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Hitler's Trump Card Against Britain

FLANDIN'S APPOINTMENT Prevents Vichy Lining Up With Beaten Anti-Nazi Italy

On the basis of an interview with Pierre Etienne Flandin on March 20, which he promised to keep confidential until after M. Flandin came to power, the Overseas News Agency's London correspondent declares that Flandin's appointment to succeed Pierre Laval is Hitler's final trump card against Britain.

"It means," he says, "that Hitler is convinced that the Clericals and anti-Fascists will soon overthrow Mussolini and he awaits his chance to forestall the possibility of French assistance in this move. He would prevent the Vichy Government linking up with the Catholic Latin bloc consisting of Italy under Mussolini's successor, Spain, Portugal and the South America republics, which would be anti-Nazi, but he would attempt to mediate an Anglo-German peace."

The correspondent adds that Hitler would attempt, through Flandin, to influence Vichy to enter the war against Britain and to hand over the French Fleet.

"If the war develops into real bloodshed, Hitler will be justified in demanding his pound of flesh, which might involve even France in the war against Britain."

PEACE IN CHINA WANTED

NAZI MANOEUVRES BEGIN Thirteenth Murder Reported

Baron Leopold von Plessen has taken over the German Embassy at Chungking as counsellor. The major objective of this move is reported to be the negotiation of a Sino-Japanese peace, for which he has unusual powers from Berlin.

CHRISTMAS LEAVE ON PAY FOR N.Z.E.F. MEN IN CAMPS

Arrangements have been made by the military authorities for holiday leave to be granted at Christmas to all men of the N.Z.E.F. in camps in New Zealand.

ARMY SPIES ON NAVY

MUSSOLINI FEARS TROUBLE INCIPIENT REVOLT Drastic Moves Thought Probable

The "Daily Mail" publishes the first of a series of special articles describing startling conditions in Italy and revealing that Mussolini has commissioned the Army to watch the Italian Fleet because of incipient revolts.

NORWEGIAN TOWN "ARRESTED" PUNISHMENT FOR ANTI-NAZISM

The "Daily Telegraph's" Helsingfors correspondent states that as a punishment for recent anti-Nazi demonstrations the entire population of Alesund, Norway, has been placed under house arrest for four days.

Battle On Home Front

ITALIAN WARNING Blackshirts Ready For Trouble WATCH ON SUPPLIES

The Associated Press Rome correspondent says that Adelchi Serena, Fascist Party secretary, announced a winter "battle on the internal front" after a conference with Mussolini.

Jews Eliminated Others Mobilised For War Duty SERIOUS SITUATION

The "Neuzuecher Zeitung's" Berlin correspondent says that a shortage of doctors and most inadequate medical services are creating a serious situation in Berlin.

Coal Industry Tribunals

SETTLING DISPUTES Announcement Made In Australia

SPECIAL AWARDS

The Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies) announces the establishment of special tribunals for the coal industry. These tribunals will include a central reference board which will have the power to make decisions having the effect of awards and local reference boards in each of the six provincial coal districts of Australia.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES FOR EVACUEES

Local billings in Britain and numbers of the Women's Volunteer Service are arranging Christmas parties for 480,000 evacuated London children. The entertainment allowance amounts to a shilling a child.

ANOTHER NAZI SPY EXECUTED

Another German spy has been executed by the Central Criminal Court on November 22 with two other spies, who were executed last week.

Widespread Plot By Communists To Hamper Britain

The "Daily Telegraph" says that the Hon. Ernest Bevin's reference to Communists disturbing meetings in an attempt to prepare the way for a German peace offer follows months of inquiry by Scotland Yard, which submitted a comprehensive report to the Home Office.

CHEERLESS AND COLD

BRITISH CHRISTMAS OUTLOOK

COAL LACKING

Pork A Rarity; Poultry Dear

Christmas time will be cold and untraditional in many homes in Britain. The "Daily Telegraph" says that the shortage of domestic coal is already acute in Surrey, Sussex and other parts of the South of England and the shortage is likely to spread to many more districts.

Merchants reserves for future cold weather are already depleted or exhausted and supplies cannot be immediately replaced.

Many households will find it difficult to obtain their customary Christmas joint. Pork is also becoming a rarity. Poultry is in moderate supply but the prices are beyond the poorer people's pocket.

Caterers are considering meatless days as an alternative to cutting down the portions. Some country districts were extremely short of meat at the week-end and were unable to provide travellers with meals.

GANDHI NOT INDIA'S MOUTHPIECE

Viceroy's Belief COUNTRY UNITED AGAINST HITLER

"Mr Gandhi's civil disobedience campaign does not represent the true feelings of this country," said the Viceroy (Lord Linlithgow) when addressing the Associated Chambers of Commerce.

"Mr Gandhi thinks that both Congressmen and non-Congressmen should urge people to refrain from assisting the war effort because it might involve India's participation in bloodshed," said Lord Linlithgow.

"We cannot subscribe to that proposition. I am convinced that India is united in detestation of Hitlerism and all it stands for."

Lord Linlithgow said that he sympathised with the idea of national Government for India, and added that he was satisfied that the offer Britain made on August 28 represented closer than any other scheme the wishes for a national Government.

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Law Lords Assess Value Of Happiness

Unique Case Involves Expectation Of Life

Child's Death Social Position And Wealth Not Relevant To Case

At what price is a person's future happiness assessable?—Seven Law Lords applied themselves to the question when the problem of how damages should be awarded for loss of expectation of life came for the first time before the House of Lords.

They decided: (1) The thing to be valued is not the prospect of length of days but the prospect of a predominantly happy life.

(2) Damages should be smaller, not greater, in the case of a very young child because the uncertainty of the future prevents an accurate estimate.

(3) Because social position or prospects of world possessions are greater is not a reason for bigger damages, because happiness depends neither on wealth nor status.

(4) Very moderate damages should always be awarded because happiness is incapable of accurate measurement in money.

The Lords unanimously reduced to £200 Mr Justice Asquith's award of £1200 in respect of a boy aged two and a half years who was killed in a car accident.

FINANCIAL AID WANTED

BRITISH REQUEST TO AMERICA MORE MUNITIONS

Supplies At Increasing Pace

The "Daily News" Washington correspondent strongly indicated today that President Roosevelt would ask Congress to underwrite British purchases to the extent of possibly a billion dollars a year.

It is believed that the President favours a gift or exchange for the naval bases instead of loans.

The British Official Press service, commenting on Britain's application for United States financial aid, said: "The whole question is one of dollar exchange. Aeroplanes, ships, munitions, and other materials will be needed at a constantly increasing pace and the British Government is anxious to make as full use as possible of the vast resources of the United States."

HER MAJESTY GOES SHOPPING

Princesses Accompany Their Mother

Revolt Brewing In Albania

ITALIAN PRECAUTIONS Prominent Personages Interned

CATTLE REQUISITIONED

A Tirana message says that Albanians are most dissatisfied with the Italians' requisitioning of cattle in exchange for paper money, which is considered valueless.

Albanians crossing to Yugoslavia declared that the Italians were interfering prominent Albanians to prevent an organised revolt.

GREECE FEELS SURE OF VICTORY

Britain's Help ALLY ENGAGED ON OTHER FRONTS

Balkans Their Job

Addressing a workers' conference at Piraeus, the Prime Minister (General Metaxas) declared: "Against an enemy possessing vast resources we are supported by our British friends and Allies who, however, are engaged on many other fronts. But even if the greater part of the fighting on the Balkan front consequently falls to us, Greece will conquer."

BIGGEST RAID YET MADE ON ITALY

Neutral's Report On Visit To Naples

The Danish newspaper "Berlingske Tende's" Rome correspondent describes the British raid on Naples as the most violent thus far against any Italian city.

GREEKS METHODICALLY PUSH FORWARD

Both Sides Search For Strong Positions As Winter Approaches

In bitter weather and in the face of stiffening Italian resistance, the Greeks methodically continue to push back the enemy in Albania. Reports reaching the Yugoslav frontier declare that the Greeks have entered Tepelini after bayonet fighting.

The Italians have withdrawn their main troops from Klisura and a Greek column is reported to have advanced further along the Valona road, taking the village of Zemblan.

The capture of Himara by the Greeks to-day followed hand-to-hand fighting in the village, and a major battle on the surrounding heights. The Italians lost 300 men besides field guns and tanks.

The Homeric struggle waged beyond Permet in the last few days was assuming particular severity yesterday, when the battle developed on a wide front. The Greeks most gallantly assaulted strongly wired and fortified positions. The retiring Italians blew up some bridges, whereupon Greek stretcher-bearers swam the river, carrying the wounded from the advanced zone.

The Greeks are still advancing on the northern front but at a snail's pace because of the bad weather. Both sides are endeavouring to occupy the best possible positions before winter conditions immobilise the armies.

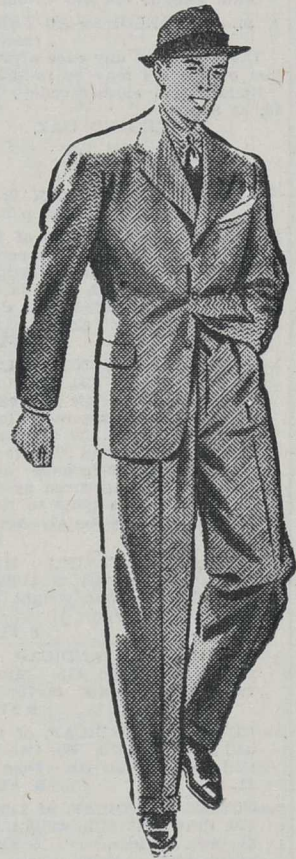
North-westward of Pogradec the Greeks have reached the village of Vrepecka and have captured 200 prisoners. An Italian officer and an n.c.o. were killed and another was seriously wounded when a time-bomb exploded in the building housing the Italian command.

The "Daily Telegraph's" correspondent with the Greek forces says that the Greeks are making steady progress and that the ultimate result is not in doubt. However, he points out that the Greeks face a formidable task in driving the Italians out of Albania, and urges the prompt release of supplies, particularly blankets and boots, of which there is a serious shortage.

To-day, he says, the Greek Army is better equipped with munitions than at the beginning of the war, partly as a result of supplies from Britain, and partly as a result of the seizure of the huge stocks which the fleeing Italians have abandoned. The Greeks have captured numerous tanks, which are of poor quality but it is possible to use them only to take the place of armoured reconnaissance cars. Even so, they are useful, as the Greeks had no such vehicles when the war began.

Lighters, barges, coasters and fishing vessels are being used instead of transports and cargo vessels. These take much longer to load the troops and stores, but the Italians must pay this price to evade the R.A.F., even temporarily.

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AUCTION SELLING IN UNITED STATES
The Wool Situation
AMERICAN MILLS ARE ACTIVE
In Australia wool auctions have been suspended for the duration of the war and one clip thereafter. By way of contrast auction selling has extended in the United States this year, sales being conducted at Denver, Ogden-Montana and also at Boston. They proved successful, but the conduct of auctions in Australia would be impossible under existing circumstances (report Winchcombe, Carson).
The submission of offerings in Boston coincided with the calling of tenders by the United States Government for further extensive quantities of woollen goods for the fighting forces. Sales at the auction were 95 per cent. of the quantity offered—the number of buyers bidding being 60.

Mayfair
OLYMPE BRADNA IN "STOLEN HEAVEN"
With Dorothy Lamour's "Tropic Holiday"
Olympe Bradna is featured in "Stolen Heaven," now showing at the Mayfair Theatre, Napier, a heart-warming story which brings out all the innocent charm and vivacity of the young French actress.

Regent
PAUL MUNI IN A NEW ROLE
Dramatic Story Of "We Are Not Alone"
The new Paul Muni starring picture, "We Are Not Alone," is the attraction now screening at the Regent Theatre, Napier. Written by the author of "Goodbye, Mr Chips," James Hilton, and produced by Warner Bros., the studio which has produced such outstanding successes of the season as "The Old Maid" and "The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex," "We Are Not Alone" has all the elements which mark a truly great production.

State
"Millionaires in Prison"
Showing With "Curtain Call"
Taking a background familiar in movie drama and painting against its grey walls a prison story that is really different in theme and characterisations—the highly satisfactory accomplishment of "Millionaires in Prison," now showing at the State Theatre, Napier.

Work In United States
The mills in the States are very actively employed in catering for huge Government requirements and civilian trade. Extensive imports of the sheep's staple are being made to augment the raw material provided by the domestic clip. Rumours have been afloat that the British and American Governments will jointly buy the South American wool clips. During the 1939-40 season, particularly towards its close, United States buyers were very active in Argentina and Uruguay.

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A brilliant cast headed by Dorothy Lamour, Bob Burns, and Ray Milland are featured in "Tropic Holiday," which is the associate feature.

Travellers' Holiday Guide
Free Railway Booklet
Helpful information for people travelling by train during the Christmas and New Year holidays is contained in the special holiday timetable booklet that may now be had free for the asking at Railway Stations.

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Nuhaka School Concert

SPLENDID ITEMS
Dux Medal Won By Raina Campbell
DANCING ENJOYED

(Daily Mail Special Service)
NUHAKA.
The concert given by the pupils of the Nuhaka Native School in the L.D.S. Hall was a performance of outstanding merit.



"BOOTS AND ALL" BALLET.—Girls who comprise the ballet, "Franklin D. Roosevelt Jones," a thrilling number in the Napier Operatic Society's colourful musical extravaganza which will be presented at the Hastings Municipal Theatre, to-night.

A physical drill display followed by a Grecian tableau delighted the huge audience, while the singing of the school choir was delightful.

Dux Medal
At the conclusion of the concert a gold Dux medal was presented to Raina Campbell by the chairman (Sister May Gardner), who also presented school certificates to Raina Campbell, Sam Edwards, Violet Brown, Hatene Smith, Rangl Whaanga, Api Pani, Eviol Nicholson. A handsome cup, donated by the Nuhaka Dairy Coy., was won jointly by Paul Whaanga and John Smith.

HASTINGS PASSES ANNOUNCED

Chamber Of Commerce Examinations

The following Hastings successes in the examinations conducted by the Chamber of Commerce have been announced:—
Short-hand.—110 words per minute: Pass with Honours, Lois E. Cornes; pass with Distinction, Nancy R. Garrick, Elizabeth Stewart.

BROKERS REPORT ON VALUES

Prices At Waipukurau Yesterday

Brokers report as follows on the stock sale at Waipukurau yesterday: Dalgely and Co.: 30 cows and heifers £6/9/-, 1 fat Jersey cow £6/7/-, 7 fat cows £7/6/-, 14 fat cows £6/18/-, 21 yearling P.A. steers £5 16/5/17/6, 15 yearling P.A. heifers £3/14/-, 6 mixed sex yearlings £2 14/-.

Fertiliser Works In Province

PLAN SUPPORTED
Harbour Board's Discussion
MINISTER'S LETTER

The proposal to establish fertiliser works in Hawke's Bay, which has been a more or less live issue for a considerable time, received the support of the Napier Harbour Board when it came up for discussion at the monthly meeting.

Chairman's View
In the course of a statement explaining the board's attitude to the matter, the chairman (Mr T. M. Geddis) said that Napier now possessed a deep sea harbour capable of accommodating every class of ship likely to visit Hawke's Bay, and that this included all the regular phosphate vessels.

Further Support
The chairman's observations were endorsed by the deputy chairman (Mr E. J. Herrick), who advocated greater activity and suggested that a committee should be set up to push the matter forward.

HOUSE POINTS OF MAHORA SCHOOL
Totals Gained In Past Year

Table showing sports results for Mahora School: Senior football 40 60 20 0, Junior football 60 0 20 40, Sen. basketball 60 40 0 20, Jun. basketball 40 60 0 20, Cross-cty. run 40 20 0 60, Tug-of-war 20 0 60 40, Swimming 0 60 40 20.

STORE CATTLE IN DEMAND

FARMERS OUT-BID COMPETITORS
WAIPUKURAU SALE

(Daily Mail) Special Service.
WAIPUKURAU.
A strong market for store cattle ruled at the weekly stock sale in Waipukurau yesterday, when values were fully on a par with last week's advanced prices.

Fat Cattle
Six prime finished young A.A. cows, showing quality, averaging 600lb, sold at £9. Seven dehorned A.A. Short-horn-cross cows, fairly framed, unfinished and plain, second quality, sold at £7 6/-.

Fat Cattle
27 clean bred, medium framed, three year A.A. steers, forward order, well done, sold at £9 5/-; 25 nicely grown two-year A.A. Hereford cross steers, useful line, realised £7 8/-.

Sheep
A very small sheep entry was penned, there being only one line of stores, which was made up of aged light-framed, unshorn ewes, clipping lightly, with fairly grown lambs requiring more finish at foot, sold at 17/1.

Yesterday On 'Change' Transaction List
Following is a list of transactions on the New Zealand Stock Exchange:—

Table of stock exchange transactions: WELLINGTON EXCHANGE, CHRISTCHURCH EXCHANGE, WOOLWORTHS' DIVIDEND.

Performance At Hastings

REVUE TO-NIGHT
Finest Production For Many Years
"BOOTS AND ALL"

Unforeseen circumstances caused the postponement of the Napier Operatic Society's "Boots and All" revue at Hastings last night, but arrangements have been made by the society for the presentation of this very fine entertainment to-night at the Municipal Theatre.

Some idea of the standards reached may be gained from the remarks of a visitor who stated that "Boots and All" was equal to the best amateur shows he had seen in several parts of the world.

Produced by Miss May McDonald the revue is packed with bright music, singing and humour which runs swiftly and smoothly from the opening chorus.

As the season is for one night only the public should not delay in telephoning this morning to book seats at Fall's, Hastings, phone 3639, where the box plan is located.

DEMOCRACY AND THE SCHOOLS

DEVELOPMENT OF INDIVIDUALITY
VALUABLE WORK
Principal's Address At Dannevirke

(Daily Mail) Special Service.
DANNEVIRKE.
The ideals of democratic education are well expressed in the following extract from the annual report of the Dannevirke High School presented by the Principal (Mr E. N. Hogben, M.A.), president of the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Association.

"One development of secondary education in recent years has been the growth of specialisation in teaching. We are fortunate in having many able specialists on the staff. But in my opinion the most important specialisation—indeed the fundamental one in our work—is the specialisation on the individual. We take some trouble in the organisation and planning of our work to this end.

"If our continued efforts to develop responsible and self-reliant individuals bear fruit in any degree we shall have made some small contribution to the realisation of the democratic ideal.

"To instil into a boy's mind a pride in and a love of his country and to give him a knowledge of the greatness and meaning of the Empire, should be the first duty of every school and every master, and to assure himself that this is being

A YEAR OF VALUABLE WORK

Expansion Curtailed
ELECTRIC POWER BOARD
Chairman's Comment

"Of necessity this year our activities have been considerably curtailed as far as expansion into the country is concerned," said the chairman (Mr W. Harvey) at the monthly meeting of the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board yesterday in a brief review of the work carried out this year.

"We have, however, had an active year putting the inner area in order, increasing feeder lines and putting in new lines where necessary, and have carried out some good work.

Last Meeting of Year
Yesterday's was the last meeting of the board for the current year, and Mr Harvey concluded by extending the season's greetings to members of the board, the staff and the Press.

It was stated at the meeting by the secretary-manager (Mr H. H. Wylie) that restrictions on extension work into the country were still severe, unless it could be shown that such work could be carried out to the benefit of production for essential renewals of existing lines.

done should be the first duty of every parent.
"Mr O'Dowd said that the man who bought the stout was not a regular customer, and that the licensee had not seen him before. Commenting that the defendant had not been quite candid as far as the police were concerned, the Magistrate imposed a fine of £4 (costs 10/-).

DANNEVIRKE PUPILS' SUCCESS

Chamber Of Commerce Examinations
(Daily Mail Special Service)
DANNEVIRKE.
The following pupils of the Dannevirke High School were successful in the annual examination of the Wellington Chamber of Commerce: English.—Pass: Margaret Marshall, Naomi Paterson, Euphemia Taylor. Typewriting.—Junior, pass with distinction: Naomi Paterson. Pass: Shirley Drummond, Euphemia Taylor. Senior, pass: Mary Irwin. Short-hand.—130 w.p.m., pass with distinction: Nola Timmins; 90 w.p.m., pass: Margaret Marshall, Betty Small; 80 w.p.m., pass with distinction: Shirley Drummond; pass: Marion Sattrup.

LICENSING OFFENCE AT FERNHILL

As a sequel to a visit to the Fernhill Hotel on the evening of November 22 by Sergeant P. Munro and Constable C. Foot, the licensee, Chas. B. Croft, in the Hastings Magistrate's Court yesterday morning, was charged with selling liquor after hours. Through Mr T. E. O'Dowd the defendant pleaded guilty to a charge of selling liquor after hours. A charge of opening for sale was withdrawn by the police. As the police approached the hotel a man left the building carrying a parcel and entered a motor-car, said Senior-Sergeant E. Quayle. He was interviewed and the parcel was found to contain a bottle of stout, which the man said was for his wife. Mr O'Dowd said that the man who bought the stout was not a regular customer, and that the licensee had not seen him before. Commenting that the defendant had not been quite candid as far as the police were concerned, the Magistrate imposed a fine of £4 (costs 10/-).



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DANNEVIRKE NORTH SCHOOL Break-Up Ceremony

JACQUELINE IRVINE, DUX
(Daily Mail) Special Service.
DANNEVIRKE.
Sir Alfred Ransome, M.P., was the chief speaker at the annual break-up ceremony of the Dannevirke North School on Monday.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE

This Week's Duty List For Napier
Members of the Napier St. John Ambulance Brigade have been appointed for duties as follows:— To-night: Sergeant C. Wright, Corporal A. Simmonds, Privates J. Wark, W. Gilhooly, K. Jackson. To-morrow night (Park): Privates W. Carswell, G. Best, Cadet Gilchrist. Saturday night: Privates K. Jackson, C. Adams.

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After many years of service to the community, the old Port Ahuriri School will close its doors for the last time to-day...

MAORI CHARGED WITH ASSAULT

Omaha Incident
"NOT ORDINARY CASE"
Light Penalty
This is not the ordinary case of assault...

Memoranda

In this issue notice is given that no more tickets will be distributed for the Gerhard Husker Christmas Party...

FOOTPATH FRACAS HAS COURT CLAIM SEQUEL

Garage Manager Succeeds In Action Against Father And Son
An affray on the footpath outside the plaintiff's residence on the afternoon of Saturday, November 9, resulted in Garvin Richmond Baillie, managing-director of Baillie Motors, Ltd., Hastings, claiming £100 general damages from Herbert Mackney Thompson and his son, William Henry Thompson...

The plaintiff was represented by Mr W. E. Bate and Mr E. J. W. Hallett. The case, Mr Bate said, was that the plaintiff was managing-director of Baillie Motors and the defendants were fruit-farmers residing at Pakowhai...

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Son Was Warned
In his evidence Baillie said that Thompson, sen., had asked him why he did not give his son a reference...

Tackle About The Waist
Thompson's son did not use any bad language, he said that he did not wish to be a witness, but Thompson, sen., worked himself up to the point where he made a rush at witness...

Disgraceful Brawl
While this was going on witness heard someone calling from along the street, saying that it was a disgraceful brawl...

Witness said that he freed himself from the father's tackle and proceeded to deal with the son...

Witness said that the assault took place in the afternoon on Baillie's part at that time...

Cross-examined by Mr Hallett, Baillie said that he had known Thompson, sen., for the past 18 months and had done some business with him in that time...

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PARKING IN THE MAIN STREET

ELIMINATION PLAN AT HASTINGS
RETAILERS' VIEWS
Features For And Against
The proposal that parking should be eliminated entirely in Here-taunga Street, Hastings, elicited some interesting opinions from retailers questioned on the subject by a "Daily Mail" reporter yesterday...

A chemist expressed the view that with motorists unable to leave their cars in Here-taunga Street, country visitors would take their business to a centre where this facility was available...

The principal of a furnishing shop concurred with this opinion to a certain extent, but pointed out that at present few motorists could drive up to a shop, pull into the kerb, collect parcels to drive away...

By law a non-parking space is provided in front of theatres. This is a safety measure, designed to allow quick exit of patrons in the event of fire or other emergency...

A borough councillor said that in the past the present council had been in favour of eliminating parking in the main street, but the proposal had raised a storm of protest...

The civic authorities realised that many advantages as far as traffic control were concerned would result from a main street free of parked cars...

Draw For Water Polo
HAWKE'S BAY CONTEST
To Commence In New Year

Referees Appointed
The draw for the Hawke's Bay water polo competition is announced as follows...

First Round
Week ending January 4: Napier v. Here-taunga at Hastings, referee Mr E. D. Anderson...

Second Round
Week ending January 25: Napier v. Here-taunga, at Napier, Mr E. D. Berry...

Magistrate's Comment
This was not the ordinary kind of case in which men of doubtful character indulged in fist-fights, said the Magistrate...

Met Baillie
Thompson was returning to town when he saw the plaintiff, who was driving in a motor car...

Swimming Sports A Success

NAPIER MEETING
Keen Competition Seen Last Night

In common with other sports bodies, the Napier Swimming Club has suffered a severe setback in the matter of senior competitors...

Although close finishes were recorded in most events, the times were by no means good, but should improve when competitors become acclimatised...

The results were as follows: 33 1-3yds. junior boys: First heat, E. Hawkins 1, J. Harte 2, J. Williams 3...

33 1-3yds. intermediate girls: Miss D. Crockett 1, Miss J. Martin 2, Miss J. Redshaw 3...

Headmaster's Report
The report presented by the headmaster, Mr E. C. Boyes, stated that the roll had increased from 371 when the school opened in 1933 to 483...

RAINBOW SHIELD SWIMMING

Hastings Carnival ENTRIES AND HEATS

Entries and heats for the Rainbow Shield Carnival at Madisson Baths to-night have been arranged as follows...

Intermediate Breaststroke.-T. Ferguson (HN), Miss J. Westerman (M), Miss J. Lowe (H), Miss Moss (M)...

Senior Diver.-Wright (HN), R. Drummy (H), Eves (HN), J. Taylor (M), McRobbie (HN)...

Swimming In Hawke's Bay
MEETING OF CENTRE
Application For 1943 Championships

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YOUTH OF THE WORLD MUST START AFRESH, SAYS BISHOP

Rt. Rev. F. A. Bennett Speaks At Napier Intermediate School

"The problems facing us to-day are spiritual in their nature, and the solution must come from the spiritual side," said the Bishop of Aotearoa (the Rt. Rev. F. A. Bennett) speaking at the prize-giving ceremony of the Napier Intermediate School...

Prizes Presented
Prizes were presented as follows: Dux prizes: Bernice Lister and Megan Ace...

Class Aggregate
Form I Modern: Douglas Franklin 1, Raymond Davidson 2, Remove: Dawn Russell 1, Francis Martin 2...

Sports Awards
Swimming: Senior boy champion, K. Boardman; junior boy champion, L. Currin...

House Awards
Rugby: Rata; soccer, Purihi; swimming, Rata; rounders, Rimu; athletics, Rimu; basketball, Rimu; cricket, Rata...

War Efforts
Collections have been made for shop days and etc. in aid of patriotic funds...

Scholastic Work
With the abolition of the proficiency certificate there is now a greater freedom in the choice of subject matter...

Before the awards were distributed the headmaster announced that through the generosity of Mr C. G. Butcher and members of the school committee those receiving awards...

TEAM TO COMPETE IN RAINBOW SHIELD
Havelock North Swimmers Announced
The following is the Havelock North team to compete in the Rainbow Shield contest...

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SOUND SYSTEM OPENED

NAPIER CENTRAL SCHOOL
NEW INSTALLATION

Annual Prize-Giving Ceremony
The new sound system recently installed at the Napier Central School was officially brought into operation yesterday...

Mr Maddison spoke highly of the enterprise of the school in installing such a thoroughly modern system, which had cost about £130 and was as efficient as any he had seen...

Clever Displays
He also congratulated the school on the fine displays presented by the pupils, and especially mentioned the handwork as an example of the new educational methods...

Mr V. E. Sanders, chairman of the committee, presided and others who attended were Messrs G. H. Crook and T. Rowe...

Prizes Presented
Dux, Peter Logan; 2nd boy, Brian Cornish; 1st girl, Nancy Walter; 2nd girl, Christine Walker...

"Get Out Of The Box"

CASE'S SUDDEN END
"I Don't Believe You," Says Magistrate

"I don't believe you; get out of the box," said the Magistrate to the defendant in a civil case heard at Hastings yesterday...

The comment by the Magistrate (Mr J. Miller, S.M.) brought to an abrupt end a case in which Fred Pipe (Mr J. Holderness) claimed £25 against the defendant...

A complete denial was provided for the defence, the defendant stating that he had done the work. He had not borrowed £25, he said, and when shown his own written statement to the effect that he had done so he replied that it was so long ago that he had forgotten it...

The Magistrate then told the defendant to leave the box and that he did not believe him. Judgment was then entered for the plaintiff.

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MARTON NEW YEAR MEETING
BIG NOMINATION LIST
Hawke's Bay Horses Are Engaged

The following are the nominations for the first day of the Marton Jockey Club's summer meeting on January 1 and the main events for the second day—
First Day
MAIDEN RACE, of £130; 6 furlongs.

Manawatu Sets The Ball Rolling
ELLERSLIE REHEARSAL

Wide Interest Evinced In The Manawatu Cup
(By MOTUROA).
The Manawatu Racing Club ushers in the holiday racing rather earlier than usual by opening its three-day carnival on Saturday next—five days before Boxing Day—but, despite the fact that there is a general tightening-up of money just before Christmas, it looks as if Awapuni will prove a big drawcard.

Preparations For The Holidays
GALLOPS AT HASTINGS
Several Smart Trials Performed

Conditions were ideal for work at Hastings (Yesterday morning when all gallops took place on the course proper. This track is in wonderful order after the week-end rain and should be at its best for the New Year races.
Much interest was taken in Lambourn's gallop the reverse way, but he is a lazy track worker and did not record very fast time.

OLD BILL NEVER BETTER
AUCKLAND PROSPECTS BRIGHT

MANAWATU GOSSIP
The Buzzer Pleasing The Critics
(Daily Mail Special Service)
AWAPUNI, Dec. 17.
The popularity of meetings held at Awapuni is again demonstrated by the liberal patronage extended to the coming fixture. Each of the eight events has filled particularly well, both in regard to numbers and quality.



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Minor Events At Ellerslie
WEIGHTS DECLARED
Cherry Plum Has 10.2 In The Hurdles
The following are the weights for the minor events on the first day of the Auckland Racing Club's summer meeting to be held at Ellerslie on December 26—

GRAFTON HURDLES, Of £450, 2 miles.
Small Boy 12 2 Master 9 10
Aussie Ra 11 3 Appellant 9 10
Lapdarian 10 12 Loomination 9 10
Kaiwaka 10 11 High Star 9 9
Sacco 10 10 Night Hawk 9 9
Dorado 10 10 Baidric 9 7
Royal Dance 10 9 Agor 9 7
Inness Lad 10 4 Spearcourt 9 5
Cherry Plum 10 2 Blisquit 9 0
Knight of Seaman 9 0
Australia 10 1 Roky 9 0
General Ruse 9 10 Almtree 9 0

ROBINSON HANDICAP, Of £380, 7 furlongs.
Monte Cristo 9 8 Kingcraft 7 7
Glen Connell 9 2 Betty Blossom 7 7
Dainty 12 9 Horeke 7 7
Brahman 8 12 Red Warden 7 7
Blandisher 8 12 Bronze Eagle 7 7
Royal Maid 8 11 British Nilly 7 7
Radiant Vaals 8 8 Lady Pay 7 7
Estro 8 7 Lady Bloat 7 7
Royal Pilot 8 7 Gay Widow 7 7
Rex Matiland 8 6 Marie's Choice 7 7
Hacken- Surre 7 7
Schmidt 8 6 Hot Shot 7 7
Corot 8 6 Royal Son 7 7
Flying Spy 8 5 Royal Son 7 7
Springs Val 8 4 Laughing Fox 7 7
Myrtle 8 3 Tea Drop 7 7
Rara Avis 8 3 King's Flight 7 7
Mauro 8 3 Boy Lu 7 7
Landover 8 2 Bon Trek 7 7
Forest Bridge 8 1 Bronze Ora 7 7
Seawall 8 11 Furry 7 7
Night Pilot 8 0 Goldrace 7 7
Expellant 8 0 Goldrace 7 7
Ngawiri 7 12 Arohatoan 7 7
Fos Jose 7 11 Landsman 7 7
Sir General 7 10 The Pacific 7 7
Lady Acushla 7 10 Royal Sister 7 7
Battlegang 7 10 Maori Star 7 7
Courtly 7 9 Paddy's Choice 7 7
Favourite 7 10 Surpal 7 7
Foxwood 7 9 Auburn Lad 7 7
Fairfield 7 7

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NURSERY HANDICAP, Of £400 (2-year-olds), 5 furlongs.
Nuna 8 9 Sporting 7 10
Cambria 8 11 British Talent 7 10
Corn Prince 8 11 Mala Wings 7 10
Silver Clarion 8 5 Greek Dancer 7 10
Gold Moon 8 5 Himalaya 7 9
Theatre 8 2 Willie Pay 7 9
Edna's Nettarian 7 9
Birthday 8 0 Dependable 7 8
Kronos 8 0 Honeywell 7 6
Minko 8 0 Honeywell 7 6
Burra Sahib 7 11 Hogarth 7 5
King's Ace 7 11 Mick Guck 7 5
Kaimanawa 7 11 Sunway Fox 7 5
Snake Gully 7 11 Transmitter 7 5
Prince Louis 7 11 Camilla 7 5
Autoscorer 7 11 Josette 7 4
Royal Art 7 11

RIDING ENGAGEMENTS ANNOUNCED
Horsemen For Holiday Meetings
Riding engagements announced for Waipukurau include—
L. Cullen: Lady Garvagh, Rivertide, Uganda, Diana Tetric.
G. Stowe: Etia, Proclamation (twice), F. Power, Acra Beauty, Arabic, Buns-by-Belle.
Mr. M. Power: Doctor Defoe.
A. Gregory: Greyhound.
R. Marsh: Hineraua, City Song, Flying Spy, Vascones, Sunny Knight, Silver Ball or Grey Spy.
C. J. Cameron: Loch Muigh, Authorcho.
T. Winiata: Shanl, The Ring.
L. S. Deeley: Master Cykion (Flying Handicap).
Mr. H. Dods: Gay Mimic.
Mr. G. C. Beaton: Master Cykion.
Mr. L. Brockwell: Hunting Cat.
Riders at Awapuni include—
P. Atkins: Hunting Cat, Siglow, Silverhope.
R. G. Howell: Authorcho, Rakahanga.
H. N. Higgins: Hineraua, The Buzzer.
H. N. Wiggins: Friesland, Ex Pupill, Piastre, Kadna.
W. J. Mufford: Ruatiti, Tuatara, Fleche Handicap.
Riders at Ellerslie include—
P. Atkins: Kathbella, Enrich, Burra Sahib.
H. N. Higgins: Roperuvu, Brownen.
H. W. Long: Wardlaw, Lady Tinkle.
H. W. Long: Cheval de Volee.
G. R. Tattersall: Old Bill.
A. E. Ellis: Rakah Chief.

THE BUZZER has been extended an invitation to start in the Manawatu Cup for his 90 is dubs. under the w.f.a. scale and his spring form left no doubts about his solid condition. He won the Ling Memorial Stakes and the Waverley Cup and while he disappointed in the N.Z. Cup, he sprinted home well to make a race of the Canterbury Cup with Royal Chief.

annexing the Manchester Handicap and he repeated that Feilding win a little more than a fortnight ago. However, Belle Cane is likely to attract attention from backers and the support will be based on solid grounds. The Beau Pere filly has risen from maiden ranks at Awapuni in September to be regarded as the best of her sex—if not the best three-year-old—of the year. She cako-walked over a strong field in the Pearce Handicap at Trentham in her first race in open ranks and, while she was beaten through a bad passage in the Derby, she won the Oaks with consummate ease. It is reported that Belle Cane is a better filly now than when she went south and, if that can be taken as any criterion, she will be fighting fit for Saturday's race.

WONDERFULLY IMPROVED LITTLE ROBIN should be the greatest danger to Belle Cane. He is the form horse and one of the most improved gallopers in the Dominion this season. Since his success at the National meeting he has gone on to greater honours and is now established as a first class handi-cup performer.

ACCEPTANCES FOR WAIPUKURAU
HAWKE'S BAY owners and trainers are reminded that acceptances for all events at the Waipukurau Racing Club's summer meeting at Waipukurau on December 26 close with the secretary, Mr. F. A. G. Dunn, Waipukurau, to-morrow (Thursday) at 8 p.m. Splendid fields are weighted for the meeting and it behoves provincial sportsmen to rally round to assure the success of the meeting as all profits go to the patriotic funds.

handi-cup performer. The surprising fact of the Manawatu Cup weights, however, is Little Robin's handicap. He has 19lbs. under w.f.a.—nearly two of the better of Belle Cane in the scale; he finished third in the New Zealand Cup; ran Royal Chief to a length in the Metropolitan Handicap with 7.8 in his next start; and, in his only outing since, won in races at Otaki on Saturday with the same weight he is set to carry here.

THE TAIL-ENDERS
HOMELY has shown no form since she finished fast into second place behind the Ring at Trentham and old Hunting Cat is racing miles below the form he showed to win this race in 1935.

Another good race went down to the credit of Tauru-ur at Otaki and there was no danger in the three-year-old well-performed Siglow. Racing is doing this inflation gelding no harm and it will surprise if he does not add to his winning account at Awapuni. Jim Manuel has effected a big improvement in the speedy Valiant Lady, who notched another win at Otaki in impressive style. The backham mare appears to have come more solid with age and, while five furlongs has been her best distance to date, there is every reason to believe that she will now manage six furlongs without any great trouble. Valiant Lady is sure to keep the hack sprinters busy at Awapuni.

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DU MAURIER won the Manawatu Cup last year and there is a disposition to regard his chances as bright again on this occasion. He has certainly stepped off on the right leg for he prefaed his Awapuni success twelve months ago by

the fact that he was beaten through a bad passage in the Derby, she won the Oaks with consummate ease. It is reported that Belle Cane is a better filly now than when she went south and, if that can be taken as any criterion, she will be fighting fit for Saturday's race.

Authorcho (J. Forsyth) and Hunting Blood (P. Atkins) took 1.6 for their five furlongs, but were not unduly hindered in the process.

Produced for the second time The Ring (T. Winiata) went more generously over a useful half mile with Loch Muigh (I. Galvin) in 51 2-5, the first furlong in 12 2-5. This was one of the best sprints of the morning.

Earlscourt (C. J. Cameron) and Solaria (L. Deeley) ran their five furlongs in 1.6.
Ella (A. Stowe) worked more freely than usual in covering her six furlongs in 1.20, the first three in 37 3-5.

Astrite (S. Dockery) ran an easy six furlongs in 1.25.
Except for changing the fence opposite the stands Cherry Plum (Mr. G. G. Beaton) jumped eight hurdles impressively. He is vastly improved by his racing experience over hurdles and he behoves provincial sportsmen to rally round to assure the success of the meeting as all profits go to the patriotic funds.

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