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Attempt To Encircle Oslo

ATTACKS BY GERMANS

Berlin Officials Claim Successes

NORWEGIANS RALLY

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LONDON, April 16.

German troops transported by train are attacking Hegge. The Norwegians have felled trees and blocked the roads. A Berlin Official News Agency dispatch from Kristiansand states that one German battalion compelled the surrender of 150 Norwegian officers and 2000 men. This news agency also claimed the capture of a Norwegian torpedo boat, which the Germans are now using.

By the occupation of Halden, Sarpsborg and Fredrikstad, the Germans now control the whole south-eastern corner of Norway, otherwise known as Lower Ostfold.

The invaders are obviously engaged in operations aiming at the creation of a ring round Oslo. The occupation of Tonsberg and Larvik, on the western side of Oslo Fjord must be considered a primary precaution against attacks from the sea, which the German command of Lower Ostfold also renders difficult.

Attack on Wide Front.

The Germans, meanwhile, are vigorously attacking on a wide front in the hinterland northward and north-eastwards of Oslo, aiming at the capture of Kongsvinger and thus further diminishing Norwegian-Swedish railway communication. The Norwegian resistance is stubbornly centred in this section, but the Germans are reported to have crossed the surface of the Glommen River and to be now engaged in severe fighting near Sander, four miles westward of Kongsvinger. Hundreds of Norwegians are reported to have been killed thereabouts.

The defenders are maintaining their positions still farther west in the Skarnes region, where increasing concentrations of Germans are reported.

Norwegians Rally.

Fighting continues near Elverum, where German planes machine-gunned an assembly of unarmed Norwegian soldiers. Many Norwegian soldiers are rallying in the upper regions of Ostfold. Fear of their presence caused the German evacuation of Kornsjoe, a frontier station. They fell back to Halden.

Snow and heavy clouds are hindering land and air activity in this region. Refugees from Halden report that only 400 Germans are occupying the fortress of Fredrikstad. The Norwegian radio declares that the Germans landed troops by parachute near Domass railway junction, on the Oslo-Trondheim railway.

RICH DEPOSIT OF IRON ORE JUST LOCATED

Discovery Made In Canada

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received April 16, 11.15 p.m.) TORONTO, April 16. Physicists have located a deposit of one hundred million tons of iron ore assaying as richly as that from Sweden. It was found beneath a steep rock in the Lake Ontario district. Production is expected in the autumn.

Major Quisling Resigns

NORWEGIAN NAZI Puppet Government To Be Re-Formed

RADIO STATEMENT

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received April 16, 7.30 p.m.) OSLO, April 16. Major Quisling, head of the Nazi puppet Government in Norway, in a broadcast announced his resignation. He said he would accept office as "Commissioner of Demobilisation in the Administrative Committee," of which M. Christensen, chief of the Oslo Municipal Council, has been appointed head.

The radio also explained that a decision to reconstruct the puppet Government had been reached during conferences between Dr. Brauer, at present German representative in Oslo, and the president of the Norwegian Supreme Court and representatives of the Oslo Chambers of Trade, Shipping, and Industry.



THIRD AND LAST?—The German pocket battleship Deutschland. Of her two mates, the Graf Spee went to an ignominious end off the River Plate and the Admiral Scheer was torpedoed by a British submarine in a Norwegian fiord. The Deutschland is one of the three warships built by Germany in 1929-35. She is of 10,000 tons, has a speed of 26 knots and is armed with six 11-inch guns.

Use Of Frozen Assets

AMERICAN SCHEME

Danish And Norwegian Losses

MAY CONFISCATE

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The Secretary of the Treasury (Mr Henry Morgenthau) indicated to-day that the Danish and Norwegian assets in the United States frozen by President Roosevelt's order of April 10, may be used to offset American losses should Germany confiscate United States investments in Denmark and Norway.

"JAPAN MUST BE CONSULTED"

NO CHANGE IN EAST WITHOUT CONSENT

WARNING GIVEN

Peace And Stability Aimed At

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"Japan is deeply concerned at any development in the European war affecting the status quo in the Dutch East Indies," said the Japanese Foreign Minister (Mr Arita) to-day in a statement to the Press.

"Japan is economically bound in intimate relations with the South Seas region," he added. "Should hostilities extend to the Netherlands and produce repercussions in the Netherlands East Indies it would not only interfere with the maintenance and furtherance of these relations, but would also cause an undesirable situation from the standpoint of peace and stability in East Asia."

Newspapers issue a warning of strong action in the event of any attempt to seize the Dutch East Indies, their unanimity indicating official inspiration.

The "Japan Times" says: "Any change in policy regarding the Far Eastern possessions of Europeans must be accomplished only with Japan's full consent and concurrence. Any attempt to ignore that principle will involve a revision of Japan's non-involvement policy."

TWO NAZI SEAPLANES SUNK AT MOORINGS

R.A.F. Makes Successful Raid On Stavanger

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The Royal Air Force, in a raid on Stavanger, sank at least two German seaplanes at their moorings and dropped heavy bombs on the aerodrome, adding to the previous damage.

The attack occurred in a snow-storm after a journey through clouds and rainstorms.

RUMANIA STANDS UP TO NAZIS

Ban On Exports

VITAL SUPPLIES NOW CUT OFF

By Telegraph—Press Association. (Received April 16, 7.55 p.m.) BUCHAREST, April 16.

A decree prohibiting all exports of petroleum, coal, and wood cuts off Germany's main source of supplies from the south-east.

The Rumanian Government Economic Council has annulled all wheat contracts until further notice owing to the prospective crop failure.

Foreign deliveries of petroleum, coal, and wood are halted until adequate reserves are assured for the army and the railways.

The suspension of exports also applies to practically all metals, some hides, and oil-bearing seeds and plants.

CANADIANS MAY BE AT NARVIK

French Papers Believe That Poilus Were Also Included

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The keenest interest is still concentrated on the Narvik landings.

It is understood that a number of Canadian troops were included in the British expeditionary force.

The Paris Press suggests that the French participated in the landings, but there has been no official statement, though a Paris correspondent says it is thought, when the full story is revealed, that it will be seen that the French share will prove as glorious as that of Britain.

"Le Petit Parisien's" headline is: "New Allied Forces Disembark at Several Points."

NARVIK RECAPTURED BY BRITISH

Secret Landing At Several Points

FOOTHOLD CONSOLIDATED

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received April 16, 12.45 p.m.) LONDON, April 15.

British forces have recaptured Narvik and the territory surrounding it, according to a brief communique issued in London to-night. Some of the Germans driven from the port have reached the Swedish border and have been disarmed and interned.

This announcement followed some hours after a joint announcement by the Admiralty and the War Office that British troops had landed at several points in Norway. Exactly where they landed was not revealed.

The forces sent by Britain are known in London to have assumed great proportions.

The landing of the expeditionary force was made while the Navy and Air Force continued to harry the Germans in those parts of Norway occupied in the early stages of the invasion, Bergen, Trondheim and Stavanger are still in German hands.

The Stockholm radio stated yesterday that British troops have landed at Narvik, the iron-ore port in the far north of Norway, in the face of a coastal bombardment which inflicted heavy losses. The new British Expeditionary Force, the radio added, consolidated its foothold under heavy fire.

British warships drove the German garrison into the mountains. The Royal Air Force bombed many buildings in Narvik before the forces landed.

A Rome report says that the British forces landed at seven points in Norway—namely at Narvik, Hodo (presumably Bodo), Sorfold, in Follen Fiord, Bals Fiord (in Bals Fiord, at two points) in Ulfs Fiord and at Tromso.

The Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies) announced to-day that he would go to the northern coastfields, probably on Friday, to address the miners on strike there.

He expressed the hope that they would respond to reason and to Australia's needs.

HEAVY FLOODS AT BUENOS AIRES

TWENTY DEATHS ARE REPORTED

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The La Plata River is in flood and large sections of the city are under water.

Twenty are dead and 50,000 homeless.

HOPE OF ENDING STRIKE

Australian Trouble

PRIME MINISTER'S PLANS

An Early Visit

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NEW GOVERNMENT IN BOLIVIA

Gran Chaco War Hero Now President

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Constitutional government has been restored to Bolivia with the inauguration of the Gran Chaco war hero, General Enrique Penaranda del Castillo as president.

SWEDEN PREPARED AGAINST AIR RAIDS

Government Has Requisitioned All Mineral And Oil Supplies

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A Stockholm message says that a state of preparedness against air attack over almost the whole of Sweden will be enforced at noon to-day. The Government is immediately requisitioning all minerals and oils.

According to the Finnish wireless, a German plane shot down by Swedish anti-aircraft gunners yesterday bore Swedish markings. The plane circled low over Uddevalla and, despite its markings, it was clearly not the type used by the Swedish Air Force.

Tension Increases In The West

NAZI OFFICIALS MAY BE LEAVING THE HAGUE

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The Associated Press of Great Britain reports that German Embassy officials at The Hague are burning documents.

The German Legation, however, denies that it has been burning its papers and also that the Minister has gone to Germany.

A Luxembourg message says that the tension has increased. Civil guards have been posted on all public buildings. The Belgian-Luxembourg frontier has been closed since noon.

A Brussels message says that the German trade delegation has gone back to Berlin. A satisfactory conclusion is reported to have been reached in the trade negotiations.

Precautions taken in the province of Luxembourg include the evacuation of schools.

NAZI TRANSPORTS SUNK

SUBMARINES ATTACK IN SKAGERRAK

LATEST REPORTS

Air Force Also Scores Hits

British Official Wireless. (Received April 16, 12.45 p.m.) RUGBY, April 15.

An Admiralty communique states: "Further reports from our submarines indicate that another two German transports have been sunk and that a convoy of enemy transports was attacked in the Skagerrak, when four torpedoes found their mark."

"Another attack on transports and aircraft in Bergen was carried out by 15 aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm yesterday, when several hits were obtained. One transport was set on fire, a small ship was machine-gunned and burst into flames. One of our aircraft failed to return."

The Air Ministry announces that reconnaissance aircraft off the Norwegian coast continued throughout the day to do most valuable service. Here, too, enemy transports and ammunition ships have been attacked.

"Scouring the Seas. "At the same time as aircraft of the Coastal Command were scouring the northern seas to locate those German naval vessels which have thus far escaped destruction by the Royal Navy, long-range fighters were attacking aerodromes in Southern Norway to which the invader has been carrying troop reinforcements," adds the announcement. "Much damage has been done to assembled enemy aircraft, and successful attacks have also been made on enemy seaplanes at anchor in the fiords."

"So far there has been no opportunity to direct air attack against the enemy air transports. These are conveyed by day."

Official communiques issued by the Air Ministry during last week did not convey the full extent of the work of the R.A.F. Reconnaissance have been conducted day and night, and every Norwegian fiord which could possibly shelter enemy craft has been examined.

MR SEMPLE'S IRE IS ROUSED

A Hectic Atmosphere At Dunedin Meeting

CHOICE EPITHETS USED

By Telegraph—Press Association DUNEDIN, April 16.

A workman who defended Russia's action in Finland and told the Minister of Public Works (the Hon. R. Semple) "that he was not as good a man as Stalin," lost his job on the Haast Pass road suddenly this afternoon.

These remarks were made while Mr Semple was addressing the men working on the road, and the atmosphere in the hall where the incident took place was tense while the Minister told the man what he thought of him, gave instructions for him to be dismissed immediately, and stated in vigorous language that if he had any sympathisers in the camp they could go too.

The attitude of the great majority of the men in the hall indicated plainly that they approved of the Minister's action.

Mr. Semple, who was accompanied by the Minister of Mines (the Hon. P. C. Webb) was addressing the men on the subject of the war effort and was pointing out that without the help of Great Britain, New Zealand could easily share the fate of the small nations that had been invaded in the past year or two.

"Look at what happened to Finland," he said. "If the British Commonwealth went, if the British Navy went, that might quite likely happen to us. The Russian invasion of Finland was one of the greatest examples of international cowardice the world has ever seen."

"It was not cowardice," shouted a man at the back of the hall. "What? It was not cowardice?" Mr. Semple asked incredulously.

"No, it was not," the man repeated. "That is my opinion, anyway."

Mr. Semple: Well, you are a traitor and a coward.

"I am not a political twister anyway," the man replied heatedly.

"I knew there were one or two of them here," the Minister said, "but they won't be here long, and if that is the sort of opinion you hold, you won't be here long either."

"That won't worry me," was the reply.

Continuing his speech, Mr. Semple said that the British people had a desperate struggle ahead of them to-day to defend their liberty, and that anyone who would not fight such a challenge had not "the guts of a whitebat."

Liberty In Russia? Some people seemed to think that there was liberty in Russia, but he personally could draw no distinction between Russia and Germany. Stalin was just as big a murderer as Hitler.

The same interjector: He is a better man than you.

Mr. Semple (angrily): He is what?

The man (slightly subdued): He is as good a man as you.

"You dirty cur," the Minister said, "I never murdered a man in my life."

The man: Neither did Stalin.

Mr. Semple: He has murdered hundreds of his fellow countrymen.

Mr. Semple sat down shortly afterward amid loud applause.

Later, when the man had been addressed by Mr. Webb and by Mr. W. A. Bodkin, member for Central Otago, he rose to his feet again.

"I want to know whether there are any sympathisers with this man in the camp," he said. "If there are, they go but as well, because he is going now."

"Unmitigated Cur" "You are an unmitigated cur," Mr. Semple said, addressing the man directly. "You are an enemy of the British Empire and a plague-spot among the men. Types like you are going to be cleaned right out of the Public Works of New Zealand."

When the meeting was over the man was dismissed by the engineer in charge of the work and quietly left the hall.

Income Tax Case At Sydney

RACING IDENTITY

Serious Understatements Mentioned

PAYMENT NOT MADE

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As a sequel to protracted litigation with the Federal Taxation Department, Theodore Charles Trautwein, aged 72, hotel proprietor and prominent racing identity, was today sentenced to one year's imprisonment on a charge of making untrue representations concerning an agreement with the Federal Taxation Department under which he was privileged to pay off his heavy indebtedness by comparatively small instalments.

Trautwein had been originally prosecuted for seriously understating his income between 1921 and 1927, resulting in judgment being given against him in 1936 for £147,000. The Taxation Department at that time estimated that he was liable for £162,836.

The Stipendiary Magistrate to-day refused to suspend sentence, but notice of appeal was given.

At the time of the announcement, the German practice of handing on the names of sunken ships to new vessels was recalled.

Of the two heavy cruisers, one, later announced by the German Command as the Blucher, has been sunk, but it is thought that this announcement was probably made to cover the loss of the Gneisenau and that the Blucher or some other Hipper-class vessel has been sunk as well.

One light cruiser was sunk by the British submarine Ursula in December and one was hit by a torpedo from the submarine Salmon in the same month in circumstances which raise a strong presumption that she sank. One was sunk by a submarine on April 9, one was hit by one bomb off Bergen on April 9, the Karlsruhe was sunk on April 10, and one was hit by three bombs on April 10, leaving probably one of this type still serviceable.

11 Destroyers Sunk. Germany had 22 destroyers, of which 11 have definitely been sunk, with a strong probability of two or three more.

In the week from April 8 to 14, 19 German transport and supply ships were destroyed, and one of 8514 tons and three trawlers have been captured. Other transports have been bombed and at least two convoys torpedoed, but precise details are as yet lacking.

It is probable that certain Nazi ships which were building at the beginning of the war are now in commission, but such naval strength as Germany had is gravely impaired.

The British losses since the new phase of the war began have already been announced. They consist of four destroyers only, one of which the Gurkha, was sunk by a bombing attack. The battleship Rodney was hit by a bomb, but sustaining no substantial damage remained at her station.

The annihilation of the German naval forces at Narvik is regarded by the British Press as a most encouraging pointer to future events.

"Everything done so far at Narvik and farther south, both by the Navy and the Air Force," says the "Manchester Guardian," "entitles us to await the next steps with quiet expectation."

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1—GIBBON HURDLES HANDICAP, of £100. Over six flights of hurdles, 1 1/2 MILES

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4—HARPER HACK STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, of £120. ABOUT 2 1/2 MILES

5—HACK FLAT HANDICAP, of 695. Min. weight, 7st. 7 FURLONGS

6—WINTER OATS HANDICAP (Open), of £15. Min. weight, 7st. 4 MILES

7—RAILWAY HACK HANDICAP, of 695. Min. weight, 7st. 7 FURLONGS

All Nominations £1. All Acceptances £1.

SECOND DAY (MONDAY) (To Start at 12 Noon)

1—PARK HURDLES HANDICAP, of £100. Over six flights of hurdles, 1 1/2 MILES

2—TRIAL HANDICAP, of 75. For horses that have never won a race at time of nomination. Min. weight, 7st. 7 FURLONGS

3—CUBICAN PURSE HACK HANDICAP, of £100. Min. weight, 7st. 1 MILE

4—HACK AND HUNTERS STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, of £120. ABOUT 2 1/2 MILES

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6—WAIKANA E HANDICAP (Open), of £15. Min. weight, 7st. 7 FURLONGS

7—FAREWELL HACK HANDICAP, of 695. Min. weight, 7st. 7 FURLONGS

All Nominations £1. All Acceptances £1.

NOMINATIONS: For Both Days close at 8 p.m. FRIDAY, APRIL 26.

WEIGHTS: For First Day declared about WEDNESDAY, MAY 1.

ACCEPTANCES: For First Day close at 8 p.m. MONDAY, MAY 6.

Weights for Second Day will be declared about 7 o'clock on night of First Day's race, and Acceptances close the same night at 9 p.m.

HORSE TRANSPORT ALLOWANCE The Club will make an allowance of 5s on any horse from Hawke's Bay and Auckland districts, and 2s on any horse from Waeroa or Opotiki starting at the meeting.

RULES AND REGULATIONS All races to be run under the N.Z. Rules of Racing.

The Committee reserve the right to alter the order of the events on this

TENDERS

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KEEN COMPETITION AT NORSEWOOD

All Classes Sell Well

BROKERS REPORT ON PRICES

Sale on Monday

The Hawke's Bay Farmers' Co-op. Assn. Ltd. report that at the Norsewood sale on Monday, they offered a large yarding of cattle, comprising mostly dairy sorts, and a small one of sheep to a good attendance.

All classes of stock sold at rates in advance on those ruling at last sale.

A total clearance was effected, prices ranging as follows:—

F. and F. 2 and 4th wethers 23/-, fat ewes 16/- to 18/6, fat P.A. cows 16/- to 16/10, fat P.A. steers 19/0 to 19/6, fat Jersey cows 15 to 16, dairy cows due factory dates 15 to 16, springing Jersey heifers 14/6 to 15/15, weaner Jersey heifers 13 to 15, store cows 12/10 to 13/12/6, potter bulls £2 to £6.

Dalgely & Co. Ltd. A small entry of sheep penned with a big yarding of cattle. A few pens of pigs came forward. The offering of sheep comprised a good line of 140 fat and forward wethers and a few small lots.

Keen competition prevailed and the small entry changed owners at good prices. Good wethers (nearly all fat) 21/- to 23/-, small pen of fat lambs 20/-, store ewes (forward condition) 13/10.

In the cattle section the yarding comprised nearly all dairy cows with a few pens of station steers (18 month). The demand for forward reject cows was good and they sold at advanced prices. Store cattle were neglected and failed to bring any competition. Dairy cattle due August and September were somewhat hard to sell and made only fair prices.

Fat cattle of all classes were wanted and one line of Polled Angus bullocks made 19 3/4. The following is a summary of prices:—

Fat bullocks 19 to 19 5/8, fat P.A. cows 16 5/8, fat Jersey cows 15 to 16 1/4, forward reject cows 13 1/2 to 14 3/4, empty store Jersey cows 12 5/2 to 13, bulls 15 10/- to 16 12/6. The offering of pigs comprised mostly weaners and these sold at low prices. Better class forward pigs sold readily. Weaners (good) 11/6 to 15/-, weaners (small) 6/6 to 9/-, slips 2/1 to 25/-, porkers 12/-.

Williams & Kettle Ltd. At their fortnightly Norsewood sale they offered a small yarding of sheep and pigs and a good yarding of cattle to a good attendance of buyers.

They quote as follows:— 2th wethers 20/4 to 21/5, lambs (fat) 20/10 to 21/8, store ewes 13/10, fat Jersey cows and heifers (heavy) 15 to 16 1/4, light fat Jersey cows 13 10/- to 14 16/-, store cows 11/0 to 13/-, potter bulls 16 to 16 15/-, weaner pigs 11/- to 13/-, slips 25/-.

Humour in Library The work of a city librarian is not without its humorous moments according to remarks made by Mr H. B. Farnall, librarian of the Invercargill Athenaeum, in an address to the executive of the Southland Progress League. "There are many times when it is difficult not to laugh," said Mr Farnall. "Not long ago someone asked for a book named 'Sorrow and Sin,' which was rightly interpreted as 'Sorrow and Sin.' Another wanted 'Goodbye to War' which proved to be Hamingway's 'Farewell to Arms.' 'Oranges and Peaches' was traced to Darwin's 'Origin of Species' and 'The Skating Time' to 'If Winter Comes.' A woman who, we found later, a slip, asked for 'A Week of Ethel,' and after a period of puzzlement we gave her what she was seeking—'The Weaker Vessel!'

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DEMAND FOR GOOD CONDITION

LAMBS YESTERDAY AT WAIPUKURAU

QUALITY WANTED

Top Lines Sell To Competition

A readiness to pay for condition in the lamb pens was shown by buyers in the store sheep section at the Waipukurau stock sale yesterday when lambs made up 95 per cent of the yarding of 2500.

Top lines attracted the competition, but light lines were easier, to go rather cheaper than last week's similar pens.

The yarding included a good percentage of exceptional quality lambs which were among the best penned for some time. The market for shorn wether lambs was topped at 18/11, with a splendid entry on account of Mr J. Castles, Whetukura. Other shorn pens brought from 14/10 to 16/- according to condition. Good handling medium grown woolly lambs brought from 16/6 to 17/7. Others in light order made from 13/- to 14/-.

Well-grown shorn ewe lambs in attractive order brought 22/-, being the highest price for the season. Unshorn ewe lambs, medium grown, made 21/-. Fatting ewes brought from 11 to 13 5/8. These pens were much above the average and should not require holding for long.

The only offering of wethers was a line of four-tooths including a few six-tooths in somewhat plain order, being cheaper than values at Stormford Lodge last Wednesday.

Only a small entry of fat sheep was penned. Light wethers averaging barely 50lb, brought 23/-, and lighter sorts 20/6. Plain ewes made 15/9.

A small entry of fat cattle was made up of females which lacked finish to sell below schedule. Realisations were as follows:—

FAT CATTLE. Three medium to heavy A.A. cross cows in somewhat plain order brought 17 11/4. Four clean bred A.A. heifers in light to medium order requiring more finish sold at 16 14/-. In the same pen similar bred small formed light cows brought 15 15/4.

Prime finished A.A. heifer showing quality being in splendid order, 18 15/-. Ten medium framed A.A. cows in light condition and barely killable brought 13 10/4.

STORE CATTLE. An entry of 14 well-grown two-off steers showing breeding being in good order and well coated made an attractive lot of young cattle sold at 16 6/.

An entry of 39 fully grown A.A. steers, some showing a Hereford cross being in good order to forward order was passed at 17 5/.

An offering of 20 medium grown Aberdeen Angus-Hereford cross medium grown and in good condition was passed at 13 10/4.

A pen of smaller grown similar bred steers was passed at 13 15/-. A well bred pen of 13 18-months A.A. well coated and in good condition for wintering realised 14 10/4.

An offering of 17 18-months A.A. heifers medium grown and in good store order was passed at 12 17/6.

STORE SHEEP. On account of Epae Station 210 medium grown fourtooth wethers including some six-tooths fairly slipped and in good store condition were passed at 19/-, being 2/- below the reserve.

On account of Mr R. Matthews, Wakarara, 312 medium grown woolly wether lambs in good handling order being very bright and sound met with keen bidding to sell at 17/1. These lambs were very even, being a fine line.

On account of Mr W. T. Kuru, 163 fairly grown shorn wether lambs in good store order and bright sold at 13/1. On account of Mrs E. S. Douglas, Porangahau, 110 small to medium grown woolly wether lambs making quite fair handling and just crutched sold at 14/2. On account of Mr J. A. King, a pen of 13 extra well grown early shorn Romney wether lambs in good condition being bright and active sold at 17/7.

On account of Mr C. A. Loughnan, 329 shorn medium grown Romney wether lambs in good order for going into the winter being sound and bright brought 14/- for a run-off of 240.

On account of Mr J. Castles, Whetukura, 158 very early shorn extra well grown Romney wether lambs in splendid condition having been well done and healthy were readily sought after to sell at 18/11.

An entry of medium grown woolly Romney ewe lambs in healthy order brought 11/-.

From the coast a pen of well slipped fattening ewes brought 11/-.

Out of the same draft the tops of the aged ewes which were an early finishing proposition sold at 13/5.

On account of Mr E. T. Douglas, 103 well grown early shorn Romney ewe lambs in splendid condition sold at 22/-. FINANCES OF BRANCH ARE HEALTHY Matapiro Farmers Hold Annual Meeting

The finances of the Matapiro branch of the N.Z. Farmers' Union show a healthy condition, though its membership needs improvement, it was stated at the annual meeting of the branch.

Following the secretary-delegate's report the following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr W. L. Nelson; secretary-delegate, Mr A. W. Butt (both re-appointed).

Committee: Messrs J. Mason, P. B. Gardner, E. N. C. Clarkson, A. and J. Ebbeson and P. Hildreth.

Matters referred to the branch from the Provincial Executive and to be considered at its forthcoming meeting were discussed.

Mr Luke of the Dominion headquarters was present and spoke on the activities of the union and of its necessity for the well-being of the farming community. He referred to the increasing interest being taken and the realisation by farmers of the great work being done in expressing the viewpoint and requirements of their industry.

Stock Sold At Waipukurau

BROKERS' REPORTS

Sheep And Cattle Offered

RATES YESTERDAY

Brokers report as follows on the prices realised for sheep and cattle offered at the Waipukurau stock sale yesterday:—

Murray, Roberts & Co. Ltd. Four fat P.A. heifers £7 5/4, 4 at 16 14/-, 1 fat cow 15 15/-, 3 fat P.A. heifers 15 10/-, 10 at 15 6/-, 15 23-yr P.A. steers 16 6/-, 13 11-yr P.A.H. X steers 14 10/-, 4 at 13 5/-, 31 fat wethers 2th 13/4, 140 forward wether lambs 14/2, 115 at 13/10, 31 ewe lambs 16/-, 3 lambs 9/10, 63 wether lambs 12/7, 54 at 11/2, 1 Romney ram 8/-, 1 S.D. at 10/6.

Dalgely & Co. Ltd. Two fat heifers 18, 3 fat cows 17 11/-, 8 light fat heifers 17 8/-, 1 prime fat heifer 18 15/-, 170 medium woolly ewe lambs 17/3, 25 small at 13/6, 4 f. and l. lambs 16/2, 47 good woolly ewe lambs 21/-, 52 forward wether lambs 16/6.

Williams & Kettle Ltd. 76 M.S. fat Southdowns 19/-, 210 wethers 21/-, 250 wether lambs 14/-, 179 at 14/-, 39 5-yr ewes 16/5, 1 ram 16/5, 177 wether lambs 18/11, 44 forward wethers 18/11, 80 ewe lambs 13/8, 611 wether lambs 16/3, 15 M.S. Southdowns 18/2, 27 at 18/2, 17 at 19/1, 1 4-yr ewe 15/-, 25 forward lambs 17/-, 28 wether lambs 9/1, 11 ewe lambs 13/6, 34 wether lambs 14/7, 20 B.F. at 16/3, 11 M.S. at 8/-, 3 wethers at 15/-, 9 wethers at 19/-, 22 B.F. at 18/9.

H.B. Farmers' Co-op. Assn. Ltd. Five fat P.A. steers £2, 12 at 14 5/2, 2 fat ewes 10/-, 163 shorn wether hoggets 13/1, 312 woolly at 17/1, 88 at 14/7, 103 shorn ewe hoggets 22/-, 103 wethers 17/1, 29 wethers 18/-, 1 aged S.D. ram 11gns. 1 at 1gn. 1 at 1gn. 1 slut 1/4, 1 dog 110 10/4, 1 at 7 5/2.

SUCCESS OF THE CLUBS THE YOUNG FARMERS' MOVEMENT ANNUAL REPORT Northern Hawke's Bay District

"All five clubs in our district are carrying on satisfactorily, notwithstanding many difficulties which have existed since the outbreak of the war," comments the president (Mr W. C. Brownlie) in his annual report to the Northern Hawke's Bay district committee of the New Zealand Young Farmers' Clubs.

"Petrol restrictions have curtailed to some extent much club activity and the attendances have been affected throughout the Dominion, but the unusually busy season has been a bigger handicap than anything else. Keen as we are to have members at the meetings, we cannot expect large attendances when there is extra work to be done, for work must come first."

Good Membership The membership of the club has risen to well over 300 for the district, which is considered quite satisfactory. Arrangements were made to form several new clubs in the area but the intervention of war has stopped any further action.

"It must be apparent to clubs that it is becoming increasingly evident that the younger members must be enrolled; at the present time it is to the younger lads on farms that we must look to assist the farming community in the very near future; at least the present outlook of the international situation would suggest that the older members will not all be remaining on their farms.

"The education of these more youthful members cannot start too soon, and the sooner we can get them into clubs and taking an active interest in farming and our movement, then the sooner we shall be doing an important job of national importance."

Military Service Referring to the military service question, the report comments that not only many members are concerned over whether their services are required overseas, and whether they should enlist or remain on the farms.

"It is no use shelving the issue; we must have met on the land who are capable of producing the essentials which Great Britain requires. Let each member make up his own mind: who can replace him if he enlists, or can he be replaced? That will be the year to year problem for each individual member to decide for himself.

"Members will be interested to know that the matter was widely discussed at the recent meeting of the Wellington Council, and a remit was forwarded to the Dominion Executive for urgent consideration. It is anticipated that as a result a more definite statement will be requested from the Government—the position should be clarified. The Dominion Executive is to meet in Christchurch in the course of a week or two."

Council Meetings Delegates to council and federation meetings were Messrs G. D. Tod (advisory) of Nuhaka, R. G. Montgomery (Meeanee), W. G. Brownlie (Waioitu), and L. L. Griffiths (Waione). Both the president, Mr E. W. Barnett (Manawatu) and the vice-president, Mr D. F. Coleman (Ampurley), have enlisted and are in camp. One of the delegates, Mr R. G. Montgomery, is at present in camp.

"The Hastings educational week was the main activity of the year and the week was a success in every way except from a financial aspect. The loss was caused by numbers of enrolled members not arriving—without having advised otherwise."

"There has been little strain on the finances of the committee, and we finish the year in a little healthier than last year. We thank the clubs who contributed to the loss of the educational week."

PROGRAMMES ON THE AIR

IYA Auckland

6.0 a.m.: Station on the air for Daventry news. 7.0: Daventry news. 7.10: Breakfast session. 9.0: Daventry news. 9.10: Selected recordings. 10.0: Devotional service, conducted by Pastor D. Woolf. 10.35: Selected recordings. 11.10: Talk to women. "Margaret." 11.30: Selected recordings. 12.0: Lunch music. 12.30 p.m.: Daventry news.

2.0: Selected recordings. 2.30: Classical hour. 3.15: Sports results. 3.30: Light musical programme. 4.0: Daventry news. 4.30: Daventry news. 4.50: Sports results. 5.0: Children's session.

5.45: Dinner music. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News service. 7.40: Youth Centre talk. 8.0: Quartet in D Major, Op. 64, No. 8 (Haydn). 8.15: Adette Chapman (mezzo-soprano). 8.25: Ina Bosworth (violin) and Patrick Towsey (piano). "Kreutzer Sonata" (Beethoven). 9.0: Daventry news. 9.30: Weather report and station notices. 9.35: Recorded feature—"Those We Love." 9.50: Religious Ensemble. "Songs That Have Sold a Million." 10.0: Music, lyrical and melody. 11.0: Close of normal programme.

2YA Wellington 6.0 a.m.: Station on the air for Daventry news. 6.30: Weather report for aviators. 7.0: Daventry news. 7.10: Breakfast session. 9.0: Daventry news. 9.10: Selected recordings. 10.00: Devotional service. 10.30: Daventry news. 10.45: Talk to women by Margaret. 11.10: Selected recordings. 12.0: Lunch music. 12.30 p.m.: Daventry news.

1.0: Weather report for aviators; running commentary on the events at the Wellington Cricket Club's autumn meeting. 3.30: Weather report for farmers. 4.0: Daventry news. 5.0: Children's session.

5.45: Dinner music. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: Official news service. 7.30: "Poopy Day Appeal" for the "For the Home Gardener." 8.0: Grand Symphony Orchestra, "Bagatelle" Overture (Rikner). 8.8: Ena Rapley (soprano). 8.3: Orchestra Raymone, "Strauss in Vienna" (arr. Walter). 8.22: Ken Macaulay (baritone). 8.28: "Love Songs with Sander" (Various). 8.36: Ena Rapley (soprano). 8.42: Hans Busch (piano). 8.48: Ken Macaulay (baritone). 8.5: New Mayfair Orchestra, "Gilbert and Sullivan" Selection (Sullivan). 9.0: Daventry news. 9.15: Weather report and station notices. 9.20: "The Radio That Hitter Fears." 9.35: Exploits of the Black Legion. 9.40: Song "Lady in Danger." 10.1: "The Moonstone." 10.10: Dance music by Manuel Raymond's Dance Orchestra. 11.14: Close of normal programme.

3YA Christchurch 6.0 a.m.: Station on the air for Daventry news. 7.0: Daventry news. 7.10: Breakfast session. 9.0: Daventry news. 9.10: Selected recordings. 10.00: Devotional service. 10.30: Selected recordings. 11.0: Talk to women by "Margaret." 11.10: Women's session conducted by Mrs. L. E. Rowlatt. 11.30: Selected recordings. 12.0: Lunch music. 12.30 p.m.: Daventry news.

1.0: Lunch music. 1.30: Educational session. 2.40: Selected recordings. 3.0: Classical music. 4.0: Daventry news. 4.30: Daventry news for farmers. 4.50: Sports results. 5.0: Children's session.

5.45: Dinner music. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News service. 7.20: Ad-dington Stock Market report. 7.35: Winter Course talk: "History of the Evening News." "A Famous New Zealander." 8.0: Readings by O. L. Simmance. 8.22: The Queen's Hall Orchestra, "The Blue Bird," Op. 78 (Dvorak). 8.45: Jean Macfarlane, New Zealand contralto. 9.0: Daventry news. 9.15: Weather report and station notices. 9.25: Arthur Rubinstein (piano), Concerto No. 1 in E Minor, Op. 11 (Chopin). 10.0: Music, lyrical and melody. 11.0: Close of normal programme.

4YA Dunedin 6.0 a.m.: Station on the air for Daventry news. 6.50: Weather report for aviators. 7.0: Daventry news. 7.10: Breakfast session. 9.0: Daventry news. 9.10: Selected recordings. 10.0: Weather report for aviators; selected recordings. 10.30: Devotional service. 10.50: Talk to women by "Margaret." 12.0: South Dunedin Community Sing (played from Mayfair Theatre). 12.30 p.m.: Daventry news.

1.0: Weather report for aviators; weather forecast. 2.0: Selected recordings. 3.15: Talk by the A.C.E.: "Good Breakfasts for All." 4.0: Daventry news; weather forecast. 4.30: Light musical programme. 4.45: Sports results. 5.0: Children's session.

5.45: Dinner music. 6.55: News and reports. 7.30: Talk by the Motor Expert: "Helpful Hints to Motorists." 8.0: The Best Bad Buccaneers, in humour and harmony. 8.15: "Ravenholm." 8.28: "Aloha Lana." 8.42: "The Fourth Form at St. Peter's." 8

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Trousers and uniforms seem to have a subtle fascination for Englishwomen, and since the outbreak of war they have been indulging their fancies to their hearts' content.

Not so the Frenchwomen. It is not that they are taking their place in the new scheme of things any less keenly or capably than their English cousins. They know by an instinct bred through many years of war just what is expected of them.

And consequently they take it all so much as a matter of course that they refuse to look on their duties as in any way masculine, and therefore demanding trousers or uniforms.

Frenchwomen are taking the place of the men as capably as Englishwomen, and are turning over night into day workers, bus conductors, canteen organisers, and car and lorry drivers. But because their grandmothers and mothers had to do the same or the equivalent, they refuse to think that they are doing anything out of the ordinary—something which calls, for instance, for a special outfit.

Love of Individuality

The real reason why Frenchwomen refuse to don trousers and uniforms is perhaps their love of individuality. They do not want to run the risk of being accused of apeing the men, but, more than that, they do not want to lose their own personal individuality. To be a Frenchwoman is to be individual.

It is not that they despise masculine touches. Not a bit of it. But they will have none of them until they have been thoroughly feminised, thereby leaving the purely masculine behind and becoming in turn purely feminine and fantastic and fetching.

Although France has lived with a background for war through many generations, France refuses to mobilise its women for war service. This is because French women have not yet been given a vote, and until this privilege has been granted, the

Government cannot officially organise any corps for women. There is another reason, too, and that is the system of military training in France. Unlike most other nations, France always has an army of 3,000,000 trained men ready for an emergency, and women are not needed for national service as soon as they are in England.

But, though they are keeping in the background, and are refusing to make themselves "conspicuous," as they call it, by wearing uniforms, Frenchwomen are carrying out many services for their country. The Ministry of Labour has already a census of women who want to undertake factory work. Women without children receive first preference, but women with children are not barred from this work if they can make arrangements for the good care of their children during working hours.

Schools have also been opened to train women for various semi-skilled factory jobs. Miss Eve Curie, daughter of the famous Madame Curie, of radium fame, has been appointed by the Government to assist in the co-ordination of women's activities.

But perhaps the most spectacular organisation of Frenchwomen is the newly-formed corps of women parachutists. This corps has been formed among nurses who are willing to be dropped out of aeroplanes to give first aid to soldiers who are isolated in positions difficult of access by ordinary means of transport. So, though Frenchwomen prefer to stay in the background, they nevertheless play a very big part in the wartime life of their country.

GOLF CLUB HONOURS A MEMBER

At Waipukurau

PRESENTATION TO A BRIDE-ELECT

Miss N. Main

At the opening of the Waipukurau Golf Club's season Miss N. Main, whose marriage takes place to-day, was presented by members of the club with a handsome silver teapot.

In making the presentation, the president (Mr F. A. G. Dunn) apologised for the absence of Mrs Dunn, Mrs A. L. McCormick, and several members who were unable to be present.

Mr Dunn mentioned that the name of Main had been linked with the club for many years, as prior to moving to Maharaheke, the links were on Mr Main's property. Miss Main had been one of the mainstays of the club. As a senior member she was always ready to play in matches and had held the championship cup on occasions, also the Bishop Cup, and on behalf of the club he thanked her for her valuable services and wished her every happiness for the future. When she made her new home in Nelson he hoped she would still play golf.

In replying, Miss Main thanked members for their handsome and useful gift, which would always remind her of the many happy years she had spent as a member of the Golf Club.

Miss Main was accorded musical honours, accompanied by cheers.

MISS MEGAN TAYLOR ENTERTAINED

An Afternoon Party In Napier

Miss Megan Taylor and Miss Melda Lawrence, of the Switzerland Company, who have been the guests of Mr and Mrs John Mason, Colden Road, left Napier on Monday morning for Wanganui, and on Friday afternoon Mrs Mason invited a number of friends to her home to meet her distinguished visitors, who had come of interest to tell the guests, especially Miss Megan Taylor, former world's champion ice skater.

The drawing-room, where the guests were entertained, was attractively arranged with bowls of dahlias and a crackling fire added further comfort.

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Patrick Joseph, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. Walsh, St. Aubyn Street, Hastings, to Mary Rosalie (Molly), eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. J. Scott, Oxford Terrace, Christchurch.

THE WIND OF FASHION BLOWS THUS . . .

A taffeta bodice striped with In-fantared velvet gives the new covered line at the neck and sleeves, then curves over the hips in a bouffant skirt.

Lanvin makes a dress of black crepe with bands of blue and silver embroidery on the very short sleeves. Long loose gloves are embroidered to match, except for the black crepe hands.

Note the importance of ruffles springing from a light basque bodice, small checks by Molyneux, new afternoon dresses in organza or net, broderie anglaise, an entire flounce of it on a black full-skirted evening frock.

STUDIO EVENING IN NAPIER

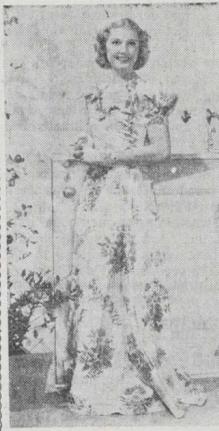
PLEASANT REPERTORY GATHERING

TWO PLAYS

Members of the Napier Repertory Society held their usual fortnightly studio evening last night, when there was a large attendance of members and their friends and also a number of new members.

Two short plays produced by the

Crisp and Frilly



FRILLY FOR EVENING.—Here is a frilly little dance frock of sprigged white organdie, delightfully girlish with its crisp puff sleeves and shirred bodice. Notice the new longer length of the skirt.

Misses T. Taylor and Z. Apperley were much enjoyed.

The first, "The Boy Comes Home" (A. A. Milne) was played by:—D. Stevenson, as Philip; E. Elsing, as the Uncle; Mrs I. L. Prime, as the Aunt; Jean Gilberd, as Mary; Zita Apperley, as the Cook.

Those taking part in the second play, "The Pup," were:—G. Johansen, as Mr Briggs; Audrey Reid, as Maggie Briggs; I. Langdon Prime, as Mr Sykes.

After the plays a dainty supper was handed round and an hour of social chat concluded a pleasant evening.

Among those present were Mr and Mrs I. Langdon Prime, Mesdames L. Swindell, Apperley, McNab, Hansen, W. J. O'Connell, Misses Z. Apperley, T. Taylor, S. Williams, O. Fish, J. Gilberd, K. Price, R. Neild, J. Munro, N. McKain, E. Munro, Carlton, Fenton, A. Bristowe, Butler, A. Reid, Messrs G. E. Tyler, G. Johansen, D. Stevenson, E. Prentice, J. Fairclough, L. Bull, K. Apperley, L. Murphy, O. Brock, B. Elsing.

Knitters' Tuesday.—The first Tuesday afternoon for war-knitters or sewers was held yesterday in the Guild room in Queen Street, Hastings. There was a good attendance and all women of the town who wish to do their bit of war knitting or sewing will be welcomed every Tuesday afternoon.

X STYLE NEWS X

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Five o'Clock Gossip

Mrs Hislop and Mr James Hislop, Otane, are visiting Wellington.

Mr and Mrs Zander are Wellington visitors to Napier.

Mrs Norman Loisel, Tolaga Bay, is at the Masonic Hotel, Napier.

Miss N. McKeowen and Miss D. E. Bray are Wellington visitors to Napier.

Mrs W. Duncan, Ruanui, is on a visit to Napier.

Mrs James Christie, Colenso Avenue, Napier, has returned from a holiday visit to Wellington.

Mrs J. Kinross, Dunedin, is spending a few days in Napier.

Mrs Bruce Thomson, who has been spending five weeks in Auckland, has returned to Napier.

Miss D. Bray, secretary of the Wellington Racing Club, is at present visiting Napier.

Mr and Mrs I. C. Davis, of Gisborne, has been on a brief visit to Hawke's Bay.

Mrs J. Shearer and Miss G. Love left Hastings this morning on a short visit to Wellington and Auckland.

Miss B. Danvers has commenced duty as a hospital aid at the Memorial Hospital, Hastings.

Miss D. Wilson, Hawke's Bay, who visited Gisborne for the Kemp-Bruce wedding, is now the guest of Mrs Rex Ludbrook, Ruatoria.

Mrs Balfour, Wairoa, is on a short visit to Wellington, and is the guest of her mother-in-law, Mrs Balfour, Bay View Road.

Mrs F. G. McLennan, Chatham Street, Napier, leaves for Christchurch on Saturday.

Fashion Spotlights from our winter collection. Fur coat styled in beaver cone, 17gns. Peschanaki swaggar coat, 22gns. 10/-; shadow stripe slender line coat in blue camel cloth, 7gns. Smart coat in grape-wine boucle 7gns. 6/-; elegant matron's coat, size O.S., in black English coating, 7gns. Autumn frocks and suits, exceedingly smart with fashion's newest features from 4gns. 6/- to 10gns. Wool twin sets 3gns. Victor Gowns, Hastings Exclusive Salon. Telephone 3076.

A Bride-Elect Honoured

PANTRY EVENING

Miss P. Steven Feted

HAPPY PARTY

Mrs P. Moir was hostess at her residence, Matareva, for a pantry evening for Miss P. Steven, whose marriage to Mr T. Madden takes place on April 27. A very enjoyable evening was spent in competitions and community singing.

A buffet supper was served in the dining-room after which the guest of honour, assisted by her bridesmaids, the Misses M. Steven and M. Murdoch and N. Madden, opened her many parcels.

Miss Steven conveyed her gratitude to her hostess and Mr Madden also thanked all present.

Among those present were: Mesdames P. Moir, P. Chapman, Steven; Misses L. Moir, M. Watson, V. Moir, T. Cleary, J. Bourke, P. Tong, M. Tong, R. Murrell, T. Steven, N. Madden, T. Hutchison, R. Olsen, N. Bothwell, M. Murdoch; Messrs B. and T. Madden, C. Tong, J. Lee, I. Gibbs, J. Doran, P. Moir, R. Steven, R. Eagle, R. Russell, B. Ford, B. Brown, P. Scullin, B. Bonish, D. Gamble and N. Griffiths.

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WAVERLEY WEIGHTS ANNOUNCED WINTER MEETING

Red Sun Top In Both Jumping Events

Mr. H. Coyle has declared the following weights for the Waverley Racing Club's autumn meeting on April 27—

WESTHOLM HURDLES, OF £125, 14 miles.

Red Sun	11	4	Ohanga	9	4
Hunting Lee	10	10	War Lap	9	0
Hirangi	10	10	Colibri	9	0
Blairhit	10	3	Colibri	9	0
Brigadore	10	1	The Smiler	9	0
Blue Tiger	9	13	Advance Acce	9	0
Darwin	9	11	Vairoy	9	0
First Chapter	9	11			

SYMES MEMORIAL MAIDEN RACE, OF £115, 6 furlongs.

Grane	8	0	Tea Drop	8	0
Goldgain	8	0	Seigal	8	0
Resingold	8	0	Leighon Rex	8	0
Gold Glaze	8	0	Martene	8	0
Boden Park	8	0	Blazing Trail	8	0
Sundrie	8	0	Blazing Trail	8	0
Early Tide	8	0	Flying Vixen	8	0
Nationalist	8	0	Parlato	8	0
Young Charles	8	0	Tranometer	8	0
Gold Grip	8	0	Vaalea	8	0
Courting	8	0			

WAIROA HANDICAP, OF £150, 6 furlongs.

Amigo	10	0	Kaiwaka	7	9
Majority	10	0	Clonmel Lu	7	9
Alinga	9	9	Lickem	7	9
Gold Dale	7	13	Flancee	7	7
Solaria	7	13	Zest	7	7
Leiden	7	13	Meynell	7	7
Lord	7	13	Tail Light	7	7
Cavendish	7	9	First Chapter	7	7
Rollicker	7	9	Spouting Gift	7	7
Gold Grip	7	9	Spouting Gift	7	7

KOHI HIGHWEIGHT HACK HANDICAP, OF £125, 7 furlongs.

Kaiwaka	10	2	Pitmark	8	2
Colossal	9	8	Gilana Lass	8	2
Chief	9	8	Leighon Rex	8	2
Viracious	9	2	Seyfried	8	2
Arabic	8	12	Resingold	8	0
Amatour	8	12	Flancee	8	0
Counter	8	6	Golden Orchid	8	0
Sieglinde	8	6	Bidens	8	0
Colincamps	8	6	Karenul	8	0
Amatour	8	6	Royal	8	0
Captain Gale	8	5	Pageant	8	0
Eupatrid	8	5	City Song	8	0
Cauton	8	5	Filbert	8	0
Viteum	8	5	Wave Length	8	0
Colibri	8	5	Debretts	8	0
Chere Amie	8	4	Seigal	8	0
Davilla	8	4	Feach	8	0
Golden Pam	8	2	Brandy G	8	0
Bronze Lass	8	2			

BESLEY MEMORIAL HANDICAP, OF £250, 11 miles.

Amigo	9	7	Solaria	7	0
Footloose	9	0	Tahurangi	7	0
Gaitemore	8	1	Spouting Gift	7	0
Student Prince	7	12	Mataroa	7	0
Hunting Cat	7	8	Filbert	7	0
One Whetu	7	7	Rollicker	7	0
Rehearsal	7	5	Flancee	7	0
Aussie Ra	7	4	Ridara	7	0
Gally	7	3	War Lap	7	0
Lickem	7	3	First Chapter	7	0
Winsome Lu	7	3			

WAVERLEY STEEPCHASE, OF £170, 2 miles.

Red Sun	10	12	Lactose	9	4
En Tour	10	10	Ohanga	9	0
Bryce Street	10	9	Bass	9	0
Disturbed	10	4	Margaret Hector	9	0
Little Briton	10	0	Promenade	9	0
Lady Stella	10	0	Bay Dawn	9	0
Dan Erma	9	12	Cynical Jack	9	0
Lustal	9	9	Vairoy	9	0

NGUTUWERA HACK CUP, OF £150, 1 mile and 55 yards.

Minority	9	3	Viteum	7	5
Dynasty	8	12	Chere Amie	7	3
Autolite	8	10	Pitmark	7	3
Colossal Chief	8	3	Ripple	7	2
Piastre	8	2	Young Charles	7	2
Chief Lord	8	1	Ridara	7	2
Kilometre	8	0	City Song	7	0
Tavoy	7	12	Leighon Rex	7	0
Filbert	7	11	Royal Pageant	7	0
Sieglinde	7	8	Richelle	7	0
Cauton	7	8	Pearl	7	0
Amatour	7	8	Wave Length	7	0
Blue Tiger	7	6	Segra	7	0
Miss Clipper	7	6	Resingold	7	0
Vadance	7	6			

PRESIDENT'S HACK HANDICAP, OF £115, 5 furlongs.

Gold Dale	9	12	Calliope	7	10
Zest	8	11	Boden Park	7	7
Sea Link	8	11	Golden Orchid	7	7
Viracious	8	11	Earl's Court	7	7
Judgment	8	10	China Clipper	7	7
Counter	8	0	Blazing Trail	7	7
Flying Eagle	7	13	Debretts	7	7
Veldette	7	12	Gold Gain	7	7
Talho	7	12	Parlato	7	7
Captain Gale	7	12	Tea Drop	7	7
Miss Clipper	7	12			

MARLBOROUGH CUP, OF £140, 14 miles.

Second Innings	9	9	Acrobat	7	9
Mishna	9	4	Might	7	0
Skyrena	9	1	Land Raid	7	0
Gay Chou	9	1	Expendance Bay	7	0
Roy Bun	8	11	Titter	7	0
Spouting Gift	7	10			

AWATERE HACK HANDICAP, OF £75, 6 furlongs.

Phillbun	9	1	Far East	7	7
Debretts	8	11	Colombo	7	7
Buccaneer	8	9	Daymist	7	7
Wakarara	8	5	Caretaker	7	7
Master Solway	7	12	Baitman	7	7
Lady Megellan	7	12			

FLAXBOURNE HANDICAP, OF £85, 1 mile.

Second Innings	9	12	Acrobat	7	11
Skyrena	9	7	Might	7	8
Gay Chou	9	3	Land Raid	7	2
Roy Bun	9	1	Titter	7	0
Gemara	7	13			

BRITISH WOMEN WERE HELD IN NAZI PRISONS

Captives Released After Four Months' Horror And Brutality

Ten British women and two little boys stepped off a Dutch steamer at Gravesend recently—free, after four months of horror and brutality in Nazi gaols.

The two little boys broke into a tap-dance. The women laughed until tears came into their eyes. For the boys' tap-dancing had been their only entertainment during their months as Hitler's prisoners, writes a London "Daily Mail" reporter. None of the women had any money. Their homes, their belongings had been plundered by the Gestapo.

When they were thrown into prison seven of the women and the two boys were herded into one small cell. There they had to eat, sleep, live. The three other women, Jewesses, were locked up in another cell.

When the little party stayed at the Y.W.C.A. at London, making plans for their future, I met them and heard their stories.

Miss Maud Vickery, elderly Englishwoman, teacher of languages at Cracow for 30 years, was carried off the boat on a chair.

She is paralysed, but that made no difference when the Gestapo came thumping on the door of her flat last October and took her to prison. She had been getting a little better, but the months that followed—months without butter, milk, sugar or eggs—have taken their toll.

Miss Vickery was allowed no medical treatment or exercise, but a kindly Nazi warden permitted her to open the cell door for a short time so that she could imagine she was getting fresh air.

One night, with the other women, she was dragged to the men's prison at Nuremberg, where they were forced to strip and were cursed for being British women.

Herded in a Cell.

Later they were all transferred to a prison at Beuthen, Upper Silesia. "It wasn't so bad at Beuthen," said Miss Vickery, "even though we had to be herded in the same cell. But Nuremberg... it was horrible."

Miss Ida Daniels, aged 45, Thurst Road, Reading, governess for four years to the children of Princess Czartorski at Jaroslav, was the "veteran" of the party.

BLACKOUT ON A BRIDGE

WAIPIKURAU DEBATES COUNCIL MEETING

Tukituki And Waipawa Rivers Control

WAIPIKURAU.

The threatened blackout on Waipukurau traffic bridge as a result of the Waipukurau County's decision not to continue paying half cost unless the other counties also contributed, was debated by the borough council.

Cr McRae moved that the council should try to get the street-lighting contract with the Power Board extended to include the bridge.

Cr Cassidy seconded the motion, which was carried, the council deciding to carry the cost of the present system until the Power Board meets in May.

Acknowledgment was received from the Prime Minister of the council's expression of sympathy following the death of the late Mr Savage.

Rivers Control.

A further letter concerning Tukituki and Waipawa rivers control was received from the Minister of Public Works, who informed the council that, so far as clearing work was concerned, that could not be undertaken until a comprehensive survey, for which the district engineer in Napier had authority, had been carried out and a scheme evolved. However, it was pointed out that this might be delayed on account of wartime shortage of finance and plant. Moreover, the survey would probably be retarded by enlistments of engineering staff. If the position got much worse, the department should be informed.

The council "received" the letter.

Town Planning.

Concerning town-planning proposals, there was a letter from the Department of Internal Affairs advising the council that the director Mr J. W. Mawson, would co-operate with the council in forming a scheme next time he visited the district.

Rev. Murray Gow wrote thanking the council for the use of Russell Park and the gift of firewood for the Men's Presbyterian Bible Class camp at Easter.

A request from the Waipawa Hospital Board that levies for the first quarter of this year should be paid on the basis of last year's levies, subject to alteration later on, was acceded to. The hospital board letter said it was impossible to set a definite figure for the first quarter, but it was expected that the year's levies would be smaller than last year's. The council expressed pleasure at the hint of a reduction.

Mr Carpenter presided over Crs. Chambers, McRae, Cassidy, Mr. Carthy, L. R. Grant, Dowrick and Mr H. B. Smart, clerk and engineer.

FAREWELL GATHERING AT WAIKAWA

Aircraftman Preston GOOD WISHES VOICED Presentation Made

"Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIKAWA.

On Monday evening a public farewell was held in the Waipawa Borough Council Chambers in honour of Leading-Aircraftman L. R. Preston. The Mayor (Mr F. Eagle) presided over the gathering which, considering the short notice was well attended.

Aircraftman Preston, who is home on leave, has completed his air force training in New Zealand and will be the first Waipawa boy to leave New Zealand with the Air Force since the outbreak of war.

On behalf of the farewell committee, Mr Eagle said that Mr Preston, carried with him the best wishes of the people of Waipawa. Referring to the wonderful successes of the Royal Air Force in recent days, Mr Eagle said that it was pleasing to see that so many New Zealand boys were doing well under such trying conditions and that he felt quite confident that Leading Aircraftman Preston would be able to uphold the honour of our country just as well.

Mr A. E. Jull, M.P., said that he hoped Aircraftman Preston would be successful in obtaining a position in the Air Force that would enable him to prove that New Zealand was still producing men of the right kind. There were considerable dangers to be faced in the air but the young men who were being trained for the Air Force had confidence in themselves and in the machines they used.

Mr Eagle then asked Mr Preston to accept as a memento from the people of Waipawa a suit case and a gift parcel, after which all present joined in singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

Mr Preston replied briefly.

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That this board views with alarm the distribution of seditious literature under the guise of religion and requests the Government to take immediate steps to stop it, was a resolution passed at the monthly meeting of the Wairoa Harbour Board yesterday.

Mr P. J. O'Kane stated that he had encountered two able-bodied men travelling about the country in a caravan distributing literature that was definitely against the British Government and against organised society. Most of this literature, America and was allowed to be sold freely in the country and in some cases was given away.

This type of literature should not be allowed in the country at any time, and especially at the present time, he added.

Mr J. M. Taylor said that it was given out freely to the Maoris and was creating discontent.

Continuing, Mr Taylor said that in the suppressing of this type of literature, the Board would give the Government every support.

As a big saloon car turned out of Khyber Pass, Auckland, into Symonds Street, a perambulator tied to the back luggage grid became dislodged and was towed along the roadway behind the vehicle. Misconstruing the signals of the traffic officer on point duty, the driver turned a friendly wave and proceeded serenely on his way pursued by a number of motorists loudly sounding their horns in an endeavour to attract his attention.

STEEL ROADS IN WARTIME

WORK OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

FRENCH TRAVEL

In the vanguard of the British Expeditionary Force that went to France on the outbreak of war were officers of the Railway Engineer and Staff Corps, ultra-specialists of that highly-specialised body, the Royal Engineers.

Their work was to determine in consultation with the General Staff, what extra siding accommodation was immediately required at the base and at the railheads in the British area. Future extensions had to be planned to meet all contingencies, and complete interworking with the French railway authorities arranged for.

Following hard on their heels were men of the constructional, maintenance and running departments. These had already been thoroughly instructed at the Railway Training Centres at home in the special methods of plate-laying, signalling and general working of Continental railways. Wherever they had to make contact they clicked into gear at once with their French brothers of the steel road. If they had not a common language they had a common craft and knowledge.

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Directly a ship arrives at the dockside the Royal Engineers take charge. Their stevedores and "lumpers" do the unloading. They know beforehand what is in the hold, and the rolling stock is ready for the different classes of goods. The quickest possible "turn around" is aimed at, for hold space is valuable.

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Everything Ready.

Repair work on bombed or shelled bridges, sidings, embankments and cuttings may be required at any moment and everything is ready. The Royal Engineer knows only one rule in a crisis—the work must be done.

Most of the men of the Railway Branch of the R.E. now with the B.E.F. are old railwaymen who have supplemented the rather small permanent staff. Their numbers are growing rapidly, for they are being constantly added to by drafts from home.

It is fascinating establishment in the South of England, the Railway Training Centre, more than 1200 men are now under instruction. A railwayman who has mistakenly joined some other unit is not long allowed to hide his talent behind the badge of a gunner or an infantry regiment.

He is routed out and finds himself in the shops or signal box or on the footplate undergoing intensive training for military railway work. Usually he is glad, for the work is interesting and the tradesman's pay is good.

TRACTORS BETTER ONLY ON LARGE AREAS

AUSTRALIAN'S VIEW

"In my view, the horse is undoubtedly the best means of traction for the average-size farm in Australia.

"The Government's policy is consistently to use horses for power at its experimental farms, a policy that indicates that horses provide the cheapest farm power for field purposes."

These statements were made by the Premier of New South Wales (Mr. Mair) in a letter to the Clydesdale Horse Society, in the course of which he pointed out that the Government's Stallion Registration Bill (which has been prepared for submission to Parliament) should go a long way to assist breeders by protecting them against the introduction of reject stallions from neighbouring States.

Over-Production.

Dealing with the economic side of farming, Mr. Mair said: "I feel that the indiscriminate use of tractors instead of horses for power purposes, not only in this country, but also in other large producing countries, particularly the United States of America, Canada, and the Argentine, has contributed in no small measure to the over-production of primary produce and has thereby assisted in depreciating the market value of farm products."

"In the production of wheat, in which tractors are probably used to a greater extent than in any other form of primary industry, it is generally agreed that the excessive production is approximately 10 per cent. This excess is practically equal to the greater production of grain made possible by utilising crops for grain, whereas if horses were used, this proportion of the crop would be utilised for feed on the farm."

Heavy Overhead Commitments.

"An aspect of even greater importance is the heavy overhead cash commitments for the purchase of the tractor, the replacement of worn parts, and the maintenance of the tractor, which the smaller farmer who uses tractors instead of horses is obliged to meet."

"In my view, the horse is undoubtedly the best means of traction for the average-size farm, and it seems to me the tractor finds economic use only in a large area utilised for grain production. Past experience seems to establish the fact that, unless very favourable prices continue year after year, the average farmer inevitably drifts into financial difficulties in order to meet the commitments entered into for the purchase of tractors."

"It cannot be pointed out too strongly," continued Mr. Mair, "that the farmer who works horses, breeds, as most prudent farmers do, or replacements, makes practically no cash payments, and is thus better able to control his financial position. There is also at the present juncture an important national aspect to be considered, namely, that a large sum of money is going out of the country for the purchase of petrol and oil for tractor operations."

"I believe that at present, more than at any time in the history of agriculture, it is necessary to produce economically and hold in check any tendencies which will naturally move in the direction of rising costs."

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WAIKAWA

Mr R. A. Holt, Waipawa, will leave today to enter on his duties at Trentham Camp, where he has been appointed to the Base Hospital.

"DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS FOR SHOWERY, BUT MILD WEATHER.

The "Daily Mail's" special forecast for Hawke's Bay is as follows: Winds: Light to fresh and rather variable.

Weather: Some scattered showers or drizzle, but weather warm and fair with moderate to mild temperatures.

Sea: Slight.

Hastings Weather

Table with meteorological readings for Hastings: Dry bulb temp., Wet bulb temp., Maximum temp., Minimum temp., etc.

Napier Weather

Table with meteorological readings for Napier: Dry bulb temp., Wet bulb temp., Maximum temp., Minimum temp., etc.

Dominion Forecast

General situation: An extensive disturbance with the lowest pressure to the south-west extends over New Zealand. An intense anti-cyclone is centred over South Australia.

Diversion in Court

The loud "pop" as a cork leapt from a bottle created a diversion during the hearing of a licensing case in the Hastings Magistrate's Court yesterday morning.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

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

Old Soldier's Complaint

Sir,—Please allow me space in your widely read paper to let the public of Hastings know what the present Government (the Labour Government, mind you) is doing for the old returned soldiers.

When an outsider comes in for assistance of any kind, and perhaps waiting to be called up, these bright individuals want the name of their antecedents and when in finality they have secured their money I may state that's not all they want to know—everything has to be told them and they make it their business to find if it is true, and one little mistake made, is fatal.

I have a son who has just been through all this humbug. He paid his 5/- a quarter the same as every one else, but it cuts no ice with these gentry. Who gave these individuals the positions they now hold? Who is the big nose behind it all? I suppose these high affairs are paid out of the Social Security funds the same as the men they have employed and who are keeping these gentry—the men they are turning down every day, who come there for a little assistance till they shoulder the guns to save these men. All I can say is, it's an absolute crying shame that such a Government employs these men, and until they are forced to go, it will take a mighty lot to shift some of them.

I ask for someone to go ahead with this thing—someone who has a little sympathy for the soldiers who fought 25 years ago, many of whom are now looking for a job—I am, etc., S'IL VOUS PLAIT.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Power Board's Sympathy

A motion of sympathy with the Government in the dash at the Hastings electric power has arrived, and is to be installed shortly. It is understood that the work is to be done by a contractor, in co-operation with the borough reserves staff and the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board engineer.

Ships Not Cars

"Norway spends her money on ships and not on motor cars," commented Past President J. H. Edmundson who, in his address to the Napier Rotarians at yesterday's luncheon gave an illustration of how the Continental people contrasted with those in New Zealand.

Radio Pioneer

Yesterday's speaker at the Hastings Rotary Club's luncheon, Mr. J. McEwen, was introduced by the president (Mr. E. T. Gifford) as one who had for years managed one of the "B" radio stations at Dunedin. Mr. McEwen is well-known for his work in this direction.

Television Sets

Before the war the cheapest television sets in England sold at £69, said Mr. J. McEwen, in an address to Hastings Rotarians yesterday. The most expensive went up to £200. In American television was an accepted fact, and manufacturers were building sets with this in mind.

Youth Injured at Napier

Injuries to his left hand were received by Douglas Turner, a Hastings youth, when he was engaged in operating a crane at Messrs J. J. Niven and company's foundry, Napier, yesterday afternoon. He is receiving medical attention he was removed to the Napier Hospital and it was found necessary last night to amputate the index finger. His condition late last night was reported satisfactory.

A Great Dairy Country

Norway was probably the greatest dairy-producing country in the world, inasmuch that in Europe there was one head of cattle to every 53 people but in Norway there was one head of cattle to every 23 people, said Past President J. H. Edmundson in addressing members of the Napier Rotary Club at the luncheon yesterday.

Cyclist Fined

For riding a bicycle not equipped with an efficient brake, Joe T. Gillies was fined £2 (10/-) by Mr. J. Miller, S.M., in the Hastings Magistrate's Court yesterday morning. Traffic Inspector H. A. Green, who conducted the prosecution, stated that the defendant had only narrowly avoided collision with a car as a result of having no brake.

Shortage of Ranges

The acute shortage of electric ranges, due to the import restrictions, was discussed at length at yesterday's meeting of the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board. It was stated that the board could obtain only one-third of its range requirements and there had been serious delays in deliveries for some time past. The board is to approach the Government, stressing the urgency of the need for supplies of ranges.

Enthusiastic Footballers

An indication that Havelock North footballers will play their season's matches with the same unflagging enthusiasm which marked all their displays last year, was given at the club's opening practice last night to which 40 players turned up. The number included ten new players. Members were welcomed by the president (Mr. F. Newrick). Before practice began a two-minute silence was observed as a mark of respect to the late Mr. E. J. Wall, who was the club's captain and delegate. Mr. Thompson will coach the teams this year.

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To-day's Diary

Table with theatre listings for Hastings and Napier: Hastings: "The Ware Case," Regent, 2.15 and 8 p.m.; "Coastguard" and "I was a Convict," Cosy, 2 and 7.45 p.m.; "That's Right, You're Wrong," State, 2.15 and 8 p.m.; "Lancer Spy" and "Borrowing Trouble," Municipal, 7.45 p.m. Napier: "The Cheat," Regent, 2 and 8 p.m.; "Three Men," State, 2.15 and 8 p.m.; "Border G-Men" and "Go Chase Yourself," Mayfair, 2 and 7.45 p.m.

Personal

Mr H. Redward, Hastings, is on a visit to Wanganui. Mr S. Jermy, Ohakune, who has been visiting Hastings, returned home yesterday. Mr L. Martin, of Hastings, left yesterday on a visit to Wellington. Mr Athol Williams, Otane, left yesterday for Wellington. Mr J. Wattie left Hastings yesterday on a visit to Wellington. Mr T. C. Denne, conductor of the Waipukurau Municipal Band, has consented to act as adjudicator for a bandman's solo competition to be held at Dannevirke this evening. Mr A. H. Ferguson, former Hawke's Bay County Council clerk, who has been an inmate of a private hospital in Napier for some months, has gone to Palmerston North, where he has entered another private hospital. Mr Ferguson's brother is a resident of Palmerston North. Mr W. Burton, of Theatre Management, Ltd., is visiting Napier and Hastings.

AT THE HOTELS

Mr. J. Forsythe, Mr. N. Maule, Mr. A. Stewart, Mr. A. Kennedy, Mr. W. Lightfoot (Palmerston North), Mr. H. Esson (Masterton), Mr. A. Morgan (Dunedin), Mr. J. Dennen, Mr. C. J. Johnson (Auckland), Mr. G. McKee (Nelson), Mr. W. McNeil, Mr. J. Kerr, Mr. E. Clarke (Wellington), Mr. H. Taylor, Mr. A. Radcliff (Dannevirke), Mr. and Mrs. W. Hoggan (Taihape), Mr. J. Bleakley (Christchurch) are at the Carlton Club Hotel, Hastings.

Mr. J. P. Stoupe, Mr. A. G. Edey, Mr. M. Lubransky, Mr. J. L. Menzies, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campbell, Mr. J. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Gifford (Wellington), Mr. H. Julian (Te Pahi), Mr. P. E. Graham (Wanganui), Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Collins (Newbury, P.N.), Mr. W. J. Wilson (Palmerston North), Mr. L. C. Ashton (Christchurch), Miss Cruise (Auckland) are at the Grand Hotel, Hastings.

Mr. C. A. Campbell, Mr. N. E. Obren, Mr. A. H. Cooper (Auckland), Miss D. Bray, Miss N. McKeown, Mr. A. W. Bedell, Mr. C. W. Miller, Mr. I. Hart, Mr. R. Ashby, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Zander (Wellington), Mrs. A. E. Mansford, Mr. F. Waker, Mr. M. McLeelan, Mr. F. W. Lee, Mr. W. J. Knights (Palmerston North), Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Patterson (Dunedin), Mrs. Norman Loisel (Tolaga Bay), Mr. J. A. Gwyll, Mr. J. Baykell (Christchurch) are at the Masonic Hotel, Napier.

Mr. A. Lynsby, Mr. E. Wales, Mr. D. McLeod, Mr. J. Miller, Miss L. Bristol (Wellington), Mr. F. Martin, Mr. J. Frederick (Gisborne), Mrs. J. Kinross, Mr. T. Kinross (Dunedin), Messdames J. and H. Kinross (Arrowtown), Mr. C. A. Cathcart, Mr. T. E. Dowdle (Pukekawa), Miss J. Byrne (Auckland) are at the Criterion Hotel, Napier.

Mr. A. Howard, Mr. C. Doreen (Matamata), Captain L. Worrall, Mr. W. Burton, Mrs. C. Buckley, Mr. E. S. Toogood, Mr. A. P. Ferguson, Mr. A. S. Edey, Mr. J. P. Stoupe, Mr. R. A. Button (Wellington), Mrs. F. Ellingham (Tauranga) are at the Hotel Central, Napier.

WAIROA: Mr. Dobbie (Wellington), Mr. Stenning (Mokaha), Mr. Cenert (Gisborne), Mr. Ives, Mr. Lachore, Mr. Chubb, Mr. Davies (Napier), Miss McGeberly (Christchurch), are staying at the Ferry Hotel, Wairoa.

Mr. E. G. Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. Lathan, Mr. K. G. Blair, Mr. P. S. Ferguson, Mr. J. W. Birnie (Napier), Mr. T. Armstrong (Ruataniwha), Mr. T. S. Wakilling, Mr. and Mrs. A. Shepherd, Mr. E. Clayton, Mr. R. E. Grant (Gisborne), Mr. R. E. Bathurst, Mrs. S. Bathurst, Mr. J. McKenzie (Wellington), are guests of the Clyde Hotel, Wairoa.

The Breakfast Table logo

"Yes, I can't help thinking how much easier and more comfortable life would be if only my parents would profit by my experience."

"Give up drink, my man, and you will live to 80." "Too late, ma'am!" "It's never too late!" "Yes, it is; I'm 82 now!"

A kindly old gentleman was stopped by a little girl carrying a large parcel. "Please, sir," she said, "is this the second turning to the right?"

There was a scream of brakes as the bus pulled to a sudden stop to avoid a flustered-looking pedestrian who was slithering in the roadway. Crimmon with strain and rage, the driver leaned out of his cab. It was plain he was controlling himself with a great effort as he asked, politely, "May I ask what are your plans, sir?"

"Ever had a serious illness?" the medical officer asked the new recruit. "No, sir!" "Ever had an accident?" "No, sir!" "Not a single accident all your life?" "Well, sir, last spring a bull tossed me over a fence."

"Don't you call that an accident?" snapped the M.O. "The blinking bull did it on purpose."

Him: Are they rich? Her: Middling. "What does that mean?" "Well, so rich that she can dress as well as she likes, but not so rich that he can dress as badly as he likes."

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 1940.

"FREE MEN ARE LOYAL"

When the President of the United States denounced his views anent the way to peace (reported elsewhere in this issue) he said a number of things that have been well known for some time, but one thing in particular that causes a swift, concentrated glance of attention. The familiar things he said related to the easily recognised horrors of modern war and to the fact that they really should not happen at all among civilised peoples. He referred also to the Pan-American model of peace procedure which he held up as an example to the world. He adverted again to the American desire to keep out of war if possible, and to the fact that if in the long run it must be done, force will be met by force.

"We have only asked that the world should go with us along the path of peace," he said, "but we shall be able to keep that way open only if we are prepared to meet force with force if the challenge is ever made." Such statements have emanated again and again from America, and one wonders, as often as the statements are made, what America does regard as a forceful menace against civilisation.

As an interpolation it may be said here that the other day America seemed to be greatly interested in the question as to how the German forces ever reached Narvik, and President Roosevelt in his present statement says: "We know that what happens in the Old World directly and powerfully affects the peace and well-being of the New World." This distinction between old and new is not at all times acceptable, inasmuch as the Old World is fighting the battle for a new world even now—a new world wherein dwelleth righteousness and peace.

So much for the familiar doctrine of American policy, which does not seem at the present time to get much further than words. When the President finally said: "Men cannot everlastingly be loyal unless they are free," he said something that gives abundant opportunity for rumination. American loyalty to American doctrine is based upon American freedom. The Statue of Liberty, with its torch held on high, is the symbol of American citizenship. It is agreed that there can be no lasting loyalty under the iron heel of compulsion of an arbitrary nature. But in Europe and particularly in Nazi Germany there are many illustrations of the frustration of individual freedom leading to the stultification of enlightened effort.

It is surely the duty of the free democracies of the world to set at liberty those of their fellow creatures who are in bondage to a ruthless tyranny. To talk of freedom merely within the bounds of one's own country is to have a narrow ideal of the meaning of that great word. It is questionable if the enlightened conscience can regard itself as being completely free while any other man is in the chains of servitude. Freedom means liberty to do the right thing by the oppressed. The loyalty which freedom brings should step into line with those who are even now endeavouring to make the world safe for free men and women to enjoy in peace.

For a free nation, proud of its freedom and proud of the fact that it represents the New World, to stand by while other free nations rally to the assistance of small peoples in danger of being crushed under the heel of ruthless domination, has in it something that is not quite true to label. It is not in that way that the Old World has learned freedom and the loyalty to free principles that goes with it. The truth would seem to be that America heaved a sigh of relief when she discovered that the British Navy was, after all, equal to its task, and being so, had acted as a shield against the freedom of which America so fondly boasts. America may not be attacked, but freedom is. Force is being used to destroy freedom in the Old World. What has the New World to say about it? There is surely no special American brand of freedom. Why, then, should it not be defended by all free peoples of the world?

Shipping At The Port of Napier

Table with shipping arrivals and departures: SUN Rises, Sets. APRIL. New Moon, 8.18 a.m., 8.18 a.m. First quarter, 16.16 a.m., 1.46 p.m. Full moon, 23.29 p.m., 1.46 p.m. Last quarter, 29.29 p.m., 7.49 p.m. (N.Z. Summer Time).

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Need For Parliament To Meet To Meet OPPOSITION LEADER'S VIEW Essential Function In The Present Crisis

LORD STRABOLGI'S OPINION

"From time to time I myself and the Opposition caucus have drawn attention to the fact that Parliament in New Zealand has not met since late last year, that the intended February assembly was avoided, and that the date of its next sitting is still obscure.

"On the very important subject of Parliament's function in a crisis like this, I wish to engage earnest public consideration. The subject cannot be dismissed easily and I am sure the long period without any Parliament sitting in New Zealand has had a disturbing influence particularly regrettable at this time.

"Particularly, I wish to set before New Zealanders the outline of the functioning of Parliament in England, as well described and analysed by Lord Strabolgi in the February issue of a British magazine. Lord Strabolgi sat as a Labour member in the House of Commons for 13 years, and is now the well-known Labour peer. Not long ago he visited New Zealand.

The above statement has been released for publication by the Hon. A. Hamilton, Leader of the Opposition. He explains that the extracts from Lord Strabolgi's article do not in any way interfere with its purport or train of fact.

Here, according to Mr Hamilton, is what Lord Strabolgi wrote: "Even some of the best friends of our democratic constitution believed that once the guns began to shoot the Mother of Parliaments would be put to sleep for the duration of the war."

- 1. "All normal peace-time legislation was dropped."
2. "No bills unconnected with the prosecution of the war were introduced."
3. "Members waived their rights to introduce private bills."
4. "Parliament pressed successfully for right to discuss public estimates from time to time, and to discuss grievances before Supply."
5. "We have retained the right to discuss, move amendments to, and vote on the War Budget."
6. "Rights are reserved (a) to raise matters involving legislation on Motions for Adjournment; (b) to raise matters not involving legislation on Motions of Adjournment; (c) to table Motions, including Motions of Censure; (d) to move the adjournment on matters of urgent public importance; (e) and (perhaps most important of all) to question Ministers on policy and administration."

"The Opposition party having declined an invitation to participate in the Government, promised general support for the prosecution of the war, while retaining the right to criticise. These criticisms have been constructive.

"The cross-examination of Ministers at question time has always been most valuable, and it has been particularly valuable during the first few months of the war.

"There were inevitable frictions, delays and interruptions of mobilisation and of a change over from a peace time to a war economy. These defects were brought to the light of day.

PATHWAY TO PEACE MUST BE CLEARED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT BROADCASTS NATIONAL IDEALS

Truth And Justice Are Essentials

In a world-wide broadcast, President Roosevelt, speaking at the governing board of the Pan-American Union during the observance of its 50th anniversary, said: "Wars abroad are more horrible and more destructive than ever. The Americas can keep open the way to eventual peace only if they are prepared to meet force with force if the challenge is ever made."

"We in this hemisphere," he added, "do not need to seek a new international order; we have already found it. This was not won by hysterical outcries or violent movements of troops. We did not stamp out nations, capture Governments, or put up innocent people from their homes they had built. We did not invent absurd doctrines of race supremacy, or claim dictatorship through universal revolution."

Mr Roosevelt continued: "Co-operative peace in the Western Hemisphere will not be created by wishful thinking or by the mere desire of soldiers' conditions and ages reviewed; had the Ministry of Information reformed and remodelled."

"The influence of Parliament on the conduct of the war has been great. The one-day secret session (recently repealed) was a success. "Valuable work has been done behind the scenes in committees which have laid statutory powers."

"During the difficult days, the Leader of the Opposition was called into consultation by the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary and informed of principal developments. "In return for a promise of general support the Prime Minister immediately invited the Acting Leader of the Opposition to meet with the principal Ministers directly concerned with the war on any matter that appeared urgent and important."

"Finally members of the Opposition were by agreement delegated liaison officers between particular Ministers and the Opposition parties. These men act as channels of information also to the Ministers and departments. "The system works well."

"In addition, the Opposition parties have their own committees discussing war economy and its various branches. "The House of Commons, in which I am sure the honor of sitting for thirteen years, is the most democratic assembly in the world. It has its defects and it is losing some of its powers. Originally devised as a defence of the people against both nobles and kings—other words, against the bureaucracy of the day—it had become too cumbersome under present-day conditions. A body originally formed to prevent the Executive from doing too much or acting too quickly had not been able to adjust itself to a situation in which governmental action and intervention had become necessary in ever-increasing spheres of national activity. The war has given Parliament a new lease of life. It has, in a way, reverted to its old status of a Grand Council of the Nation."

"The war has had a been extraordinarily good reading. It is our only completely uncensored contemporary publication. There is no censorship of what we will have to put certain of our constitutional liberties in cold storage for the purpose of winning the war. Parliament is performing the double function of seeing that restrictions are not imposed except where necessary, nor applied harshly, nor against the dictates of common sense; and of seeing to it that His Majesty's present advisers, who happened to be in office when we were forced into war, carry out the will of the nation, and prove themselves the most suitable for this purpose."

"Thus Lord Strabolgi tells the story," concluded Mr Hamilton. "The men of New Zealand people will read it with interest. There is food for grave reflection here. It is obvious we must put our house in order. I am sure the vast majority of the people are concerned—about the position I lead is—at the corresponding attitude and function of Parliament here."

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received April 16, 1.45 p.m.) WELLINGTON, April 15. The first casualty list of the Royal New Zealand Air Force is as follows: Corporal J. H. Langridge, of Gisborne, reported missing on active service while participating in his second Norwegian raid on April 13. Corporal Langridge was wireless operator in a bomber. He had previously participated in raids on German ports.

Other New Zealand casualties are: Flying Officer K. J. A. Johnson, of Auckland, missing and believed killed; Pilot Officer D. A. Rankin, of Wellington, missing and believed killed; Pilot Officer G. J. D. Yorke, of Foxton, missing.

PRIME MINISTER REPLIES TO OPPOSITION LEADER Parliament To Meet Early In June Or Sooner If Necessary

By Telegraph—Press Association WELLINGTON, April 16.

An announcement that it was proposed to arrange for Parliament to meet early in June was made by the Prime Minister (the Hon. P. Fraser) in an interview to-night, when the statement by the Leader of the Opposition (the Hon. A. Hamilton) on the function of Parliament in wartime issued to-day was referred to him.

Mr Fraser added that if any serious situation arising from the war developed before that time, Parliament would be convened immediately. "I have perused Mr Hamilton's statement and the quotations from Lord Strabolgi's article with interest," said Mr Fraser. "A good deal of the article is inapplicable to New Zealand conditions. In reference to the paragraphs in Lord Strabolgi's article dealing with the arrangements which the Prime Minister, the Foreign Secretary, and other Ministers have made in regard to entering into consultation with the Leader of the Opposition, I have to point out that similar steps were taken in this country at the outbreak of the war."

"Mr Hamilton, Mr Forbes, and Mr Coates were invited into consultation with the Government. In addition, cables relevant to the war were placed at their disposal. Such consultations can be renewed at any time, and the cables are still available for the Leader of the Opposition and his two colleagues. "Members of both the Government party and the Opposition party have had frequent discussions with Ministers in regard to war matters, and I am personally grateful for the assistance received from all sides of the House."

TASMAN AIR SERVICE EARLY START TO BE MADE FIRST FLIGHT From Auckland To Sydney

By Telegraph—Press Association. AUCKLAND, April 16.

The Tasman air service is likely to be inaugurated early next week or the following Monday or Tuesday, the dates mentioned tentatively as being likely to see the service begun are next Monday or Tuesday of the following Monday or Tuesday, April 29 or 30.

The first flight will be made from Auckland to Sydney in the modified Empire flying-boat Aotearoa, which is regarded as the Tasman Empire Airways' flagship.

Captain J. W. Burgess will probably be in command, and it is expected that passengers will be carried as well as mail. The machine was taken from the water and is now almost ready for service. The Awarua will probably return to her base at Mechanic's Bay this week to be overhauled alongside Aotearoa, which was groomed for the Tasman service some weeks ago.

NAZIS RETICENT ABOUT NARVIK SATURDAY'S BATTLE NOT MENTIONED "A QUIET DAY"

Rumour From Sweden Of Town Burning

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"There was a quiet day at Narvik. Strong British naval forces are blocking the harbour." This announcement from the German High Command is the only news at present available in reference to the situation at Narvik, except for rumours from Stockholm that Narvik is burning, which must be treated with reserve pending official British confirmation.

The German communique does not mention the battle on Saturday but says the situation in South Norway is being consolidated and that there was no enemy naval action in that area. Fighters at Bergen shot down two British planes which had sunk merchantmen, it adds. Messerschmitts brought down two British planes at Stavanger and one near the Dutch-German frontier, while another British plane crashed near Offenburg. "Our naval units in the Skagerrak sank two submarines, making seven sunk in the past few days," concludes the communique.

TASMAN EMPIRE AIRWAYS

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, April 16.

It was announced to-night by the Minister of Aviation (the Hon. P. Jones) that the directors of Tasman Empire Airways Ltd., which company is in process of formation to operate the Tasman air service, will be United Kingdom representatives, A. E. Rudder, C.B.E., Colonel N. S. Falla, C.M.G., D.S.O.; Australian representatives, Fergus McMaster and W. Hudson Fysh, D.F.C.; New Zealand representatives, T. A. Barrow and C. G. White.

"The operations of the company," said the Minister, "will be controlled by a commission, on which will be a representative of the United Kingdom, of Australia, and of New Zealand. It is expected that these appointments will be announced in the near future."

Matinee By New Zealanders In London

Novel Items By Personalities From The Dominion High Receipts

Leslie Henson The Only Englishman On The Programme

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The Duchess of Kent received a bouquet of New Zealand flowers from Kew Gardens at a patriotic matinee at which the programme was supplied almost entirely by New Zealanders. According to Sir Hugh Walpole, the matinee set new West End records for low expenses and high receipts. The receipts totalled £532.

Leslie Henson was the only Englishman on the programme. He auctioned David Low's drawings, routine cleaning of the hull and general inspection of the machine was taken from the water and is now almost ready for service. The Awarua will probably return to her base at Mechanic's Bay this week to be overhauled alongside Aotearoa, which was groomed for the Tasman service some weeks ago.

Songs were contributed by members of the New Zealand Anti-Tank Unit. Members of the staff of New Zealand House gave hakas, led by Paveria Moana. The orchestra played a specially written overture by Douglas Lilburn. Other artists were: Eileen Driscoll, Hubert Carta, Arnold Trivell, Kathleen Levi, Himeona Rosier, Denis Dowling, Stella Murray, Rosina Buckman, Esther Fisher, John Amadio and Keith Wilbur. Sketches were given by Sir Hugh Walpole, Hector Bolitho and Merton Hodge.

NOT SUPERIOR TO JAPAN FIGHTING STRENGTH OF U.S. NAVY Increase In Building Wanted

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Admiral Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, told the Senate Naval Affairs Committee to-day that developments in the European war fighting strength of the United States Navy of 25 per cent. He declared that the Vinson Bill, expanding the tonnage of the navy by 11 per cent, was acceptable, but said that an increase of 25 per cent would better meet defence needs. He added that he did not seek navies in both the Atlantic and the Pacific. A 25 per cent increase would merely permit the maintenance of the five-to-three ratio with Japan.

There was no reliable information in Japanese building since 1936, but the probability is compared with the United States, was: BATTLESHIPS America 8 Japan 8 AIRCRAFT-CARRIERS America 2 Japan 4 CRUISERS America 6 Japan 8 DESTROYERS America 39 Japan 32 SUBMARINES America 19 Japan 20

He added that the accuracy of these figures could not be vouched for. "They are unlikely to be less," he said, "but they may be much more."

A MINELAYER SAVED ALL NORWAY FAKED ORDERS NOT RECEIVED NAVY MISLED

Well Planned Conspiracy Of The Nazis

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received April 16, 11.45 a.m.) NEW YORK, April 15.

A copyright article in the "Chicago Daily News" by Leyland Stowe, writing from Stockholm, for the first time gives the story behind Germany's paralyzing 12-hour conquest of Norway on April 9. He says that the Norwegians still have not the slightest conception of how the tragedy happened.

"Oslo and the seaports were not captured by means of armed force; they were seized as the result of a gigantic conspiracy ranking among the most audacious and best-oleed political plots in the last century," Mr. Stowe declares.

Treason "By bribery, infiltration of Nazi agents, and the treason of a few highly-placed army and civilian officials, the Germans built a Trojan horse, spiked the Navy's guns, and reduced the fortresses to impotence. "It is most reliably stated," adds Mr. Stowe, "that German troops sailed on the night of April 4, three days before the British mined the Norwegian coast, and also that the German generals strongly opposed the invasion on the grounds that their communications would be dangerously exposed."

Continuing, Mr. Stowe says that, on the night of April 5, the German Legation at Oslo invited 200 influential people to see a film of the destruction of Poland, after which the Minister explained that it was a peace and not a war film, since it showed that nations which elected for peace saved their people from suffering.

Warships Mined Three and a half hours before Professor Koht, Norwegian Foreign Minister, received the ultimatum on April 9, the commanders of three Norwegian warships at Horten were ordered, ostensibly by the Foreign Office, to land their crews unarmed and not to oppose the Germans. Meanwhile, the mines in the narrows of Oslo Fjord were disconnected, enabling German penetration. A cruiser, believed to be the Emden, and two submarines reached Horten half an hour before Professor Koht received the ultimatum. The Norwegians were helpless, but the minery crew evaded, which was returning unexpectedly for repairs, had not received the faked orders, blocked the entrance and torpedoed the cruiser and one submarine.

Decision to Fight "The News-Chronicle's" correspondent at Stockholm reveals that Norway's decision to fight was for some time in the balance. King Haakon refused the Government's resignation, and the Government asked the Storting (Parliament) for powers to negotiate an agreement with Germany. Three negotiators were appointed to go to Oslo when news came of how a handful of Norwegian soldiers had repulsed German soldiers pursuing King Haakon. Meanwhile, the puppet Government was created. These incidents turned the scale. Norway decided to fight.

Payment for Goods "Until further notice, Norwegian subjects are instructed to accept, as legal currency in payment of goods and services, given, English and French coins and notes. The first signs of it are the recapture of Narvik and the country around it. "A number of Norwegian pilots have already taken up their duties with the Navy. Norwegian officers attached to the German Navy Force have arrived in England and have established contact with the military authorities.

Air Raids Now Threatened REPRISAL ON BRITAIN Hints From Nazis At Berlin LYING CAMPAIGN

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received April 16, 12.45 p.m.) AMSTERDAM, April 15.

The Berlin correspondent of the newspaper "Handelsblad" says that Nazi officials are hinting at deliberate bombardment of British towns. This, he says, has been promised for the British bombing of Bergen. A campaign to build up for the Allies a reputation for frightfulness includes indignant Press allegations that the British machine-gunned German sailors as they were swimming in Narvik harbour. "An official declared to-day: "Germany henceforth will make the Norwegian coast a base for aerial and submarine attacks against Britain."

He added: "The continual British naval and air force attacks on Narvik, Bergen, Stavanger and other points have released Germany from her guarantee not to use Denmark and Norway as bases for action against Britain."

GERMAN SHIPS MINED IN KATTEGAT Ferry Boat Damaged In Explosion

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Two German cargo ships were badly damaged by mines in the Kattegat to-day. A Danish ferry boat also was damaged by an explosion in the Great Belt. There were no casualties. It is announced by the Berlin radio that Germany has mined the Great Belt, the main passage from the Kattegat to the Baltic.

MR. J. A. LEE WILL PUBLISH EXPLANATORY PAMPHLET He And Mr Barnard Are Perturbed About The General Situation

By Telegraph—Press Association WELLINGTON, April 16.

An intimation that he intended to publish a pamphlet that would enable the people to realise the real nature of the conflict in the Labour Party of which he had been the centre was made by Mr. J. A. Lee, M.P., who was recently expelled from the party.

"This is one pamphlet," he said, "which the National Executive of the Labour Party will not mail, however much they may desire to mail the author. This pamphlet covers what is of concern for the future. "Mr Barnard," he added, "has been taken to task for saying that this is more than one man's war. My opinion is that no member of the Labour Party has been more urgent regarding defence than Mr Barnard. Like myself, he believes that we should give what we can. Like myself, he is perturbed over the announcement that we are to borrow externally £20,000,000 for the next year. If hostilities flare up, the figure may go to £30,000,000. That would give us an external debt of £300,000,000 in five years."

"Parliament should be able to discuss and determine our effort according to what we can give of our own men and our own material. "New Zealand alone of all British countries produces no war material. I can claim myself to have prepared and had published more recruiting material than all the Cabinet and members of the Labour Party put together. "There is a task for Mr Barnard and myself, and that is to build a lifeboat for radicalism before a 'MacDonald' sinks the Labour ship. "We'll start this week in Grey Lynn."

TROOPS ARRIVE IN NORWAY RESIDENTS ASKED TO CO-OPERATE CASH PROBLEM English And French Coins Legal Tender

British Official Wireless. (Received April 16, 12.45 p.m.) RUGBY, April 15.

The following message to Norwegians was issued by the Norwegian Government on Monday evening:—"Help for Norway, which the Norwegian Government has asked the British and French Governments to provide, is being given, and is assuming great proportions. The first signs of it are the recapture of Narvik and the country around it. "A number of Norwegian pilots have already taken up their duties with the Navy. Norwegian officers attached to the German Navy Force have arrived in England and have established contact with the military authorities.

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Details will be announced later from the B.E.C. and the broadcasting station of the Norwegian Government as soon as it is set up. All Norwegian military and civil authorities are ordered to enter into closest contact with our British and French Allies and to give them all the assistance they can.

Treason and Espionage "Every Norwegian subject has a duty to support the authorities in every way, communicate to them all information about the activities and movements of the enemy and about treason and espionage in Norway. In the hard time which lies before us the Norwegian people must establish its rights to a victorious national life and national independence. "Let the words of our national anthem ring in every Norwegian heart. "We all are ready to fight when it is required of us for our peace!"

Double Accident At Havelock COURT SEQUEL Charge Of Negligent Driving

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received April 16, 12.45 p.m.) HAVELOCK, April 15.

A sequel to a double accident at Havelock North was heard in the Hastings Magistrate's Court yesterday, when Francis Charles Lawrence Johnson pleaded guilty to a charge of negligently driving a motor cycle in Te Mata Road. Stating that this appeared to be a very bad case, the Magistrate (Mr. J. Miller) fined the defendant £5 and £2 15s. His licence was cancelled for a year. Conducting the prosecution Senior Sergeant P. C. Felton said that Johnson had rounded a curve in the road travelling at about 45 miles an hour on his wrong side. He collided with a girl on a bicycle, swerved across the road and collided with a taxi cab. The cycle caught on fire, the taxi was damaged, and Johnson received injuries which resulted in his removal to the hospital. There was some suggestion of liquor in the case, said the senior sergeant, but Johnson's injuries made it impossible to prove intoxication by a subsequent medical examination. The girl was also injured. "There was either gross negligence or carelessness," said the Magistrate in imposing the fine. "However, he was the main sufferer, fortunately."

Visit To South Sea Islands NAPIER ADDRESS Round Table Club Meets INFORMAL DEBATE

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An instructive lecture on his recent trip to the South Sea Islands which he illustrated with excellent coloured moving pictures was given by Mr A. E. Lawry at last night's meeting of the Napier Round Table Club. The chairman (Mr L. C. Mendelsohn) presided over an attendance of 20 members. A highlight of the meeting was the informal debate on "Should Freedom of Speech be limited during times of National emergency?" In which all members took part. At the conclusion of the meeting a vote of thanks to Mr Lawry for his address moved by the chairman was carried by acclamation.

Marine Inquiry To-day HEARING AT NAPIER Sequel To Vessels In Collision ONE WITH EXPLOSIVES

At the request of the Minister of Marine (the Hon. F. Jones) the inquiry into the collision in the Napier roadstead between the explosives vessel Miro, and the coastal vessel, Koutunui, will open at Napier to-day.

Mr J. Miller, S.M., Napier, will preside over the inquiry, which will begin at 10 a.m. The three assessors appointed to act in the inquiry, Captains L. Campbell, H. Worrall and G. Wilkinson, Wellington, arrived in the town last evening. Mr J. H. Prenderville, of the Crown Law Office, Wellington, who will represent the Marine Department at the inquiry, has also arrived. Mr G. B. Hymes will represent the Napier Harbour Board.

Mr L. W. Willis will appear for Messrs Richardson and Co., Ltd., owners of the vessel Koutunui, and Mr A. H. Cooper (Auckland) will appear for Campbell Brothers, owners of the vessel Miro.

STIMULATION OF RECRUITING HASTINGS EFFORT PRAISED GOOD TRAINING Association's Work Eulogised

Appreciation of the efforts of the Hastings Territorial Association to stimulate territorial recruiting is expressed in a letter forwarded to the president of the association (Colonel H. Holderness) by Lieut-Colonel I. W. Irving. "I would be glad if you would kindly convey my sincere thanks to the members of your association for the interest they have taken in the regiment," states the letter. "The response to my recent appeal for your assistance was most gratifying. It was really a pleasure to have so many troops in camp; we were able to do some training worth while. "I am looking forward to seeing some of you when I pay a visit to Hastings. I should like personally to thank all the employers too; without their goodwill and help we wouldn't get very far. "The association has already more than justified its formation."

SIDELIGHTS ON LIFE IN NORWEGIAN TERRITORY

Timely And Interesting Address To The Napier Rotarians

In the course of an interesting address delivered at yesterday's meeting of the Napier Rotary Club, Mr. J. H. Edmondson, who visited Norway recently, gave some illuminating sidelights on the life of the people of that country. His address was particularly interesting in view of the fact that Norway is in the forefront of the news of the day.

He referred to Norway as a land of extremes, wherein there was too much darkness in winter and too intense sunshine in summer; a land in which there was an excess of rain and yet a deficiency of soil; and yet a land that was (until recently) happy and prosperous.

Mr. Edmondson went carefully into the details of the agricultural pursuits of Norway, and recounted many interesting historic facts. It was a hard life which people had to live in that country, he said, and they had to contend with many barren areas. The high plateau which bisected the country from north to south was mostly sterile. The only watershed worthy of the name was in the southern district.

The inevitable consequence, said the speaker, was that the country had to be farmed on a small, individual scale, and because of its climate certain products were impossible. For instance, Norway was one of the six countries in the world which could not under any circumstances produce sugar beet. The national lack of sunshine was responsible for this regrettable fact.

Referring to scenic attractions, Mr. Edmondson said that the Norwegian fjords were of splendid beauty and grandeur and that the multitudes of islands in the fjords were entrancing.

As a result of the poor return from the land, the Norwegians for most part took to their boats to secure their food from the sea. The blood of the Vikings was in their veins.

Old History. Mr. Edmondson made swift and interesting allusions to the prowess of the Normans of old and outlined the spread of the Norman culture in the early days of Iceland, Greenland, Labrador, the Baltic, Russia, Britain and the north of France.

It was always found, he said, that wherever the Norseman went they investigated the people. They now dominated the whaling industry of the world and more than 10,000 of the population were earning their living in the Antarctic.

Although the population of Norway was only 2,900,000, this nation was the fourth mercantile marine power in the world.

Among Norway's great men were Nansen and Amundsen, the great explorers, the latter having discovered the South Pole. The Norwegian flag, said Mr. Edmondson, flies on all the seven seas and the mercantile marine tonnage is the greatest per capita in the world.

Hammerfest, in northern Norway, was the farthest north community in the world, but its temperature compared favourably with Oslo or Berlin, due to the effect of the Gulf Stream.

On the motion of Rotarian F. W. Peters, Mr. Edmondson was accorded a vote of thanks, which was carried by acclamation.

FOOTBALL MATCHES ARRANGED

Hastings Fixtures

REFEREES AND GROUNDS

Boots To Be Inspected

The following are the Hastings football matches to be played on Saturday, April 20:

Senior Grade. Celtic v. Tech-High, Nelson Park, No. 1, 3 p.m.—Mr. E. Singleton.

H.S.O.B. v. Havelock North, Nelson Park No. 2, 3 p.m.—Mr. W. Scott.

Junior Grade. Celtic v. Mercantile, Nelson Park No. 1, 1.30 p.m.—Mr. H. Davidson.

Hastings v. Havelock North, Havelock, 2 p.m.—Mr. A. Kirkpatrick.

Third Grade. High School v. Celtic, School No. 3, 1.30 p.m.—Mr. C. Lennon.

Hastings v. H.S.O.B., Akina No. 1, 1.30 p.m.—Mr. F. Duigan.

Havelock v. Haumoana, Nelson Park No. 2, 1.30 p.m.—Mr. N. Swallow.

Fourth Grade. High School v. Celtic, School No. 4, 1.30 p.m.—J. Scott.

M.A.C. v. High School B, No. 3, 3 p.m.—J. Gearty.

Hastings v. H.S.O.B., Akina No. 2, 1.30 p.m.—Mr. R. Pearson.

Fifth Grade. High School A v. High School D, School No. 2, 1.30 p.m.—Mr. B. Galvin.

Hastings v. High School B, School No. 5, 1.30 p.m.—Mr. G. Bainbridge.

Celtic v. High School C, School No. 2, 3 p.m.—Mr. C. Lennon.

Touch Judges: Nelson Park No. 1, Messrs Thurlow and Spooner.

Players are asked to note that boots will be inspected before the start of the games.

CHAMPIONSHIP TO VULTURE

Napier Sailing Club Race

The yacht Vulture succeeded in winning the Napier Sailing Club's Idle-club championship race held over a course in the Napier roadstead.

The course was from a buoy at the pier heads at Port Ahuriri, around a buoy well out in the roadstead, and around a third near the breakwater. This course had to be completed twice.

The wind was south-easterly, giving the yachts a lead on two sides of the course.

The three boats competing were: Cimba (R. Warren, W. Tallor and H. Tallor), Vulture (L. Wig, G. Hartshorn and R. Wig) Ariel (B. Painter, H. Painter and H. Buchanan).

Mr. M. Williams was the official starter.

APPLICATIONS AT HASTINGS

THE NO. 2 LICENSING AUTHORITY SITTING HELD Business Conducted Yesterday

A fairly lengthy list of applications was heard by the No. 2 Transport Licensing Authority (Mr. P. Skoglund) at a sitting in Hastings yesterday afternoon.

An application from D. Reid, holder of an area licence for the Hawke's Bay County, for the transport of fruit from the grading store to the railway station was granted.

In connection with the transport of tramping clubs, E. Draper applied for a licence, which was granted for the Hawke's Bay province and Rangitikei County. Concerning the charges made for this service he mentioned that the rate would have to be inquired into, Mr. Skoglund commenting that he could not allow the operator to use his truck at less than the operating cost.

License Transfer. A taxi-proprietor, T. W. Naisbitt, applied for the transfer of one private licence to a taxi licence. It was stated that he had had four ordinary taxi licences and the private hire car, as there had been insufficient room on the stand for a fifth licence, he had now had one made in this respect. The transfer was granted.

For mail-carrying between the railway station and the Post Office J. Maclean was granted a licence. Messrs C. H. Slater Ltd., Produce Distributors Ltd. and Geo. McCutcheon Ltd., each applied for licences for town carrying of fruit, vegetables and empty cases. The licences were granted for a radius of 20 miles.

An application from G. Walker requested that the right to carry passengers be eliminated from his transport licence. This was granted. Mr. Walker stating that particularly since the outbreak of war, when many young men had left the Waimarama district, there was no necessity for the service.

Borough Distribution. An adjourned application from Tom Brown Ltd. for Borough licences was also considered yesterday. It was stated that the licences were required for the distribution of bulk quantities of coal and timber within the borough.

"I don't like the idea of big area carriers coming into the borough to do the work of the town carriers," commented Mr. Skoglund, "but I can understand that they may sometimes have bulk carrying to do." The distributing should be left to the town carriers.

A representative of the town carriers stated that the firm could do no carrying or distributing in the borough, as the material on which themselves had not the vehicles to do.

Mr. Skoglund reserved his decision, leaving the way open for both parties to discuss the question and come to some agreement.

J. F. Lambertson was granted his application for a taxi licence. Consideration of amendments to the tariff schedule for area carriers was deferred, as the material on this question had not been completed.

Increased Costs. The increases in the cost of petrol and tyres were mentioned as reasons why the cartage rates for town carriers should be increased. In consideration of this Mr. Skoglund granted a 32.3 per cent. increase on such time as the whole question of costs can be reviewed.

The payment by the Internal Marketing Department for the cartage of fruit was also considered yesterday. In Hastings, it was stated, the department paid only 1d. a case, while in Wellington 11d was paid.

Mr. Skoglund gave it as his opinion that payment should be at the rate of 10d a hundred, and said that he would bring the question up with the department to arrive at a decision.

CIVIL CASES HEARD AT HASTINGS

Magistrate's Court Yesterday

Judgment for plaintiffs, in default of defendants, was entered in the following cases at the Hastings Magistrate's Court yesterday, by Mr. J. Miller, S.M.: A. J. Videman v. H. S. Rowe £1 9s 11d, costs 11s; C. G. Romaine v. H. H. Jones £1 12s, costs 19s; B. A. Sanders v. W. J. Clarry and J. White, £19 6s, costs £3 7s; Hector Jones Electrical Co. Ltd. v. Les Henry £4 7 6d, costs £1 5s 6d; H.B. Farmers Co-op. v. L. F. Henry £124 1s 10d, costs 6 14s; Olive Collins v. G. H. Humphries £46 16s, costs 45 18s; H. Connors v. Tullow £5, costs 1 3s 6d; A. J. Jones and Co. v. J. Harding £2 15s, costs £1 4s 6d; A. J. Jones and Co. v. Geo. Kay £11 15s 5d, costs £2 17s; H. J. Grieve Ltd. v. J. J. Harding £3 10s, costs £1 4s 6d; H.B. Daily Mail v. L. Holder £1 10s costs 8s.

In a judgment summons case, H. J. Behan was ordered to pay Roach's Ltd. £34 12s 2d forthwith, in default 26 days' imprisonment.

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NAPIER MAN DECORATED—News has been received that his Majesty the King held an investiture at Buckingham Palace on March 5. Among several New Zealanders who received honours was Squadron Leader Hector D. McGregor, whose picture is here reproduced, who received the D.S.O. He is an old boy of Napier Boys' High School and the eldest son of Mr and Mrs Hector McGregor, Napier.

LICENSING CASE AT HASTINGS

THREE CHARGES PREFERRED GRAND HOTEL

Magistrate Reserves His Decision

A visit to the hotel in question by the Magistrate (Mr. J. Miller), the police and the licensee constituted an unusual procedure during the hearing of a licensing case in the Hastings Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The case was one in which the licensee of the Grand Hotel, James Allen Gallagher, was charged with opening the premises for the sale of liquor after hours, exposing liquor for sale after hours, and selling liquor after hours.

The defendant entered a plea of not guilty on all three counts. After hearing the evidence of a number of witnesses the Magistrate reserved his decision. It was not a licensing case of the usual kind, said the Magistrate, and had several unusual features. He had to consider these, in conjunction with what he had seen at the hotel.

The Magistrate's visit to the hotel was made after all evidence had been taken. Counsel for the defence (Mr. E. J. W. Hallett) contended that the police on their visit to the hotel might have been misled by reflections in the glass panels of the bar door. This was the chief objection of the Magistrate's visit.

Conducting the prosecution, Senior Sergeant P. C. Felton stated that at 8 p.m. on March 16 Sergeant Straffon and Constable Boate entered the Grand Hotel by the front door, which was open. As they were walking along the passage they could see two men leaving the private bar. As the police approached the bar door was closed, and the two men, whom the police could see through a glass panel in the door, disappeared.

The sergeant followed one of the men to the yard, and found that he was carrying two parcels containing liquor. This man, who was charged with being on licensed premises after hours, as the material on which he had procured the liquor at 5.20 p.m., and had told the barman to put it aside for him, said the sergeant. He subsequently said that he had been in the bar at 5.15 p.m., and had telephoned the hotel and made the request to have the beer put aside.

The licensee had been sent for, continued the senior-sergeant, and when he arrived the man who had been found in the yard said, "Well, I will be quite honest with you, I was in the bar and got the liquor."

The police contended that the bar was open, stated the senior-sergeant, and that the man in the yard was the barman. As for the sale of the liquor, they had no proof except this man's statement and the fact that the police saw two men come out of the bar.

Sergeant N. Straffon stated that he and the constable entered by the main doors, and on looking through the glass panels in the doors saw two men in the bar. One of these was the man charged with being on licensed premises after hours, and the other was A. Bishop, a barman employed by the licensee. The other man was carrying two parcels.

He followed the latter as he left the bar and overtook him in the hotel yard, continued Sergeant Straffon. He identified him and asked him if he was doing in the bar. He denied that he had been in the bar.

Case For Defence. Presenting the case for the defence, Mr. Hallett stated that the man charged with being unlawfully on premises was in the hotel as a guest of a boarder named Julian. He had purchased the liquor before 6 p.m., and at the invitation of Julian had gone upstairs.

After spending some time in the lounge with Julian, he went downstairs to collect the bottles, and it was then that the police came in. It was submitted that the police had only assumed that one of the men had seen come out of the bar was the man charged because they saw him standing in the passage when they passed through the swing doors.

Two barmen concerned gave evidence that they had been in the bar from the closing time at 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., engaged in cleaning up. During that period no one else had been in the bar.

Mr. Hallett stated the Magistrate reserved his decision.

AN ESTABLISHED INVENTION

THE DEVELOPMENT OF TELEVISION HASTINGS TALK

Possibilities Of A New Field

"Is television possible?" was the question most people had asked in connection with this subject, remarked Mr. J. B. McEwen, speaker at the Hastings Rotary Club's luncheon yesterday.

In America, and before the war, in England, television was an accomplished fact, he added.

Almost everyone, it asked, would say that Marconi was the inventor of radio, said Mr. McEwen. This was not so; Marconi had merely commercialised it. Similarly, with television, no one man could be called its inventor. Television could be traced back as far as 1884.

A television picture was built up of 17,000 odd lines a second which flashed across the screen so that the eye recognised a complete picture. An invention in 1884 made this possible; this was a round disc with holes in it for viewing different parts of the picture.

Land Line Sets. At a much later date the inventor Baird had taken out patents for a television set which did not use radio waves; the television and the receiver were connected by a land line. In America, Jenkinson also patented his own design. Television thus progressed to a total of 80 lines to form one complete picture. The definition, however, was not clear enough.

About 1930 the development of a television tube, after the style of a radio tube, eliminated the mechanical means of transmission. The tube sent out a small pin-point of light, and the image to be sent was placed on this beam.

"When this tube came into operation it solved all the major television problems," said the speaker. "The minor ones, of course, are still there. Today, however, the experts agree that television is quite as good as the movies."

Limited Radius. Television's radius was limited to 20 miles, except on freak occasions such as the one when an English transmission was received in America.

This limitation was being overcome by placing stations forty miles apart, so that their radii overlapped and connecting them by land lines.

"I don't think television will take the place of programmes we know today," said Mr. McEwen. The reason was, he said, that television demands concentration of the mind, whereas it was possible to listen to the radio subconsciously while otherwise engaged.

In England the British Broadcasting Corporation had thrown its whole-heartedly into the development of television, and had cut down its ordinary broadcasts so that more funds might be available for this purpose.

Standards Introduced. Television had been standardised, as it had been realised that unless there was a standard of the manufacturers of sets had nothing to work on. Finally 441 lines per picture had been chosen; this gave a high degree of definition.

One of the main troubles in picking up a programme had been the intensity of the light needed. Improvements to-day now meant that less light was necessary.

Another problem had been that the beam of light from the receiving tube had at first been a pale green, giving the picture a sickly colour. Now, however, a black-and-white result had been achieved.

Commenting upon the possibility of the introduction of television into New Zealand, Mr. McEwen remarked that had it not been for the war it was rumoured that a television station might have been established this year. There were men who wanted to see this come about, but were naturally not prepared to experiment with no hope of returns to help them.

Uses in War. A question frequently asked was "Can television be used in war?" Mr. McEwen continued. It was known that Baird had demonstrated to the British Government a television mounted on an aeroplane and used for "spotting" shells landing on their target. The apparatus, however, would never stand up to such strain and vibration, and the high cost would be a deterrent. Mr. McEwen added that he would not be surprised to see that the war aided the development of television as the last war had speeded up the development of aeroplanes.

High Voltage. A factor which motivated against the television receivers had been the extremely high voltage required by the tubes. An American, William Priest, had brought out a system which did not need such a high voltage, 50 volts being sufficient.

Commenting briefly on the possibilities of radio controlled devices, Mr. McEwen said that "planes could by this means be sent on piloted, on bombing raids, but the difficulty would be that outside a certain radius the enemy could also control them."

A statement from an American source revealed the possibility that the torpedo which sank the Courageous had been radio controlled. In this case counter measures could not be taken quickly enough.

FOOD PRODUCTION IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Over A Thousand Tractors Used In War Cultivation Scheme

More than 1100 tractors are at work in the six counties of Northern Ireland, changing the face of the countryside, in an effort to increase food production, says the "Christian Science Monitor."

The objective is the cultivation of an additional quarter of a million acres for the 1940 crops. Great progress in this direction has been made, and a supreme effort was under way to reach the desired goal by the end of March.

Agricultural policy in Ulster since the outbreak of the war has been dominated by three aims—to produce more food for human consumption, to overcome the shortage of imported feeding stuffs for farm stock, and to secure a substantial increase in flax acreage so that the linen industry may be assured of supplies and of an indispensable raw material.

Northern Ireland has a numerous community of small farmers. Over 65 per cent. of its 100,000 agricultural holdings do not exceed 30 acres in extent. To the casual visitor they resemble a patchwork quilt, yet their total production is high, and they constitute one of the major industries in the country.

Particular interest is being centred upon the raising of flax, for use in the manufacture of linen, for a great drive is in progress for the expansion of linen exports, even though the demands for the defence services are on the increase.

The Ulster Ministry of Commerce, working in close co-operation with the regional organisation of the British Ministry of Supply, is doing much to insure the fuller use of the manpower and productive capacity of Northern Ireland in connection with the national war effort.

Meanwhile, other departments of the Northern Government are doing war work of no less value. Departmental Activity. The Ministry of Finance is the driving power behind the war savings campaign, which is marshalling the thrift of the people and insuring that their savings are made available for Government purposes through popular forms of investment.

The Ministry of Home Affairs has organised a scheme of civil defence, and the Ministry of Education is co-operating in the arrangements for the evacuation of Belfast's school population in the event of air attack.

The problem of the complete utilisation of Northern Ireland's labour power has not yet been solved. As in Great Britain, so in Ulster, a considerable amount of labour is still available for further war work. The question of putting it to the most productive use is being closely studied by the British and Northern Ireland Governments.

Legislative Reform. While these wartime activities are proceeding, the Parliament of Northern Ireland is engaged on a legislative programme which, though curtailed in consequence of the abnormal conditions of the time, is progressive and democratic. Evils

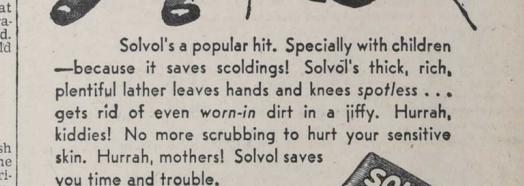
arising out of the hire-purchase system are being remedied, and legal protection is being given the public against fraudulent dealers in securities.

The position of old-age pensioners is being improved, and social services are being maintained on a generous scale, the theory of parity with Great Britain being strictly observed by agreement with the Treasury at Westminster. There is evident a rising standard of social well-being in town and country.

Matters brought forward by the Associated Chambers of Commerce of New Zealand included the following: New Zealand goods on enemy ships, taxation matters, economic planning, import control, local government amalgamation bill, liability for motor accidents, hospital administration costs and "black" financial operations.

Sub-committees were appointed to consider and report on hospital administration costs, and liability for motor accidents. A copy of a letter from the Commissioner of Taxes was received, in connection with the proposed revision of depreciation allowances, and this is available at the secretary's office for the information of interested members.

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Okawa Handicap A Fiasco

YOUNG MEN SHOULD BE GIVEN A CHANCE

Jumpers Now Gird Their Loins

(By MOTUROA.)

Excellently conducted and providing two days of splendid sport, the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's autumn meeting last week increased its popularity with the racing public throughout the province. The unkindness of the weather deities on Saturday was unfortunate, but there was one thing that left an unpalatable taste in the mouths of the club's patrons when they went home on Saturday.

That was the start for the Okawa Handicap. The showery weather, the bad light, and a dozen other things might have contributed to the restlessness shown by the horses in other races during the day and made the position of the starter an invidious one, but if anything looked like a false start it was the one effected in the concluding event. The field turned 50 yards behind the barrier and began to walk in, with Footloose, who was "toey," a couple of lengths ahead of Endorsement, Rakahanga, Native Song, and Solaria. The other seven starters were two or three lengths still further back.

To the surprise of the riders in the race and of those watching the start carefully from the stands, the barrier was suddenly released, without even Footloose being up to the line. The result was that the field went off in three divisions and several smart gallopers were hopelessly out of the race from the rise of the tapes.

The public have not yet forgotten the "Halley incident" at Hastings just 12 months ago, and this latest performance cannot be calculated to engender confidence in the starter. The public interests could have been protected by an inquiry being prosecuted into the affair, as other clubs have done when their starters have not given fairly general satisfaction.

There may be some explanation for the apparent lack of control at the start and that explanation the public has every right to know.

Then there is Anini, who won at Feilding and Woodville in the spring and who looks a better mare all round now. She should have gained confidence as the result of her early experience and should go on to better things.

Greene has two promising novices in Hyderabad and Khyber, who have jumped well both over hurdles and over the tall timber.

JOHN CHARLES BACKWARD CONSIDERABLE interest is being taken in the progress of John Charles, who has not been hurried by Greene because of the hard tracks, but now that conditions have improved it is likely that this good jumper will be set more serious tasks.

Not an easy horse to train, John Charles has proved himself a high class jumper and his brief session on the Turf last winter saw him win the Manawatu and Greenlane

farm and it would not surprise to see him put to jumping when six weeks. Hume, who has been shin-sore for a few weeks, is to be given an easy time. She ran quite a good race on Saturday for a green youngster.

Most of the starters operating today are men getting on in years. Their eye is not as keen as before; neither can they sum up a position as smartly. Therefore they should give way to younger men, for it is hard to believe that there are not young men in the country who could make a better job of the starting than is done at present.

JEALOUSLY GUARDED HOWEVER, it is easier for the camel to pass through the Eye of the Needle than for a newcomer to enter the ranks of starters. These positions are jealously guarded, and retained so well that it would seem that string-pulling is often in existence.

As a racing journalist I have had the opportunity of seeing many promising young men welding the starting barrier during training operations on various tracks in the North Island—racing custodians, trainers and others. Yet, although complaints pour in about starting to practically all clubs, these younger men are not given a chance to show their ability.

One young man was to be given the opportunity at the matinee meeting at Hastings in the spring, but the official starter made it a point of coming to the meeting and was pleased to officiate. That was most kind of him, but the novice was not given the chance to show his ability and he will have to whistle for another opportunity.

We have reached the state where a big improvement generally is a necessity, and it might be a good idea if the Chief Stipendiary Steward went around and tried out applicants on training mornings.

CHARADE SHOWS CLASS ALTHOUGH she had to take third place to Queen's Dream and Lady Stella on Saturday the Lord Quex mare Charade led the impression that she was a class above her more seasoned opponents, and, on the day, she certainly looked rather unlucky.

Charade, who had not raced over hurdles since she ran third to Padishah and Aussia Ra in the Grand National Hurdles in August, striped bright and well for the fray and her rider was probably wise in not bustling her in the early stages. She was still half a mile from home, but she began a forward move from there and was looming up, dangerous at the last hurdle. However she rapped that one hard and it put her out of her stride for a second or two—that cost her a chance of success.

Charade is a grand jumper and a generous galloper. Like all the stock of Lord Quex she mellows with age and the Great Northern Hurdles winner again promises to be a force to be contended with in the jumping field this winter, for she has also shown ability as a steeplechaser.

FINE JUMPING TEAM HARRY GREENE, the popular Greenmeadows trainer, will have a great team of jumpers for the coming winter meetings apart from Charade, and he is again likely to win a goodly share of the jumping prizes offered.

Also carrying Charade's colours is Begorrah, who is capable of much better form than that he showed last week. He won a double at Riccarton in good style in August, and he was responsible for a good display over the tall timber at Ellerslie at Easter. He is a fine, big gelding, too, and it will surprise if he does not prove as good at chasing as at hurdling.

In other centres, however, the jumpers are already the centre of interest and Awapuni will again be able to put a very strong lot into the field. Many of these horses will be seen in action at Waverley next week.

Hunting Lore, Hirangi and Devon have all been hurdling well at Awapuni and they should play a prominent part in the decision of the Westholm Hurdles there.

In the Waverley Steeplechase that former promising jumper Bryce Street is to reappear, while another Awapuni candidate is Little Briton, who is now also in Knapp's care.

GOSSIP AROUND THE TRACKS

BLUE TIGER WELL

Centrepoise Again In Work

(By MOTUROA.)

Blue Tiger (J. Dooley) was the only one asked to do anything serious at Hastings yesterday morning and the Garter Blue gelding schooled well over three hurdles before doing a round of solid pace-work. He has come along nicely in the past few weeks.

Arabic, who is also booked to race at Waverley, did strong pace work on the No. 2 grass track.

GREATLY IMPROVED FORM

CHERRY BAY beat only two home in the Nursery Handicap at Hastings on Thursday but there was a different story to tell on Saturday when she followed Black Out to the three and then shot away to win by many lengths. This improvement in form was remarkable, especially as the Awapuni filly had shown no ability to go with the best in the hard going at Riccarton at Easter. She certainly left the punters lamenting, but it must not be overlooked that she had a very bad passage the first day.

Quick Recovery

Autress was exercised. She was galloped on in the Akitio Handicap on Saturday, but has responded well to treatment and she may go to Hawera next month for the well-endowed Champion Hack Plate.

To Spell Now

Lindem, who could not handle the heavy going, has been turned out for a well earned spell. He has been in work for over twelve months and in the past two months he has won his way into good open company. He should be a useful horse next season.

New Owner

Harold Griffith has taken over the ownership of Myology. The Myosotis-Lady Desmond filly ran a greatly improved race at Hastings last week and is bred well enough to suggest distinct possibilities.

Centrepoise Well

Griffith, by the way, has that good horse Centrepoise doing light work. The Hunting Song gelding looks a piece and appears to have thickened out appreciably. He may be raced at the later winter meetings.

Disappointed

Kalka disappointed her connections at Hastings, though her two races produced a fourth and a third. She has gone out for a spell on the

Other Racing News will be found on Page 5.

Champion Jumper

Padishah has cleaned up nicely with his two jumps at Hastings last week and he worked very keenly yesterday morning. He is more forward than he was twelve months ago and much interest will be taken when he starts his schooling.

Well Forward

Nothing stripped better yesterday morning than Soho, whose dab into a handy position at the finish of the Okawa Handicap on Saturday indicated that he was more forward than generally realised. He should make rapid progress now.

Cherry Plum was also given a strong work-out with Mr George Beaton up. This horse has come on nicely.

Master Cyclon

Jack Cameron has been bringing Master Cyclon along quietly and the Hunting Song gelding looks a picture. He has shown no signs of his old soreness and now the tracks have become easier he should be able to step out. Cameron is seriously entertaining the idea of going to the Poverty Bay meeting next month on his first visit since he had Moyleaux there some years back. Halle Selassie or Nelumbo would accompany the gelding if the trip was made.

Cameron has effected a good cure of the poisoned foot Red Shoes contracted a few weeks back and the Beatrice mare was in great fettle yesterday morning.

LADY STELLA BOUND FOR TARANAKI

Hastings Mare Jumps Country Well

(By MOTUROA.)

Young "Dick" Colello was the recipient of many congratulations at Hastings last week when he led in his first winner, and Lady Stella was certainly a good advertisement for him. The Cockpit mare has never looked better than at present, and her hurdling showed a marked improvement on her efforts last winter when she was inclined to get in rather close.

Lady Stella raced once over the big fences last winter when she gave a glorious display of fast, clean fencing at Hawera, and ran a good second to Silk Sox in the Ad-

MAIDEN PROSPECTS BRIGHT

DISTRESS SIGNAL is one of the maidens two-year-olds who will have to be respected in the novice classes at the coming meetings for her form at Hastings was attractive and suggestive of a steady improvement with racing.

DISTRESS SIGNAL is one of the first of the stock of Rocket to attract attention. Rocket, who was by Day Comet ran second in the Derby and also in the N.Z. Cup.

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