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H.B. NOW HAS GOOD PACK THAT COMBINE WELL WITH BACKS

(By "Magpie.")

The Hawke's Bay representatives, after a break of three years, last Saturday resumed competition with Manawatu at Palmerston North, and won by the handsome margin of 26 points to five. On the form revealed last Saturday it can be said that the Hawke's Bay team, as it is at present constituted, has worked up a fine degree of combination. The forwards, all Hastings representatives, with one exception, have a splendid understanding, and provide the rearguard with ample opportunity.

At Palmerston North on Saturday the rearguard strength was situated close to the scrum, Clothier-Lyons-Calcott. The two last-mentioned are young, and this is their first season in provincial representative Rugby. Under the watchful eye of Captain Clothier they respond well to his urging and on Saturday revealed initiative that brought tries.

In present day Rugby it is rare to see the five-eighths creating openings, but on Saturday it was common. Lyons was opposed by Cuff, a really fast runner yet he twice was left standing.

It was Calcott, the Whetukura shepherd, who really took the honours in this department. In the first half Calcott was opposed by O'Shaunessy, an ex-Marlborough representative with Seddon Shield experience, and by half-time the ex-South Islander was completely bewildered. In the second half Harkness was brought in to mark the Dannevirke rep, and he was only successful, but not completely so, for Calcott made two spectacular breaks from set scrums. It must be said in favour of Harkness that on one occasion he, too, had a victory.

The Bay full-back, Sutherland, had a fairly easy time, and his overhead kicking of the ball was good. On occasions he went up to take a hand with the passing bouts and once might have scored, but instead he tried an overhead pass out to Henderson. Nothing ever comes of passes delivered in such fashion.

Centre three-quarters are judged by the number of tries the wingers score and Devoy on Saturday was inclined to forget this Rugby maxim. Most of the wing play went out Henderson's way, and he muffed many passes through overeagerness. On the opposite wing, Reeves experienced a very lean time.

The Bay forwards took turn about for prominent work, Tory Reid proving an admirable leader and Don Miini and Mason McDonald lent capable assistance. The Hawke's Bay pack, on its two latest performances, compares favourably with those of immediate pre-war days.

The friendly rivalry between H.B. and Manawatu commenced away back in 1887 at Palmerston North where the Bay won by 7 to none. To date the two provinces have met on 32 occasions, Hawke's Bay winning 22 matches and Manawatu nine, while one was drawn. Manawatu commenced its representative programme this season on King's Birthday with a win over Wellington. Next followed a loss to Wanganui in a high scoring game. On August 4, at Carterton, Manawatu drew with Wairarapa, 14-all.

For last Saturday's match Manawatu were without the services of three of their leading forwards, Todd, Mercer and Gunnell, also their big wing three-quarter, Butt. Whether or not the presence of this quartette would have bridged the wide margin in favour of Hawke's Bay, will have to be left to conjecture, or until the two provinces meet again at McLean Park, Napier, on September 1.

North Island Selections.

Since the publication of the North Island fifteen city critics have discussed the halfback position more than any other. In one paper the dropping of Tetzlaff is described as a "Rugby bombshell." Another critic, in his own words, puts himself on the side of Mr F. Lucas, the Auckland selector. How the critic knew of Mr Lucas' leanings when the three selectors were sorting out the team, is best known only to this particular critic. However, the game in Auckland on August 25 will decide the point in part.

There is evidence in the past two years of Paewai's undoubted superiority. In 1943 the rival half-backs in the inter-island match were Paewai (South) and Tetzlaff (North). That day Paewai took the honours easily. Last season in a club match in Auckland the same two were the rival half-backs and again there was no doubting the superiority of the Maori lad. Clearly last season an injustice was done Paewai in not selecting him as the North Island halfback, and there appears no valid reason why the injustice should be repeated this season.

There were some glaring anomalies in the North Island selections for 1943 and 1944. As an instance, in 1943, Sorenson, of Auckland, a full-back, was selected as a five-eighth. He was by no means a success in the position, and since then he has reverted to his usual position of fullback. To gain a position in the North fifteen one must or should be outstanding, yet Sorenson cannot secure a position in the Auckland team anywhere but full-back.

In 1943 Pike, the Auckland hooker, was selected for the North, and in 1944 he could not gain a place in the Auckland side. A similar fate befell the Wellington forward Young. He later in the same year was dropped from the Wellington representative side. From this it will be seen that injustices are quite common in North Island selections of recent vintage, and one could quote them right back along the years.

Actually, the inter-island match is marked for the individual brilliance of the participants rather than combination performance. The two most discussed North players, Paewai and Couch, have that touch of Rugby brilliance that is very well suited to a game where the majority of the players have no prior playing experience of their team-mates.

After their first hand experience of Ben Couch on August 4, Manawatu players returned home quite convinced that they had seen the player who should partner Delamore in the North five-eighth line. It is wrong to even imagine that all the best Rugby players live in Wellington and Auckland, yet that is the impression given readers of a Wellington paper who condemns the selection of Couch.

Most Rugby enthusiasts read the "Rugby Almanack." Each year this handy publication contains the photographs of the five players of the year, and, on the word of the editor, the Wairarapa youth is going to be one of the five in the next publication.

Brevities.

This year's Ross Shield Primary Schools' tournament is to be held in Wairoa, commencing on August 21. All six districts will be represented. Winners for the last two years were Hastings, but the Wairoa enthusiasts are hopeful that their team this time will take the honours.

Dr. M. N. Paewai the much discussed half-back is at present on the staff of the Auckland Hospital. Later, when he gets up private practice it will be somewhere in the Rustoria area, but before that happens his Rugby ambition is to play for M.A.C. as did his father Niki Paewai away back in 1918.

Tapuae appear sure to win the Wairoa championship this season. Sutherland, the Bay full back, Ruata, Winiata, Gemmell and Tumutaroa, all Wairoa reps, play for this club, which was revived this season after a lapse of many years.

EDUCATION PAST AND PRESENT COMPARED

A survey of educational progress since he entered the teaching profession 33 years ago was given by Mr. R. W. D. Maxwell, for 16 years an inspector of schools, to the Napier Rotary Club at its weekly luncheon.

"There is now a much different method of approach to educating children from that used when I first joined the Education Department," said Mr. Maxwell. "The school curriculum has been revised, so that there is a wider range of subjects, with more art, music and social study. The curriculum to-day is a very full, enriched and attractive one."

Starting at the bottom of the scale with kindergartens, the beginning of our formal educational system, Mr. Maxwell said that these were not organised by the department, but by a kindergarten association. At each of the four main centres there was a training school where girls from the age of 17 who wished to take up this branch of education were instructed, and when they qualified they would be posted as assistants in established kindergartens, and later might be given the task of opening new ones. "I notice with some disappointment that there are no free kindergartens in Napier," he added. "I should say there was room for three or perhaps four."

There had been no careful planning of school buildings in the past, but now a great deal of thought was given to the architecture of a school, he said. They were now built to receive the full benefit of the sun, and they were hygienic and well ventilated. Infant rooms were brightly decorated, and had attractive pictures on the walls.

"Our aim now," Mr. Maxwell continued, "is to fit the school to the child and to adapt the curriculum to suit the needs of all." In the old days, he said, children of all types were subjected to the same inflexible curriculum, and consequently special talents were not developed. The educational benefit gained by some children was, therefore, small.

The speaker mentioned intermediate schools, which usually taught Forms I and II only. A comparatively recent development, the intermediate school, was a copy of the American junior high school. "There has been a lot of criticism of intermediate schools," he said, "but in my opinion their advantages compensate for whatever drawbacks they may possess." In these schools, pupils could be organised into groups according to their merit. Thus, the progress of the cleverer pupils would not be hindered by the rest of the class, and inferiority complex, once prevalent, was almost eliminated. Those not suited for an academic education were given specialised training in manual and technical work.

"The school-leaving age has been raised to 15, and it is the intention of the department to raise it to 16," said Mr. Maxwell, speaking of post-primary education. This, he said, would prevent those who were not academically-minded from leaving at about 13 without the necessary grounding in everyday subjects. All should have a cultural background, comprising a knowledge of English, elementary mathematics, general science, music, and [illegible] and craft work. That and a sound physical education was provided by the modern school.

Another important factor was the provision made for teaching the handicapped child, for whom teachers were specially chosen because of their temperament and ability in this direction. There were now classes for those of low intelligence quota, those with speech impediments, patients in hospitals, and the deaf and the blind.

Special attention to the health of the children was something that had not been emphasised enough in the past. Now they received up to two hours a week of physical training, as well as instruction in health. Medical inspections and dental clinics were free, and milk and apples were supplies.

Vocational guidance was another important consideration. "We help boys and girls choose the occupation they are most suited for," concluded Mr. Maxwell. "It is essential that they like their work, as happiness is the keynote of health."

Go-slow Tactics By London Dockers Cease

(Rec. 15, 9.0) LONDON, Aug. 13.

After a stormy meeting the dockers who for the past 77 days have been employing a go-slow policy at the Surrey docks, decided to go back to work in earnest to-morrow morning. Soldiers who have been handling ships are nevertheless standing by "just in case."

Claim on Council for Destruction of Trees

(O.C.) WAIPUKURAU, Aug. 15.

Claiming that a fire lit by one of the council's grader drivers had caused the destruction of a plantation of 200 young trees, Mr. M. Williams, Ngapere, wrote to yesterday's meeting of the Patangata County Council seeking either replacement of the trees or payment of compensation. The council agreed to investigate the matter in order to ascertain whether the fire lit by its employee had been responsible for the damage.

"Toasted tobacco," said the reporter, "has come to stay; we all know that, because every other bloke you meet is smoking one brand or another of it. But what is the toasting process exactly? How is it done?" "There's a good few would like to know that, if you ask me," replied the whiff merchant, lighting a cigarette. "Every industry has its secrets, and I reckon that's one of the secrets of the National Tobacco Co., the pioneers of the tobacco industry in New Zealand. But toasted caught on from the lump, you know, and no doubt toasting had a lot to do with that—cleans up the nicotine in the leaf and helps to give the six blends, Cut Plug No. 10 (Bullhead), Navy Cut No. 3 (Bulldog), Cavendish, Riverhead Gold, Desert Gold and Pocket Edition, their distinctive flavour and fine bouquet." "If I only knew all about the blanky process," mused the scribe, "it'd make a story, that would!" "No doubt," laughed the tobacconist, "but the manufacturers are hardly likely to give away the secret just to oblige you!"

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News of the Turf

Four-Figure Offer For Negotiable Turned Down By Breeder-Owner

[By "The Barb."]

Negotiable created a fair impression when coming home strongly for third place in a maiden event at the Hawke's Bay Hunt. It is reported that since then a four-figure offer was made for her but refused. Her owner, Mr. A. Symes, told the writer some time ago he wanted this filly, especially for breeding purposes. She is a chestnut daughter of the Epsom Derby winner Coronach and Endorsement by Blad from Endorse by Paper Money from that brilliant galloper Epitaph by Absurd from the imported Eulogy. Certainly any stud breeder would covet a mare bred on these lines.

Findon is now reported to have developed hock trouble which will perhaps prevent him from racing until well on in this season. As an early two-year-old this fine galloper could not be trained because of trouble with his hocks and it was only patience and care by his trainer, Norman Davis, that this was overcome. Ever since this grey horse has been in work he has been most difficult to train.

The manner in which she won the No. 2 Okawa Maiden at Hastings suggests that Wayside will do well over middle distances. She is by Kincardine (sire of Kindergarten, Glentalloch, Findon and others) from Either Way by Hunting Song from Red Edna (dam of Pink Coat) by the dual Auckland Cup winner All Red from Edna May II. by Playbill from Puritan by Positano from Woodnymph by Musket from Sylvia. This is one of the most successful families in the New Zealand and Australian stud books.

In the recent list of licensed trainers for the new season the name of Ken Quinnivan was omitted. It was reported that this trainer was shifting his training quarters from Hastings but told the writer this is not correct and he cannot understand how the rumour got about.

Hadrian, a winner at the Hawke's Bay Hunt, comes from a well-known and successful Hawke's Bay family. He was got by that highly-successful sire Theio from Gasper by Gascony from Pareley by All Black from Bobrikoff's (Finland-Gossip by Wallace) full sister Pourparler.

Indian Sun did not accept for the Hawke's Bay Hunt meeting because he slipped a muscle. He has been sent out to his owner's farm and his box at Hastings has now been taken by Birkology's half-brother, Doges, who is to be tried as a hurdler later.

A three-year-old filly by Hazrat from Minnow (by Mimetic-Tuna, a descendant of Fanny Fisher's) appeared on the Hastings track recently. This newcomer is the property of Mr. M. Carrington, owner of Carey, and like that gelding is not exactly an oil painting.

Trainer Allen Stephens has an addition also to his string at Pakipaki in an aged gelding by Pombal from the Cockpit-Tea Tattle mare Seattle. He looks as though he will take some time.

Master Solway, who at one time was trained by G. Greene, is back in Hastings again, this time with Jack Hastie, who recently was granted a trainer's licence.

Season's Main Stake-earners Among Dominion's 'Chasers

[By "The Barb."]

There is good money in a jumper. The jumping season in New Zealand is considered to be from May 1 to August 31. During this period this year Dauber was the Dominion's largest stake-earner with a good score of £3530, which included wins in the Great Northern Steeplechase and the Lincoln Steeplechase last Saturday. He was also runner-up in the Waikato Steeplechase, the big race on the second day at Ellerslie and also runner-up to Master Meruit in the Grand National on August 4. Dauber started in no other race so that he was most consistent.

Master Meruit is second in the list with wins in the Egmont, Wellington and Grand National Steeplechases, his stake-money coming to £3180. Good Armour by his wins in the Great Northern Hurdles and the W.R.C. Winter Hurdles, plus his thirds in the National and the Trentham Hurdles, brought to his owner £2460. With such big money to be won in this department it is surprising owners do not go in for jumpers more than they do.

Fields for First Day of Metropolitan Trots

(P.A.) CHRISTCHURCH, Aug. 14.

Following are the acceptances for the first day, next Saturday, of the New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club's meeting.

INTERMEDIATE HANDICAP, of £300, 3.32-3.48 class; trotters, One mile and 5 furlongs.—Fire Water, Indian Arrow, Lil Berry acr, Chateau, Jimmy Dillon, Safe Tail Tinker 12; Gilert 24; Instigator, M Wynne 36; Cockney 48; Castigate 60.

ISLINGTON HANDICAP, of £600; 4.4-4.37 class, Two miles.—Barometer Chief, Elation, Jervis Bay, Sir Raymond, Windmere acr; Bromley Boy, Dillendale, Emslie Inglis Balmer, Loyal Chief, Vimy Ridge, Ann Scott, Caledonian Girl, Elvy's Pride, Cameronian, Frances Easton, Nola 54; Technique 56; Liberty Bond 48.

HEATHCOTE HANDICAP, of £[illegible], 4.30-4.32 class, Two miles.—Castleber, M Peg, Jeeves, Play Safe, Tam o'Shanter, Garrie acr; Centality, Loyal Nurse, 12; Moonlight, Fancy Goods, Golden Show, Josie Dell, Positive, Traverse 24; Chertsetsie, Imperial Lady, Lucky Loyal, Natural, Radical, Scotch Mealie, Scottish Emperor, Scottish Lady 36; Poppumanu.

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CANTERBURY THREE-YEAR-OLD STAKES, of £630; one mile and a half.—Balsorvie, Dandy Grattan, Emily B, First Globe, Gold Case, Halstrike, Hay Queen, Nelsenova, Rose Vale, Sir Michael, Stirling Castle, Town Talk acr; Local Golf, Globe Diesel, Spearmint 24.

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(Special) WELLINGTON, Aug. 14.

In a reserved judgment delivered yesterday, the Court of Appeal held that the Royal Commission on Licensing in asking questions relating to contributions to party funds by anyone connected with the licensing trade, would assume powers of inquiry which were not conferred on it by the order of reference.

The case stated by the commission for the Court's decision comprised the following:—

(1) The question whether all or any of the questions mentioned may be asked by the commission of any person, firm, or company engaged in the manufacture, importation, sale or supply, whether by wholesale or retail, of intoxicating liquor, or of any association of such persons or any of them. (2) The question whether the questions indicated might be asked of any political party, or of any division, section or group thereof, or of any person who had been a candidate for Parliament at any general election or by-election. (3) The question whether the commission may make the other inquiries mentioned, and for that purpose issue a summons to a witness to attend and produce documents. (4) The question whether the commission may receive and consider information voluntarily tendered in such matters.

In delivering his judgment the Chief Justice, Sir Michael Myers, said that, in his opinion, the disputed questions and matters were not within the ambit of the commission.

"In my judgment none of the disputed questions or matters may be asked or inquired into; they do not 'touch the subject of the inquiry' within the meaning of section 9 of the Commission of Inquiry Act and are irrelevant. Questions (1), (2) and (3) referred to this Court should be answered in the negative. Question (4) need not be officially answered; the commission is not likely to consider or receive information, though voluntarily tendered, on matters which this Court, on a case submitted by the commission itself, has held do not come within the ambit of the inquiry."

Mr Justice Kennedy and Mr Justice Callan in their judgment concurred with the judgment of the Chief Justice.

County Officer Resigns Because of House Shortage

(O.C.) WAIPUKURAU, Aug. 15.

The engineer's assistant to the Patangata County Council, Mr. P. F. Connolly, forwarded his resignation to yesterday's council meeting. It was accepted with regret.

It was explained that Mr. Connolly was resigning his position largely because the house he was renting had been sold over his head, and he had been unable to obtain another dwelling. Unsuccessful efforts had been made to purchase a residence for a bridgeman, and the clerk was without a house.

A flat had recently been vacated in the town and there had been over 30 applicants for it, it was reported.

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"The taking of motor tyres nowadays is a serious offence. It is not so much the value involved as the consequences that may arise," commented Mr. J. Miller, S.M., in the Magistrate's Court, Hastings, yesterday, when releasing on probation for 18 months two young men, Noel William McKay, aged 20 years, and Ronald Henderson, charged with the theft of a tyre, tube and wheel valued at £6 10/-, the property of Ernest Alfred Bruce McLeod. In addition both were ordered to be prohibited and to renew the orders at the end of the period.

Mr. E. J. W. Hallett appeared for Henderson who pleaded not guilty, while Mr. W. E. Bate entered a plea of guilty on behalf of McKay.

Ernest McLeod in evidence said that he left his car in Hastings street, Napier. Later, when about 100 yards away, he noticed someone at his car. As he ran forward a car alongside drove away quickly. Witness hailed a taxi and gave chase, which was given up at Awatoto.

Constable Craigie, who interviewed both accused, said that Henderson explained that he went with McKay to Napier that night when tyre trouble was experienced. McKay decided to get a spare tyre in case of trouble on the return trip to Hastings. Henderson said that he took no part in the removal of the wheel. He told McKay that he had better leave the wheel alone.

Mr. Miller said that Henderson, by his watching and giving a warning, became an accessory. To some extent he aided and abetted, although he did not do so for his own gain.

On behalf of McKay, Mr. Bate said that the offence was an irresponsible escapade. In view of his previous good character he asked for leniency.

Mr. Miller said that if McKay had been a few years older he would not have hesitated about sending him to prison for an offence which to-day was a serious matter.

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Biblical Approach To Shakespeare : Address To St. Andrew's Club

"In our schools the approach to Shakespeare has often been wrong. The study of lines and the use of words could have been better substituted by a reading of the scenes by pupils taking the characters, so that a genuine pleasure in the reading would then lead on to research by the pupil because of his inclination to do so," stated Mr. W. A. Armour, former headmaster of the Napier Boys' High School and principal of Wellington College, in a talk to the St. Andrew's Men's Club in Hastings recently.

Mr. Armour said that he could not say to what extent Shakespeare was being performed in England. Undoubtedly the war would have had a serious effect, but it was significant that copies of the works of Shakespeare were now unprocurable. It seems that in times of stress people turned to more serious reading, and the works of Shakespeare were in keen demand.

One aspect of the writings of Shakespeare that had always appealed to him, continued Mr. Armour, was the close relationship between his works and the Bible. He referred to what he termed Shakespeare's "Spiritual Rules of Three" in regard to his knowledge and use of biblical quotation, these being: (1) Shakespeare's understanding of the problems of life; (2) the fact that in all his work especially in the tragedies, evil was not overcome with evil but by good; and (3) Shakespeare's code appeared to be "Love God, love your neighbour, do your work."

"Looked at from this angle, a student of Shakespeare could obtain a different viewpoint and interpretation," said Mr. Armour. "As a youth, Shakespeare must have absorbed many passages from Holy Writ, church attendance at that time being compulsory. As to Shakespeare's own religious beliefs there is nothing conclusive, but evidence points to the fact that he did not follow any religious dogmas."

The speaker then gave concrete examples of Shakespeare's use of the Bible and the number of occasions on which various characters are mentioned. The following list gives some idea—viz., Cain (25), Sampson (9), David (6), Goliath (3), Job (28), Solomon (9), Lucifer (4), John the Baptist (10), Judas Iscariot (21).

Likewise the following books are mentioned: Genesis, Exodus, Isaiah, Judges, Kings, David, and in the New Testament, the names Matthew, Mark, Luke and the Corinthians appear.

Numerous instances show that Shakespeare's expressions were almost identical with Biblical wording, a few of the many dealt with by the speaker being as follows: Weaker vessel, pitch that defiles, one job or tittle, blotted from the book of life.

Mr. Armour then dealt with various characters in the plays, where knowledge of the Bible was revealed. An outstanding example was that of Falstaff in Henry IV. Why was this character as portrayed by Shakespeare such a reprobate? It was because he knew the Bible, but did not follow its teachings that his life was a failure.

Mr. Armour briefly referred to the adoption by other countries of the works of England's greatest dramatist. In Russia the plays had been translated, and the acting of them had been witnessed not by tens of thousands but by millions. Before the outbreak of war, Shakespeare's plays were performed in Germany at the rate of three a day. Indeed, some of the finest criticisms of Shakespeare's characters had come from German writers. Of the plays performed on the Continent the favourite ones were Hamlet, Othello, Measure for Measure and Romeo and Juliet.

There was an attendance of 87 at the meeting, the guests of honour being representatives from St. Paul's and the Sidey Memorial Men's Clubs. Napier, who were cordially welcomed by Mr. A. Kirkpatrick. This was acknowledged by Mr. Armour, on behalf of St. Paul's, and the Rev. E. E. Dyason, on behalf of Sidey Memorial.

The evening opened with a community sing, led by Mr. H. J. Grieve, with Mr. W. Lord at the piano, and was followed by a short programme of entertainment including the following items: Songs, Mr. Bruce Barclay; elocution, Mr. Tom Ringland; pianoforte, Mr. W. T. Foster.

Before Mr. Armour gave his talk, Messrs K. J. Wright and R. J. Thomas presented a reading of a scene from Shakespeare's "Henry the Eighth," and at the conclusion of his address, thanks were expressed by the Rev. D. M. Cattanach.

Provincial Paragraphs

Otane Picnic-Sports.

At a well-attended meeting of the Otane Patriotic Committee and representatives of various town organisations it was decided to hold a picnic-sports gathering at the Otane Recreation Ground on the second of the two days' holidays granted to celebrate the Japanese surrender. Proceedings will commence with a procession, starting from the Post Office corner at 10.30 a.m. A dance will be held in the evening.

County Plant Renewals.

"This is good news," briefly commented a member at the Waipawa County Council meeting when the engineer, Mr. V. E. Douglas, reported that, in view of an apparent easing of the manpower position, he proposed bringing down a report for the next meeting regarding new plant required during the coming two years. Another speaker commented that renewal of the council's plant was long overdue.

Power Conservation.

While areas like Central Hawke's Bay were doing all in their power to conserve electricity, cities such as Wellington appeared to be making no effort at all, commented the chairman, Mr. C. Pattison, at yesterday's meeting of the Patangata County Council when advice was received from the Central Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board that the restrictions on street lighting had been lifted. The letter was received.

County Office Premises.

A two months' option on a section in Waipukurau is to be taken out by the Patangata County Council as a step toward acquiring its own office premises. This decision was reached at yesterday's meeting when offers of several premises were received.

Waipawa Library Service.

For the first time since the introduction of the Country Library Service by the Waipawa Borough Council, a report was submitted to the monthly meeting by the librarian, Miss L. Carne. This report covered operations for July, the first month the scheme has been in operation. The council expressed its satisfaction with the results, and the clerk reported that many favourable comments had been made on the service being provided.

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Mrs A. L. Johnstone, Waipukurau, is on a holiday visit to relatives in Taranaki.

Mrs D. Eadie has returned to Waipukurau from a visit to Taupo spent with Miss R. Turnbull, former matron of the Waipukurau Hospital.

The death occurred recently in Wellington of Mrs. Alice Elizabeth Hogan, wife of the late Sergeant John Hogan, who was in charge of the Hastings police for a number of years before his transfer to Wellington. Mrs. Hogan was a keen croquet player, and was a member of the Hastings Ladies' Croquet Club.

Bettina Welch, the New Zealand actress, continues to score success as leading lady in Noel Coward's play, "Blithe Spirit," which, now in its fifth month in Australia is still attracting packed houses. Australian papers recently have made very complimentary reference to the quality of the leading lady's acting.

To augment the Waipawa District High School basketball tournament funds a successful dance, organised by the Otane pupils, was held in the Otane Town Hall recently. Brinson's orchestra provided popular music, and Mr. R. Ballard carried out the duties of M.C. Supper was supplied by the parents and friends of the pupils. During the evening several competitions were held.

Padre Tells Experience To Waipukurau Institute

The Rev. C. Hyde was listened to with close attention when telling of his experiences as padre overseas in the early days of the war, at the August meeting of the Waipukurau Women's Institute.

The president Mrs. L. H. Atkins, introduced the padre, who told of his experiences on leaving New Zealand and going to Australia, where they joined a convoy and thence went to Egypt. Athens the padre described as a beautiful place and he was much impressed with the inhabitants' peaceful way of living.

He went on to tell of the Division's crossing to Greece, describing much of the fighting which took place there and the wonderful courage and humour of the soldiers. In describing the living conditions the padre said it was all very primitive and little progress had been made since the time of Christ.

The president moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Hyde for his interesting address.

A vote of sympathy was accorded to Mrs. Atkins in the illness of her husband.

Arrangements were made for the institute's birthday to be held next meeting when gifts to the Abbotsford Home will be accepted.

Competition results were:—Boys' trousers: Mrs. Williamson 1. Six violets (best collection): Mrs. Robinson 1, Mrs. Keir 2. Mrs. Williamson 3. Scones: Mrs. B. Davey 1, Mrs. Perkins 2.

Mrs. C. R. Attlee, Wife Of Britain's Prime Minister

Mrs C. R. Attlee, wife of the new Prime Minister of Great Britain, has lived a quiet life, bound up with family and household cares. The new role she will be called on to play will undoubtedly bring with it difficulties and onerous duties to which she has not been accustomed. However, those who know Mrs Attlee believe she will fulfil that role with grace, charm, and ability. She has been a quiet worker behind the scenes, but she rarely makes speeches in public.

Slim, blue-eyed, good-looking, and with a taste for plain colours in dress, Mrs Attlee is the mother of four children. The eldest, Section Officer Janet Atlee, W.A.A.F., is 22. Miss Felicity Attlee, who is 19, is undergoing nursery school training, while Alison, aged 15, is still at school. Martin, her only son, is aged 18, and is in the Merchant Navy.

The Attlee home at Stanmore, Middlesex, is a red brick, old-fashioned house, with a pleasant garden. During the war years Mrs Attlee was a fire watcher, took charge of a Y.M.C.A. canteen, worked for a national savings group which she organised, and was commandant of the local Red Cross. She is deeply interested in her husband's political career.

Twenty-three years have passed since Mr Attlee, then a Stepney alderman, married Miss Violet Helen Millar, of Hampstead. He met her first in Italy, while they were on holiday there. Mrs Attlee has lived at Hampstead for most of her life, and was educated there and at St. Felix School, Southwold.

Waipukurau Plunket Society

At the monthly meeting of the Waipukurau branch of the Plunket Society yesterday those present were Mesdames H. S. Hooper (chair), L. H. Atkins, E. Broad, J. H. Coleman, F. Gore, T. Hobson, J. W. Harding, L. G. Harker, E. Major, J. E. Mills, E. H. Pike, J. Russell, D. Thorburn, J. G. Wilson, J. H. Walker and the secretary, Mrs L. A. Pendray. Mrs F. W. D. Atkin was elected to the committee.

The following satisfactory report was submitted by the nurse for July:—

Visits to rooms: Adults: Waipukurau 164, Takapau 34, Porangahau six. Babies: Waipukurau 133, Takapau 30, Porangahau six. Pre-school children: Waipukurau 24, Takapau one, Porangahou three. Visits to homes: Waipukurau 60, Takapau 16, Porangahau three. New cases: Waipukurau six, Takapau two, Porangahau three.

The nurse reported she had paid four visits to Takapau and one to Porangahau, that Dr. Anderson would be having a pre-school clinic on August 15.

Subscriptions and donations were received from Mesdames C. Hall 5/-, A. G. Bell 5/-, L. Franklin 5/-, R. Hussey 5/-, J. Tarrant 5/-, E. Leete £1, I. Radonich 7/-, I. Bradbury 10/-, I. Stanick 5/-, R. E. C. Beatson 10/-, A. O. Poad 5/-.

Correspondence was read dealing with Karitane nursing which was fully discussed.

Mrs J. H. Walker solicited help from committee members for more publicity to the creche, which was open on Tuesdays, stating if they did not receive more support from mothers they would have to close.

Mrs J. C. Mills was appointed to decorate the Plunket car for the V-J-Day procession.

Subscriptions were received from the following: Mesdames C. G. Cranby 5/-, L. H. Atkins 5/-, V. Stratford 5/-, J. G. Wilson 5/-, J. C. Mills 10/-.

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Mr. W. H. Blakie will accompany the team as manager. At Wairoa the team will play one game on Tuesday, two on Wednesday, one on Thursday and one on Friday. They will return by the express from Gisborne on Saturday afternoon.

The final selection of the Hastings team is:—M. Hanley (captain), L. Harrison (vice-captain), F. O'Kane, B. Brady, M. Gillies, F. Cook, J. Martin, R. Greville, S. Howard, P. Apperley, J. Nuttall, B. Curran, B. Curtis, C. Finch, I. O'Shaughnessy, R. Baker, D. Hinton, R. Parkes and L. Hangar.

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VICTORY!

CHEERS echoing round the world to-day are ushering in a new age. The surrender of Japan marks not only a great military triumph, but the final obliteration of a combination of power and evil that came very near to destroying the very fabric of civilisation. The destiny of many generations of mankind hung upon the issue of the great conflict from which the world now emerges. This is an occasion for great jubilation for all peoples who cherish their liberties, but it is also one for sober contemplation of the fact that there cannot be victors without vanquished. The Germans and Japanese who began this war have been brought to disastrous defeat. They are the vanquished, and we are the victors. The roles would have been reversed had it not been for God's mercy, and all the incalculable moral and material reserves upon which we have been able to draw.

Because we of the United Nations have been fighting, first for our own survival as free peoples and, secondly, to make it possible for all men of goodwill to live in security, the burden of peace-making that has fallen upon us as a result of this victory will be no easy one. Had the evil combination of force and brutality, which took the name of Axis, triumphed, there would have been no peace-making. There would have been unending strife and tyranny, with all the freedoms which have been won by mankind crushed for generations. As victors, the United Nations thus assume the tremendous responsibility of refashioning a world in which the hopes of free mankind may be realised.

The victory that is to-day being celebrated delivers into the hands of the United Nations power, absolute and overwhelming. This power is concentrated in the three Great Powers, Great Britain, the United States of America, and the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, who to-day constitute an alliance with supreme mastery of the world. While that alliance stands, no nation anywhere in the world dare again break the peace. Never before in history has there existed such a mighty combination dedicated to the advancement of mankind in the ways of peace. This is the triumph of democracy, and upon the common man everywhere rests the responsibility of safeguarding the future which has been won for him in these years of blood and sweat and toil and tears.

The shape of the world has been changed during these years of struggle. There have been amazing advances in the ability of man to control the forces of Nature. The age of swift transportation is here. Oceans can be crossed in a few hours. The age of atomic energy has arrived, opening up new and startling vistas of life upon this planet. Man now possesses powers that for centuries remained nothing more than the dreams of philosophers and writers of romance. Yet man has still to prove that he is capable of remaining master of the science and machines he has conjured into his service. The war has been won. Now we set forth to win a peace that will demand all the finest talents and noblest instincts of man.

To-day the world can be said to be at peace. To win this victory millions have perished, and the untold treasures of nations have been poured out. For freedom-loving people everywhere the final defeat of Japan will come as the end of a black and terrifying era. It will mark the overthrow of the forces of tyranny and brutality that came so near to placing the world in bondage. On many a lonely islet, in the jungles of Burma, Malaya, Borneo and New Guinea young men have sweated, suffered and died to make this victory possible, and beneath the waters of the Pacific lie many fine ships that went down with their splendid crews. The memory of the gallant airmen who disappeared into the spaces of the Pacific or perished somewhere on the far-flung battleline, will long be cherished. Sadness and anxiety have been constant companions in millions of homes. And in this hour of triumph our hearts go out to those for whom the war has brought abiding bereavement.

To-day, the long agony of the Chinese people is ended. For more than eight years they have endured the occupation of vast areas of their great and ancient land by a cruel and ruthless invader. From their sufferings they have won the status of a Great Power and freedom to work out their own destinies, and to give the world the benefits of their talents and industry. The Chinese truly deserve to share to the full in the great triumph to which their endurance and courage have contributed so much.

History will see to it that the great leaders, whose courage and steadfastness sustained us in the darkest hours, and whose wisdom created and directed the vast organisation of victory-making power, are not forgotten. On this day of triumph the gratitude of millions will be felt for the two mighty personalities who, never faltering, shaped the diplomacy and strategy that brought the enemies of mankind to their doom. This is the victory, first and foremost, of Winston Churchill and the late Franklin Roosevelt. It is also the victory of numberless gallant men, many of whom will not return. To those who come back, and particularly those who have borne the misery of prison camps, must be given the fullness of the fruits of the victory they have so valorously helped to win.

Napier Airport Proposal Not Supported By Patangata Council

(O.C.) WAIPUKURAU, Aug. 15.

The Napier airport proposal seems likely to gain little support from the Patangata County Council, the majority opinion expressed at yesterday's meeting being that the 'drome would be of little benefit to residents of the county.

"We were the exception," commented the chairman, Mr. C. Pattison, when a letter from the Napier Borough Council stated that, with the exception of one local body, all others in the district were prepared to attend a conference to discuss the proposals.

"So far as we are concerned, Hastings is nearer for us. The 'drome is for internal use and we should be well satisfied with the field we have here," the chairman added. He understood that there was sufficient length on runways at Waipukurau to take any machine likely to be used in New Zealand.

Cr. A. W. S. Longley said that the Gisborne-Napier-Palmerston North line was only a feeder to the Auckland-Palmerston North-Wellington line and as such should have short sections. Waipukurau would be an ideal place for a stop between Napier and Palmerston.

"They should know more about the proposals before doing anything," said Cr. E. C. Nation.

The chairman was appointed to represent the council at the conference. "Definitely without power to act," he declared.

Home Servicemen's Housing Proposals

(Special) WELLINGTON, Aug. 14.

The conference of the New Zealand Home Servicemen's Association concluded in Wellington yesterday. Numerous proposals affecting the future welfare of the Serviceman were made.

The conference urged that war pensions board be set up in the four main centres and that appeal boards sit in provincial centres. It affirmed that lodge and sick benefits should not be assessable as income in computing economic pensions.

The Dominion council was recommended to continue pressure on the Government for a 75 per cent. preference allocation of State houses and flats for ex-Servicemen and women. The proposal to allot ex-home-Servicemen houses from the 50 per cent. preference allocation to ex-overseas Servicemen was not approved. It was also considered that in the allocation of State houses and flats applications should be treated on the grounds of urgency and that after cases from the Rehabilitation Department had been allocated, the remaining Servicemen's applications should be grouped with the civilian lists. These also should be considered on the grounds of hardship and urgency, with preference to ex-home-Servicemen, the conference urged.

Regarding the payment of gratuities, the conference opposed any system of deferred payment or appropriation as portion of an advance by way of loan.

The conference established a Dominion comforts fund for the benefit of sick and disabled home-Servicemen in sanatoria and undergoing prolonged treatment. Branches generally agreed that they could handle the cases of their own members in local hospitals for short periods, but the long-term cases would be a heavy drain on certain branches. All home-Servicemen, irrespective of membership, must be looked after. Some branches indicated that their own comforts funds were reaching reasonable levels and their local demands proving small, they hoped to be able to make contributions at once. Others volunteered to undertake special efforts to raise funds at once.

"Toasted tobacco," said the reporter, "has come to stay: we all know that, because every other bloke you meet is smoking one brand or another of it. But what is the toasting process exactly? How is it done?" "There's a good few would like to know that, if you ask me," replied the whiff merchant, lighting a cigarette. "Every industry has its secrets, and I reckon that's one of the secrets of the National Tobacco Co., the pioneers of the tobacco industry in New Zealand. But 'toasted' caught on from the jump, you know, and no doubt toasting had a lot to do with that—cleans up the nicotine in the leaf and helps to give the six blends, Cut Plug No. 10 (Bullhead), Navy Cut No. 3 (Bulldog), Cavendish, Riverhead Gold, Desert Gold and Pocket Edition, their distinctive flavour and fine bouquet." "If I only knew all about the blanky process," mused the scribe, "it'd make a story, that would!" "No doubt," laughed the tobacconist, "but the manufacturers are hardly likely to give away the secret just to oblige you!"

LOCAL & GENERAL

Waipawa Hotel Sold.

The Imperial Hotel, Waipawa, has changed hands for £10,000. The buyer is Mr John Vesty, the vendor being Mr Oswald Henry Upton. Containing 24 rooms, the hotel is built on a section of one rood 32 perches.

Radios in Australia.

Manufacturers of radio sets in Australia had not yet received permission to commence production for civilian markets, said Mr E. A. Burbury, of Amalgamated Wireless (Australasia), Ltd., who arrived at Auckland from Sydney by flying boat. Even if permission were granted, difficulty would be encountered in obtaining the necessary materials, and the relief of this shortage would depend on the duration of the war.

Windfalls to the State.

The fact that many people were under a misapprehension regarding the fate of unclaimed company dividends was mentioned by the chairman of the New Zealand Farmers' Fertiliser Co., Ltd., Mr S. Irwin Crookes, at the annual meeting in Auckland. A shareholder drew attention to the amount of unclaimed dividends, which at £2370 showed that the comany had made a further £455 during the year. Mr Crookes pointed out that, under the law, when dividend warrants were returned undelivered, the amounts had to be paid into a special account at the bank and held for a period of years. Then the Government acquired them.

Canned Southland Eel.

The prospect of a shipment of Southland eels being sent to the London market in the near future is not beyond the bounds of possibility. The subject was discussed at the meeting of the Southland Acclimatisation Society, when consideration was being given to an extensive campaign for trapping eels in Southland fishing streams. Mr J. N. Armour said he thought there was a Southland canning firm prepared to take the risk of sounding the London market with a shipment of canned eels provided arrangements could be made for the supply of eels. "It might well develop into a good business in time," he said. The matter will probably be pursued further.

One-roomed Home.

The desperate plight in which some people find themselves because of the housing shortage in Dunedin was emphasised during the hearing of a case before the Otago Land Sales Committee. The purchaser of a property said he had been unable to obtain possession of a dwelling he bought in 1938, and he had decided to buy another one in order to help his family. He added that his married daughter and her husband who was a returned soldier, together with another daughter recently discharged from the Army, were occupying one room in a house in the city. The chairman, Mr E. J. Anderson, expressed the greatest concern that such a state of affairs could exist in Dunedin.

Supplies of Textiles.

"There is little doubt that the world will be acutely short of textiles for several years to come, with European production reduced and Japanese production eliminated," said Mr O. W. Rainger, Auckland, on his return from a visit of six months to Britain, Canada and the United States. The rayon textile industry in Britain particularly had suffered from wartime controls and only 52 per cent. of the looms were now working, said Mr Rainger. The present cut in export allocations of these goods had been caused by an acute shortage of domestic supplies. This shortage was likely to continue because of the demands being made to re-clothe liberated Europe and the demand for civilian clothing as the various forces released men and women.

Divorce and Domicile.

"This case demonstrates the desirability of corroborative evidence regarding domicile," said Mr Justice Fair in the Supreme Court, Wanganui, when he heard an application for an order for the restitution of conjugal rights from a woman born in New Zealand who had married in Australia. "The Court should not be left in the position of relying on the evidence of petitioner. The question of domicile is important in the present case." Petitioner had stated that although she understood that her husband, a wool classer, was in New Zealand at present she knew that he had to return to Australia because he was under manpower regulations there, and had been granted a permit to visit the Dominion only on condition that he bought a return ticket on the trans-Tasman plane.

PERSONAL

Sir Patrick Duff, High Commissioner for the United Kingdom, and Lady Duff, will leave Wellington on August 21 to pay their first visit to Auckland. They expect to be in Auckland for nearly a week.

For using obscene language in a public place, James William Charles Rogers, seaman, aged 20, was arrested in Napier by Constable Cater on Monday evening and appeared in the Napier Police Court yesterday before Messrs A. E. Bedford and G. Houston, J.P.'s. He was convicted and fined £5. He was returned to his ship under custody.

VICE-ADMIRAL MITSCHER, one of America's greatest aircraft-carrier force leaders. He took his carrier planes to Tokio itself.

HASTINGS MATRON RETURNS AFTER FIVE YEARS' SERVICE

After more than five years' service overseas with the New Zealand Army Nursing Service, Miss E. C. Mackay, R.R.C., principal matron, has returned to her home in Hastings. "I am glad to be back," Miss Mackay smiled when a reporter called on her yesterday, though, she added, she was feeling the cold.

Miss Mackay, who is the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mackay, Hastings, received her training at the Napier Public Hospital, and holds midwifery and post-graduate diplomas. Till she went overseas, she was sister in charge of the Waikato Hospital.

When the New Zealand troops went to England in 1940, Miss Mackay went as matron of the Pinewood Hospital, north of Workingham. Later she left for the Middle East when a tented hospital was established at Helmieh, near Cairo. She then became matron of the No. 1 General Hospital at Helwan, and was there from 1941 to 1943. In November 1943, she was appointed principal matron in place of Miss Nutsey, who returned to the Dominion.

MISS E. C. MACKAY.

Miss Mackay also took part in the evacuation of Greece and Crete. They were evacuated from Greece in a destroyer, she said, and from Crete to Alexandria in a Greek ship. Though there was some bombing during the crossing, the nursing sisters were not injured.

Miss Mackay later went to Italy, where she was attached to Headquarters, N.Z.E.F. She served in both Southern and Northern Italy, remaining there until July this year.

Miss Mackay was awarded the Royal Red Cross on December 23 last year, a cross instituted in 1883 for nurses who tend the sick and wounded of the Army and Navy.

"Although life was primitive at times and despite climatic conditions," Miss Mackay said in conclusion, "we generally managed to have a pleasant time."

Consumers Favour Raw Milk Direct From Farms

Results of a referendum on the Wanganui milk supply, conducted by the Wanganui Electors' Association, have been sent to each Member of Parliament. The association states that 4000 houses were covered by mail and 2000 by canvass. The question was: "Is it your will that raw milk required by the citizens of Wanganui should be brought straight from the farms to the consumers without passing through a treating depot?" "Yes" replies numbered 6327, "No" replies 378, and informal papers 23.

The voting paper stated that formerly only milk for pasteurisation went to a treating depot, but under the new scheme milk for consumption raw had also to go there. Many people objected to that, and wanted their raw milk straight from the farms.

Arguments for and against the scheme were set out stating that if the referendum was carried, the M.P. for the electorate would be asked to advocate amendment to the Milk Act, 1944, to ensure the service electors wanted, without increase in price, and for full financial return to vendors and producers.

The letter in which the results are sent to M.P.'s suggests that each M.P. look into the subject for his own electors.

STRAY SHOTS —BY THE NIB

The Sons of Heaven are properly down and out!

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Indignant stenographer to another, speaking of their boss: "This is the fourth time he's revised this report. The incompetent help you have to put up with these days!"

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I like to picture the pleasant domestic scene where a housewife comes tripping home from a market carrying a good cut of this new edible paper, wrapped in a thin sheet of butcher's steak.

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She was a chorus girl and she complained to her chorus friend: "Why ain't I never invited to parties in swell places like you are, Daisy? I get invited once and they never ask me again." "I'll tell you why you are never invited the second time. You can't discuss any subject with people when you are at a party. Why don't you read a book? Then you'll be an interesting conversationalist." The lectured one decided to read a book—and did. A few days later she was invited to a party. She listened to the talk for a while and then cut in with, "Wasn't that too bad about Marie Antoinette?"

America Stops Printing of Ration Books

(Rec. 15, 9.0) WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.

The Office of Price Administration has halted the printing of 187-million new ration books for food, shoes, and petrol. If Japan surrenders no more books will be printed.

Ask your grocer for Buchanans "HOLLY OATMEAL and ROLLED OATS" — the pre-cooked breakfast cereals — cooked in two minutes.

King To Broadcast At 8 a.m. To-Morrow

(Rec. 15, 2.0) LONDON, Aug. 14.

His Majesty the King will broadcast from the B.B.C. at 20 hours Greenwich Mean Time to-morrow (Wednesday). This time coincides with 8 a.m. Thursday, New eZaland time.

BRITISH BOYS AND GIRLS LEAVE ON RETURN TO HOMES

(P.A.) WELLINGTON, Aug. 14.

British boys and girls who have been resident in New Zealand during the war years are now returning to their homes in Great Britain, and the first party of about 40 was farewelled before sailing from Wellington recently by Sir Patrick Duff, High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in New Zealand.

Some of the foster-parents had to come from the far north to see their charges safely embarked. Most of the children and those who had grown beyond childhood expressed deep regret at leaving, and practically all of them had packed New Zealand gifts for their parents.

Before embarking, a committee of five girls and four boys was set up to look after all the social and educational arrangements during the voyage. The private finances of the party were to be managed by two of the girls who have been working in banks.

As the travellers passed up the gangway the Wellington Waterside Junior Band played a Maori farewell song, and individual groups linked arms to the final strains of "Auld Lang Syne."

Sir Patrick Duff paid a tribute to all those who had taken an interest in the well-being of the evacuees, to the schools and their staffs and the Child Welfare branch and many others, to whom he also expressed the British Government's gratefulness.

The children are being escorted on the voyage by Miss P. M. Kidd, a child welfare officer of Napier, and Miss P. Woodroffe, a teacher at the Napier High School, who are going to England to study.

Hastings Runner To Contest Dominion Cross-Country Event

Gordon Vogtherr, Hastings, left this morning en route to Dunedin to represent the Hawke's Bay-Poverty Bay centre in the New Zealand cross-country 10,000 metres championship. This is his first season in senior ranks. A fortnight ago at Taradale he secured the provincial championship. Vogtherr is 19 years of age and won his first trophy at Marton when only nine years old. He ran at Marton and New Plymouth before coming to Hastings, and for three successive years he made the fastest time in the Clive to Hastings junior race.

Also competing in this year's senior national event for the first time is Albert Pay, Wellington, and, apart from the winning of the New Zealand title, the meeting of these two young and promising runners will be interesting, for they are old rivals in the junior field.

Pay and Vogtherr staged a gruelling duel in the Clive-Hastings race last year, running neck and neck to the showgrounds. Then Vogtherr slowly drew away to win by 16 seconds. Two weeks later the pair again met on the Miramar course in the New Zealand junior championship, which was won by Tullock, West Coast and now in the Gisborne district, with Pay second and Vogtherr in third place.

On the same day as Vogtherr collected his first senior championship, Pay was doing likewise, for he won the Wellington provincial title, beating Bartlett, who last year won the Hasting-Napier road race.

Only U.S. Knows All Details Of Atomic Bomb

(Rec. 15, 9.0) OTTAWA, Aug. 14.

The Canadian Munitions Minister, Mr Rowe, told newspaper men that the United States was the only country that knew all the details of the atomic bomb, but the information would be available to Britain and Canada if they asked for it. Canada made essential parts of the bomb, but decided not to ask for complete details for security reasons and the United Kingdom followed a similar course.

The Minister added: "It is a good thing not to have too much information at a time. All information about the possible industrial and peace-time use of atomic energy is being exchanged between the United States, Britain and Canada. Canada's stocks of uranium are now sufficient, but about 20 prospecting parties are seeking new deposits of heavy water used to control the release of the bomb's energy."

GENERAL SIR THOMAS BLAMEY, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Land Forces in the South-West Pacific. An Australian, General Blamey was formerly deputy-commander-in-chief of the British and Imperial Forces in the Middle East Command. He served with distinction in the last war, being awarded the D.S.O. in 1917.

Should Italy Now Become Member Of United Nations?

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(Rec. 15, 9.0) LONDON, Aug. 13.

"Italy, by her conduct in the last two years, has earned the right to be treated as a member of the free nations," declared Mr W. L. Clayton, United States Assistant Secretary of State in charge of Economic Affairs at a meeting of the UNRRA Council. He proposed that UNRRA should be authorised to initiate as soon as possible a programme of relief, rehabilitation and assistance for the people of Italy on the same basis as for nationals of the United Nations.

Mr Clayton added that the United States' maximum contribution would be 1 per cent. of the national income and there would be great difficulty in getting that sum if Italy were neglected.

The British Minister of State, Mr P. J. Noel-Baker, concurred regarding the treatment of Italy. He said that there were 23-million people in Northern Italy and the United Nations could not expect to avoid trouble if the factories were idle and men were unemployed while their families were hungry.

"It would be serious for us if there were disturbances in Austria and Italy, which may happen without UNRRA help. The British financial position is grave. We are perhaps more crippled financially than any other large country in the world, but despite our own difficulties, we will make a further contribution," Mr Noel-Baker declared.

Publicity Censorship In Australia To Cease Upon Surrender

(Rec. 15, 9.0) CANBERRA, Aug. 14.

The Australian Minister of Information, Mr A. A. Calwell, stated that the application of publicity censorship to the Australian Press would cease immediately the Prime Minister announced that the Commonwealth was no longer at war with Japan.

Because the interests of others of the United Nations and of the Australian Forces themselves were involved, Mr Calwell said the question of the removal of censorship from radio broadcasts and outgoing Press messages was being discussed with the appropriate authorities and the Australian Services.

It would be taken for granted that as soon as the Japanese were no longer in a position to take offensive action all remaining forms of publicity censorship would be abolished.

Quick Action in America

(Rec. 15, 9.0) WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.

The Director of Censorship, Mr. Byron Price, to-day announced that news censorship from the United States would end one hour after President Truman announced the victory over Japan.

EX-AMBASSADOR AT BERLIN DEAD

(Rec. 15, 9.0) LONDON, Aug. 14.

The death has occurred of Sir Eric Phipps, aged 69. He was British Ambassador to Paris from 1937 to the opening of the European war, and previously had been Ambassador to Berlin from 1933.

SIR ERIC PHIPPS.

Sir Eric never minced words with the Nazi leaders. When Hitler on one occasion told him that if Germany and Britain worked together they could rule the world, he replied bluntly that Britain had no wish to rule the world.

Economic and Political Treatment Of Japan

(Rec. 15, 9.0) NEW YORK, Aug. 14.

The United States is preparing for submission to Britain, the Soviet and China the preliminary plan for the economic and political treatment of Japan which is strikingly similar to Germany's except that Japan would be permitted to carry on limited trade with other nations, thus obtaining products vital to her sustenance, particularly iron ore, coal and textiles.

The New York Herald-Tribune correspondent at Washington says that the United States discarded proposals which contemplated placing an iron ring of military might around Japan as that would have meant death for several millions from starvation and the whole population would eventually be undernourished.

The United States also rejected a proposal for an economic blockade with rehabilitation agencies like UNRRA to supply the internal insufficiencies.

The American plan for the political treatment of Japan requires complete disarmament, demilitarisation and the removal of all heavy industries.

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JAP EMPEROR MAY ABDICATE IN FAVOUR OF SON

(Rec. 15, 9.0) RUGBY, Aug. 14.

The Times correspondent at Washington says that enemy broadcasts indicate that the Japanese people are being prepared for the possible abdication of the Emperor in favour of his son, with the Emperor's brother as Regent.

The Yorkshire Post says: "Hints have come from the Japanese military attache at Stockholm that the Emperor will probably abdicate in favour of the Crown Prince—a boy of 12—and colour is lent to this supposition by the attempts being made in the Japanese Press to build up the devotion to the Crown Prince in this moment of national crisis. Such a plan would mean the setting up of a council of regency and so would avoid involving the Emperor in the indignity of carrying out the dictates of the Allied Command."

The writer says that some sections of Allied opinion might approve of a device which removed from the Throne the man who has become identified with Japan's long career of international crime, but "it is to be hoped that before any such arrangement receives Allied sanction the Emperor will be compelled to sign the instrument of surrender."

The Daily Telegraph feels that no great subtlety has been shown by the Japanese leaders in delaying the inevitable. The Tokio statement yesterday that the Allied reply to Japan's offer of surrender had only just been received could not serve any useful purpose.

"Set against the announcement of another conference between the Emperor and Tojo, the fanatical militarist who is Foreign Minister, it proved that the situation had got out of control. There are evidently two, and probably more than two, opinions among the Japanese chiefs about what is now the best course for them to take. Some would die—or at least make most of the people die—in the last ditch; others are for peace on any terms till the terms can be broken. The result is a compromise to postpone surrender as long as possible."

The writer insists that we should be on guard against assuming that with the Emperor reduced to a tool in the hands of the Supreme Allied commander all difficulties will be easily overcome and reminds that the Emperor cult was revived last century to serve the militarist and economic ambitions of the Japanese ruling class.

"Despotism tempered by assassination is a fair description of Japan through the last 30 years. When Hirohito performs what the Allies demand from him—that is to say gives the Japanese Army and Navy leaders the orders to surrender—it is uncertain whether they will all obey. Those who do may be in peril of their lives from the more ferocious and more fanatical warriors. The Allies must be prepared for treachery now, and the only security for the future is the establishment of a system which the militarists cannot dominate."

Britain Going Ahead With Programme For Building Warships

(Rec. 15, 9.0) LONDON, Aug. 13.

The Admiralty, in spite of the near end of the Japanese war, has decided to go ahead with the 1945-46 programme for the building of warships, says the Daily Express. Shipbuilders who are in the early stages of building large warships have been told to carry on.

The French Government has taken over seven of the war-built ships which Britain offered to the Allied Governments to replace lost tonnage. These vessels, flying the French flag, are available for the United Nations under united maritime authority.

Gold Plate and Jewels Returned to Palace

Armed police guarded two heavy lorries which went to Buckingham Palace on July 24 returning gold plate, jewels, and art treasures which throughout the war had been stored in Windsor Castle dungeons. These treasures are worth hundreds of thousands of pounds.

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Weather Forecast

The Government Meteorologist's summary and forecast for the Central, East and North - East districts are:—

Situation.—There is a weak depression over the North Island, and an anti-cyclone is extending on to the South Island.

Forecast to 5 p.m. Thursday.—Winds soon moderate or fresh southerlies.

Weather.—Cloudy to overcast, with occasional rain or drizzle, improving slowly to-morrow; colder temperatures.

Further outlook.—Mainly fair.

HIGH TIDES (Glasgow Wharf.)

To-day: 11.11 a.m., 11.38 p.m.
To-morrow: 11.52 a.m.

THE SUN

To-day: 7.12 a.m., 5.39 p.m.
To-morrow: 7.11 a.m., 5.40 p.m.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

First Quarter: Aug. 16.
Full Moon: Aug. 24.
Last Quarter: Aug. 30.
New Moon: Sept. 7

HASTINGS READINGS.

Wet bulb thermometer	48 deg.
Wet bulb thermometer	45 deg.
Maximum temperature (dry)	64 deg.
Minimum temperature (dry)	39 deg.
Grass temperature	36 deg.
Frost	nil.
Earth just below surface	43 deg.
Rainfall for 24 hours to 9 a.m. to-day	nil.
Rainfall for August	.38 ins.
Rainfall from Jan. 1, 1945	13.19 ins.

BAROMETER READING
For 24 Hours to 9 a.m. To-day.

Yesterday	30.0
To-day	29.8

JAPAN ACCEPTS SURRENDER TERMS

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Emperor Will Order His Land, Sea and Air Forces Everywhere To Lay Down Arms Before Allies

BROADCAST BY MR. ATTLEE

Imperial Authority To Ensure Surrender

(By Telegraph—Press Association—Copyright)
(Received 15, 2.0 p.m.) LONDON, Aug. 14.

The war is over. This announcement was flashed to-day by radio to a tensely expectant world.

The British Prime Minister, Mr. C. R. Attlee, to-night made this historic announcement to the Empire from microphones of the B.B.C. Mr. Attlee said: "Japan has to-day surrendered. The last of our enemies has been laid low."

Mr. Attlee then gave the text of the Japanese reply to the Allied Nations, which was as follows:—

"With reference to the communication of August 10 regarding the acceptance of the Potsdam Declaration, and the reply by the Governments of the United States, Great Britain, Russia and China sent by Secretary of States Byrnes on August 11, the Japanese Government now replies as follows:

"1. His Majesty the Emperor has issued a rescript recording the Japanese acceptance of the Potsdam Declaration.

"2. His Majesty is prepared to authorise and ensure by the signature of his Government and Imperial General Headquarters, the carrying out of the provision of the Potsdam Declaration.

"3. His Majesty is also prepared to issue his commands to the Army, Navy and Air Force, and all forces under his control, wherever they are, that fighting is to cease, and that they are to surrender in accordance with instructions issued by the Allies. The Supreme Commander of the Allied forces has been notified of the above-mentioned terms.—(Signed) TOGO."

Mr Attlee then went on: "Let us recall that on December 7, 1941, Japan, whose might China had withstood for over four years, fell upon the United States, which was then not at war, and upon ourselves, who were sorely pressed with Germany and Italy. Japan quickly over-ran the Far East, and threatened Australia and India. The tide turned and the mighty forces of the United States, the United Kingdom and Russia were finally brought to bear. Japanese resistance everywhere is now broken."

Mr Attlee paid tribute to British and Dominion forces of all services, and to our splendid ally the United States, without whose tremendous endeavours the war in the East would have continued for many years.

"We must think of the prisoners of war in Japanese hands," concluded Mr Attlee, "of Australia and New Zealand, Burma, Malaya, and India on whom the brunt of the Japanese attack fell.

"Here at home you have have had a short rest from your exertion. Peace has once again come to the world. Let us thank God for His great deliverance and His mercies. LONG LIVE THE KING."

MR C. R. ATTLEE.

Japanese Urged To Abandon Hope Of Revenge

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(Rec. 15, 1.0) NEW YORK, Aug. 14.

Tokio radio to-day broadcast and then killed a statement by Lieutenant-General Keikichi Tada, president of the Board of Technology, urging the Japanese people to abandon hope of revenge and to liquidate the military for the sake of the Japanese people.

"The fact that the blood of our warriors was unable to set the world on a new path can be seen in the Imperial message as a revelation of God," said Tada. "I believe we should divert all our efforts to the enhancement of culture through science. We must look to the Imperial way and entrust ourselves to his Majesty's vast, infinite will, unswervingly following the path of righteousness.

"Furthermore, a new, great religion and great religious leader must be born to give succour to the bewildered populace."

Tada exhorted the people not to dream of some weapon superior to the new atomic bomb.

ADMIRAL LORD LOUIS MOUNTBATTEN, Supreme Allied Commander in South-East Asia. Lord Louis Mountbatten, who is a second cousin of the King, has had a long and adventurous career in the Navy and was known as a successful organiser of commando raids. Rapid promotion came his way with his indefatigable energy.

GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces in the Pacific. A member of a celebrated Army family, General MacArthur was meditating retirement when he saw the war clouds bearing in the East. His strength of leadership was fully shown in the critical days before final victory was achieved.

GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK, supreme commander of the Chinese Forces. Under his strength of leadership, China's fighting millions valiantly struggled for eight years against Japan. Even in his country's darkest hours, Chiang said: "Because her spiritual foundations are incorrect, Japan cannot win."

ADMIRAL CHESTER NIMITZ, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Naval Forces in the Pacific, one of America's famous naval officers. Under his vision and leadership the Pacific was swept clear of the Japanese Navy and victory and peace were assured.

Wildly Cheering Crowds Throng Sydney Streets

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(Rec. 15, 1.0) SYDNEY, Aug. 15.

Within 10 minutes of Mr Attlee's announcement that Japan had surrendered the whole of Sydney was celebrating wildly. Loudspeakers throughout the city broadcast the news and the streets were quickly filled with cheering thousands. Paper streamers and confetti poured from office windows and the streets were soon covered. Prominent in the cheering crowds were office girls.

Similar scenes were witnessed in other Australian cities.

Crowds of people cheered, sang and danced in the streets of Sydney again last night. Although there had been no final announcement of the Japanese acceptance of the Allied terms crowds seemed to feel the certainty of peace. This time they celebrated with the true spirit of victory—with joy but without hooliganism.

The presence of radio entertainers on platforms at various points, the playing of bands and periodical announcements of the latest reports over loudspeakers throughout the city kept the people in high spirits until midnight. The crowd at Martin Place was estimated at 30,000. There were also many thousands at other parts of the city and at King's Cross.

For the first time for nearly four years Neon signs shone again in Sydney and Melbourne. Last night they were turned on to add a touch of colour to the streets thronged with revellers awaiting the announcement of peace.

1000 Planes Over Jap Homeland In Last 24 Hours

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GUAM, Aug. 14.

More than 1000 planes, including 800 Super-Fortresses, have operated against Japan in the past 24 hours. The Super-Fortresses dropped approximately 6000 tons of demolition and incendiary bombs on military targets, including the Army arsenal at Osaka.

Napier Naval Airman Killed in Aircraft Accident

Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Rex Wilson, mentioned in the naval casualty list to-day as having been killed in an aircraft accident, was the son of Mr and Mrs M. Wilson, Wellesley road, Napier. He was 20 years of age and was born at Christchurch, where he received his primary education.

Coming to Napier in 1933, he attended the Napier Boys' High School, and was a member of the first eleven and the first fifteen. After leaving school he worked in the drafting office of the Public Works Department, Napier. At first attached to the Air Force, he went overseas in January, 1944, and after serving in that branch of the Services for some time he was transferred to the Fleet Air Arm.

NO SURRENDER YET ON BOUGAINVILLE

(By Telegraph—Press Assn.—Copyright.)
(Rec. 15, 9.0) SYDNEY, Aug. 14.

There is no official confirmation of a report by New York radio that the Japanese in Bougainville, in the Northern Solomons, have surrendered to the Australians. Army Public Relations in Melbourne has received no advice of a surrender.

The Sydney Sun correspondent in Bougainville says that New Zealand pilots, before setting out yesterday on what might be their last raid on Rabaul, said: "We will do our best to get rid of the last of our bombs."

The correspondent tells of the plans made to inform the 12,000 Japanese in Bougainville that their country had surrendered.

Prompt steps have been taken by the Australian authorities to prevent unnecessary loss of life. During the last 48 hours every effort has been made to inform the Japanese of the impending surrender. Bomber strikes ceased yesterday and probing patrols have been withdrawn, but security patrols are being maintained.

A court-martial has acquitted Heinz Ditzler and Juergin Kersting, two of the four German prisoners of war accused of the murder of another prisoner, Gerhard Rettig, in a British prisoner of war camp.

Mountbatten's Forces Ready To Move To Malaya

British Warships Already On Way To Singapore

PROBLEM OF PRISONERS

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LONDON, Aug. 14.

The forces of the South-East Asia Command under the Supreme Commander Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten are standing ready to move in for the occupation of Malaya.

Ships of the Royal Navy are proceeding to Singapore. They are accompanied by hospital ships and all preparations are completed for the care of the sick in Japanese prison camps in Malaya. Allied prisoners of war in this area will be removed as fast as shipping becomes available.

CHINA AND RUSSIA SIGN TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP

(Rec. 15, 2.30) MOSCOW, Aug. 14.

A treaty of friendship between the Soviet Union and the Republic of China has been signed. It follows upon the negotiations that have been conducted by the Chinese Prime Minister, Mr. T. V. Soong, during his visits to Moscow.

NIMITZ'S FLEET HEADED FOR TOKIO BAY

(Rec. 15, 9.0) WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.

The communications room of the United States Pacific Fleet at Guam flashed the Tokio report accepting the Potsdam Declaration but made no official announcement.

However, the Fleet Headquarters censorship passed this sentence in an Associated Press report from Guam on the Tokio surrender: "It was believed the Fleet would head for Japanese ports shortly."

The Associated Press comments that this might have been based on plans for Fleet movements if the enemy surrendered.

American Broadcasting Company monitors reported that Japanese radio stations have begun to contact all Japanese ships at sea. The Japanese are using the call letters "Mam" used by the Imperial Government to contact ships in emergencies.

EMPEROR HIROHITO.

Hotels to Close Between 10.30 and 1.30 To-morrow

(P.A.) WELLINGTON, Aug. 15.

At the request of the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser, hotels throughout New Zealand will close to-morrow between 10.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m.

When Surrender Is Signed It Will Be VJ-Day

(Rec. 15, 1.30) WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.

White House officials to-day emphasised that on the basis of previous plans V.-J. Day could not come until the latter part of the week. They pointed out that Japan actually will not have surrendered until responsible leaders have signed the surrender instruments, probably at an American base or aboard an American warship.

Enthusiastic Scenes At Parliament House

(P.A.) WELLINGTON, Aug. 15.

Parliament House joined enthusiastically in the celebration of victory, all available radios in the buildings being surrounded at 11 o'clock. Immediately the news was heard the Assembly bells were rung and fire alarms which were reminiscent of fire-watching days were beaten, while Ministers and Members and various staffs shook hands.

Many of the workers in the Buildings rushed to the roof to look out over the city and here and there below paper thrown from Government and other offices could be seen fluttering to the ground, including the Parliament grounds.

Almost before the sirens had ceased their triumphant hoots the exodus commenced from many of the offices as the staffs dashed into the city to join in the general rejoicing.

Japanese Warned Against Fatal Internal Split

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NEW YORK, Aug. 13.

Warning against a fatal internal split, the Tokio newspaper The Shimbun admitted that the worst had come and urged every Japanese to obey whatever decision the Emperor made. The Shimbun commented: "Naturally everyone has his own opinion about how things came to this pass. He or she may have indignation, but discussions on past developments will be unavailing under the present circumstances and might lead to fatal dissension. National unity is the only way Japan can cope with the situation.

"Fortunately his Majesty's decision on any matter, whether civilian or military, is final and the best. One must obey readily and unquestioningly the final word spoken from the Throne, even if such a command should not be in line with one's own individual desire."

New York Went Wild As First Flash Came In

PAPER ANKLE-DEEP

(Rec. 15, 2.0) NEW YORK, Aug. 14.

New Yorkers decided after the issue of the first news flash of Japanese acceptance that it was the real thing and crowds flocked to Times Square after dawn. By 8.30 a milling, cheering mass was watching the bulletins flashed from the New York Times' electric board. Scores of people piled on trucks, which honked their way through the choked streets, waving flags, ringing hand-bells, blowing horns and swinging rattles. The air was full of confetti, ticker-tape, streamers, and torn-up newspapers.

The police were out in strength and concentrated mainly on keeping the people from crushing shop windows by their sheer weight.

The jostling, yelling crowd in Times Square passed the 100,000 mark by mid-morning and torn paper covered the streets ankle-deep. Fireworks exploded overhead.

Chinatown's joyous residents brought out a ceremonial paper dragon to symbolise the advent of peace. The churches were thronged with worshippers.

New draftees listened to the city's din at the main induction centre. War service was still a thing of the future for them.

Generally the people obeyed Mayor La Guardia's injunction to demonstrate.

The police received complaints from some sections that paving-blocks and other missiles were hurled through store windows. One crowd quickly emptied a novelty shop's window of confetti and noisemakers.

By the afternoon the police barriers had blocked off the Times Square area, in which it was estimated 150,000 swirled about, their spirits undimmed by the uncertainties raised by messages from Switzerland.

Absenteeism closed more than 100 coalmines in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. More than 20,000 Ford employees left work at the River Rouge plant. Liquor stores in Ohio closed indefinitely.

Electricity Restrictions Lifted for Peace Celebrations

(P.A.) WELLINGTON, Aug. 14.

The restrictions on the use of electricity which apply to the North Island because of the power shortage are to be lifted for the two days of the peace celebrations, but will apply again as soon as the celebrations are over.

The Minister of Works, the Hon. R. Semple, stated to-night that the restrictions lifted for the two days apply to the lighting of shop fronts, streets, cinemas, and the like, but no special illuminations will be allowed. As the restrictions do not apply to the South Island special illuminations will be possible there.

Japanese troops on the march across the Plains of China.

Japanese People Apologise To 'Son Of Heaven'

Tears of Shame Because Efforts Were Not Enough

PECULIAR MESSAGE

(By Telegraph—Press Assn.—Copyright.)
(Rec. 15, 1.0) NEW YORK, Aug. 14.

A radio message telling of Hirohito's "extreme concern for the calamity caused by the United States" was transmitted to-day to Japanese editors in the Orient by the Domei News Agency. The message was addressed to the people assembled before the bridge leading to the grounds outside the Imperial Palace where the Japanese gather in times of unusual events.

The message said:

"The Emperor's concern has existed since the grant of the Imperial rescript in 1941 under which war was declared on the United States and Britain. How shall 100-million people filled with trepidation reply to the Emperor? His Majesty's subjects moved to tears by his Majesty's boundless, infinite solicitude, gathered in the grounds of the Imperial Palace which was quiet under dark clouds, were honoured by the Emperor's edict.

"In the sublime palace grounds a mob of loyal people are bowed to the very ground in front of Nijubashi (the bridge which leads to the Palace). Their tears flow unchecked. Alas, in their shame how can the people raise their heads with the words: 'Forgive us, O Emperor, our efforts were not enough.'

"Their heads bow lower as the tears run unchecked. Ever since December 12, 1941, when we received the Imperial rescript causing his Majesty deep anxiety."

At this point Domei broke the transmission to ask the editors to hold up the publication of the item. Domei did not resume transmission of the dispatch, but subsequently put out a message to the editors saying that at noon on Wednesday an important transmission would be made. "This transmission will be of unprecedented importance, so 100-million people without exception must listen attentively," the Agency said.

HOUSE ADJOURNS: BUDGET REVISION AT NEXT SITTING

(P.A.) WELLINGTON, Aug. 14.

Meeting in an atmosphere of considerable expectancy at 7.30 to-night, the House of Representatives required only a few minutes in which to agree to an adjournment until the same hour next Tuesday because of the probable advent of peace in the meantime and the fact that the scheduled discussion to-night of the Budget presented last Thursday evening would serve little purpose.

Mr Fraser said that every Member felt that a Budget introduced under war conditions making provision for a year of war and with little more than half of that year to run, might not necessarily be an accurate estimate of the financial requirements for the remainder of the year under peace conditions.

There was a danger that discussion of the Financial Statement submitted last Thursday might bring to Members and to the country a sense of unreality. In view of these circumstances and after discussion with the Leader of the Opposition and Party members, he suggested an adjournment until next Tuesday night.

The Leader of the Opposition, Mr S. G. Holland, said they all felt that to open that debate would have meant initiating it on a completely false foundation as it would have been on the basis of New Zealand's having 55,000 men in the Armed Forces. Now the whole situation had changed and they had agreed that a debate at this stage would be useless and might even be dangerous.

Moreover, an adjournment would enable the Government to review the whole position, and he thought the Government had the right to do that. He had gladly concurred in the suggestion that they should adjourn.

The Minister of Finance, the Hon. W. Nash, said if it was necessary to adjourn Parliament for six months to achieve peace he would be in favour of an adjournment. It might be necessary to make some slight adjustments in the estimates of expenditure insofar as they affected war expenses. If it was possible for all the Services to return to New Zealand by the end of the present year any reduction in expenditure would be slight as compared with the estimates which did not take into account the payment of gratuities.

If all the accounts were kept up-to-date there might be no reduction because deferred pay, transport and gratuities would be in excess of the estimated amount although the others might be reduced. He proposed to submit revised estimates of expenditure to Members before the House met so that they would be available for the sitting next week.

The House adjourned at 7.45.

Two Days' Holiday For U.S. Government Employees

(Rec. 15, 2.45) WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.

President Truman has granted Government employees throughout the country Wednesday and Thursday as holidays. President Truman has announced that the Selective Service is taking immediate steps to slash inductions from 80,000 to 50,000 a month. Henceforth only men under 26 will be drafted.

Grim Naval Tragedy Amid Joy of Peace

(Rec. 15, 2.0) LONDON, Aug. 14.

The United States cruiser Indianapolis has been sunk with heavy loss of life. She sailed from San Francisco for Guam carrying material and equipment for atomic bombs.

Of her crew of 1200 75 per cent. are missing.

Hospital Ships and Doctors Going Quickly To Malaya

(By Telegraph—Press Assn.—Copyright.)
(Rec. 15, 12.0) LONDON, Aug. 13.

The war prisoners and civilian internees in Malaya will be a particularly serious problem in view of the large numbers held there by the Japanese. Every effort will be made to return the prisoners straight to their homes as soon as possible after the arrival of British forces. It is not known what the men's health will be like so hospital ships, doctors and medical supplies will be among the first sent in.

PRIME MINISTER OFFICIALLY TELLS OF END OF WAR

PARLT. BUILDINGS, Aug. 15.

"This morning I am able to announce that the war is won—finally and completely won," the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser, said when making the official New Zealand announcement of the end of hostilities. "Japan has surrendered unconditionally. She has accepted the terms put forward by the United States on behalf of the Allied Powers."

Mr. Fraser recalled that nearly six years ago he had, on behalf of the late Rt. Hon. M. J. Savage, announced that New Zealand was at war. They had been six years of anxiety and worry—dangerous and tragic years—but during that time New Zealand had unhesitatingly and proudly stood by the side of the Mother Country to fight for world freedom, democracy and international justice.

The victorious conclusion of the war would bring joy to many New Zealand homes, said Mr. Fraser. It means that our Servicemen and Servicewomen, after their magnificent record in every sphere of warfare, will now turn towards their homes. The people could be assured that the Government would do everything possible to facilitate the earliest possible return of our armed forces from overseas.

"The final victory," said Mr. Fraser, "is a triumph over the formidable and treacherous enemy which threatened our shores so closely, and over the last of the members of the terrible triple tyranny of Nazi and Fascist Powers which aimed at world domination and dictatorship, and which has been crushed in the dust. It marks the ignoble but thoroughly deserved fate of the nation which began the era of aggression 14 years ago in Manchuria."

The Prime Minister said to-day all would think of China with gratitude for she had fought the enemy for eight years and never yielded in her firm determination to resist the aggressor. Mr. Fraser also referred to the part Australia had played in the Pacific War and to the Americans who had, "without even pausing to take breath," rallied their mighty forces, military and industrial, after the treacherous attack at Pearl Harbour and had swept westward and northward until Japan began to crumple under overwhelming attacks. We could also acknowledge with pride the loyalty of the native people of the Pacific islands.

New Zealand was glad that British troops, ships and planes had played such a noble part in the war against Japan and that India had been able to contribute so conspicuously to victory, said Mr. Fraser, who went on to refer to the full part New Zealand had played in all theatres of war.

STRANGE STORY OF YOUTH'S ATTACK ON OPOTIKI GIRL

(P.A.) OPOTIKI, Aug. 15.

A youth, aged 16, appeared before Mr. E. L. Walton, S.M., at the Children's Court on charges of laying false information with the police and indecently assaulting a female. Defendant admitted the first charge, pleading not guilty to the second.

Sergeant J. Isbister said that when two youths, wards of the State, left Gisborne armed with guns and ammunition, the police believed defendant's story that he had been attacked by two Maori youths and that a girl passenger had been assaulted. When they discovered that the Gisborne youths were in Rotorua at the same time as the alleged assault, the police questioned defendant further. He finally admitted that he left the car under the pretext of going to a nearby shed for a valve for a tyre, but instead put on a mask, returned to the car, and assaulted the girl.

The magistrate said that, in view of the circumstances, the youth would be committed to the care of the superintendent of the Child Welfare Department.

Twenty-six United Kingdom and Canadian troops were killed and 50 injured when a leave train from Munster to Brussels collided head-on with another train near Goch.

Allied Achievements Which Caused Japan's Downfall

BID FOR CONQUEST THAT FAILED

Allies Rallied From Early Treachery and Fought Their Way To Enemy Home Islands

COURAGE AND DETERMINATION

In the hour of victory over Japan, it is well to reflect on the magnificent achievements of America and her Allies in the Pacific. No war was fought on anything like so vast a field, or presented the same combination of strategical problems, but America, rallying from the treacherous blow made on her navy at Pearl Harbour, on December 7, 1941, when the greater part of her Pacific Fleet was put out of action for the time being, after some setbacks went on from success to success, and drove what was left of the Japanese Navy back to the Japanese home islands. The following story is one of courage and a determination that the blow, made while Japan's special envoy was conferring on peace with the State Department in Washington should be vindicated and peace restored to the Pacific.

Japan had secretly assembled large naval, air and land forces in Indonesia, ready for the zero hour on December 7, 1941. The same day she invaded the Philippines, Thailand and northern Malaya and raided Singapore and Manila. In a few days she had seized the Gilbert Islands and Guam, and on December 17 a force bombarded and attacked Hongkong. Wake Island was captured on December 23.

Just after New Year Manila fell and the garrison retired to the mountainous Bataan Peninsula. In the succeeding weeks Japanese forces over-ran practically the whole of the East Indies. Hongkong capitulated after a 25 days' siege and enemy soldiers committed horrible atrocities on the vanquished, apparently under orders, in order to impress the Chinese.

The only bright spot was a three days' naval battle in Macassar Strait, in which light American warships and American and Dutch aircraft played havoc with a convoy, sinking nine transports and damaging some cruisers, while a large cruiser or carrier was claimed as sunk.

Two days after Pearl Harbour the British battleship Prince of Wales and the battle-cruiser Repulse had been [illegible] by enemy bombers while operating in the Gulf of Siam without air [illegible]

[illegible] efforts to prevent Japanese land forces from reaching Singapore failed, and on February 4 they began a general assault on Singapore Island. The latter, with its huge population, proved indefensible. On February 15, Lieutenant-General A. E. Percival, who commanded one British, one Australian and two Indian divisions, with other troops, a total of nearly 60,000, was obliged to surrender unconditionally.

It was one of the bitterest days in British history. There had been some military unpreparedness, but as Mr. Churchill said later, if the War Cabinet had tried to insure fully against attack everywhere in the world it would have lost all.

A gallant but vain attempt to stave off an invasion of Java was made on January 27 by a combined squadron under Dutch command in the Java Sea. The Allied force was outnumbered and out-gunned, and 12 ships were lost, including the British cruiser Exeter, which had been flagship at the River Plate, the Australian cruiser Perth, the sloop Yarra, the American cruiser Houston, the Dutch cruisers Java and de Ruyter, and four destroyers. Batavia fell soon, after a week's fighting.

Before the end of January the Japanese had reached the northern Solomons and captured Rabaul, invaded Timor and Sumatra and raided the harbour of Port Darwin, causing great damage to ships and loss of life. They had crossed from Thailand into Burma.

Japan's main object at this stage was to consolidate her position by setting up strongly-defended air and naval bases around the perimeter of her conquests. She also wanted to cut sea communication between the United States and Australia, foreseeing that the latter would be used as a base of operations against her. It was shown later that she hoped to gain a foothold at least as far south as New Caledonia, perhaps even as far as Fiji or New Zealand, if the way was left clear.

The first problem facing the American naval chiefs, Admirals E. J. King and Chester Nimitz, was to guard against attacks on Hawaii and the Californian coast while the damaged warships were being repaired and new vessels completed and manned. They were obliged to avoid action for the most part during this defensive stage.

The next task was to establish a defensive line from the Aleutians in the north through Hawaii and southern Polynesia and the Southern Solomons to Australia by creating a chain of protected airfields and harbours, and attacking if necessary to obtain them. This work was proceeded with and exploratory raids were made in February and March on Wake and Marcus Islands and the Marshall and Gilbert Groups.

By March American troops had landed in Australia and General Douglas MacArthur, with his family and members of his staff, had been brought from the Philippines to take supreme command in the South-West Pacific.

Early in April the brave defenders of Bataan surrendered and a remnant on Corregidor Island did so a month later. Australia had but few troops in New Guinea and other parts of the north, although the air defence had been strengthened by American aid.

Presently an American naval force under Vice-Admiral R. L. Ghormley was based east of Australia. Its presence first became known after one of the crucial battles of the war.

At the beginning of May a Japanese armada, including transports, came south from Rabaul into the Coral Sea in a two-pronged drive for Port Moresby and New Caledonia.

The battle was without precedent for it was fought on both sides by carrier-borne planes, the ships being scores of miles apart. The Japanese lost the carrier Ryukaku, another carrier, two cruisers and six other ships. The American losses were the big carrier Lexington and a destroyer. The mauled Japanese force fled north.

A month later a powerful Japanese force heading toward Hawaii to attack American naval power again at its source was caught within range of shore-based aircraft on Midway Island. Four carriers, two heavy cruisers, and four other ships were sunk in a three-day battle. The American naval force, which lost the carrier Yorktown and another vessel, was not strong enough to complete the enemy's destruction on the spot.

The Americans did not begin to pass to the offensive until August, when a large force of marines was landed on Guadalcanar Island in the Southern Solomons, where the Japanese were building an airfield. There was little resistance at first, but it soon became clear that the enemy attached enormous importance to the island.

The first of these was a disaster, but the other two, in November, were resounding victories, and Japanese warships never came so far south again. The total Japanese casualties included two battleships, a carrier, 14 cruisers and 18 transports. The Australian cruiser Canberra was lost, with the American carrier Hornet and six cruisers.

Meanwhile, a Japanese force had landed on the "tail" of New Guinea and crossed the mountains to within 35 miles of Port Moresby. Tough Australian jungle fighters from the Middle East, after many months, drove it back and annihilated it. Another force which landed at Milne Bay was also wiped out.

In the near year the Americans, with New Zealand troops and air squadrons, worked their way up the western side of the Solomons chain, exterminating the Japanese on Island after island.

General MacArthur and Admiral W. F. Halsey having made their southern commands fairly secure, Admiral Nimitz began a grand offensive westward through the Central Pacific by seizing fortified Japanese bases on Tarawa and Makin Atolls in the Gilbert Islands. The landing on Tarawa cost over 2000 American casualties, but more than 4000 defenders were killed.

The Marshalls were invaded in February, 1944, with a force aggregating 250,000 men, naval personnel included. The great base of Truk, in the Carolines, was by-passed, but neutralised by bombing and the destruction of its aircraft.

After heavy bombardment in June troops landed on Saipan, in the Marianas, north-west of the Carolines and only 1500 miles from Tokio.

A Japanese fleet which attempted to interfere in the Saipan operation suffered defeat by air, losing 350 aircraft and several ships in an action resembling Midway.

Guam was recaptured in August and Peleliu, in the Palau Group, the following month. Thus the stage was set for the reconquest of the Philippines, to which General MacArthur had vowed to return.

After a series of sweeps by American carrier-borne aircraft, which accounted for over 2500 Japanese aircraft and 350 vessels, a force was landed on the island of Leyte, north of Mindanao, on October 20. This drew the Japanese fleet, which attacked in three separate divisions and was beaten in detail on October 24-25, with a certain loss of two battleships, four carriers and eight cruisers.

In December it was announced that a powerful British fleet under Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser had arrived in the Pacific and would be based on Australia.

Resistance on Leyte ended in that month and just after New Year MacArthur landed a large force in the Lingayen Gulf, on Luzon. Enemy resistance was poor, and by the beginning of February his troops had entered Manila.

The next capture was the fiercely-defended volcanic island of Iwo Jima, in the Bonins, which cost the American marines 20,000 casualties in a month's fighting. A landing was made on Mindanao early in March, and late that month, after bombardments in which a British task force participated, American forces invaded Okinawa, in the Ryukyu Island, linking Formosa with Japan.

Japan's bid for conquest was doomed to failure from the beginning. It did not take full account of the enormous resources of the United States in manpower, raw materials and, above all, the fighting strength and capacity for industrial production.

The war in the Pacific has shown the American naval and military leaders to be masters of strategy and the co-ordinated use of sea, land and air power for a single purpose.

It also proved that the American, Australian and New Zealand rank and file in all three arms are far above the Japanese average in intelligence, morale and endurance, and that the tactical leadership was superior.

The same was proved true of the British and Indians as compared with the Japanese in the Burmese jungle, and was demonstrated again when British armed might was directed to the Pacific.

Milestones Which Marked War In The Pacific

A chronology of events in the Pacific war is as follows:—

1939.

Sept. 27.—Japan joins the Axis. (Pact of Berlin signed).

1941.

Dec. 7.—Japanese make surprise attack on Pearl Harbour, the Philippines and Hong Kong. United States declares war on Japan December 8.

Dec. 10.—Japanese invade Philippines. (Manila captured January 2, 1942, Corregidor surrenders May 6, 1942).

1942.

Feb. 15.—Singapore falls to Japanese.

April 18.—Doolittle's American flyers from carrier Hornet bomb Tokio and other Japanese cities.

May 4-8.—Japanese invasion fleet defeated in Battle of Coral Sea.

June 3-6.—Japanese fleet defeated in Battle of Midway, restoring balance of naval power in Pacific.

June 12.—U.S. Navy reveals Japanese landings in Aleutians.

Aug. 7.—U.S. Marines land in Guadalcanar in Solomons. (Occupation completed February 10, 1943).

1943.

Jan. 14-24.—President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill meeting at Casablanca, evolve unconditional surrender formula for Axis and map future campaigns.

Jan. 28.—Land blockade of China ends as first convoy over Stilwell Road (former Ledo-Burma Road) enters China at Wanting.

Feb. 3.—American Sixth Army troops enter Manila. (Cleared March 3.)

Feb. 19.—U.S. Marines land on Iwo Island in Volcano group 750 miles (1200 kilometres) south of Tokio. (Organised resistance ends March 16, with 21,000 Japanese dead, 4,189 U.S. officers and men killed).

March 7.—Chinese capture Lashio, railhead of old Burma Road. U.S. First Army crosses Rhine after capturing Remagen Bridge.

Aug. 15.—Japanese driven out of Aleutians with unopposed Allied landings on Kiska.

Nov. 1.—U.S.-British-Soviet-Chinese declaration at Moscow pledges international security organisation.

Nov. 20.—Americans invade Gilbert Islands.

Nov. 26-26.—Roosevelt, Churchill and Chiang Kai-shek at Cairo, plan to strip Japan of all territory won by aggression.

Dec. 15.—American forces invade New Britain.

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Feb. 2.—Americans land on Kwajalein, Roi and Namur in Marshalls in first invasion of pre-war Japanese territory. (Kwajalein secured February 8.)

Feb. 17-18.—U.S. Carrier task force attacks Truk, sinks 23 Japanese vessels.

March 5.—U.S. Infantry units disclosed to be fighting on Asiatic continent, alongside Chinese in North Burma.

March 22.—Japanese invade Manipur State, India, from Burma.

April 22.—Allies plant Dutch flag at Hollandia on Dutch New Guinea. (Clean-up completed April 27.)

June 5.—B-29 Super Fortresses, in first missing, attack Bangkok, Thailand (revealed later).

June 15.—American amphibious forces land at Saipan in Marianas. (Organised resistance ends July 9.) Super Fortresses in first attack on Japan from Western China bases bomb Yawata on Kyushu.

June 19-20.—Battle of the Philippine Sea breaks Japanese effort to reinforce Marianas. (Japanese losses: 16 vessel sunk or damaged, at least 402 planes destroyed; U.S. losses: four ships receive minor damage, 106 planes lost but most airmen saved).

June 26.—Chinese and Chindits capture Mogaung, Burma.

July 21.—American troops land on Guam on July 24 invade Tinian in Marianas. (Organised resistance ends on Tinian August 8; on Guam August 10).

Aug. 4.—Allies capture Myitkyina, Burma, after siege since May 17.

Aug. 8.—Japanese occupy Hengyang, Hunan province, China, key junction of Canton-Hankow railroad.

Sept. 15.—U.S. troops land on Peleliu Island of Palau group in Western Carolines. Angaur taken September 19.

Oct. 20.—Americans land in Philippines on east coast of Leyte Island. Belgrade liberated by Soviet and Yugoslav troops.

Oct. 23-26.—Battle for Leyte Gulf, ending with 58 Japanese warships sunk or damaged; six U.S. warships and some lighter vessels lost. Stalin announces Red Army's invasion of East Prussia.

Nov. 23.—Chinese enter Bhamo, key to Central Burma. (Capture it December 15).

Nov. 24.—First Super Fortress attack on Tokio industry.

Dec. 3.—Japanese, invading Kweichow province, within 80 miles (130 kilometres) of Kweiyang. (Kweichow cleared of Japanese by December 11).

Dec. 25.—General MacArthur announces Leyte campaign closed.

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Jan. 9.—U.S. forces land on Luzon, in Philippines, at Lingayen Gulf.

January 12.—U.S. carrier task force attack Indio-China coast. Red Army begins offensive which eventually reaches from Wisla (Vistula) to Oder Rivers and costs Germans Upper Silesia, Poland and East Prussia.

March 20.—British Fourteenth Army captures Mandalay, Burma.

April 1.—Americans invade Okinawa, largest of Ryukyus Islands chain. U.S. Ninth and Fifth Armies, advancing from west and south, link up at Lippstadt to seal off more than 300,000 Germans in Ruhr pocket. U.S. First Army captures Paderborn.

April 7.—Fighter planes from two escort over 300 Super Fortresses in attack on Tokio.

April 10.—British 14th Army captures Thazi, on Burma's Mandalay-Rangoon railway.

April 19.—One of the biggest carrier strikes of the war when bombers and fighters of the British Pacific Fleet hit important targets on Northern Formosa.

April 20.—British 14th Army makes big new drive for Rangoon.

May 3.—Rangoon falls to British 14th Army.

May 14.—Devastating raid made on Nagoya by Super Fortresses. Announced British troops specially trained on way to Pacific.

ADMIRAL SIR BRUCE FRASER, Commander-in-Chief of the British Pacific Fleet. Sir Bruce Fraser is one of the Navy's greatest experts in air-sea strategy and an outstanding gunnery expert. "The British Empire's signature on Japan's death warrant," was a remark made on his appointment.

ADMIRAL WILLIAM HALSEY, Commander of the United States Third Fleet. Described as the most experienced of the United States aviator commanders, and a picturesque figure, his maxim was "Hit hard, fast and often." Under his direction came a series of victories costly to Japan and of great advantage to the United Nations.

ADMIRAL ERNEST J. KING, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Fleet. Admiral King, the "air-minded" admiral, was the administrative head of the American Fleet. When the United States was developing the air defence plan for the Northern Pacific, it was Admiral King, who with a party of officers spent months selecting sites in Alaska and the Aleutian Islands.

May 17.—British Navy reported in action near Singapore.

May 20.—Chinese push on after capturing part of Foochow. Large force of Super-Fortresses again raid Tokio. American forces in Europe prepare to leave for Pacific.

May 21.—Peace feelers denied by Japan. U.S. First Army on move to Pacific.

May 22.—Tokio attacked by incendiaries.

May 25.—Three hundred Super-Fortresses drop 4000 tons of bombs on Tokio.

May 27.—Chinese capture town of Nanning in the province of Kwangsi.

June 1.—Fortresses drop 3,200 tons of incendiaries on Osaka.

June 5.—Super-Fortresses make great fire attack on Kobe.

June 8.—Menace of Jap suicide planes being daily reduced. Japanese Army calls on people to make suicidal stand in defence of Empire. Chinese clear big section of Chinese invasion coast.

June 11.—Australian Ninth Division makes big landing in British North Borneo.

June 20.—Super-Fortresses blitz three smaller Japanese cities in great incendiary raids.

June 21.—Large scale mass surrender of Japanese on Okinawa.

June 24.—Allied landing at Balikpapan, Eastern Borneo.

July 4.—Battleship Duke of York in Sydney Harbour.

July 5.—Centre of Balikpapan captured by Australians.

July 9.—One thousand American planes attack Tokio.

July 15.—American battleships and British Task Force bombard Japan.

July 18.—Fifteen hundred plane carrier attack on Tokio.

July 21.—Announced British Battle Fleet now nearly all in the Far East.

July 24.—American carrier planes hit Jap. fleet. Eighteen Jap. warships damaged.

July 26.—Japan given final opportunity to surrender by Potsdam declaration.

July 29.—Allies eclipse Pearl Harbour by striking at Jap. fleet in harbours of Kure and Kobe.

July 30.—British Fleet in action off Malaya coast.

August 1.—Reported Jap. peace offer.

August 6.—First atomic bomb dropped on Japan.

August 8.—Russia at war with Japan.

August 9.—Soviets enter Manchuria. Another atomic bomb attack on Japan.

August 10.—Japanese offer to surrender.

REAR-ADMIRAL SIR PHILIP VIAN, Commander of the British Carrier Forces in the Pacific. Rear-Admiral Vian has spent much of his 23 years' service in Royal Navy destroyers. He was in command of the H.M.S. Cossack when it entered a Norwegian fjord and rescued some 300 British merchant seamen from the Nazi prison ship Altmark.

BRIGADIER GENERAL CLAIRE CHENNAULT, former commander of the United States Air Forces in China. Served in the last war with infantry and aviation section. It was he who trained the pursuit units of the Chinese Air Force and was in charge of the recruiting of the American volunteers for the Chinese Air Force.

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Part Played By N.Z. In Turning Tide On Japan

Third Division's Vital But Unspectacular Role

New Zealand contributed to the war in the Pacific with naval, land, and air forces in a manner of which she may well be proud. Her contribution in foodstuffs, too, has been magnificent, considering her large commitments in the European theatre. Active participation by New Zealanders in the Pacific war has been less spectacular than it was on the other side of the world, partly because in the Pacific a very different type of warfare was fought and also because this Dominion lacked the manpower to sustain more than one army division on active service. Nevertheless, the New Zealanders, who have battled through stifling jungle, who have flown across vast stretches of ocean to rain destruction from the air on Japanese-held islands, and who have patrolled the submarine-infested sea lanes in anything from a cruiser to an auxiliary scow, have earned a place among the nation's brave sons.

A security plan, completed in New Zealand long before the start of the world war, visualised Fiji as the outer bastion for the Dominion's defence. One of the earliest war activities, therefore, was the establishment of New Zealand troops and artillery in the Fiji group, and building of aerodromes, and improvement in communications.

Some of the first troops to leave these shores formed a small group sent to Fanning Island for a monotonous life guarding vital communications. More than 12 months before Japan entered the war the 8th. Brigade Group, totalling 3,053 all ranks, was in occupation in Fiji and enduring the initial discomforts of tropic temperatures and their attendant multitudinous insect pests. It was from this Brigade that a gallant little company of soldiers, some of them the first men from the Pacific force to meet the enemy, was sent with wireless operators to establish a series of coast-watching stations

MAJOR-GEN. H. E. BARROWCLOUGH

on many islands through the Gilbert and Ellice Groups. Ten of these men, all volunteers, were caught and murdered by the Japanese, when Allied warships shelled the northern islands for an attack on Tarawa.

History may record that troops of the 8th. Brigade Group were the only British troops occupying their defensive positions in the Pacific when Japan entered the war on December 7, 1941. Immediate steps were taken to expand the Fiji garrison. Three new battalions, the 35th, 36th, and 37th, arrived in January, 1942, and the 14th. Brigade came into being. It was about this time that the Third New Zealand Division had its birth with Major-General W. H. Cunningham, C.B.E., D.S.O. as first General-Officer-Commanding. He was succeeded in 1942 by Major-General O. H. Mead, C.B.E., D.S.O., who was lost off Tonga after the Division had been relieved in Fiji by Americans.

Except for some specialist units the Division returned to New Zealand in June and July, 1942, and after leave the task of reorganisation, reinforcement and re-equipping was begun with the Division now under Major-General H. E. Barrowclough, D.S.O. and bar, M.C., back from the Middle East. Intensive training was carried out, with jungle tactics taking a prominent part on the syllabus.

Early in November the Third Division, with many additional personnel was on the move again with the departure of the advance party for New Caledonia, where the Division was to fit itself for the Solomons campaign

THE LATE MAJOR-GEN. O. H. MEAD

and established a base for those operations.

After months of intensive training under exceptionally trying conditions the Division moved forward in August, establishing a forward base at Guadalcanar. The Division's first task was that of clearing Vella Lavella. In two landings in September the New Zealanders worked out an effective pincer movement, forcing the Japanese to evacuate, with the loss of at least one cruiser and two destroyers.

After final liquidation of the enemy in October Admiral Halsey declared in a communique that New Zealand forces played the major role in taking Vella Lavella.

The next move by New Zealanders was to the Treasury Group. Here assault troops of the 8th Brigade made an opposed landing on Mono island, the main island in the group, on the morning of October 27, 1943. The assault troops encountered bitter opposition in the landing, but succeeded in gaining a foothold. At this stage they were the most northern of any Allied troops in the Pacific. By October 31 units had consolidated and patrols began to sweep the island, routing out nests of Japanese who had taken refuge in the interior. By November 1 the Union Jack once more fluttered over the charred remains of Faisamai, and by mid-November the last remnants of the enemy had been cleared from the island.

Their initial actions over both brigades settled down to a familiar, but never popular period of necessary garrison duty while preparations were made for another by-pass. On the right flank United States forces landed on Tarawa and other islands of the northern Gilberts in November and a further thrust carried them to Kwajalein in the Marshalls, and into the inner ring of Japanese defences. On the left flank successful landings had continued along the northern coast of New Guinea and on New Britain in the plan to immobilise Rabaul and Kavieng.

New Zealand troops were concerned with the central thrust up through the Solomons which was to end with the capture of the Green Islands. As a prelude to the Green Island landings a commando force of 200 officers and men from the 30th Battalion carried out a reconnaissance in strength landing at midnight on January 30-31. Equipped with the valuable information gained on this raid, together with other intelligence data, the 14th Brigade, accompanied by divisional units, and with co-operating United States units, all under the command of the New Zealand G.O.C., Major-General Barrowclough, began landing on Nissan, main atoll in the Green Group, on February 15, 1944. The enemy had to be liquidated on Sirot and Sau islands as well. By February 23, Major-General Barrowclough was able to announce the successful completion of operations with a minimum loss of New Zealand and American lives.

Slowly through March and April units of the Division ebbed back to the monotonous routine existence of further garrison duty. During April, May and June the move back to base in New Caledonia began and from there many men of the Division returned to New Zealand for essential industries. Many of those who came back for essential industry, and many who returned under what was known to the men as "the furlough scheme," subsequently saw service in Italy. There they further demonstrated their calibre and drew praise from the G.O.C. of the Second New Zealand Division, Lieutenant-General B. C. Freyberg, when he said in his Anzac Day message they had equipped themselves excellently, and clearly shown their courage and the high standard of their training.

Officially the New Zealand Third Division ceased to exist as from October 23, 1944, but its members may feel that, while their tasks lacked any of the spectacular, they were never, the less of vital importance in the grand strategy. New Zealand also had its defence organisations in Tonga and Norfolk Island, and officers and n.c.o.'s from this Dominion have also played an important role in training and fighting with the Fijian Battalions, the full story of which still remains to be told.

Crowds Excitedly Celebrate End Of The War

Spontaneous Expressions Of Joy and Pleasure

With the official announcement of the cessation of hostilities with Japan, the people of Hastings gave spontaneous expression to their joy and pleasure this morning. The bedlam created by the fire siren, factory whistles and the tooting horns of hundreds of motor vehicles was almost equalled by the cheers and happy laughter as workers in shops, offices and factories rushed into the streets.

Where a few moments before the business area had been comparatively quiet, there were crowds of people, laughing and cheering. Greetings were exchanged freely, and for a time all thought of business was forgotten. Customers and assistants alike rushed from the shops and joined in the throng. From all vantage points overlooking the street, small groups of people waved and joined in the cheering.

Within half an hour of the announcement, there were steady streams of people making their way to the churches, and though this evening and again to-morrow special thanksgiving services will be held, many people lost no time in expressing their thankfulness that the war was over.

News of Japan's surrender was received at the Stortford Lodge sale with jubilation. First intimation came with the vigorous and prolonged sounding of the Heretaunga Dairy Co's whistle, which appeared to get under way before any of the town hooters. A start was just being made by Mr J. A. Farquharson with the selling of the first pen of store sheep when his voice was suddenly drowned by the din of the Dairy Co's whistle. The gathering of farmers, auctioneers and stockmen instantly raised their hats in the air, gave three hearty cheers and then resumed business.

With the first flush of the excitement over the majority of the shops were closed. The exceptions were mainly the household-provision stores. Some of the more enthusiastic members of the staff promptly got busy making up their V-J Day displays and some remarkable transformations were effected in many shop windows within a surprisingly short period, thanks to the preparations for the occasion made beforehand.

Traffic was brought to a standstill in many parts of the business area, particularly round the clock tower, where there was a big crowd of people listening to the town clock "go haywire," arrangements having been made for it to ring out the chimes irrespective of the effective working of the time-piece.

In many quarters people on shop verandahs showered confetti and paper on those below, and staff members of the Army Office had a hectic time dropping sheafs of torn blank paper from the top of the Bank of N.S.W. building.

There was a rush of traffic in the adjacent streets to Heretaunga street as hundreds of people made for their homes, and others came in from the residential areas. This latter crowd was intent upon last-minute stocking-up for the holiday period, and within half an-hour of the official announcement every butcher's shop in the main street was packed four and five deep, while cake, grocery and fruit stores were also rushed.

In the meantime, the schools had heard the news, and, after brief assemblies, the children were dismissed. Hundreds of them quickly found their way into the business area in search of flags, streamers and carnival musical instruments and then joined the adult crowds to increase the pitch of excitement, the light drizzling rain in no way dampening the enthusiasm.

The telephone system was loaded and disorganised for a time, such was the keen desire to spread the glad tidings and make arrangements for the coming festivities and celebrations.

OFFICIAL HASTINGS CELEBRATIONS TO BE HELD TO-MORROW

Wet or fine, the official borough celebrations in Hastings will take place to-morrow as arranged earlier this week. If the weather is wet, the principal gatherings will be in the Municipal Theatre, otherwise they will take place in the open.

School children will parade to-morrow morning, assembling at 9.30 o'clock. Parkvale, Central and Convent pupils will assemble in Hastings street, and Mahora and Hastings West pupils will assemble in Nelson street. These two processions will converge on the Dug-out, after each has traversed Heretaunga street. There will then be an impromptu entertainment under the direction of the Fun Session Committee.

In the afternoon there will be another big parade, this time of all the wartime and Service organisations of the town. This parade will commence to assemble outside the Municipal Theatre at 1.30 p.m. and will proceed along Heretaunga street, the mayor, Mr. A. I. Rainbow, taking the salute at the Dug-out, in Market street and thence to the Civic Square for the mass thanksgiving service, which will commence at 2.30 o'clock under the direction of the Hastings Ministers' Association.

Those invited to take part in the big parade are all personnel in uniform, war veterans, returned men of the last and this war, home Servicemen and women, A.T.C., W.W.S.A., St. John Ambulance, Red Cross, hospital nurses, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Life Brigade, Fire Brigade and the three bands.

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Carnival Spirit Prevails In Napier When News Received

The news of the Japanese surrender was received in Napier with enthusiasm, and crowds quickly thronged the streets. A few moments later fire sirens sounded, and the ringing of bells added to the clamour of motor horns and shouts that could be heard in all parts of the town.

Cars loaded with exuberant young people toured the main street, the occupants showering confetti and paper ribbon at bystanders. Fire engines and a police car rushed back and forth with sirens wailing; shop employees hurried to adorn the front of their buildings with more flags and gay bunting. In half an-hour the town presented an even brighter spectacle than it has since the premature celebration on Saturday.

Groups of young people vied with one another in expressing their joy with pasteboard trumpets and wooden rattles. A band of girls rode on one of the fire engines wearing the firemen's helmets at a jaunty angle, and groups marched up and down the street singing popular songs. Young men from offices formed a "crocodile," wearing carnival hats and waving flags while their leader played a tattoo on a toy drum.

A man who had evidently saved some crackers for the occasion was standing on the corner throwing them among the crowd. Cyclists tied tins and buckets to their machines and towed them along the streets creating a din. Two of the "fun doctors," wearing blonde wigs and ludicrously attired in women's clothing, greeted passers-by, which caused a great deal of amusement.

Shops closed within an hour of receiving the news, and by one o'clock the town had quietened considerably. Rain was falling when the first news was coming through, and the weather did not improve throughout the day.

A combined thanksgiving service was held this afternoon and at 7.30 this evening thanksgiving services will be held in all churches.

Ewes With Lambs Make 19/6 All Counted At Stortford Lodge

A slight easing in values was shown for hoggets which predominated in to-day's store sheep yarding of 7000 head at Stortford Lodge. A big percentage of the offering was from outside districts, many being travelled-stained off the road.

A feature of the sale was the offering of the first of the season's ewes with lambs, which were in from Bridge Pa. The top pen comprised good heavy ewes with docked lambs, mostly very forward, to sell at 19/6 all counted.

In the second pen the lambs were smaller, few having been docked, while the ewes were plain, to make 14/6 all counted. In both pens were well over 100 per cent. of lambs. Extra good woolly wether hoggets brought 27/6 to 28/3, medium to good 24/- to 26/3, light down to 19/3.

The only good-class in-lamb ewe penned was an entry of well-mouthed five-year-olds making 26/6.

Realisations were as follow:—

In from Bridge Pa 185 aged ewes, mixed and light in the wool, with 212 lambs at foot, the more forward having been docked, sold at 14/6, all counted.

A line of 184 fairly green woolly wether hoggets in medium order made 26/6.

Out of the same draft, 417 hoggets, only medium grown, made dearer buying at 24/3.

On account Estate R. J. Bell, Havelock North, 264 good class well-woolled wether hoggets brought 26/6, a further 182, showing a little more size, realised 27/6.

From the Waiau district, 500 well-grown wether hoggets, shorn as lambs, mixed and plain, realised 21/3½.

From the Waiau district, 113 small to medium ewe hoggets, shorn as lambs, made 21/6.

On account Mr K. Watson, Maraetaiara, 100 five-year ewes, mouthing well, heavy in fleece (R.D. sold at 24/9).

From Waiau 120 mixed aged ewes, fourteen to five-year, light in the wool (Ramsay March 16), brought 19/9.

A line of aged store ewes for farmering were passed in at 11/9.

A pen of poor conditioned wether hoggets were passed in at 18/3.

A pen of 120 medium Down cross hoggets, realised 23/6.

Small Store-cattle Yarding

Only 200 head of cattle came forward in the store pens at Stortford Lodge to-day. Most of the entries were out-of-condition lots showing the effects of the hard winter. Auctioneers had to work hard to reach vendors' reserves.

Two and three-year-old Hereford heifers made £8 11/-, and P.A. heifers of the same ages realised £6 7/6. P.A. cows, depastured with the bull since November, formed the bulk of the yarding. The best lines made from £7 2/6 to £8, the poorer-conditioned lots selling down to £5 2/-.

A line of 22 P.A. cows, four to seven-year-old (r.w.b. stud P.A. bulls since November 13), bred and raised on the Waimarama hills by the vendor, Mr. S. [illegible] was an attractive draft of well-grown cows in good store order.

Down from Kotemaori, 20 P.A. cows principally five and six-year-old, well-grown but lacking in condition, sold at £8, and the balance of 37 in the line was passed in at £8 10/-.

Short Supply of Beef

Beef was fully firm on late rates at Stortford Lodge to-day. The yarding was one of the shortest for a long time, only 32 head being on offer, with a good percentage of Jersey beasts.

Only a few head of ox beef were yarded, and these made £10 13/6 to £11 17/6, being small grown and not especially well finished. Prime quality heifers made £11 14/- to £12 16/-, with medium-finished sorts at £9 7/-, and light plain sorts down to £6 18/6. For cows from £7 18/6 to £8 8/6 was paid for the better-done beasts, with plain, unfinished sorts at from £6 1/- to £7 3/-.

Fat-sheep Market Excited

A sharp advance of fully 2/- a head was the feature of the fat sheep market at Stortford Lodge to-day. The yarding was very short, some prospective vendors having held back because of the uncertainty of the war news.

An excited market existed for quality offerings. Extra prime four-tooth wethers topped the market for the season at 43/4. Down-cross wethers made 38/10. Maiden two-tooth ewes realised 31/7, and extra heavy ewes 30/10, with prime sorts down to 32/4. Heavy hoggets sold to 29/4, with medium pens at from 25/10 to 27/1.

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Power Board Resents Letter By District Building Controller

"It is mild to say that the letter is impertinent. To say the least, it is certainly bad form," commented Mr M. S. Chambers at yesterday's meeting of the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board when strong exception was taken by members to a letter written by the District Building Controller, Napier, Mr H. Sherbrook, advising that remarks made by the general manager, Mr H. H. Wylie, at the July meeting of the board had been brought to his notice.

Mr Sherbrook wrote as follow:—

"Your remarks at a meeting of your board and published on July 18 have been brought before me, and in particular your statement was pointed out, 'I wish to make it clear that this board is not in any way responsible for the power shortage.'

"To enable me to have the facts would you forward to me an assurance that the regulations in regard to the installation of ranges and hot-water services in other than new houses have been complied with, as, upon perusing the files, it was discovered that no application had been received from your board for a considerable period."

"He seems to have taken more upon himself than his position warrants," commented Mr S. Ashcroft, the chairman.

"He has shown an amazing attitude," suggested Mr Chambers. "Is he so politically-minded that any reflection on the Government hurts his skin. He has no right to show personal feeling in this way. I don't think that we should tell him why we think that this board was not responsible for the power shortage."

"The letter is most discourteous," said Mr R. Harding, who said that Mr Wylie made no reflection on the Government when stating that the power shortage was not due to the board.

The letter was received.

Waipawa's Move For More State Houses

(O.C.) WAIPAWA, Aug. 15.

A housing committee, whose function was to further the erection of additional State rental houses in Waipawa was appointed some time ago by the Waipawa Borough Council. Subsequently, letters were sent by the town clerk to a number of boroughs stating the Waipawa Council's dissatisfaction with the number of State houses erected in the town and inquiring the position in those boroughs. Only centres with populations similar to that of Waipawa were contacted, and at last night's meeting of the council a number of letters were to hand providing illuminating information as to the number of houses erected elsewhere. Discussion on this aspect of the matter was held over pending receipt of further letters.

The housing position was reviewed generally and approval was given to a subdivisional plan of properties being acquired by the Housing Department in Waverley street.

Otane District Patriotic Fund

Further donations to Otane-Argyll-Puhoho and Elsthorpe district's patriotic appeal are:—Previously acknowledged £999 4/4, Mr and Mrs C. L. Lewis £1 10/-, Mr and Mrs James Clark £3 5/-, Britten Bros £3 5/-, Mr and Mrs D. Hisch £2, Mr and Mrs E. Bibby £1, Anonymous £1 1/-, Mr and Mrs A. Stiles 10/-, H.B. Farmers Meat Co. Ltd rebate 5/-. Total to date £999 1/4.

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Proposal To Plant Trees Two Chains From Road Not Favoured

A proposal by the Thames Valley Power Board to promote legislation to restrict the planting of trees to two chains from road boundaries was strongly opposed by the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board yesterday. In a report the general manager, Mr H. H. Wylie, stated that trouble from trees in the board's district had been largely overcome.

He added that the owners of properties were giving every co-operation. In many cases they were doing more than was required by the board. He recommended that no action be taken.

Mr M. S. Chambers suggested that, rather than not take any action, the board should oppose legislation of that nature. Such a condition would mean extra fencing and the waste of a useful strip of land, which would be absolutely ridiculous.

Mr J. J. Nimon said that in Hawke's Bay large numbers of fruitgrowers and other farmers depended upon shelter-belts. He could not see why such a drastic measure should be applied to this district.

The chairman, Mr S. Ashcroft, saw no harm in the proposal being passed provided steps were not taken to enforce it upon boards who did not require it. "So long as we can conduct our business in our own way we have little to worry about," added the chairman.

The board might not always be constituted as it was to-day and be tree-minded, said Mr R. Harding. Such a proposal as that of the Thames Board would be a bad thing for Hawke's Bay.

"We would not have any say," suggested Mr Chambers. "There would be parasites going through the country telling us that we can't do this and we can't do that. The trend is that we are likely to have more and more inspectors."

On the motion of Mr Chambers, the board agreed to oppose the proposal, which would not be desirable to its district.

Engineers' Registration Not Approved

(O.C.) WAIPUKURAU, Aug. 15.

"This is a serious matter and will block men returning from overseas from becoming county engineers," said Cr. A. H. Hope, at yesterday's meeting of the Patangata County Council when referring to the Engineers' Registration Act. It was explained that the Act, which was passed during the last session of Parliament, prevented local bodies from employing any but fully-registered men to supervise work involving a yearly expenditure of more than £10,000.

Cr. Hope added that, although some men might have been doing first-class engineering work overseas, they would not be able to "get anywhere" if they did not have university qualifications.

It was stated that the legislation affected many local-body engineers and was causing a good deal of concern. It prevented men from working their way up in a council's employ, particularly in rural areas, where there were no opportunities to attend colleges.

The chairman, Mr C. Pattison, said that the registered engineers were making a close corporation of their profession. He considered it wrong for men with the necessary experience to be kept out.

The council agreed to make representations to the Counties' Association and to Messrs C. G. E. Harker and K. J. Holyoake, M.P.'s, to press for the Act to be repealed or amended.

Picture Theatres

REGENT: "The Halfway House" is an unusual story about a group of people who converge by chance on a Welsh inn with all their sins upon them. An exceptionally strong cast was chosen to play in this fine motion picture, headed by such names as Francoise Rosay, Tom Walls, Mervyn Johns, Glynis Johns, Alfred Drayton and Esmond Knight.

STATE: Life was one long adventure for Frank Cavanagh, played by Pat O'Brien, in the unusual film, "The Iron Major," with supporting parts played by Ruth Warwick and Robert Ryan. "Gildersleeve on Broadway" stars Harold Peary and Billie Burke, with Claire Carleton and Freddie Mercer in support.

GOSY: "The Man from Down Under" has top-ranking stars Charles Laughton, Binnie Barnes, Richard Carlson and Donna Reed, in a story of an Australian soldier and his fortunes. A special feature in the first half is a short film of Gracie Fields at one of her camp concert shows.

Provincial Personals

Mr. C. Pattison, chairman of the Patangata County Council, is to represent the council at a conference of the Hawke's Bay Joint Counties to appoint a ward representative to the executive of the New Zealand Counties' Association.

The mayor, Mr H. T. Limbrick, paid a tribute at last night's meeting of the Waipawa Borough Council to the late Mrs Jane Boyle, whose death in her 103rd year occurred on Saturday. Mrs Boyle, said Mr Limbrick, had been affectionately known as "Waipawa's Grand Old Lady," and it was only fitting that a record should be made of her long association with the borough and the district as a whole. The motion of sympathy was passed, and it was decided to convey the council's sympathy to the relatives.

Napier Traffic Offences

Two breaches of the Traffic Regulations were deal with by Mr J. Miller, S.M., in the Magistrate's Court, Napier, yesterday as follow:

Norman Vivian Newdick, Auckland, was fined £7, with 10/- costs, for exceeding the speed limit on the Napier-Hastings main highway. Traffic Inspector C. J. Robinson stated that defendant was returning from the Hastings races and speeded passed several other cars. "This man has been convicted on several occasions for speeding," the inspector added.

For parking so as to obstruct the view of other traffic, Hubert Vincent Wisknowsky was fined 10/-, with 10/- costs.

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BLIND N.Z. SOLDIER GOES TO ENGLAND TO STUDY MASSAGE

Blinded and seriously wounded in the Battle for Cassino, Lieutenant Alan John Somervell, Auckland, is now on his way to England to study massage and physiotherapy at St. Dunstan's Home for Blinded Servicemen, having been awarded an overseas rehabilitation bursary for two years at the rate of £250 sterling a year, says a statement issued by the Rehabilitation Department. In addition he received a special disability pension which will never be affected by his earnings.

Lieutenant Somervell is being accompanied by his wife and six-year-old child, and their fares to and from England are also being paid by the Rehabilitation Board. While at sea he will also receive a special allowance for small incidentals. He will, of course, be allowed extra pension benefits for his wife and child.

Before the war Lieutenant Somervell was an officer of the Bank of New Zealand. He had gained part of his banking diploma and was well on the way toward a successful banking career. He was also well known as a good athlete, being an amateur swimming champion, a weight-lifting champion, an amateur wrestler and boxer of some standing and a gymnastics instructor in his spare time for the Y.M.C.A.

When war broke out, he offered his services right away, and entered camp in September, 1939. He was, however, retained as an anti-aircraft gunner instructor, but was able to get away to the Pacific zone for seven months. Due to receive his captaincy, he resigned his commission and sailed to the Middle East in time to take part in the Italian campaign. On the day he was wounded word came through that he had been recommissioned in the field, but because of the serious nature of his wounds he returned to New Zealand with the rank he then held, that of sergeant. He has since been given an honorary commission to help him in his travels and studies.

The miracle of plastic surgery has given Lieut. Somervell new life to replace the natural despair caused by the wounds he received when a 25-pounder shell burst prematurely. Greatest injury was done to his face, while his jaw was shattered, his ear-drums damaged, and he was almost totally blinded. The surgical treatment was given at Burwood Hospital, Christchurch.

Lieut. Somervell has, besides benefiting from this treatment, since recovered his hearing. He is, however, still industrially blind, but has shown tenacity and cheerfulness in overcoming his handicap. Studying at Fairview Home for the Blind at Auckland, he made remarkable progress in braille-reading and touch-typing, while he has been learning various crafts at the Disabled Servicemen's Re-Establishment League centre at Auckland.

The Massage School at St. Dunstan's to which he is on his way, is associated with the National Institute for the Blind and a special home has been set up about 20 miles from London. On his return to New Zealand Lieut. Somervell will probably be employed at one of the public hospitals; he may, of course, decide to set up in private practice. Whatever the case, his rehabilitation problem—one of the most grave that anyone could contemplate—is being solved, largely through his own determination to make a success of his life in spite of his serious disability.

Awards Presented to Doctor and Matron of the Oranje

Awards to two members of the staff of the hospital ship Oranje were presented on behalf of his Majesty the King by the Governor-General, Sir Cyril Newall, at Government House yesterday afternoon. The awards were made in recognition of the signal service rendered by the recipients in the care and comfort of New Zealanders and Australians returning to their homeland in the ship.

The recipients were Colonel J. C. Gerards, Royal Netherlands Indies Army (medical service), to whom his Excellency presented the insignia of Honorary Commander of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, and the matron, Miss K. A. J. van der Roest, Netherlands Indies Red Cross, who received the insignia of Honorary Member of the Royal Red Cross.

WAR CASUALTIES

NAVAL LIST

(P.A.) WELLINGTON, Aug. 18.

The following naval casualties on active service were announced yesterday:—

Killed in Aircraft Accident.

WILSON, T/S/Lieutenant Rex S. Mrs M. Wilson, 81 Wellesley street, Napier (m).

Accidentally Killed.

SIMPSON, Able Seaman Douglas Mrs E. Simpson, Taihape (m).

Missing.

ALEXANDER, T/Lieut. James D. Mr J. T. Alexander, Wellington (f).

Previously Reported Missing—Now Reported Prisoner of War.

PARKER, T/Lieut. S. C. Dunedin.
GODWIN, T/Sub-Lieutenant J. G. Blenheim.

AIR LIST

(P.A.) WELLINGTON, Aug. 18.

The following New Zealand air personnel serving overseas have been reported casualties:—

Missing

DONALDSON, Flt.-Sgt. H. B. Mr O. A. Donaldson, Leith Valley, Dunedin (f).

Died of Injuries—Previously Reported Dangerously Ill.

CHING, Flt.-Lieut. A. H. Stoke.

Presumed Dead—Previously Reported Missing, Believed Killed.

CAMMOCK, F/O. R. J. D.F.C. Christchurch.
LAWIR, F/O. K. New Plymouth.
POWELL, W/O. J. R. Wellington.

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JACKSON, Cpl. E. W. Auckland.

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2YA.—7.15: Gardening Expert. 7.30: Margaret Richmond (soprano). 8.0: B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra. 8.16: "The Todds." 8.30: Recital for Two. 9.40: Soft Lights and Sweet Music. 10.0: Hal McIntyre and his Orchestra. 10.45: Uncle Sam Presents.

3YA.—7.30: Vera Martin (contralto). 8.0: Joseph Szigeti (violinist). 8.4: Readings by O. L. Simmance. 8.24: 3YA Orchestra. 8.45: Rex Harrison (baritone). 9.30: The Symphonies of Brahms. 10.0: Music, Mirth and Melody.

4YA.—7.15: Book Talk. 7.30: "The Shy Plutocrat." 8.3: Show Time. 8.30: Play of the Week, "A Train to Ferny Grove." 8.56: Sammy Herman Trio. 9.34: "Owen Forster and the Devil." 10.0: Edmundo Ros and his Rhumba Band (B.B.C. Programme). 10.30: Bob Crosby and his Orchestra.

2YH.—7.15: "John Halifax, Gentleman." 8.0: Travellers' Tales (B.B.C. programme). 9.30: Leopold Ludwig and State Opera Orchestra. 9.42: Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra.

B.B.C. Pacific Service.—5.15: Talk: "Science Notebook." 5.30: Thriller, "The Adventures of Julia." 6.0: News. 6.15: "Experimenting in Freedom" Talk: News of the Colonies. 6.45: "Book of Verse: Browning." 7.15: Student's Songs by the B.B.C. Chorus. 7.30: "Russian Commentary," by Alexander Werth. 8.0: News and Commentary. 8.15: Promenade Concert by London Symphony Orchestra. 8.50: Composer of the week: "Shostakovitch."

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ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

TO-NIGHT — WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15th,
7.30 p.m.: THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

TO-MORROW — THURSDAY,
8 a.m.: Holy Communion.
10.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

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SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING.
TO-NIGHT—WEDNESDAY, 7.30 p.m.

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held TO-NIGHT in St. Andrew's Hall at the conclusion of the Service of Thanksgiving.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

V-J DAY
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TO-NIGHT, at 7.30 p.m.

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There will be a
THANKSGIVING SERVICE
—In—
St. Luke's Anglican Church
And
St. Columba's Presbyterian Church
TO-NIGHT—WEDNESDAY,
At 7.30 p.m.

Celebration of Holy Communion in St. Luke's Church TO-MORROW (Thursday) at 8 a.m. and 9.30 a.m.

WAIPAWA DISTRICT R.S.A.
V-J DAY CELEBRATIONS—
THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

ALL RETURNED SERVICEMEN are requested to parade at the Waipawa Post Office at 9.40 a.m. on the day of the Public Thanksgiving Service and then to march to the Primary School to take part in the Service at 10 a.m.
Dress: Uniform or Mufti.
F. R. LOGAN,
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BOROUGH OF HASTINGS.

PEACE DAY CELEBRATIONS.

PARADE ON SECOND DAY OF CELEBRATIONS at 1.30 p.m.

ORDER OF PARADE.

Servicemen and Women of this War
South African Veterans
Servicemen and Women of the last War
National Military Reserve
Home Servicemen
A.T.C.
Fire Brigade
W.W.S.A.
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St. John Ambulance
Red Cross
Hospital Nurses
Boy Scouts
Girl Guides
Boys' Brigade

Bands will be allotted places by the Marshals.

The markers will report to the Marshals at 1.15 p.m. for plan of Assembly Points.

Servicemen and Women of this War are particularly requested to Parade in uniform if possible.

S. I. JONES,
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THE 1st HASTINGS COY. will Parade TO-MORROW (Thursday), August 16th, at the Baptist Hall at 1 p.m. sharp. Full uniform.
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PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

SATURDAY SERVICE will be observed with the exception of the following:—

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BREAD.

NO BREAD will be baked TO-MORROW (Thursday) but there will be an adequate supply FRIDAY.

BAKERS' BREAD SUPPLY.

LITERARY CIRCLE, TOWNS-WOMEN'S GUILD.
MEETING for To-morrow (Thursday) Afternoon is CANCELLED.
(Signed) B. HOWELL.

HASTINGS MINIATURE RIFLE CLUB.

OWING to the uncertainty of Peace Celebrations the Interclub Shoot with Napier is POSTPONED.

THE WAIMARAMA PASSENGER SERVICE
WILL NOT RUN TO-MORROW.
L. A. WRIGHT.

WEATHERED'S BAKERY, CLIVE.

VICTORY HOLIDAY.

NO BREAD will be baked or delivered TO-MORROW.
All customers will be served on FRIDAY, August 17th. Coupons should be left out overnight.

HASTINGS HIGH SCHOOL ASSN.

THE Annual General Meeting called for To-night, 13th August, is POSTPONED.
E. W. MITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.

LUNCHEON ARRANGED by the Hawke's Bay Branch of English Speaking Union on AUGUST 16, will be POSTPONED until further notice.
MRS. H. BAINES,
Secretary.

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VICTORY PARADE.
ALL MEMBERS of the Hastings Branch N.Z. Homeservicemen's Assn. are requested to participate in the Victory Parade on Second Day of the Celebrations.
Assembly: 1.30 p.m. Municipal Theatre.
W. T. HARVEY, Hon. Secy.

PEACE DAY CELEBRATIONS.

ALL MEMBERS of the Returned Services Association, particularly men and women of this war are invited to take part in the Parade on the Second Day of the Official Celebrations.
S. I. JONES,
President,
Hastings Returned Services Assn.

H.B. FRUITGROWERS' ASSN.

A FIELD DAY will be held at the Experimental Orchard, Napier Road, Havelock North, on SATURDAY, 18th August, commencing 2 p.m.
The Delegates to the Dominion Conference will give their reports.
Mr G. G. Taylor, of the Plant Diseases Division, will give an Address on the latest experiments and developments in sprays.
A. D. MASTERS,
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