, Non-commissioned officers have leave until January 3, 1940.

Mr and Mrs Isaac and family, Mr and Mrs Kempthorne, Mr Hodd, Mr and Mrs W. Ballinger (Wellington), Mr J. Davey and Miss Davey, Mr and Mrs E. Davey (Wairoa), Mr P. C. Thompson (Tasmania), Mr P. Shelton (Tolaga Bay), Mr Bell (Dannevirke), Mr Cleghorn (Te Pahi), are at the Masonic Hotel, Napier.

Mr and Mrs. L. Rhodes, Mr L. W. Essex (Palmerston North), Mr R. G. Ritchie (Invercargill), Mr and Mrs. L. M. Harland, Miss J. Harland (Auckland), Mr and Mrs. M. J. Nathan (Wellington), Mr and Mrs. E. Gray (Riccarton) are at the Pacific Hotel, Hastings.

Mr E. Wilson (Auckland), Mr H. Lee (Wellington), Mr F. Wright (Masterton), Mr M. Mallman, Mr J. McKinnon (Sidmouth), Mr G. Hesketh, Mr J. Armstrong (Dunedin), Mr B. Wurry, Mr H. Williamson, Mr D. Durning, Mr T. Third (Invercargill), Mr M. Little (New Plymouth), Mr J. McKay, Mr S. Cowley (Gisborne), Mr R. Cowley, Mr C. Daughy (Waikato) are at the Carlton Club Hotel, Hastings.

Mr Spargo, Mr Houston, Mr Elwin, Mr Stewart, Mr McSwiney, Mr J. Black (Waikaremoana), Mr W. Taylor (Tua), are at the Ferry Hotel, Wairoa.

Mr A. G. Banfield, Mr J. M. McMillan (Gisborne), Mr J. E. Walker (Wellington), Mr Masters (Waikaremoana), Mr W. Ayes, Mr C. Huston (Kopuwhara), Miss Bowman, Mr A. W. Gilcrest (Waikopou), Mr M. E. O'Brien (Gisborne), are at the Clyde Hotel, Wairoa.

The Breakfast Table Sergeant: "Any of you men got a dirty uniform?" Private (hoping for a new uniform): "Yes, sergeant, look at me..." Sergeant: "You'll do. Report to-morrow morning at 6.30 for coal shovelling."

"He said there was a gale blowing at the time. He sighted two British warships and an aeroplane circling overhead."—Daily Paper, Spotted by Punch (c).

"How is the second-hand car you bought?" "I've just realised how hard it is to drive a bargain."

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Wills Free of Charge A recommendation to solicitors of the district that they should prepare wills free of charge for men proceeding on active service was passed at a meeting of the Hawke's Bay Law Society held in Napier on Thursday.

Vengeance on Town Clerk An attitude towards town clerks in general the reverse of eulogistic, was mentioned by Cr. J. Scott at a farewell to the Wanganui Town Clerk, Mr G. Murch. He said that he once received a blue paper, a summons for a penalty on rates. It was at such a time that one felt inclined to "screw" the town clerk's neck," Cr Scott said.

Christmas Bonus In connection with the provision of a Christmas bonus for those persons who qualify to receive it, payment will be obtainable, on Friday, January 5, 1940, at the office of the Social Security Department, Napier, and at Post Offices, Bay View, Clive and Taradale, and at Post Offices in the Hastings district; also on Thursday, January 4, 1940, at Post Offices in the Waipukurua district.

Ocean Yacht Race The longest ocean yacht race to be held in New Zealand for many years—from Lyttelton to Wellington—will be held in the middle of January. Already nine entries have been accepted, and three more entries will be considered.

It Pays to Advertise Honesty is the best policy, which truism was borne out by an incident which occurred in Napier this week. A girl lost a paper bag containing £28 10s in notes in the business area, and advertised for the money in the "Daily Mail".

Highland Identity Badges To prevent the possibility of competitors entering Highland dancing and piping contests in various parts of New Zealand without giving their correct ages, the New Zealand Piping and Dancing Association has instituted a system of registration of the popularity of poultry for the festive season.

Seaman Sign Off British passenger ships, which have recently visited New Zealand and signed off many members of their crews, because of the small number of Homeward-bound travellers offering in almost every case the seamen have voluntarily accepted discharge from their English articles.

Another False Alarm Such celebration of the observance of Christmas Eve as members of the Hastings Fire Brigade may have been enjoying last night was rudely interrupted at 10.45 o'clock by a call from an alarm box at the corner of Lovelade Road and Lascelles Street.

A holiday notice which appeared in the public notices columns yesterday on behalf of stock and station agents was on behalf of Wairoa firms, not Hastings or Napier.

"Daily Mail" Holiday Service Subscribers to the "Daily Mail" are reminded that they may have their morning paper delivered to them daily at any of the holiday resorts. The "Daily Mail" regularly serves all centres such as Westshore, Haumoana, Te Awanga, Clifton, Waimarama, Tukituki, and Taupo.

APPAREL NOVELTIES PRINT APRONS In assorted styles and florals. Prices from 1/11 to 4/11.

ORGANDIE TEA APRONS Trimmed with lace and hemstitching. Prices 3/11 and 5/11.

ARTISTS' SMOCKS In attractive Prints. All sizes. Prices from 5/11 to 11/6.

CAVE SESSION—10 a.m. Admission 6d

WESTERMAN'S HASTINGS :: THE STORE WITH THE XMAS SPIRIT

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Marriages at Napier December was a popular month for marriages in Napier. To date, 31 licences have been issued by the Registrar, averaging over one a day.

Watersider's Death An inquest into the death of a Westshore watersider, Tuahine Hata, who died in the Napier Public Hospital following injuries received while working on a vessel in the roadstead, was opened at the hospital on Thursday night before the district coroner (Mr J. Miller). Evidence of identification was taken, and the inquest was adjourned sine die.

No Mention of Port Bowen "I hope that when the model comes to be improved with the inclusion of a few ships, nobody will include the Port Bowen," said a member of the Wanganui City Council when it was reported that the model of Wanganui at the New Zealand Centennial Exhibition is to be made more realistic with the building of another bridge and the introduction of a ship or two to the harbour.

HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

"DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS FOR FAIR, WARM WEATHER. The "Daily Mail's" special forecast for Hawke's Bay is as follows: Moderate and variable winds, with north-westerly later predominating.

Hastings Weather Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5 p.m. at the Hastings Magnetic Observatory, Cornwall Park, were as follows: Dry bulb temp. 77.0deg. Wet bulb temp. 69.0deg. Maximum temp. 83.6deg. Minimum temp. 55.0deg. Grass 47.6deg. 1ft. underground 70.0deg. Rain Nil. Cloud 4. Wind E.2. Rain for month 1.42in.

Napier Weather 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. 70.0deg. Wet bulb temp. 65.8deg. Maximum temp. 74.8deg. Minimum temp. 57.0deg. 1ft. underground 71.8deg. Grass 48.1deg. Visibility 6. Humidity 79 p.c. Cloud 7. Wind S.E.3. Rain Nil. Sun 12.0hrs.

Dominion Forecast An anti-cyclone still covers the North Island, but pressure has fallen in the south. Forecast.—Winds: Freshening north to west winds from Taranaki and Hawke's Bay southwards, light and variable in the far north.

Poultry Popular The sale of some 800 head of poultry at a Hastings auction mart yesterday is an impressive instance of the popularity of poultry for the festive season.

Seaman Sign Off British passenger ships, which have recently visited New Zealand and signed off many members of their crews, because of the small number of Homeward-bound travellers offering in almost every case the seamen have voluntarily accepted discharge from their English articles.

Small Boy's Enthusiasm A small boy and his father stood for more than half an hour peering intently at the working models at the Railway Department's exhibit in the Government Court at the Exhibition the other day.

FATHER XMAS ARRIVES AT 10 A.M. TO-DAY! See "Hey Diddle," "Old Mother Hubbard," "Old King Cole" in beautiful setting with delightful music.

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TRIBUTE TO MR LEE BY A COMRADE

Member For Napier Refers To Recent Event

NEW POSITION SUGGESTED

"I have nothing to say at the moment as to the reasons adduced by Mr Nash for Cabinet's drastic action: there will be opportunities at the proper time and place to discuss these."

"Mr Lee was an early volunteer in the last war, and served his country with distinction on the battlefield, not without physical pain and loss."

"Mr Lee is intensely virile," continued Mr Barnard. "As the one responsible for the initiation of the Government housing scheme, he showed his capacity as an administrator."

"To-day we want recruits. They are coming forward too slowly. Mr Lee's powers and abilities are temporarily unused. Why not put him in charge of recruiting? There is no man in New Zealand who could do the work better."

Mr Barnard took exception to the heading in yesterday's issue of the "Daily Mail," which read: "Exit John Alexander Lee."

GERMANS IN AUCKLAND

SEVEN ARE TO BE INTERNED

NOW IN CUSTODY

May Go To Somes Island

By Telegraph—Press Association.

AUCKLAND, Dec. 22. Seven German nationals living in Auckland were taken into custody tonight by detectives who had a warrant from the Attorney-General (the Hon. H. G. R. Mason) to arrest them under the Alien Control Emergency Regulation.

The seven men, one of them formerly a radio operator on Count von Luckner's yacht Seteufel, spent the night at the Papakura military camp. They will remain there until their departure to-morrow for Wellington, where they probably will be interned on Somes Island.

Their names are: Kurt Wilhelm Schmidt, aged 35, a married man with two children; Gustav Riethmaier, aged 26, described as an expert radio operator; Arthur Richard Leuschke, aged 50, a married man with a grown-up family; Frederick Wilhelm Kersten, aged 52, described as a German national, a married man with two children—he was a second lieutenant in the German Army and came to Auckland in 1935; Max Grapengeter, aged 61, secretary of the German Club in Auckland, a married man with three children; and Gustav Belin, aged 61, married, with three children. All are natives of Germany.

APPEAL FOR CARE ON ROADS

Statement by Minister Of Transport

By Telegraph—Press Association.

WELLINGTON, Dec. 22. A special appeal for care on the roads during the Christmas holidays was issued by the Minister of Transport (the Hon. R. Semple) to-day.

Mr Semple said that during the next ten days, traffic is expected to be the heaviest ever recorded in New Zealand.

Last Christmas 15 persons were killed and 340 injured on the roads. Unless much greater care was taken this Christmas, the accident toll would be very much greater than ever before.

RELATIONS WERE STRAINED

MR CARR ADDS HIS COMMENT

MR LEE'S VIEWS

Recent Article In Question

By Telegraph—Press Association.

TIMARU, Dec. 22. Interviewed to-day Mr Clyde Carr, M.P. for Timaru, a prominent member of the so-called left wing of the Parliamentary Labour Party, said that it was general knowledge that the relations between Mr J. A. Lee and Mr Nash had been somewhat strained.

Mr Lee's position as Under-Secretary to the Minister had been purely nominal since Mr Armstrong assumed the portfolio for State Advances and Housing.

Apparently Mr Lee's recent article in "To-morrow" brought matters to a head. In the opinion of Mr Carr the article was well written, but precipitate. It was always dangerous to indulge in over-generalisation.

Mr Carr said that Mr Lee, Mr Carr and others connected with them agreed that the Labour Government, including Mr Nash, had done a great deal to implement the Labour Party's pledges, but in certain respects they had not satisfied, particularly in regard to matters of financial and banking legislation and administration generally.

Different Minds

These to a large extent represented the different attitudes of mind inevitable in any intelligent group. Though Mr Carr deprecated and detested hero-worship, he realised that changes in leadership must never be considered without a due sense of their gravity. Agreements within the party vastly outnumbered the differences, just as their differences with the Opposition vastly outnumbered their agreements with them.

The obvious implication of Mr Lee's article was that the present Prime Minister was allowing his sense of duty to outweigh due regard for his own health. At least, that was how Mr Carr would have expressed it. To Mr Lee it would appear rather that it was a mistaken sense of duty and that Mr Savage's condition of health should occasion him even more concern from a national than from a personal point of view.

Mr Savage's disposition to overrule the will of the caucus might be due to other causes, and a problem to be considered without passion or conflict of irrelevant matters. It should be dealt with promptly and effectively, however.

FIRST PRIZE TO DUNEDIN

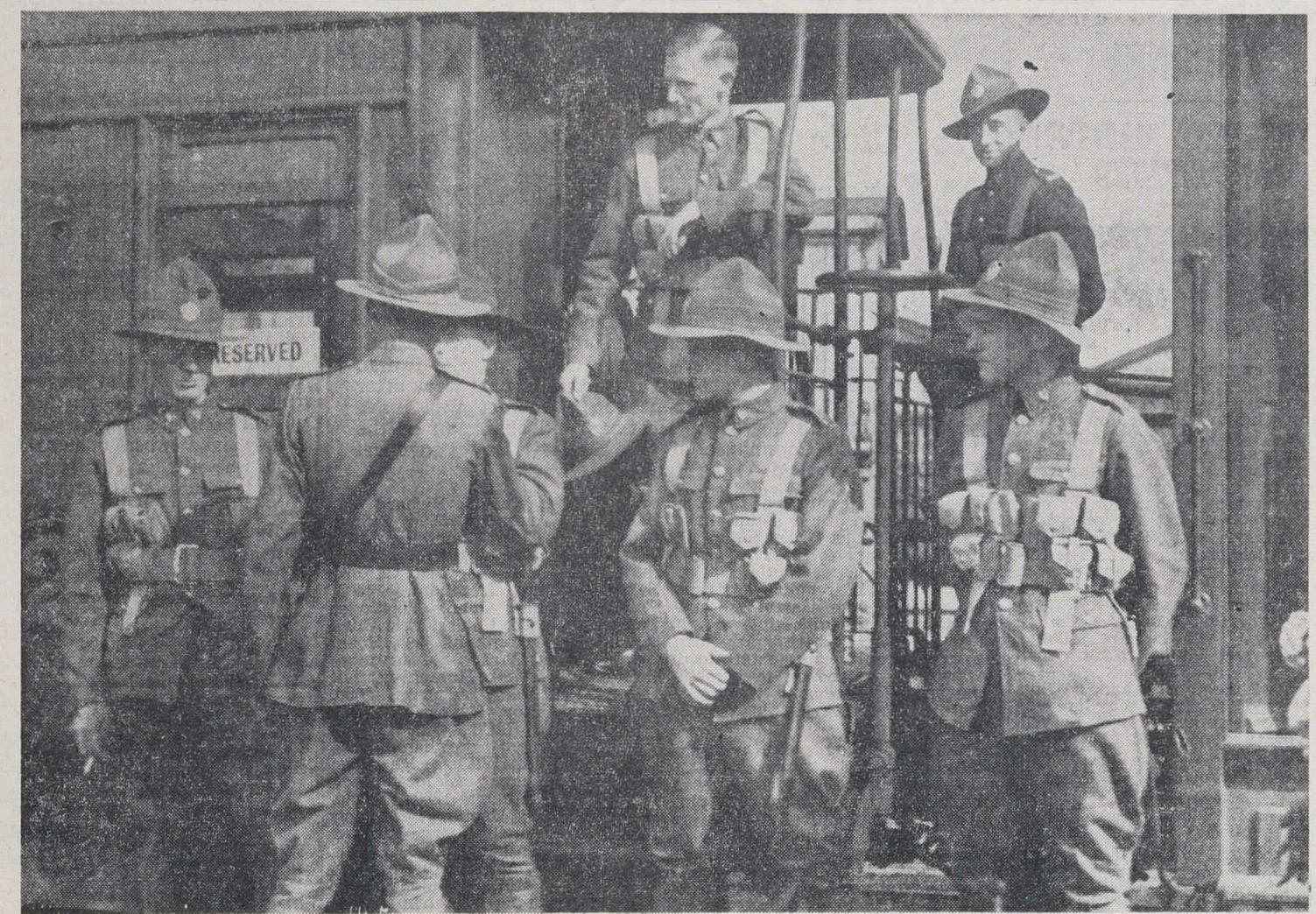
"OUR BLACK CAT" ART UNION

MAIN RESULTS

By Telegraph—Press Association.

WELLINGTON, Dec. 22. The "Our Black Cat" art union was drawn this morning. The results are:—

- First prize, £2000, 70,797, "One For Luck," Dunedin.
Second prize, £1000, 197,404, "Mickey," Dannevirke.
Third prize, £500, 127,027, "We Three," Christchurch.
Fourth prize, £400, 224,383, "We Need It," Christchurch butt.
Fifth prize, £300, 135,804, Crabtree, Dunedin.
Sixth prize, £200, 139,310, "Shifting," Gore.
Seventh prize, £100, 138,359, "My Lucky Year," Invercarril.



SOMEWHERE IN NEW ZEALAND.—These men are listening to a few words of counsel from their officer as they board the train that will take them to camp.

A SETBACK TO GERMANY

SIGNING OF TURKISH PACT

ALLIED VICTORY

By Telegraph—Press Association.

WELLINGTON, Dec. 22. The signing of the Anglo-French-Turkish Pact at Ankara was greeted in Paris as an important Allied diplomatic victory and a corresponding setback to Germany (wrote Mr W. H. Chamberlin, staff correspondent of the "Christian Science Monitor," from Paris at the end of October).

"Le Temps," which usually closely reflects the Quai d'Orsay viewpoint, says:—"Germany has just been compelled to submit to a diplomatic check to which it is especially sensitive, since it deprives Germany of any prospect of finding in the Balkans, the Eastern Mediterranean or the Near East appreciable compensations for the exorbitant sacrifices which it was obliged to make to Soviet Russia in Eastern and North-eastern Europe."

Turkey kept faith. Turkish fidelity to the obligations maintained despite strong Soviet pressure which compelled the Turkish Foreign Minister Sukru Saracoglu to return from Moscow to Ankara on October 17 without signing a pact with Russia, was highly appreciated in the French Press, and unquestionably introduces a new element in the stability of Europe where the dictators have been redrawing the maps almost at will the last weeks.

Germany now cannot invade Rumania without adding Turkey to the list of its enemies, and this seems to afford some security that the Balkan States, all of which desire to remain out of war, can maintain neutrality which finally stopped, or at least suspended, Mr Saracoglu's effort to find a basis for agreement with the Soviet Union.

It is also observed in Paris that Turkey would not have signed the pact without confidence in Allied victory, and Turkish action is expected to exert a favourable influence on Italy. There is, however, a more disquieting aspect to the background of this pact. This is the Soviet-German diplomatic co-operation which finally stopped, or at least suspended, Mr Saracoglu's effort to find a basis for agreement with the Soviet Union.

Non-Aggression Pact. About a week earlier, according to reliable information, a Soviet-Turkish agreement had been arranged for a non-aggression pact covering the maintenance of the neutrality and integrity of the Balkan States and the Turkish maintenance of its obligations to support England and France in event that aggression in the East or Mediterranean seemed imminent. This would have meant that Turkey would serve as a kind of bridge between France and England on one side, and Russia on the other side, with the understanding that Russia would remain neutral, contenting itself with its already considerable gains in territory and influence.

But German influence at Moscow was strong enough to cause the Soviet Government to upset this project at the last moment by the familiar Soviet diplomatic method of putting forward new and unacceptable demands, including the closing of the Straits to British and French warships. This demand would have contravened both the Montreux Convention and existing Turkish obligations to France and England, and led to breakdown of negotiations.

No Early Breach.

While France and England have reason to congratulate themselves, therefore, on the adhesion of Turkey as a friend and possibly as an ally which possesses a well-trained army of proved fighting quality and enjoys an admirable strategic position, this new evidence of German influence in Moscow would seem to afford little support for wishful thinking occasionally manifested, hoping for an early breach of Adolf Hitler and Joseph Stalin in the Stockholm conference with its assurance of the moral solidarity of the Scandinavian States and the threatened Finland was followed with attention and sympathy in Paris although it is recognised that France and England are unable to affect the course of events in north-eastern Europe.

One hope finding expression in the French Press is that an immediate threat to Finland and an indirect menace to the Scandinavian countries may make Americans of Swedish and Norwegian origin less isolationist in sentiment.

"UNCLE SCRIM" STILL MAINTAINS HIS SILENCE

No Reply To Recent Challenge Has Been Received

By Mr Maher

By Telegraph—Press Association.

WELLINGTON, Dec. 22. "It would appear that Mr Scrimgeour has no intention of according me even the courtesy of a curt acknowledgment of my acceptance of his challenge and my subsequent letters to him," said Mr J. J. Maher in a statement to-day.

"It would appear as well that Mr Scrimgeour's utterances have been made with the full approval of the Government, and I would therefore suggest that the Government should now state whether or not it approves of the action of its spokesman in issuing challenges and then failing to face up to them."

"It would appear, however, that Mr Scrimgeour is living up to the highest traditions of the Labour Party, who have always been champions at evading the issue."

"I feel, however, as a humble working farmer, that I should warn the Government that if it desires to preserve the respect of the decent sections of the community, it should shape its conduct more in keeping with the standards of honour to which we have previously been used in New Zealand."

"If it permits violent, inaccurate and irresponsible statements to be made by a Government official over the air, such conduct can result only in the Ministry coming to be held in contempt."

"Further, how can we New Zealanders, who have hitherto been used to fair play, respect a Government which allows one side and one side only to be put over the air?"

No Profiteering In Wartime

Speculation Must Be Avoided

AMERICAN INDUSTRY POSSIBLE DISASTER

Expanding Apple Industry

GROWER'S ENTERPRISE

Cider, Vinegar And Butter Produced

Testing Process

Even More Products

Loss of Purchasing Power.

Committed Error Of Judgment

WAIKOUAITI INQUIRY

Captain's Certificate Returned

By Telegraph—Press Association.

HOLIDAY CRICKET GAMES

THE TEAM TO PLAY MANAWATU

JUNIOR MATCHES

By Telegraph—Press Association.

WELLINGTON, Dec. 22. The following players have been selected by Mr F. F. Cane to represent Hawke's Bay against Manawatu at Nelson Park, Napier, on Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and 26. The match begins at 10.30 a.m.: T. P. L. Reaney, captain (N.H.S.O.B.), H. E. Reaney (N.H.S.O.B.), E. Robinson (N.H.S.O.B.), R. G. Burns (T.O.B.), T. Johnson (T.O.B.), G. Geddes (Hastings), J. Askew (Hastings), M. Beuth (Rugby), D. Galbraith (N.H.S.O.B.), A. Dean (N.H.S.O.B.), T. Garrad (Hastings), T. S. Mahony (12th man).

The following senior team will play Southern Hawke's Bay on No. 2 wicket, Nelson Park, Napier, on Tuesday, December 26, at 1.30 a.m.: E. D. Evans, captain (T.O.B.), F. S. North (H.H.S.O.B.), C. Cawwell (N.H.S.O.B.), Stock (United), M. Hutchinson (United), T. Rosenberg (H.H.S.O.B.), J. Martin (H.H.S.O.B.), T. S. Mahony (N.H.S.O.B.), H. E. Ellis (T.O.B.), Stevens (United), N. Ireland (T.O.B.), C. Bickerstaff (N.H.S.O.B.) 12th man.

The following junior players selected by Mr A. W. Elliott from those available will play Southern Hawke's Bay juniors on Nelson Park, No. 3, Napier, at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 26.—Sturford (2), Wilson, McKinley (Taradale), G. Stevens, W. Stevens (United), T. Tennent (Artillery), Barlow, Dunn (High School), G. Barlow (H.S.O.B.), McGavin (Artillery) captain, Nesbitt (High School) 12th man.

The Minister said that he appreciated the importance to the men on active service overseas of parcels posted from home, and he was hopeful, following approaches that had recently been made to a number of countries concerned overseas, that it would be possible later to announce a further reduction in the charges.

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Statement by The Hon. F. Jones

WESTLAND SUMMER MEETING

Acceptances For Boxing Day

KANIERI HACK HANDICAP

MALDEN STAKES

WESTLAND HANDICAP

CENTENNIAL HIGHWIGHT

ARAHURA HACK HANDICAP

THOMPSON HANDICAP

RIMU HACK HANDICAP

MR BARNARD REPLIES TO MR W. DOWNIE STEWART

Public Should Be Convinced But Not Dragooned, Says Mr Speaker

Unholy Passion.

"Mr Downie Stewart is either too naive or else too subtle for me when he inquires: 'If it was unnecessary to consult the people about going to war, why consult them on the lesser issue, as to how to fight the war?'" said the member for Napier (the Hon. W. E. Barnard) in a statement made yesterday.

"Mr Forbes and Mr Savage have both said on different occasions in the past that when the Empire is at war, New Zealand is at war," said Mr Barnard. "This is part of the price of Empire. But there are varying intensities of warfare, and when it comes to the question of driving the young manhood of the Dominion overseas, I think the people of New Zealand should first give a mandate for it."

"It is up to those who see nothing but virtue in conscription to convince the public of the case for it, and not try and drag them into it," continued Mr Barnard. "It seems strange that those who get into a frenzy over the powers taken by the Labour Government in dealing with imports and exports are often the very people who hysterically cry to the very Government they condemn to conscript for war purposes the flesh and blood of the young. Is not the life more than the meat, and the body than the spirit? Mr Downie Stewart is not an hysterical person."

GREYHOUNDS AT NAPIER

LARGE FIELDS FOR TUESDAY

Competitors In All Events

The second day of the Northern Hawke's Bay Greyhound Racing Association's meeting, on Tuesday at the League Park Stadium, Napier, has attracted large fields. Entries are as follows:—

Hawke's Bay Puppy Stake—First heat: W. Watson's Mighty Warrior, D. L. Price's Mickey Free, F. Williams's Secrecy, G. Wall's King's Guard, E. Bauckham's Silver Bat. Second heat: J. H. Prout's King Foo, H. Fanning's Young Boston, Mrs. A. Hall's Paddy's Land, J. H. Prout's Royal Artillery, E. J. Sullivan's Sovereign Lady.

Fernhill Hurdles (Open Novice Class)—First heat: A. G. Wood's Master Chang, T. D. Boyd's Top Weight, S. Simpkin's Black Tracker, L. McCutcheon's Irish Comet, Mrs. T. E. McDonald's Lochiel, A. G. Weaver's Ephialtes, T. E. Lang's Boston Prince. Second heat: A. G. Wood's Master Chang, T. D. Boyd's Top Weight, S. Simpkin's Black Tracker, L. McCutcheon's Irish Comet, Mrs. T. E. McDonald's Lochiel, A. G. Weaver's Ephialtes, T. E. Lang's Boston Prince.

Great Northern Hurdles (Open).—Mrs. U. Seal's Laes, W. Watson's Airflow, Mrs. Huntley's Pridewave, Miss H. Grant's Gay Peter, H. North's Black Comet.

Heretaunga Maiden Stake—First heat: H. L. Lanning's Harold Logan, S. Andrew's Cerry, Mrs. H. S. McClelland's Merry Monarch, R. Corcoran's My Peter, G. Martin-Smith's Lucky Gold, R. J. Watson's Biplane, G. Wall's Royal Mint.

Heretaunga Maiden Stake (Open).—Second heat: Mrs. T. E. McDonald's Loch Lomond, J. Dooney's Erin's Flight, P. Madden's Fresh Footsteps, H. J. Nelson's Pounding Percy, G. Wall's Petriam Battleship, J. Hall's Eclair, Mrs. E. Harrison's Lucky Lou.

Recovery Stake (Open)—First heat: R. S. Kilgour's Sasanoff, J. H. Prout's China Clipper, J. M. Bassett's Bronze Moth, G. Wall's Royal Desires, R. S. Kilgour's Sasanoff, J. H. Prout's China Clipper, J. M. Bassett's Bronze Moth, G. Wall's Royal Desires, R. S. Kilgour's Sasanoff, J. H. Prout's China Clipper, J. M. Bassett's Bronze Moth, G. Wall's Royal Desires.

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# FESTIVE CELEBRATIONS BEGIN

## Napier And Hastings Shops Have Busy Time

### LATE SHOPPING NIGHT

Although Christmas Eve does not officially fall until Sunday night, merry-makers in Hastings, Napier, and other Hawke's Bay centres began their festive celebrations on the late shopping night last. Because of the war there was an atmosphere of restraint just discernible, particularly among the older people, but the majority of the younger persons, gaily bedecked in a variety of coloured paper hats and with squeakers and other noisy toys, created something of the traditional spirit of Christmas.

In both Napier and Hastings the main shopping areas were barricaded and closed to traffic and for one night in the year pedestrians had the roads to themselves. Shoppers and fun-seeking crowds could afford to ignore authorised pedestrian crossings, although it was particularly noticeable that scores of people looked to right and left before stepping from the footpaths.

Christmas shopping was in full swing throughout the day and night and many storekeepers report excellent business in spite of the existing conditions. There has been a good demand for toys and inexpensive articles for gifts, although in some places shops reported that there has been a note of hesitation in the flow of business. People generally bought with greater discrimination than usual at such a time of the year.

Grocers, butchers and other food shops were the scene of great activity as residents hastened to secure adequate supplies for their needs over the holiday period. Shops will again be open this morning, as on an ordinary Saturday.

**Mardi Gras**  
The central attraction at Napier was the opening of the annual Mardi Gras. Hundreds of people congregated at the Sound Shell on the Marine Parade at 9 o'clock for the children's popular song contest and a balloon bursting competitions were held. The side-shows and shooting galleries on the parade attracted a large crowd throughout the night.

A happy festive spirit prevailed in Hastings and a performance by the Salvation Army Band was well received. Crowds thronged the streets until a late hour. At midnight the trail of parcel wrappings and other litter bore silent testimony to the night's festivities.

## Ice Cream, Food And Presents

### CHILDREN'S PARTY

Mr Husheer Entertains At Napier

### GENEROUS ACTION

One of the most exciting events in Napier this week was the party given for children in the Foresters' Hall on Thursday afternoon by the Salvation Army, through the generosity of Mr Gerhard Husheer, of The National Tobacco Co.

It had been expected that 400 children would be present but, instead of that, some 480 children and 150 adults were present.

The hall was decorated for the occasion and the two Christmas trees were in conspicuous positions.

**Plenty to Eat**  
Long tables filled the hall and each child had a plate of sandwiches and cakes and also one of jelly and ice cream and a bottle of soft drink. Also at each place was a paper hat and a balloon, so the hall soon presented a gay appearance when all the children donned their fancy hats.

All were in position when Father Christmas, attended by his clown, entered, and loud cheers were accorded the "official party."

Mr Husheer was represented by Miss Daniels, of the National Tobacco Co., who wished the children a Merry Christmas and Mr Husheer and his pleasure at being able to provide for such a big family.

After the tea each child received a large ice cream and then began the real joy — each one receiving a beautiful Christmas present from Father Christmas or Miss Daniels.

**Programme Presented**  
A programme by the children was also given, the accompanist for this being the Rev. Rex Goldsmith.

Before leaving the hall the children each received a bag of sweets and 1/6 to spend. The best and biggest "Husheer Christmas Party" to date, will long live in the memories of those present.

Mr Wally Taylor provided a loud-speaker arrangement and this was necessary to control such a large crowd. An electric gramophone, provided by Mr Taylor added to the enjoyment.

No tobacco! Can you picture what it would mean to millions of people if the world's supply of tobacco were suddenly and forever cut off and no more could be had for love or money? Airlily classed by this government and that as a mere "luxury" — tobacco has yet become almost as necessary as food to most people. Fortunately there is no danger of such a catastrophic state of things eventuating as a world without its weed. The huge output is constantly increasing; demand creates supply. Happily for Maori-landers some of the choicest leaf is grown and manufactured right here in New Zealand. Visiting experts and connoisseurs who have sampled the five popular brands, Navy Cut No. 3 (Bulldog), Riverhead Gold, Desert Gold, Cavendish and Cut Plug No. 10 (Bullhead) have pronounced them equal, if not superior to, the finest tobacco produced in other lands with the added advantage, (an enormous one) that they are practically without nicotine — eliminated by the process of manufacture, so that they are powerless to harm even the most inveterate smoker.

# HASTINGS TENNIS TOURNAMENT EXCELLENT MATCHES ANTICIPATED DRAW ANNOUNCED

## Leading Hawke's Bay Players Entered

Some excellent matches are anticipated in the thirty-fifth annual tournament of the Hastings Lawn Tennis Club to be played on December 26, 27 and 28. Entries are not as large as last year but with the leading Hawke's Bay players competing in the tournament, there should be no shortage of hard-fought contests and tennis of high quality.

J. N. Lowry and Miss Glenny will defend their singles titles. The former will be matched against such players as R. G. Lynn (Pukekohe), R. Fullerton (Napier), and Dr. Allen (Waipawa). In opposition to Miss Glenny will be Mrs Milburn (Napier) and Mrs Cotterill (Hastings).

Play will begin at 9 a.m. on Boxing Day. Late entries may be made with the secretary (Mr J. B. Wilson) by telephone 2631.

Following is the draw:

**Men's Championship Singles.**  
J. N. Lowry plays L. B. Reynolds; A. Ritchie plays A. Dinnie; J. Smith plays V. Hill; R. T. Colthart plays C. Lawton; H. P. Manson plays R. G. Lynn; R. Fullerton plays M. Fisk; A. Crow plays L. R. Reynolds; E. M. Robinson plays D. Goodwin; W. Rutherford plays C. Hobbs; G. Goodwin plays Dr. Allen; E. M. Robinson plays A. Sawyer; W. Mawson plays R. G. Hughes; J. B. Wilson.

**Men's Championship Doubles.**  
J. N. Lowry and Dr. Allan play C. Hobbs and W. Maitland; L. R. and L. B. Reynolds play W. Mawson and A. Hassall; C. Lawton and R. A. Lauer play V. Hill and A. Ritchie; R. G. Lynn and A. Crow play J. B. Wilson and W. Rutherford; J. E. and R. Harding play A. Dinnie and H. P. Manson; E. M. Robinson and H. M. Fisk; D. and G. Goodwin.

**Women's Championship Singles.**  
Miss M. Glenny plays Miss P. Hennah; Miss J. A. Burrell plays Miss J. Hennah; Miss G. Cotterill plays Miss C. Sheldon; Miss C. Sheehan plays Miss H. Hassall; Miss A. Kennedy plays Mrs R. H. Milburn. Byes: Miss P. Fullerton, Mrs W. Mawson, Miss G. Luff.

**Women's Championship Doubles.**  
Mrs G. Cotterill and Mrs R. Milburn play Misses F. Cambour and J. Burrell; Mrs H. Hassall and Mrs W. Mawson play Mrs B. Boys and Miss M. Bell; Misses P. Fullerton and O. Humphries play Mrs J. Herrick and Miss C. Sheehan.

**Combined Championship Doubles.**  
E. M. Robinson and Miss Cambour play C. Hobbs and partner; H. M. Fisk and Miss J. Burrell play R. Lynn and Miss M. Glenny; W. Mawson and Mrs Mawson play V. Hill and Mrs G. Cotterill; R. Fullerton and Mrs R. Milburn play R. Lauer and Miss C. Sheehan; A. Ritchie and Mrs B. Boys play G. Croskery and Miss C. Sheldon; Dr. Allen and Mrs J. Herrick play D. Goodwin and Mrs J. Hennah; J. N. Lowry and Mrs H. Hassall play W. Rutherford and partner. Byes: G. Goodwin and Miss P. Hennah.

**Men's Handicap Singles.**  
First Grade: C. Lawton plays A. Ritchie; L. B. Reynolds plays Dr. Allan; R. C. Colthart plays E. M. Robinson; V. Hill plays H. M. Fisk. Byes: C. Hobbs, L. C. Hughes, L. R. Reynolds, R. A. Lauer.

**Men's Handicap Doubles.**  
R. T. Colthart and H. P. Manson play R. Harding and J. Smith; W. Rutherford and D. Goodwin play C. Hobbs and W. Maitland; R. and W. Lynn play Dr. Allan and W. Wellwood; C. Lawton and R. A. Lauer play L. B. Reynolds; W. Mawson and H. Hassall play G. Goodwin and partner. Byes: H. M. Fisk and E. M. Robinson; V. Hill and H. Ritchie.

**Women's Handicap Singles.**  
Miss J. Hennah plays Mrs B. Boys; Miss J. Faulkner plays Miss P. Fullerton; Miss J. Hennah plays Miss M. Bell; Miss G. Luff plays Miss B. Bradley; Miss P. Hennah plays Mrs C. Sheldon; Miss O. Humphries plays Mrs H. Hassall; Miss A. Kennedy plays Miss C. Sheehan. Byes: Miss M. Lewis and Miss M. P. Goldstone.

**Women's Handicap Doubles.**  
Misses Sheldon and Luff play Misses Cambour and Burrell; Mrs J. Herrick and Miss Goldstone play Mrs B. Boys and Miss M. Bell; Misses J. and P. Hennah play Misses Humphries and Fullerton; Mrs H. Hassall and Mrs W. Mawson play Mrs Milburn and Miss Bradley. Byes: Misses J. and A. Faulkner, Mrs C. Carrell and Miss C. Sheehan, Misses M. Lewis and A. Kennedy.

**Combined Handicap Doubles.**  
H. M. Fisk and Miss J. Burrell play G. Natusch and Miss A. Kennedy; D. Goodwin and Miss J. Hennah play G. Croskery and Miss G. Luff; W. Wellwood and Miss J. Faulkner play R. Fullerton and Mrs O. Humphries; A. Ritchie and Mrs B. Boys play Dr. Allan and Mrs Herrick; E. M. Robinson and Miss Cambour play H. Hassall and Miss C. Sheehan; G. Goodwin and Miss P. Hennah play J. B. Wilson and Mrs Mawson. Byes: R. Harding and Mrs Cotterill and V. Hill and Mrs Milburn.

**Juniors.**  
Men's Singles: D. Goodwin plays P. Nesbit; J. Smith plays G. Goodwin; R. Harding a bye.

Women's Singles: Miss J. Faulkner plays Miss M. Lewis; Miss P. Hennah plays Miss A. Kennedy. Byes: Miss C. Sheldon and Miss M. White.

### GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S GIFT

£250 For Patriotic Fund

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 22.

The deputy chairman of the National Patriotic Fund Board, Hon. Mark Fagan, has received from the Governor-General a donation of £250 towards the national patriotic fund.

In acknowledging this gift, Mr Fagan expressed his thanks to the board and said that the money had been received at a most opportune moment.

# RETURN OF HASTINGS SOLDIERS TO CAMP

## No Civic Ceremony But Public Farewell At The Railway Station

There will be no civic ceremony in Hastings on the occasion of the departure of the Hastings men of the first contingent of the First New Zealand Echelon, who are to return to their respective camps at the end of next week after their final leave. A statement to this effect was made yesterday by the Mayor of Hastings and chairman of the Hastings Zone Committee of the Hawke's Bay Provincial Patriotic Council (Mr G. A. Maddison).

The dates of the return of the Hastings soldiers to their camps have been announced as December 28, 29 and 30. Because of the close proximity of these dates to the Christmas and New Year holidays, it was considered by the Hastings Patriotic Committee impossible to arrange a public gathering at which the troops could be entertained. However, it is hoped to arrange some suitable ceremony in regard to future quotas leaving this district after final leave.

The men's departure will not pass totally unobserved. It has been arranged that all the men returning on the train mentioned shall parade at the Hastings Railway Station at 8.30 o'clock on the morning of December 28 for the purpose of giving members of the Hastings public an opportunity of expressing farewells, and also to distribute among the soldiers the gift parcels which have been provided out of the funds recently collected in the patriotic appeal.

"I therefore request all the men who are on leave, whether they are returning on December 28, 29 or 30, and whether they are in the Hastings quota or not, to accept this invitation to be present at the railway station at the time mentioned," said Mr Maddison in his statement.

The following is a list of the men who are returning to camp, and who comprise the first contingent from Hastings and the surrounding district, the order of details being their regimental number, name, town address and unit address:—

5929, Anderson, Denis Forbes, Hastings; 791, Bantyne, Hastings; Peter Grant, Hastings; Burnham, 2029, Binning, Robert Arthur, Hastings; Ngaruawahia, 1971, Brandon, Edward John, Hastings; Ngaruawahia, 7691, Eriehout, Harold Francis, Hastings; Trentham, 7296, Budd, Francis M. S., Hastings; Burnham, 4700, Caughley, Denis Alfred, Hastings; Trentham, 6004, Connolly, Raymond B., Hastings; Trentham, 1927, Couper, Robert James, Havelock North; Ngaruawahia, 1366, Cowley, Robert Stanley, Hastings; Ngaruawahia, 7002, Crossman, Norman George, Hastings; Burnham, 2027, Dawson, John, Hastings; Ngaruawahia, 4994, Ensors, Richard W., Hastings; Trentham, 5994, Fuller, Oscar Lewis, Clive; Trentham, 2028, Hamblin, Herbert A., Hastings; Ngaruawahia, 4267, Hawkes, Clifford H. S., Hastings; Trentham, 5300, Hobbs, Stanley John, Hastings; Trentham, 4805, Holder, Eric Clive C., Hastings; Trentham, 5930, Hook, George Alfred E. (Lieut.), Hastings; Trentham, 7788, Humphrey, Ian Huxley, Paki Paki; Burnham, 2030, Joll, Harold Roy, Havelock North; Ngaruawahia, 7287, Kennedy, Raymond, Hastings; Burnham, 7705, Lawrence, Keith William, Hastings; Burnham, Leggat, Major James, Hastings; Trentham, 1236, Lincoln, Cyril Robert, Hastings; Narrow Neck, 7726, Linnell, George Richard, Hastings; Trentham, 1925, Logan, Rangitanga, Mangatere; Ngaruawahia, 4107, McDonald, John Joseph, Hastings; Trentham, 7732, McKenzie, Alan, Hastings; Trentham, 4806, McKenzie, Duncan, Hastings; Trentham, 7492, McLachlan, William Alex, Hastings; Trentham, 4809, McRae, Alan, Hastings; Trentham, 4818, Meller, Thomas James, Hastings; Trentham, Millar, Robert Gordon, Havelock North; Trentham, Russell, Captain John Tinsley, Hastings; Narrow Neck, 3557, Sellers, Richard D., Hastings; Ngaruawahia, 7763, Sims, Dudley, Hastings; Burnham, 4821, Simmonds, Frederick, Hastings; Trentham, 4822, Smith, Henry Ian, Hastings; Trentham, 4824, Thow, George Lewis, Hastings; Trentham, 4823, Timms, Victor, William, Hastings; Trentham, 7727, Tritt, Philip Henry, Hastings; Trentham, 1285, Van Asch, John Fleetwood, Hastings; Narrow Neck, 1972, Walker, Samuel, Hastings; Ngaruawahia, 7289, Williams, Alfred Percival, Hastings; Burnham, 2031, Winchester, Robert William, Hastings; Ngaruawahia, 4826, Wright, William, Mangatere; Trentham.

### Maori Battalion

6080, Karaitiana, Te Kauru Te H. (2nd Lieut.), Havelock North; Trentham, 5628, Mackay, Watto, Hastings; Trentham, 6083, Mane, Whiti, Hastings; Trentham, 6092, Mohi, Wharepoko, Paki Paki; Trentham, 6081, Ngata, William, Hastings; Trentham.

# PIONEERING IS NOT ENDED

## HON. A. HAMILTON'S MESSAGE

### WARTIME TASKS

Our Christian Principles Are At Stake

"This is not a moment for dismay or despair, although Christmas—our happiest and brightest festival of the year—is overshadowed by the armed conflict of nations and we ourselves are at war," says the Leader of the Opposition (the Hon. A. Hamilton) in a Christmas message to the people. "I know that men and women throughout New Zealand will celebrate this Christmas with an everyday seriousness and earnestness, because of the world situation but this is a moment for high courage and high purpose."

"At our Centennial Christmas a test is being made of our country's new nationhood. The challenge to all that we hold dear is bold and desperate. Christian principles, as well as rules of law, are at stake, and the forces of ruthlessness are challenging the forces of right."

"The task we have taken up will not be easy, but in the end we will triumph. As has been urged by leaders at home to use all our qualities—prudence in council, daring in action, tenacity in purpose, courage amid setbacks, moderation in victory, in all things faith, and we must have a rightfulness of spirit."

"Christmas celebration, based on good will, in real Christian fellowship—in which giving is emphasised more than receiving—and in kindness and tolerance in thought and deed—should be for all a help and pointing up the road to better understanding among both men and nations."

**Still Much to be Done**  
"People are just a little apt to think, when considering the Centennial and its celebrations, that New Zealand had reached the peak of her achievement. That is very far from being the case. There is still pioneering work being done and much more to be started. There is still the same challenge to the bold and daring spirit, to the initiative and doggedness which was strongly developed in the character of men and women who built this country for 100 years."

"Boys and girls leaving school in this Centennial year, should remember this, as they too do not need to adopt an outlook of dismay or despair. Revolutions for the future combined with faith in the future that must be the basis for the thought of the youth of to-day."

**Our Great Heritage**  
"Tales that the past has been all wrong and must be forgotten and despised as merely something that has led up to a blind alley to a condition of chaos and tragedy, are wholly malicious and misleading. We have a great heritage and our ancestors have played their part well in establishing the foundation of the civilisation we enjoy. That civilisation is worth defending and improving. To destroy it, or to allow its fundamental great ideals to be destroyed or belittled would be to the eternal discredit of the youth of to-day. I know that they will not let us down."

"The greatest lasting contribution to the well-being of one's fellowmen is never achieved by avoiding difficulties or by following the easy path. That is a fundamental truth."

"I said last year that we in this country have reason to congratulate ourselves — reason to count our blessings. I also said that there is a crying need for the true spirit of Christmas to become the basis for a relationship between men and between nations all over the world. I repeat those statements with even greater emphasis this year."

**War is Far From Us**  
"We are fortunate in this country that the full tragedy of the conflict has not yet been brought to our back-doors yet. On the other side of the world watchers are gazing into the skies for the vague outlines of bombers overhead — death from the skies; our own blood brothers are standing in human mole-hills ready to daunt the horrors of mechanised warfare and fruitfulness; heroic men at sea are enduring the strain and hardships so that their loved ones at home may have food to eat — all this is happening as we in New Zealand turn to celebrate Christmas with its lovely ideals and sentiments."

"And, when Christmas is in your hearts and minds, and is expressed by the joy and happiness of celebrations in your homes, think well of the real spirit of Christmas. This must remain forever an inspiration to our people."

"In that spirit I am certain lies the ultimate home of any nation and its people."  
"Carry on into the New Year, with all its difficulties and tragedies. Don't be unnecessarily gloomy nor despair—remember that we can look back with some measure of pride to the dawn of this land, and we and our children, will progress just as we have done in the past if our spirit is willing and our purpose high."

"In this country loyalty and co-operation have built a magnificent tradition, and these still must be our guiding lights."

# GREYHOUND RACING AT NAPIER

## Titles To Be Contested To-night

A final reminder is given of the greyhound racing championships to be held at League Park Stadium, Napier, this evening and on Tuesday, Boxing Day, December 26, at 7.30 p.m., when dogs from Dannevirke, Auckland and elsewhere will compete for the New Zealand Cup and the Great Northern Hurdles.

For the first time in greyhound racing history, the New Zealand Cup will be keenly sought after by the greyhound owners of the North Island, who will leave no stone unturned to secure this trophy. Combined with the Great Northern Hurdles it would appear that these meetings will be the major fixtures conducted by the Northern Hawke's Bay Greyhound Racing Association.

Buses will leave Clive Square at frequent intervals for the Stadium, and will return after the meeting.

# NAPIER PATRIOTIC FUNDS

## Acknowledgment Of Donations

	£	s.	d.
Previously acknowledged	452	12	7
C. E. Rogers and Co. ....	2	2	0
E. Hyde and Sons .....	2	2	0
Humphries Cash .....			
Groceries .....	2	2	0
Mr N. Paxie .....	1	0	0
Mr Hector J. Smith .....	3	0	0
Barry's Bottling Co. ....	3	2	0
Barry Bros. ....	2	2	0
Mr Frank Ormond .....	3	0	0
"Anonymous" .....	10	0	0
Dr. F. N. Harvey .....	2	2	0
Miss F. Marcroft .....	1	0	0
Napier Gas Co. ....	10	0	0
Bisson and Moss .....	3	3	0
Bluff Hill Bowling Club ..	2	2	0
A. B. Eames and Co., Ltd. ..	2	2	0
Wm. Hannah and Co., Ltd. ..	2	2	0
Mrs Smale .....	1	1	0
Blythes, Ltd. ....	10	0	0
Taradale Flag Day and collections .....	27	8	5
Total .....	£532	0	0

# FAREWELL GIVEN TO SOLDIERS

## A Social And Dance At Westshore

A public farewell was accorded Privates P. Wilson and J. Stark-Brown, members of the First Echelon of the Special Force at a social and dance in the Westshore Hall on Thursday night. Also present by invitation were Sergeant S. H. Whitton and Privates C. R. Lincoln, M. V. Bishop and A. Young.

The president of the Napier Returned Soldiers' Association (Mr E. H. T. Dunn) gave a brief address, and presented Private Wilson with a propelling pencil, and Private Stark-Brown with a wristlet watch.

### LATE ADVERTISEMENTS

### DEATHS

**SCHRODER.**—On December 23, 1939, at Napier, Clarice, dearly beloved wife of John Schroder, of Townsend Street, Hastings. Funeral notice later.

**TONG & McIVOR.**—Funeral Directors, Nelson St., Hastings.

**We wish you...**

**Puddings round and rich  
Plump turkeys on the roast  
A Christmas Tree piled high with gifts  
From those you love the most.**

**We hope the kiddies stockings bulge  
With toys...and by the way  
Just slip a cake of SOLVOL in  
To clean hands after play.**

**Season's Greetings to "All Hands" from the makers of SOLVOL**

**Maori Battalion**  
6080, Karaitiana, Te Kauru Te H. (2nd Lieut.), Havelock North; Trentham, 5628, Mackay, Watto, Hastings; Trentham, 6083, Mane, Whiti, Hastings; Trentham, 6092, Mohi, Wharepoko, Paki Paki; Trentham, 6081, Ngata, William, Hastings; Trentham.

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**A PROSPEROUS**

**NEW YEAR**

"We are fortunate in this country that the full tragedy of the conflict has not yet been brought to our back-doors yet. On the other side of the world watchers are gazing into the skies for the vague outlines of bombers overhead — death from the skies; our own blood brothers are standing in human mole-hills ready to daunt the horrors of mechanised warfare and fruitfulness; heroic men at sea are enduring the strain and hardships so that their loved ones at home may have food to eat — all this is happening as we in New Zealand turn to celebrate Christmas with its lovely ideals and sentiments."

"And, when Christmas is in your hearts and minds, and is expressed by the joy and happiness of celebrations in your homes, think well of the real spirit of Christmas. This must remain forever an inspiration to our people."

"In that spirit I am certain lies the ultimate home of any nation and its people."

"Carry on into the New Year, with all its difficulties and tragedies. Don't be unnecessarily gloomy nor despair—remember that we can look back with some measure of pride to the dawn of this land, and we and our children, will progress just as we have done in the past if our spirit is willing and our purpose high."

"In this country loyalty and co-operation have built a magnificent tradition, and these still must be our guiding lights."



HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB

(INC.) SUMMER MEETING... To be held on the HASTINGS RACECOURSE. FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1939.

OFFICIALS—President: G. D. Beaton. Handicapper: H. Coyle. Starter: W. Price. Judge: M. B. Bergin. Secretary: A. E. Wishart. Telephone 2447. P.O. Box 13, Hastings.

FIRST DAY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1939.

To start at 12.30 p.m. 1—HASTINGS MAIDEN, of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. Weight, 8st. 7lb. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a Flat race at time of starting. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

2—OTATARU HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. For horses that at the time of entry have started three times in a stepplacase or hurdle race and for horses eligible to run in Hack Flat races. Only registered stepplacase or hurdle race jockeys, approved by the stewards, shall be eligible to ride. Min. weight, 8st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

3—NEW YEAR HANDICAP, of £175, 2nd £30, 3rd £15. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1/10/-.

4—HARELOCK FLYING HANDICAP (Hack Conditions), of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

5—STEWARDS' HANDICAP, of £150, 2nd £20, 3rd £10. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1/10/-.

6—OTATARU HANDICAP (Hack Conditions), of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

7—OTATARU HANDICAP (Hack Conditions), of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

(The winner of any race after declaration of weights may be re-handicapped.)

SECOND DAY MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 1940. To start at 12.30 p.m.

1—JANUARY HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. Winners on the Flat at any time barred, with the exception of the Hastings Maiden, first day. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

2—AOTEA HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. Conditions the same as first day. Min. weight, 8st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

3—MATAIRO FLYING HANDICAP (Hack Conditions), of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

4—FRIENDS' HANDICAP, of £175, 2nd £30, 3rd £15. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1/10/-.

5—NURSERY HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. For two-year-olds. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

6—FLYING HANDICAP, of £150, 2nd £20, 3rd £10. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1/10/-.

7—OMAHU HANDICAP (Hack Conditions), of £100, 2nd £15, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1.

(Winner of any race this day that carry penalty of 7lb. but winners of hack races will not be penalised in open races.)

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

WEIGHTS for all handicap races on second day of meeting will be declared at the Club's rooms, Queen Street, Hastings, at 7 p.m. on the evening of the first day's races.

ACCEPTANCES for all races on second day close with the Secretary at the Club's Office, Queen Street, Hastings, at 8.30 p.m. on the evening of the first day's races.

E. WISHART, Secretary. Telephone 2447. P.O. Box 13, Hastings. (Approved by H.B. District Committee, 1/11/39.)

WAIPIKURAU JOCKEY CLUB. SUMMER MEETING, SUMMER MEETING, BOXING DAY, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1939.

OFFICIALS—President: P. F. Wall. Judge: M. B. Bergin. Handicapper: H. Coyle. Starter: L. Murray. Clerk of the Scales: A. T. Holmes. Secretary: F. A. G. Dunn.

PROGRAMME First Race Starts at 12 Noon.

1—MAIDEN RACE, of £100; second £20, third £10. Weight, 8st. 7lb. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race on the flat at the time of starting. Nom. £1. Acc. £1. SIX FURLONGS.

2—JUVENILE HANDICAP, of £100; second £20, third £10. For two-year-olds only. Minimum weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1. FIVE FURLONGS.

3—AMALGAMATION HACK CUP HANDICAP, of £170; £150 in specie and Silver Cup valued at £20, donated by W. T. Edgcombe, Esq.; second £30, third £15. Minimum weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1/10/-.

4—BRAEBURN HACK HANDICAP, of £100; second £20, third £10. Minimum weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1. FIVE FURLONGS.

5—THE HUNTER HANDICAP (Open), of £100; second £20, third £10. For open riders. Minimum weight, 10st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1. ONE MILE AND A QUARTER.

6—NOVICE RACE, of £100; second £20, third £10. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race of the collective value of £75 to the winner at the time of starting. Weight, 8st. Maidens at time of starting allowed 10lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1. SEVEN FURLONGS.

7—OPEN FLYING HANDICAP, of £150; second £30, third £15. Minimum weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1/10/-.

8—PORANGAHU HACK HANDICAP, of £120; second £20; third £10. Minimum weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1. Acc. £1. ONE MILE.

ADDITIONAL TROPHY: Cash Prize of £10 for most successful Trainer. Points to be awarded: 5 for win, 3 for second place, 1 for third place.

PENALTIES The winner of any race or races after the declaration of weights may be re-handicapped.

All nominations or acceptances made by telephone or telegram must be confirmed by letter immediately afterwards (vide Section IV, Rule of Racing, 240).

By entering a horse, every person having or subsequently acquiring an interest in such horse, shall be deemed thereby to undertake, either directly or indirectly, to make any wager with bookmaker in connection with such horse or any other horse in the race in which such horse is so entered. Each entry shall contain, or if it does not contain, shall be conclusively assumed to contain, such undertaking, breach whereof shall be deemed a corrupt practice of the Turf within the meaning of Rule 243 hereof.

F. A. G. DUNN, Secretary. P.O. Box 122, Telephone 250, Waipukurau.

NOTE—Telephone office at Waipukurau open until 8 p.m. Approved by H.B. District Committee. A. E. WISHART, Secretary. 1/11/39.

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REMEMBER BOXING DAY (TUESDAY) For the NUHAKA SPORTS CLUB'S SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING. To be held on the NUHAKA SHOWGROUNDS. The Club's Most Ambitious Programme. A GOOD DAY for a GOOD PICNIC! Adults 2/-, Children Free, Cars 1/-. Admission: H. F. SCHWASS, Hon. Secty.

The annual open tournament of the Hawke's Bay Lawn Tennis Club will be held on the club's courts, Marewa, Napier, on December 30, January 1 and 2. For the convenience of visitors, provision has been made in the draw for a number of post entries.

MILITARY MEN FAREWELLED

DANCE HELD AT WAIPIKURAU LARGE GATHERING. Gifts Presented by Mayoress. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIPIKURAU.

The Municipal Hall was well filled on Thursday, when a dance was held to farewell members of the New Zealand Special Military Force who are on final leave before proceeding overseas. The gathering, which was organised by the local Patriotic Committee, proved most enjoyable.

The hall was bright with regimental colours, bunting and streamers in great variety. Music was supplied by Lex Logan's Rhythm Aces.

During the evening opportunity was taken to make small presentations to the men on behalf of the committee. About 25 men were honoured this way, while a number were unable to be present.

After expressing pleasure at the large attendance, the evening Mayor, Mr. W. Carpenter, said that it was gratifying to see such a fine, representative gathering of men. They were willing to sacrifice everything to preserve the things they held dear, and that they should be an example to those who would have to maintain the reinforcements in the months that lay ahead.

Traditions Upheld. The traditions of the Royal Navy and of New Zealand had been worthily upheld by the men of the Admiralty, and he was sure that the land forces of the country would be found no less valiant when the opportunity came.

Supporting these remarks, Mr. W. A. Chambers made an appeal for unity in the country's war effort. They should sink political differences and minor disputes and support to the utmost the men leaving from their midst. The winning of the war called for a strong effort, and would not be accomplished in a day, but would require the assistance of everyone without exception.

The gifts were then presented by the Mayoress, Mrs. R. W. Carpenter, the men being warmly applauded as they came forward in turn.

On behalf of the Returned Soldiers' Association, Mr. A. O. Williams made presentations to members of the Territorials and Wellington-East Coast Mounted Rifles now serving with the Special Force.

The Organisation Of Industry WAR-TIME TASK. Problem Facing Ministry Of Supply. BRITISH SUPPLIES.

One of the key posts in the British Cabinet is the Ministry of Supply. This war is economic and industrial as well as military, and it is the Minister's duty to transform Britain's industrial system into a vast machine for the manufacture of armaments.

Every British "Tommy" in France will need four tons of supplies a year. The Minister of Supply must expand munitions output at a tremendous pace; he must make sure that the clothing factories provide enough uniforms; he must organise the nation's industry so that it will produce the maximum quantities of material. The man who is doing this great job is Mr. Leslie Burgin.

Mr Burgin is, for a politician, a young man, aged 32. His academic record is distinguished; he was educated at Lausanne and Paris, took the highest honours in the law examinations, became Principal and director of legal studies to the Law Society, wrote the treatises which have become standard legal text books, and had a distinguished practice as a solicitor. He is a first-class linguist, and in the last war served as an Intelligence Officer, was mentioned in despatches, and was awarded the Italian Croce di Guerra.

In Public Life. Like scores of other British and French soldiers, Mr Burgin subsequently turned to public life. In 1929 he became Liberal M.P. for Luton, and attracted attention from the start by his debating skill. In 1932 he entered the Government as Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, a position which he held for five years of industrial recovery. In 1937 he was Minister of Transport, since entering the Cabinet for the first time, and in 1939 he was appointed Minister of Supply, with the job of equipping Britain's first conscripted army, and now with that of turning the nation's production to munitions.

An energetic start has been made with this monumental task. Britain has 28 royal ordnance factories in production, compared with four only three years ago. Sixty-eight firms are manufacturing shells. The Ministry has contracts with 6500 firms, and has surveyed the resources of 9000 firms. In the first three weeks of the war, orders were placed to a total of £70,000,000.

Supply of Materials. Besides actually ordering munitions, the Ministry has the responsibility of ensuring the supply of raw materials. It has taken full control of the production of iron and steel, of non-ferrous metals, of textile materials, of timber, of paper and of other key materials.

In the last war the Government did not realise the need for comprehensive control, so there was profiteering and shortage, and the munitions works were unable to get the materials they needed. This time, comprehensive control has been taken from the start, so that the munitions works will be ensured of their supply of raw materials.

The whole planning of the Ministry of Supply is being done energetically and imaginatively. Mr Burgin is aided by a Supply Council of civil servants and distinguished industrialists. The best indication of the spirit with which the job is being tackled is expressed in Mr Burgin's speech to the newly appointed Supply Council: "We must, and we will, deliver the goods."

Catastrophe For The Enemy?

TORPEDO PROBLEM. Suggestion That Cats Should Drive Them. High officials of the United States Navy—who are getting all kinds of unsolicited defence advice—have received a suggestion that beats all others—by a cat's whisker, at least (says the "Christian Science Monitor").

The man who offered this defence measure wrote that he had made a long study of torpedoes and cats. Torpedoes, he added, were often unreliable—cats are always reliable.

The thought of a torpedo which cost thousands of dollars being fired at an object and not hitting the mark because of faulty aim, or the mark getting away, caused him considerable anguish, he said.

The answer, he explained, was to train cats to ride the torpedoes and to steer them to their marks. As a feline fancier and one who had done wonders with cats, he said, he was sure that it could be done.

State Cabin for Pilot. His idea was not to have the cat ride the torpedo backward, so to speak, but to have a sort of cat-cabin attached to each missile.

The cat would ride in comfort that way—that is, until the torpedo met whatever object the cat and the United States Navy were shooting for.

If the Navy found that one of its enlisted cats was afraid of the water he said, the Navy could switch to monkeys.

"Monkeys," he wrote, "are not as reliable as cats, but they are not afraid of water."

Officers are afraid they will have to reject both the cats and the monkeys. For one thing, the man didn't suggest what rank they should carry in the service.

A Civic Farewell Tendered

WAIPIKURAU GATHERING. Soldiers Off To The War. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIPIKURAU.

In the Municipal Theatre, Waipawa, last evening a civic farewell organised by the Waipawa and District branch of the R.S.A. was tendered to Lieut. R. Bell (Omarero), Sergt. W. Christensen, Private C. Hamilton, enlistments from the Waipawa district in the First Echelon, who are now on final leave before sailing for overseas service.

Also present were Sgt. A. Dent, home on sick leave, and Driver K. Muir, an old resident of the district on a visit to his parents.

The Mayor (Mr F. Eagle) presented to Messrs Bell, Hamilton and Christensen gift parcels from the people of Waipawa as a token of esteem and appreciation, and wished them and the other soldiers present best wishes for a safe return.

PERSONAL. WAIPIKURAU. Mr A. D. V. Forsyth, of the telephone exchange of the Post and Telegraph Department, Waipawa, will leave to-night for the King Country on annual leave.

Waipukurau Shopping Hours.—To-day, Saturday, will be observed as late shopping night in Waipukurau, shops remaining open until 9.45 p.m., except in the case of butchers' shops, which close at noon. All businesses re-open on Wednesday morning, although the banks will observe an extra day's holiday.

A MAJOR BOAT REGATTA

PLANS COMPLETED AT WAIROA. SPECIAL TRAIN. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIROA.

Final details for the Waipawa Power and Sailing Boat Club's regatta which is to be held on the Waipawa River next Saturday (December 30) were arranged at a meeting of the club this week, when the following officials were appointed for the day:

Judge, Mr G. Williamson; judge's steward, Major J. O. Scott; handicappers, Messrs L. Jones, R. E. Gambrill; time-keepers, Messrs R. Hawthorne, W. Moorhouse, F. Ollivier, R. Moore; lap stewards, Messrs R. Witters, N. Jones, W. Osborne, S. Clark; starters, Messrs T. Hall, R. Taylor, N. McKinnon; novelty events stewards, Messrs W. J. Calder, G. Dickenson; boat marshals, Messrs H. Cornforth, W. Jane; stewards, Messrs M. Johansen, G. McNab, G. Powell, G. Beech, H. Redshaw, G. Jones.

It was announced that a large number of inquiries had been received from all parts of the North Island and that there would be about 20 boats competing, making the regatta the most outstanding one ever held in Waipawa.

Advice has been received from the Railways Department that the special train on Regatta Day will leave Hastings at 7.20, Napier at 8 a.m., stopping at intermediate stations, and arriving at Waipawa at 11.15. The return train leaves Waipawa at 6.20, arriving at Napier at 9.45 and Hastings at 10.30. The fares which are special excursion rates, range from 10/11 from Hastings and 9/6 from Napier, downwards.

Railway Returns From Waipawa

MONTH'S FIGURES. Outward And Inward Traffic. INCREASE SHOWN. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIPIKURAU.

Following are the returns for the Waipawa Railway Station for the period ending December 12, 1939, with the figures for the corresponding period of last year for purposes of comparison:—

Outward Traffic. Passengers 660 (671), season tickets 2 (13), cattle 47 (50), sheep 2235 (2734), other goods (tons) 818 (1042).

Revenue: Passengers £136 (£141), season tickets — (£4), parcels £16 (£14), goods £898 (£952), miscellaneous £8 (£7), total outward revenue £1088 (£1118).

Inward Traffic. Cattle 115 (102), timber (tons) 5 (60), other goods 372 (259).

Revenue: Parcels £31 (£24), goods £577 (£558), total inward revenue £608 (£582), grant totals £1666 (£1500).

Waipawa Clock Tower.—Although no tenders have so far been received by the Waipawa Borough Council for the repainting and renovations to the memorial clock tower, this work will be put in hand early in the New Year. It is the intention of the council to have the matter expedited as rapidly as possible, so that the renovation of the tower will be completed before the Centennial celebrations.

NINE FLAGPOLES ERECTED

Wairoa Prepares For The Centennial. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIROA.

Work on the erection of nine additional flag poles on the Wairoa Post Office was completed yesterday in preparation for the Centennial celebrations which will, it is understood, take place in this district between January 1 and January 7.

During the week of the celebrations the post office will be decorated with flags and these will also be flown on appropriate days throughout the year. The decorating at Wairoa will be undertaken by the Public Works Department.

Competition Result.—The Christmas competition conducted by the Waipawa Bowling Club was concluded last night, the winners of the prizes being as follows: Mr H. T. Limbrick 1, Mr Chris Vodani 2, Mr F. M. Tickner 3.

All Roads lead to NUHAKA ON BOXING DAY (TUESDAY, DEC. 26) FOR THE NUHAKA ANNUAL SPORTS. Long, Varied Programme includes Horse and Athletic Events for Men and Women, and Novelty and Children's Races galore.



Your Pal is in the first Echelon DO YOUR SHARE!

"Be honest with yourself. Be certain that your so-called reason is not a selfish excuse. Be sure that hereafter, when you look back on today and its call to duty, you do not have cause—perhaps bitter cause—to confess to your conscience that you shirked your duty to your country and sheltered yourself under a mere excuse"—Lord Kitchener.

The voice of Lord Kitchener calls over the years to the Men of New Zealand today. There is a big job to be done in the world, and every New Zealander is called to play a part. What is YOUR part? Will YOU have an honoured place in the second New Zealand Expeditionary Force?

Table with 2 columns: Location and Numbers needed. Wellington City 850, Hawera 100, New Plymouth 150, Gisborne 55, Napier 315, Hastings 100, Masterton 50, Palmerston North 150, Taihape 35, Wanganui 150.

LET YOUR TOWN BE THE FIRST TO MAKE ITS QUOTA. The numbers needed are shown opposite the name of each town. CITIZENS! DO ALL YOU CAN TO HELP REACH THE REQUIRED STRENGTH. Don't leave it to the other fellow. HOW TO ENLIST. Call at the nearest Defence Office or obtain a Registration Form at any Post Office or Railway Booking Office. Fill in the form and post it as directed, and you will be notified when to report for medical examination.

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Christmas Competitions Results

Table with columns for Class, Name, and Points. Includes results for Sketch, Original Poem, Christmas in New Zealand, Writing Section, Christmas in England, Sketch: Santa Claus, and Sketch: Christmas Card.

HAWKE'S BAY DAILY MAIL PLAYTIME PAGE

GREETINGS

Dear Boys and Girls, To-morrow will be Christmas Eve and to-day the world is a thrilling place to live in with the prospect of Santa's coming, the bustling preparations for the family dinner going on, and all the secret delight of giving.

Christmas In England

(Class 5.) By JOAN DOUGLAS. The scene is a small village just out of London, and soft flakes of snow are gently falling. Somewhere, church bells are ringing and a group of carollers are singing beneath a house window.

CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND

Class 5 GILLIAN DI MENNA I shall endeavour to tell you what Mother has told me about Christmas in England. Generally it is very cold, for there is snow everywhere you go.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Class 2 (By JOAN DOUGLAS) Christmas is a funny thing. It makes you want to laugh and sing. It makes you want to dance for joy, Oh! what a life for girls and boys.

ORIGINAL POEM

'Santa Claus' (Class 2.) As the clock strikes midnight, down he comes, In his big, woolly coat of red. He smiles as he looks at the snug little ones, And he nods his kind old head.

Christmas In England

(Class 5.) The Great Day was nearly here. Peter and Beryl Masters were busily saving up their pennies and threepences to buy presents for their mother and father. They lived in a tiny cottage on the outskirts of the City of London.

An Answer To Last Week's S.O.S.

Dear Pam, In last Saturday's paper it was stated that Winnie Wairoa wanted a pen-pal. I have found one in Scotland, but I don't know if it is a boy or a girl.

CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND

(M. MCGREGOR.) Class 5. 'Welcome strangers from unknown lands, Come in from all cold and join our band.'

The Spider's Web 'THE OCTOPUS UNMASKED'

EPISODE XV. You will remember that last week we told you that Wentworth receiving a note that Jackson his assistant had written under the influence of an ingenious drug concocted by the Octopus, was tricked into going to the arch fiend's hideout.

CHRISTMAS GAMES

TELEGRAMS A game that can be played by any number of people is Telegrams. Pencils and papers are required, and each player writes at the top of his paper eight or nine letters - say the letters that make TED BROWN.

FINDING CHOSEN CARDS

A pack of cards is placed beneath a serviette, so that no one can see it. Someone is allowed to put his hand beneath the serviette and remove the card without the performer seeing it. He is then told to replace the card and square up the pack.

The Letterbox

Wyonne Muir, Hastings.—It was such fun meeting you, and I haven't forgotten your promise about the birthday cake. I'm a very good sampler!

A POEM

Christmas (Class 2.) It's Christmas at the market, Filling all baskets, It's Christmas at the cottages, Santa's filling stockings Right down the lane.

CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND

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ORIGINAL POEM

The Centennial Exhibition (MYRA MCGREGOR.) Class 2. An event remembered by every race, And memories to be held so clear, Is the Centenary taking place In New Zealand's hundredth year.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Laurie Cooper, Tutira, will be 13 years old. Claire Knowles, Pakowhai, will be 8 years old.

CHRISTMAS IN NEW ZEALAND

(By SHIRLEY HANNAH.) Class 3.

What is all that commotion? What on earth can it be? We can hear the throb of a lorry engine, a buzz of excited voices and a noise as if some heavy object were being dragged with much exertion on the part of the dragger and much reluctance on the part of whatever was being dragged.

GREETINGS

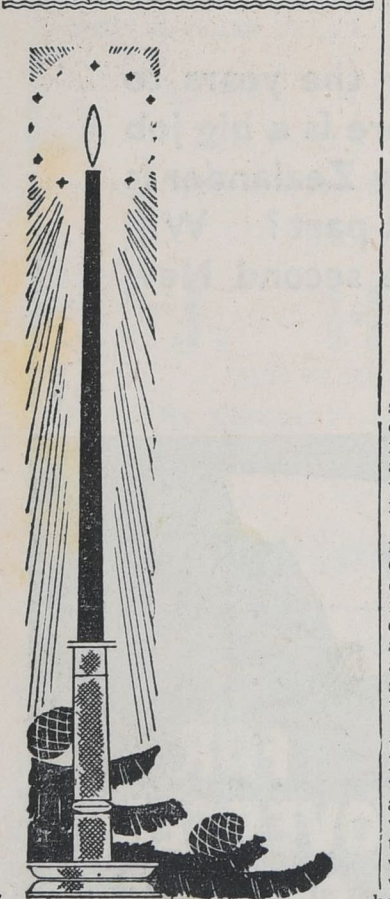
'Now listen, Penny, but mind you mustn't tell a soul,' said Josie confidentially. 'Well, said Penny fervently. 'Father Christmas never comes to me. I never have any Christmas presents. Oh, yes, I got a brooch from Daddy one year, but Father Christmas never comes to give me things like what other girls get.'

CHRISTMAS IN NEW ZEALAND

There were four children next door, two girls, twins, a small boy and a third girl. Josie appeared at the fence all the following days. She was a shy little thing and always hid behind a bush when the children were likely to see her. But accidents will happen and one day Josie's ball flew over the fence.

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WAIROA RACING CLUB (INCORPORATED) ANNUAL RACE MEETING... President: A. G. Nolan, Esq. Judge: Mr. P. A. Pettit...

sentent Oslers Ltd. The owner must have resided in the district from 1st December, 1938, and the horses must have been owned...

CENTREPOISE IS CHOSEN THE MANAWATU CUP FAVOURITE SLEEVELESS WELL Prospects appear exceedingly bright for the opening of the Manawatu Racing Club's summer meeting...

SUMMER CIRCUIT ON EAST COAST WAIROA OPENS Poverty Bay Meeting Next (By Moturoa) During the past 12 months the East Coast meetings have shown a definite return to favour with Hawke's Bay owners and trainers...

Norseman's Form Is Good DUNEDIN PROSPECTS Atrous Should Win The Juvenile TOP ROW: SIR HUGH BY MOTUROA Win-and-place betting will be in operation at the Dunedin Jockey Club's summer meeting which opens at Wingatui to-day...

RACING FIXTURES Dec. 26, 27-Manawatu R.C. Dec. 26, 27-Dunedin J.C. Dec. 26, 27-Waikanae R.C. Dec. 26, 27-Westland R.C. Dec. 26, 27-Taranaki J.C. Dec. 28, 29, 30, 31-Auckland R.C. Dec. 30-Jan. 1-Wairarapa R.C. Dec. 30-Jan. 1-Greymouth J.C. Dec. 30-Jan. 1-Hawke's Bay J.C. Jan. 1-Wellington R.C. Jan. 1-Wyndham R.C. Jan. 1, 2-Stratford R.C. Jan. 1, 2-Marlton J.C. Jan. 2-Oamaru J.C. Jan. 2, 3-Southern R.C. Jan. 6, 8-Riccarton J.C. Jan. 12, 13-Vincent J.C. Jan. 18, 20, 22-Wellington R.C. Jan. 22-Ashurst-Pohangina R.C. Jan. 26, 27-Pahiatua R.C. Jan. 29, 30-Hastings R.C. Jan. 27, 28-Auckland R.C.

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2.20- MANAWATU CUP. Of £250; 1 1/4 miles. Centrepoise 9 2 Kenw 7 3 The Buzzer 8 9 Colonel 7 2 Slegmund 8 8 Bogy 7 2 Friesland 8 7 Windsor 7 2 Wotan 8 3 Chief 7 0 Play On 7 11 Aurora's Star 7 0 Hunting Cat 7 8 Limbohm 7 0 Du Maurier 7 8 Barotonga 7 0 Tidewater 7 5 Silvanus 7 0 Dainty Sue 7 5 Raeburn 7 0 Centrepoise won the Metropolitan Handicap at his last start with 80 and that performance stamped him as a high class galloper. Since then he has done everything right and his winding-up trials have left the impression that he is going to prove very hard to beat.

3.0- NURSERY HANDICAP. Of £200; five furlongs. Absolve 8 13 Beau Courier 7 9 Talents 7 12 King's Mark 7 7 Teacoy 7 12 Air Flight 7 7 Tau Ururu 7 12 Acont 7 4 Sir Beau 7 12 Desert Tide 7 2 Croupisno 7 12 Courting 7 2 Beau Ciel 7 12 Lady Govern 7 0 Wilshire 7 12 Absolve won the Spring Nursery in Riccarton in brilliant fashion and is the best performed youngster in this event. He is not overburdened with weight and should just about win. Talents showed plenty of promise at Feilding and should be all the better for that experience, while the Teacoy-Desert Tide bracket will claim attention after running good races at Woodville. Beau Courier showed some promise earlier in the season, while King's Mark also possesses speed and Air Flight showed up at Feilding. Sir Beau and Beau Ciel are well bred youngsters, but the palm goes to Talents.

4.30- FITZHERBERT HANDICAP. Of £250; six furlongs. Russian 8 5 Lord Cavendish 7 7 Laughing Lass 8 2 Duncannon 7 6 Steevlehead 8 2 Jeanie 7 0 Globe Trotter 7 12 Solaria 7 0 Night Eruption 7 11 Russian Ballet is in top form at present and is nicely treated on the score of weight. Laughing Lass may be all the better for a race, but Steevlehead will be a better bet on the score of weight. Evidence on her splendid form at Woodville where she was distinctly unlucky. She is a solid filly and she can be expected to run up to her best form. Globe Trotter will have a big following if kept for this race, while the consistent Night Eruption is also worthy of consideration. Lord Cavendish has won this race on many occasions, but he should be held safe by Raka-banga. Duncannon will not be neglected, but she makes greater appeal. However, form points to the following: SLEEVELESS RUSSIAN BALLET The day's racing concludes with the 6.5-

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