



THE OPENING MEET OF THE HAWKE'S BAY HUNT CLUB HELD AT SIMMONS' PLANTATION, MANGATAHI, YESTERDAY.



His Highness, Sayyid Saif bin Taimur, Sultan of Muscat and Oman, visiting England as a guest of the Government, lays a wreath on the Cenotaph. The Sultan is accompanied by his son, Prince Faisal.



An aerial view of H.M.S. Nelson, when Aracy 'attacked' the Chelons by Blenheim torpedo-bomber aircraft during recent naval exercises.

GENERAL SNAPSHOTS AT YESTERDAY'S HUNT



One of the followers taking a fence of the opening meet of the Hawke's Bay Hunt Club yesterday.



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HASTINGS

**WAS MYSTERY FLEET
JAPANESE WARSHIPS?**

**Vessels of That Nationality
Reported in Locality
of Mindanao**

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WASHINGTON, April 18.

The Commander of the American Navy (Admiral Leahy) told the correspondent of the United Press that the mystery fleet reported by the Japanese newspaper on April 15, was either a flotilla of foreign war vessels or a number of other Naval Department official said that an Intelligence Service spokesman in Washington said that there had been 12 or 13 war vessels off the island of Mindanao last week.

The report, which gave no positive identification of their nationality, pointed to the Japanese warships were in the general neighborhood at that time.

Admiral Leahy is awaiting a report from Rear-Admiral Yarnell, Commander of the Philippines naval defense.

**Fire Shoots Out
of Path**

POWER LINES FUSE

Auckland Crowd
Starled

SERIES OF EXPLOSIONS

By Telegraph—Press Association,
AUCKLAND, April 18.

Do not firemen and a gas engineer started a large crowd at the scene of a series of explosions in a power station in Auckland when the fusing of a cable caused a short circuit and a fire burst out of five.

The explosion occurred at a power station in the suburb of Waitakere, the intense heat causing a large crowd to gather. Smoke was shooting skyward from the building and several houses were enveloped in the smoke of burning gas.

The Fire and Rescue Force responded quickly, shooting up a power house pole. After the gas had been turned off, pressure occurred at intervals due to the bursting of gas pipes. At one point the power was turned off and the gas pressure increased again.

The fire chief declared a state of emergency and the police closed off the bridge across the Waitakere River, suspending the bridges to prevent any masses of people from getting across.

Mr. J. W. Rennick, owner of a shop near the scene, said he had seen the back of the ship as it was being loaded.

He was so anxious that the boat was not at the dock when the ship was loaded that he had the windlass stopped and the anchor cast out and cables. He had never seen such a sight before and had been previously damaged by a similar accident.

**Aid for Chinese
Students**

DOMINION APPEAL

£100 Raised at Otago
University

WAR SUFFERERS

By Telegraph—Press Association,
AUCKLAND, April 18.

A decision to launch an appeal for funds to help Chinese students who have been rendered disabled as a result of the recent civil strife in China was taken at the annual meeting of the New Zealand Chinese War Sufferers Association which was held in Auckland in connection with the Dominion Conference.

Proposed to be appointed as the committee in charge of the campaign will be the Rev. Dr. George H. Savage, president of the Student Christian Movement in New Zealand.

Mr. A. P. Blair said that over £20 had been collected in aid of the appeal by the students of Otago University.

N.Z. RED CROSS

**Appointment of An
Organizer**

By Telegraph—Press Association,
ELTHAM, April 18.

The Mayor of Eltham (Mr. Ira J. Bell) has appointed Mr. G. E. D. Gifford, General Organiser of the Red Cross, to the post.

He will take up his duties in May. Mr. Gifford has been a member of the Red Cross for 20 years and for the Majority now meets.

N.Z. LABOUR PARTY

**Conference Elects A
Vice-President**

By Telegraph—Press Association,
WELLINGTON, April 18.

Mr. J. P. Herd, M.P., for Mana, was elected Vice-President of the New Zealand Labour Party at the annual conference.

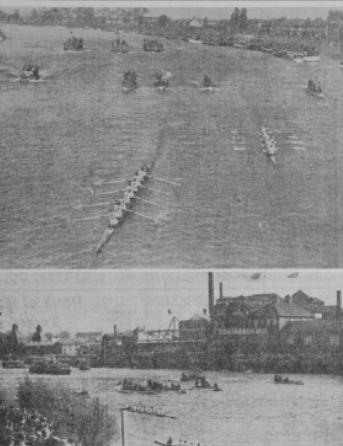
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THE OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE BOAT RACE, FROM PUTNEY TO Mortlake, WON BY OXFORD BY TWO LENGTHS. The two crews are seen here racing along. Below: The rush of the race, with Oxford well ahead.

**Labour Party's
Conference**

ANNUAL MEETING

**Prime Minister's
Comment**

DELEGATES SUPPORT

By Telegraph—Press Association,
WELLINGTON, April 18.

"There is one reason for my support of the Labour Party," said Prime Minister John L. R. Savage, "and that is that it is the only party that is making progress in this country."

Mr. Savage, who is president of the Parliamentary Party, returned to the House of Representatives after the interval to speak on the membership of the party reported.

"In fact, our reports try to make it look as though we are not making progress. No, we are not making progress, but we are moving forward, and that is what we mean when we say that they are moving forward."

The Prime Minister also commented on the Parliamentary Party's action in the Labour of Education.

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**HUNDREDS OF SEAMEN
FIGHT IN STREETS**

**Rival Union Factions Clash:
Police End Battle After
40 are Injured**

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RANCHO DOMINGUEZ, April 18.

Hundreds of seamen from two rival unions here clashed yesterday morning, leaving 40 men injured.

The trouble started when members of the Bridge faction, picketed yesterday by the rival Longshoremen, broke up the battle after 40 persons had been injured. Bridge men in

Astoria, Oregon, were killed.

Longshoremen were killed.

