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BRITISH REACH BARDIA

Desperate Stand Expected After Long Retreat

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The official Ankara radio declares that an Anglo-Italian armistice is "entirely possible."

The newspaper "Ukcham" declares: "The damage done to the Italian fleet and the removal of the possibility of an attack on Egypt has settled the Mediterranean problem in England's

British mechanised forces are reported to be driving to the outskirts of Bardia, where they have virtually encircled the Italians, who are massed for a desperate stand.

"The Times" correspondent on the Western Desert front says that one British brigade sweeping round to the west from Buqbuq captured a whole Italian division on the road from Sollum. The officers were mostly well imbued with the Fascist spirit but the rank and file were completely unbellicose. Many have since declared that their dearest wish is to cut Mussolini's throat. The prisoners number 14,000. They were just conscripts whom Mussolini had tried to spur to heroic deeds by the lure of an Empire.

The Associated Press correspondent at Sollum says that the Italians outnumbered the British by 4 to 1 in almost every encounter thus far. Violent fighting is raging around Bardia, which British mechanised forces are attacking. Advanced forces of infantry are following up the mechanised units, which have apparently carried out a bold encircling movement.

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Attempt

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LONDON, Dec. 17.

"The Fuhrer's apparent indiffer-

apparently carried out a bold encircling movement.

Overcoming resistance which is daily becoming fiercer, the Imperial Army of the Nile continues its hurricane advance towards the Libyan key points of Bardia, Tóbruk and Derna. Some reports suggest that a British armoured column is already operating westward of Bardia, thus implying that it is outflanked, but it is uncertain whether communications between Bardia and Tobruk have been wholly severed.

has given the British a commanding position on the Libyan escarpment. The forts form a semi-circle. Sidi Omar is 21 miles south-west of Solbum Shoffeyan is six miles cutted. hum, Shefferzen is six miles south of Sidi Omar, and Musaid is between Capuzzo and Sollum. The forts are believed to have possessed heavy defences, from which it is assumed that considerable quantities of material have been captured.

'Can't Hold Them Back'

AUSTRALIAN TROOPS

Want To Repeat Feats Of Last War

PRISONERS TAKEN

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The Associated Press correspondent from Egypt features the Australians' attack on Bardia. The commander complained: "You can't hold them back. They want to repeat their fathers' feats of the last war."

The Australian mechanised wan-The Australian mechanised van-guard captured an Italian column, while three newspapermen attached to the A.I.F. armed with unloaded rifles rounded up 20 Italian prison-

BRITISH FORCES IN **ABYSSINIA**

Well Beyond Frontier

ONLY COMPANIES

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LONDON, Dec. 17. The "Daily Telegraph's" correspondent at Malakal reports that British forces patrolling from their base inside Abyssinia are operating well beyond the frontier, but the operations must not be over-esti-mated because the forces on each side can be reckoned only in com

TWENTY-THREE SHIPS SUNK

(Received December 18, 6 p.m.) RUGBY, Dec. 17. For the seven days ended at mid-night on December 8, 101,190 tons of merchant shipping was sunk by enemy action. Nineteen of these ships, totalling 86,740 tons, were British; three Allied, 12,937 tons; and one neutral, 1513 tons. GERMAN TROOPS IN AUSTRIA

MASSED ON ITALIAN BORDER

BUDAPEST REPORT

A Million Men Said To Be Involved

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 18, 8.30 p.m.) NEW YORK, Dec. 17. The Overseas News Agency's Budapest correspondent reports that 60 German divisions, totalling 1,000,000 troops, are massed on the Austrian border facing Yugoslavia

Broadcast

AIRMEN SPEAK

New Zealanders Not Lonely

BUSY IN CANADA

By Telegraph—Press Association. (Received December 18, 9.50 p.m.) OTTAWA, Dec. 17.

Partaking in the "Wings of Empire" broadcast on the anniversary of the launching of the Empire air scheme, an Australian expressed gratitude for the kindness and hospitality extended to Australian estudies. pitality extended to Australian students. He said that Australians re-By Telegraph—Press Association.

(Received December 18, 9.30 p.m.)

LONDON, Dec. 17.

"The Fuhrer's apparent indifference to his ally's defeats supplies evidence of his refusal to allow secondary events to disturb his own intense preparation now being com-

ondary events to disturb his own intense preparation now being completed for the fiercest attack against these islands ever delivered against any country," says the "Daily Mail's" correspondent (Mr Ward Price)

Mail's" correspondent (Mr Ward Flanked, but it is uncertain whether communications between Bardia and Tobruk have been wholly severed.

Dive Bombing
These advanced forces are constantly subjected to Italian divebombing attacks.
The capture of the three forts of Sidi Omar, Shefferzen and Musaid has given the British a commanding

SHEFFIELD

"It is for this that we must pre- FOODLESS PRISONERS

Quiet Period At London

mr Price urges a cautious approach to General Sir Archibald Wavell's brilliant victory, which is the turning point of the war only in the sense that it promises to turn back the Mediterranean situation to where it was before Italy entered

where it was before Italy entered the war.
"Nevertheless," he adds, "the vio

tories in Greece and Africa bar Hit-ler's road to the Mediterranean.

"Turkey, which might only have fought defensively, is now almost certain, when she is ready, to take an active part in the war on our side."

GERMANY

IMPORTANT TREATY

SIGNED

Russia Eclipsed

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United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 18, 10.45 p.m.) LONDON, Dec. 17. There were no night raiders over

who had been without food since Thursday, were dug out alive on

TRADE PARTNER OF DUKE OF WINDSOR'S DENIAL Sweden First

U.S. Ambassadorship

RETURNING TO **BAHAMAS**

Cheery Send-Off

LONDON, Dec. 17. United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 18, 10.55 p.m.)
MIAMI, Dec. 17. "The Times" Stockholm correspondent says that the conclusion of a trade agreement between Sweden and Germany for 1941 envisages a turnover approaching £118,000,000, making Sweden Germany's most important trade partner, not excluding

The Duke and Duchess of Windso departed to-day aboard the yacht Southern Cross for the Bahamas. Ten thousand cheered them as they

portant trade partner, not excluding Russia.

"Sweden will thus retain her comparatively strong trading position, despite being hemmed in," says the correspondent. "Besides iron ore at the same general price as 1940, the Swedish exports to Germany will mainly be timber pulp and paper."

left.

The Duke, in answer to a question, said he had not been offered the British Ambassadorship to the United States, but he added: "I would certainly accept if I thought it was in the interests of our two countries." GERMAN TROOPS AND ARMS

Believed To Be On Way To Africa, Albania And The Home Front

> (United Press Association-Copyright.) (Received December 18, 9.45 p.m.) NEW YORK, Dec. 17.

"The Times" Belgrade's correspondent says that German troops estimated at 50,000 were concentrated at Bari and Naples in the morning, accompanied by huge stocks of

Belgrade military circles expressed the opinion that they were embarking for Albania and Africa and also bolstering the Italian home front morale

Roosevelt Suggests Lending Of Arms To Save British Finance

> (United Press Association-Copyright.) (Received December 18, 7.45 p.m.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. President Roosevelt has revealed that the Administration is considering building additional armaments for the United States and lending or leasing them to Britain.

He said that there was banal talk of additional dollar loans or gifts to Britain, but that a plan of leasing United States materials or selling them subject to mortgage was a possible solution to the question how to extend more aid to

THE BLAZE'

NEW POLICY

Orders

By Telegraph-Press Association.

(Received December 18, 10.5 p.m.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.

President Roosevelt said to-day

that there were two or three cases under consideration as to whether the Government should take over plants refusing to co-operate with

to spend here.

Tentative Only

JAPAN QUIETLY

PREPARES

FEAR OF AMERICAN

PRESSURE

NEW BASE WANTED

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It is said that the Japanese are quietly preparing for any action necessary in the event of an increase in the American pressure and con-

sequently have prepared Storm Island, in the Pratley group, as a

inilitary base.

It is estimated that Japan will have 75,000 troops in the south-eastern area in the springtime when the bases for the concentrations will be ready.

be ready.

The chief of the Japanese mission

General Sumita) told the United Press that Japan's interest in Indo-China is only concerning Tonking as a base against China.

ADMIRAL BYRD'S SHIP

AT DUNEDIN

By Telegraph-Fress Association.

DUNEDIN, Dec. 18.

oil needs.

HANOI, Dec. 18.

"Since the best defence of Britain is the best defence of the United States American armaments would States, American armaments would be of greater value if used for Bri-Wings Of Empire tain than if kept in storage here," declared the President.

He was trying to eliminate the dollar sign from the controversy of how best to increase United States aid to Britain, he said. The United States, under this plan, might take over fu ture British orders for certain munitions and other implements of war which the British need. The United States could pay for their manufacture and then lend or lease them to Britain to be returned after the war.

Return After Victory

If the equipment was in good shape the United States would accept it back from the British on payment of a reasonable fee. If damaged or destroyed, the British would agree to replace it.

The President said that the plan would require enabling Bills for the appropriations, which would be recommended to Congress soon after it convenes on January 3.

The President, when asked to comment on Mr Cordell Hull's assertion that the first days of 1941 would be crucial for Britain, said: Return After Victory

would be crucial for Britain, said:
"The Administration's programme
for speeding defence production is
to keep everlastingly at it and push

Productive Capacity

He emphasised that Britain and the United States used the same types of equipment, therefore the United States could build them with United States funds since they had created the production capacity. He said that they might have to consider outright gifts of war material later, but he was not sure that that would be necessary or that the British desired gifts.

tish desired gifts.

The Secretary to the Treasury (Mr Henry Morgenthau) stated that British Treasury officials had said that British Treasury officials had said that British could not order any more war supplies from the United States unless financial aid the box of the hose. You help to put out the fire, then, if the hose is O.K., the Ships For Britain

The Secretary of State (Mr Cordell Hull) stated that on the basis of full information on foreign deveopments, including the British situation, he was urging all possible speed in defence production. He personally favoured making the maximum number of United States merchant ships available for sale to

Britain up to midnight.
Great progress is being made in normalising the damaged areas at Sheffield. The rescue work is being continued. Some of those buried, whether additional merchant ship-ping can be made available for rushing supplies to Britain. Mr Hull is reported to have told the defence commissioners and other members of the Government that Britain will probably face a serious crisis in the spring unless delivery schedules are speeded up.

> Whirlwinds Are Ready

FAST NEW 'PLANE

Peep Behind Veil Of Secrecy

BRITISH TRIUMPH

United Press Association—Copyright Received December 19, 1.45 a.m.) United Press Association-Copyright Received December 18, 10.55 p.m.) The Japanese military mission is reported to have informed the French that Japan needs a base in south Indo-China to guard the LONDON, Dec. 17.

Lord Beaverbrook's reference in a broadcast to Whirlwinds lifted only the corner of the veil of secrecy which cannot be lifted higher except to say that the Whirlwind is one of the fastest 'planes in the world, and may soon be as much a house-hold word as the Spitfire and the Hurricane, but its existence has been SEEN AT ITALIAN PORTS one of the war's best kept secrets.

> 'JEHOVAH'S WITNESS'' GAOLED

Would Not Cease His) Activities

By Telegraph—Press Association.
DUNEDIN, Dec. 18.

William Crook, a labourer, Balclutha, was charged at the Balclutha Court to-day with participating in the activities of the subversive organisation known as "Jehovah's Wilhorses"

Mitnesses."

Asked by the Magistrate if he would give an undertaking to cease delivering the literature and expounding the views of the sect, the defendant refused and was sentenced to one month's imprisonment at Dunedin Gaol.

The Bear of Oakland arrived at 1.15 p.m. from America via Panama on her way to Little America to take on board men of the United States scientific expedition. The leader of the expedition, Admiral R. E. Byrd, is remaining in America.

MORE BOMBERS WANTED

OF INVASION BRITAIN PREPARED

STILL A POSSIBILITY

Aeroplane Production Stepped Up

British Official Wireless. (Received December 18, 6.0 p.m.) RUGBY, Dec. 17.

In the four months commencing in August, the Brtish output of aircraft and engines was double the output of last year. This was stated in a broadcast by the Minister of Aircraft Production (Lord Beaverbrook) who said also that machines were coming from the United States in an increasing flow of types. American fighting aeroplanes were correspondent states that Laval was ROOSEVELT EXPOUNDS of excellent quality. Some had been forced to write his own resignation equal to the best produced in at a full meeting of Cabinet, at

TENTATIVE PLAN

According to the programme during 1943, said the Minister, 26,000 aeroplanes would reach Britain from the United States. "During that year," he said, "the famous 3000-are month scheme will be realised."

Which he was accused of atter to supersede Marshal Petain. Other correspondents sugge Laval's attendance at to-day' ference implies that Hitler see reinstatement. Air Supremacy

Lord Beaverbrook likened Hitler in his conspiracy to dominate Europe to a man sitting on a threein his conspiracy to dominate Europe to a man sitting on a three-legged stool, one leg supported in the air. "We have knocked from under the German leader one leg of his stool—supremacy in the air," the Minister declared. "We have seized control of the air by day with our fighter squadrons of Hurricanes, Spitfires, Defiants and Whirlwinds." But, Lord Beaverbrook continued Hitler was fashioning another leg—attack on shipping at sea.

the defence programme.

He said he saw nothing in the present situation requiring the proclamation of an "unlimited emergency" and it was problematical whether this would speed up production attack on shipping at sea.

As to the short leg, it might become firm and stronger. Although the British Navy would prevail there must be assistance from the air.

"We must recognise, too," he continued, "that he may be making preparations for an invasion of Britain even before springtime comes."

Asked whether the ships which might be built and then loaned to Britain would be delivered under the American flag, he said: "Not necessarily. They could fly any flag." He said it was unnecessary to send even before springtime comes."

Lord Beaverbrook concluded his broadcast with an appeal for more American ships and crews to the

CONTRACTS FOR NEW war zone.

He did not think the plan would bring the United States closer to war. He said that a lot of nonsense was written about financing British orders. "No war has been won or lost through lack of money," he added. **DESTROYERS** United Press Association-Copyright.

LAVAL'S PLOT TO OUST PETAIN

Hint That Weygand May Form Anti-Nazi Group In Africa

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The Paris radio stated to-day that the German Minister to France, Otto Abetz, during a three-hour conference with Marshal Petain, at which Pierre Laval attended for at least half an hour following his release from detention disclosed that Laval, before his arrest, was plotting to establish a government with its seat at Paris.

Abetz added that the Germans had approved the plan but Marshal Petain discovered the plot and ordered Laval's arrest just in time.

The British United Press Berne Ordered Out Of which he was accused of attempting

Other correspondents suggest that Laval's attendance at to-day's conference implies that Hitler seeks his reinstatement. E. B. Wareing, former chief of the "Daily Telegraph's" staff in Paris, reconstructing the plot, says:

shal Petain's safety.

"It is now believed that if Hitler and Marshal Petain had attended the reburial the latter would have been ordered to sign a Germandictated peace treaty. The Marshal's refusal would have been followed by a trumped-up story of his insanity and illness.

"M Peyrouton, after the discovery of Laval's designs, took measures to prevent Laval going to Paris, where he intended to meet his fellow-conspirators.

"Marshal Petain's continuance in

fellow-conspirators.

"Marshal Petain's continuance in power may be conditional on his giving Hitler the right to transport troops across Vichy territory. His refusal might mean the Marshal's supercession by Laval.

"Marshal Petain is unlikely to withdraw from France, but other members of Cabinet might favour leaving for Africa in order to regroup themselves under General Weygand, who is reported recently

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The Secretary of the Navy (Colonel Frank Knox) announces the award of contracts for 40 additional destroyers at a cost of 253,000,000 dollars.

| Control Press Association—copyright. | leaving for Africa in order to regroup themselves under General Weygand, who is reported recently to have expressed regret at his own action in breaking off the struggle on the erroneous ground that a property of the struggle of th

America HOSPITALITY BETRAYED

Hungarian Princess And German

FEDERAL INSTRUCTIONS

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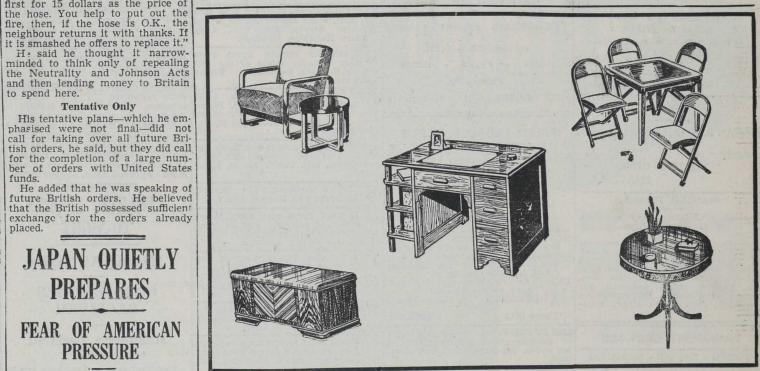
The Justice Department has ordered the expulsion from the United States of a German Karl Scheuring, aged 18, and Princess Maris Hohenlohe, an Hungarian.

Regarding Scheuring, Federal officials reported: "We know of 33 good Nazis who, in the event of a crisis, would not hesitate to betray the hospitality of the country where they are guests."

DAVIS CUP PLAYER KILLED

Flying Accident In Rhodesia

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 18, 10.30 p.m.) SALISBURY, (Rhodesia), Dec. 17 The Davis Cup player Ronald Shayes was killed in a flying accident on the eve of the completion of his training as a pilot.



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Members Of Waipawa Branch

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Plunket nurses and Karitane nurses larkspur, roses, sweet peas, lupins

proved by the committee. Intimation was received that owing to the annual conference being held in 1941 the provincial conference had been postponed until

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FOR A BRIDE-TO-BE

Miss Gwen Russell The Guest-Of-Honour

JOLLY NAPIER PARTY

meeting Mesdames rufflinger (chair), Gould, Bishop, Mitchell, Walker, Allan, Bryant, H. S. Rath-bone, Douglas, Watts, Spicer and the whose marriage takes place early next month was the guest of hon-

should receive five per cent increase and carnations, and during the in their salaries, and this was ap- afternoon the guests were entertained with amusing competitions, the

ference had been postponed until 1942.

The resignation of Mrs Gamby as a member of the committee was received with regret. Donations and for her new kitchen. She later expressed her pleasure and thanks.

Mrs Dalziell wore a smart navy blue and white figured sheer frock with a dainty collar of val lace. Mrs Patterson chose a frock of pink and blue striped georgette and Miss Rus-FOR SALE

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Pattreson chose a frock of plink and blue striped georgette and Miss Russell wore a pretty cyclamen toned floral silk frock under a dusky pink for love at pretty cyclamen toned floral silk frock under a dusky pink for love a pretty cyclamen toned floral silk frock under a dusky pink coat and large dusky pink felt hat. Among those present were: Mesdames G. Kelly, K. Dalziell, J. Patterson, W. G. Russell, R. Dalgleish, A. H. D. Mayne, W. D. Fitzgerald, A. Roberts, B. and S. Canning, C. D. Cornford, H. S. Hindmarsh, A. D. Powdrell (Wellington), E. Inglis, H. Tonkin, H. F. Bernau, A. G. Clark, W. G. Wood, E. Lewis, T. Boland, W. J. Geddis, E. Chapman, G. B. Aymes, Besant, W. Mawson, Woods, F. Price, W. Humphries, W. G. McLeod, H. Smith, C. Rathbone, Ford Northe, L. G. Donovan.
Misses G. Russell, H. Bernau, L. Chapman, H. Hitchings, K. Geddis, T. Besant, E. Loudoun, M. Dalgleish, I. Cunningham, M. Edgar, N. Crawshaw, J. Boland, F. Sandtman.

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ATHLETIC SPORTS TO-NIGHT

Meeting At Napier GOOD ENTRIES

Handicaps Declared

RECEIVED

Excellent entries have been received for this evening's athletic sports meeting, which will commence at McLean Park, Napier, at 7.15 p.m. A varied programme, including men's, women's cyclists' and field events will be held.

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Street School (Napier) on Tuesday, when an exceptionally large number of parents and friends attended the parents' Day gathering.

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The championship of the Okawa Defence Rifle Club was won by H. Gibson. D. A. Dunn was runner-up in the A grade, and M. J. Lush won the B grade title. R. McAnulty took three trophies. Trophy winners were:—

Club Championship (Lowry Belt and Denson Miniature): H. Gibson. Runner-up (Bone Cup): D. A.

Junior Championship (Campbell Cup): M. J. Lush.
Runner-up: R. McAnulty.
J. D. Dunn Challenge Cup final:

Kessel Cup: R. McAnulty.
J. D. Dunn Trophy: R. McAnulty.
President's Trophy: C. Denson.

Results of the final	shoot	were
		Agg
H. Gibson		268
D. A. Dunn		266
B. Denson		
J. F. Hallagan		261
S. L. Luxford		246
M. J. Lush		240
R. McAnulty		237
L. E. Brathwaite .		235
C. Denson		204
J. M. Carmichael .		203
J. A. McNeilly		201
J D Dunn		198

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The banquet hall presented a gay scene, being decorated with a profusion of summer blooms and filled with a happy crowd of pupils, who had looked forward to this great event of the school year.

Pleasant staff and committee. He then asked staff and committee. He then asked Mr Harker to address the gathering. Everyone assisted most willingly towards this splendid effort, but particular mention must be made of the up, because it was evident from the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the

had looked forward to this great event of the school year.

Toast List

After full justice had been done to all the good things provided; the following toast list was honoured: "The King," Mr Taylor (headmaster); "The School," Colin Lee—the headmaster); "The School Committee," Mr Hurdsfield; "The Staff," J. Bennett-Mr E. M. Marshall; "Expupils," T. Johnston—John McLean; "Girls of the School," C. R. Howlett—Margaret Dowrick, "Boys of the School," M. Dowrick—J. Thorburn.

A special toast was tendered to Miss Logan, who had worked so hard in making the preparations for the banquet.

During the toast list recitations given by B. Dowrick and L. Grant were much appreciated, the successful function closing with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Dance Enjoyed

Following the banquet, an end-of-year dance was held in the primary school, which was attended by a large gathering of pupils, ex-pupils and parents.

Self Discipline

Mr M. S. Quigley, headmaster, and company that the storm of the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the drovers who travelled long distances free of any expense whatever to the district organisers, who put in time and energy to ensure the success of the drive. Thanks are also extended to the district organisers, who put in time and energy to ensure the success of the drive. Thanks are also extended to the district organisers, who put in time and energy to ensure the success of the drive. Thank The single control of the single control of

Simpson, junior.
Standard VI: Violet Auawhai,
Joan Arnott, Betty Baikie, Betty
Foulds, Hilda Tod, Melvyn Jamieson, Noel Large, Ronald Thomas.
Primers: Harry Clifford, Bill McKay, Raymond McHardy, Dennis, Nossiter, Norman Rowe, Willie Tipu, Terence Loughnan, George Rennie, Colin Fraser, Frank Hoskins, Adam McKay, Bruce Pilcher, Brian Langridge, Pat Mudgway, Lee Pene, Peter Scrimgeour, Bryan Smith, John Spargo, Martin Williams, Terry Quigley, Bernard Richardson, Calvyn August, Ronald Crosbie, Pat Hoskins, George Woodham, Stuart Wedd.

Valerie Ireland, Rose Lee, Doreen Monk, Eileen Monk, Kay Fraser, Paulene Mitchell, Freda Page, Isobel Fajeita, Lily Priest, Priscilla Puna, Beverley Reid, Mary Scheele, June Stephenson, Edna Rennie, Merly Stephenson, Edna Rennie, Merly Robell, June Stephenson, Edna Rennie, Merly Robell, Mary Scheele, June Stephenson, Edna Rennie, Merly Schenk, M. Reed, Kittow Bros., L. Pattullo, Apeley Station, Puketapy Farm, Hayes and Hayes, P. Drummond, Henderson, Mrs Smale, W. Turner, G. Holt, Estate Carswell, T. Simcox, L. Betwell, Mary Scheele, June Stephenson, Edorgh Muser, A. A. Price, J. Walker, A. S. Bennett, Mangatutu

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DEVening Programme: Gil Dech and the 4YA Concert Orchestra. 7.49: Charles Rousseliere (tenor). 7.57: Oilve Campbell (planist), with the Orchestra. 8.8: Miliza Korjus (soprano). 8.16: The Orchestra. 8.29: Gerhard Husch (baritone). 8.41: The Orchestra. 8.57: Weather report. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra. 10.0: Music, mirth and melody. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

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de Rose (violin) and Winifred E. McCarthy (piano). 8.10: Nancy Evans (contraito). 8.17: The Budapest String Quartet. 8.26: Heinrich Rehkemper (bartione). 8.30: B. L. H. de Rose and Winifred E. McCarthy. 8.45: Elisabeth Schumann (soprano). 8.49: Boyd Neel String Orchestra. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25' Light music.

An amendment of the Junior-B grade cricket draw in Hastings has

CRICKET DRAW

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of the school year. The draw for Saturday in this grade will now be

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7.0 a.m.: Midweek service. 7.30: Tom Jenkins Orchestra. 8.0: "David Copperficid." 8.30: Irish songs. 9.0: South African Newsletter. 10.0: B.B.C. Military Band. 11.15: "David Copperfield."

12.15 p.m.: Midweek service. 12.30: Canada Calls from London. 12.45: "Scots Abroad." 1.15: Starlight. 1.30: "Britain Speaks." 2.0: "These Men Were Free—Garibaldi." 2.45: Salute to America, B.B.C. Military Band. 3.0: "Within the Fortress." 4.0: From "Beggars Opera," B.B.C. Singers and the Salon Orchestra. 4.15: "Britain Speaks."

6.45: Fred Hartley Sextet. 7.35: "Under the Crooked Cross." 8.15: Calling Australia. 8.45: From "Beggars Opera," B.B.C. Singers and Salon Orchestra. 9.0: "Speaking for Britain." 9.15: Starlight. 11.30: Records.

Travellers' Holiday Guide

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had free for the asking at Railway Stations. Besides giving timetables for the special trains and road services, the booklet lists the principal sporting events and carnivals to be held throughout the country.

6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News. D: Evening Programme: Alfredo and his Orchestra. 7.37: Orchestra and chorus. 7.45: Arthur Rubinstein (plano). 7.50: Norman Allin (bass). 7.58: Alfred Van Dam and his Orchestra. 8.5: "Hard Cash." 8.17: "Wandering with the West Wind." 8.45: "The Fourth Form at St. Percy's." 8.57: Weather report and station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: A studio concert by the Band of the last Battalion Auckland Regiment. Interlude (9.33): "Dad and Dave." 10.8: Swing and Sway with Sammy Kaye. 11.0: B.B.C. news. 2YA Wellington

PROGRAMMES

ON THE AIR

6.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news. 7.30:
Weather report; breakfast session.
9.0: "Saying It With Music." 10.0:
Devotional service. 10.15: "Melody
Trumps." 11.0: "More Bits and
Pieces." 11.15: "Entertainers' Parnde."

ace."

12.0: Lunch music. 1.15 p.m.: B.B.C. news. 2.0: "Music Which Appeals."

2.30: Classical music. 3.30: Sports results; A.C.E. talk. 3.45: "A Musical Commentary." 4.0: Weather report and light music. 4.30: Sports results, 5.0: Children's session. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.15: B.B.C. news. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News.

IYA Auckland

6.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news. 7.30:
Weather report; breakfast session.
9.0: Songs of Yesterday and To-day,
10.0: Weather report, 10.10: Devotional service, 10.25: Favourite melodies. 10.45: "Four Kings and a
Queen." 11.0: Musical snapshots.
11.30: Light and shade. 11.30: Light and shade.

12.0: Lunch music. 1.15 p.m.: B.B.C. news. 1.0: Weather report. 2.0: Classical hour. 3.0: Tunes of Yesterday. 3.30: Weather report. 3.32: Musical comedy. 4.2: Radio variety, 5.0: Children's session. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.15; B.B.C. news. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News. 7.15: "Britain Speaks." 7.30: Reserved.

7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news. 7.30: Breakfast session. 11.0: Light music.
12.0-2.0 p.m.: Lunch music. 1.15: B.B.C. news. 5.0: Light music. 5.30: "Birth of the British Nation." 5.45: Light music. 6.0: "Homestead on the Rise." 6.15: B.B.C. news. 6.45: Weather forecast; "Dad and Dave." 7.0: After-dinner music.
7.30: "Bands and Ballads." 8.0: B.L.H. de Rose (violin) and Winifred E.

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Other speakers were the chairman of the school committee (Mr P. C. Smith), Mr E. N. Hogben, Principal of the Dannevirke High School, and Mr H. S. M. Quigley, representing the Hawke's Bay Education Board.

Dux of the school was Freda Payne, and the runner-up Marjorie Davey, and third merit Margaret Easton. Special prizes presented by Mrs Riddell and Mr K. C. Millar for the best boy and girl inside and out of school were awarded to Thomas Ingram and Ursula Riddell. The other awards were: other awards were:-

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Special prize (presented by Mrs E. Johnston for most improved girl), Iris May 1, Tangi Rautahi 2; Mrs Dobson's special prize for helpfulness, Norman Symonds; special prize presented by Mrs R. J. MacDonald for sewing, Lindsay Webb; special prize presented by Mr L. Ingram for general knowledge, David Morgan; arts and crafts, Dawn Fife; project work, Marjorie Davey, Margaret Easton and Freda Payne; excellence in general sub-Donald for sewing, Lindsay Webb; special prize presented by Mr L. Ingram for general knowledge, David Morgan; arts and crafts, Dawn Fife; project work, Marjorie Davey, Margaret Easton and Freda Payne; excellence in general subjects, Natalie Mackie; special prize presented by Mr J. B. Johnston for help in the classroom, Jean Johnson; special prize presented by Mrson; special prize presented by Mrson; special prize presented by Mrson; Scrimgeour for first boy, Eldric Donaldson.

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The Bluff Hill Bowling Club's teams to play Napier are as follows: nocent banjo player, is mistaken for nocent banjo player, is mistaken for an agent of Britain make for much of the comedy in "Gunner George," which concludes to-day.

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tings.

Zorina, appearing by courtesy of Samuel Goldwyn, portrays an alluring huntress of fortunes who, until she meets one of her intended victims in the person of Greene, thinks love is not for her. How this engaging couple overcome the obstacles which threaten to keep them from completely realising their love, makes one of the most delightfully entertaining films ever to come out of Hollywood.

Set against a series of breath-takingly smart Continental back-grounds, "I Was An Adventuress" provides the gorgeous Zorina with a role which gives her not only an a role which gives her not only an opportunity to appear to best advantage in a wardrobe of eye-filling creations, but also to prove herself a dramatic actress of great ability, under the flawless direction of Gregory Ratoff. As for Richard Greene, this handsome young actor turns in a performance which is bound to win him a host of new fans.

Erich Von Stroheim, the unforget ole "man you love to hate," re-rns from his European triumphs "I Was An Adventuress" as a re-Parisian swindler would compel Zorina to continue luring rich men with her beauty while he concocts schemes to heat them of huge sums. How she fights to keep her past from Greene and protect her new-found happi-ness from the menacing Von Stroheim, makes for intriguing

Current Programme "Cross Country Romance," deal-g in sprightly fashion with the ing in sprightly fashion with the hectic coast-to-coast adventures of a penniless doctor who can't rid him-self of a beautiful trailer-stowaway, brings Gene Raymond and Wendy Barrie as co-stars. It concludes to-

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"Dust Be My Destiny," "Torchy Blane" Story

"Dust Be My Destiny" is now at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings, with John Garfield and Priscilla Lane in the co-starring roles. This team, which proved so popular in "Four Daughters" and "Daughters Courageous," is supported by a large cast of players, headed by Alan Hale, Frank McHugh, Billy Halop, Bobby Jordan, Charley Grapewin, Henry Armetta, Stanley Ridges, John Litel, Moroni Olsen and Victor Kilian.

"Dust Be My Destiny," which was adapted by Robert Rossen, from the novel by Jerome Odlum, is a straight-from-the-heart tale of two young "nobodies" who fall in love and marry, and who ask nothing of the world except the right to earn their livings and a place to hang their hats. But even these simple things are denied them, because the boy is a fugitive from justice, for a murder which he didn't commit. Even when the boy, through his heroism, aids in the capture of a band of notorious bank robbers, the shadow of the law hangs over him. His vindication in the climactic courtroom scene forms a poignant dramatic ending. room scene forms a poignant dra

Amid exotic and sinister surroundings, "Torchy Blane in Chinatown," the second feature, is another wellthe second feature, is another well-directed, well-written adventure hit with the irrepressible Torchy, the same courageous, smart and re-sourceful lass the public has long since adopted as its favourite girl reporter. Although Glenda—or Torchy—is the centre of all action, the film is not without strong sup-nort Again serving as a perfect foil port. Again serving as a perfect foll for Torchy's quick, sharp mind, the slower thinking but always reliable Lieut. Steve McBride is played by Barton MacLane.

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small time bootlegger to a big-time racketeer. Rising with him are his two wartime pals, played by Jeffrey Lynn and Humphrey Bogart.

Current Attraction

ALICE FAYE AND DON AMECHE

Colourful Story, "Lillian Russell'

Blonde and lovely Alice Faye portrays the first and greatest of America's glamour girls in Darryl F. Zanuck's production of "Lillian Pursul" which corner to the State which comes to the State Napier, to-morrow, and features Don Ameche and Henry

The colourful life and loves of the striking American beauty are revived in all their splendour and magni ficence in "Lillian Russell" with th sparkling, dashing days of America's most fabulous era as a back-ground. Lillian Russell was famous r her marvellous voice as well as for her marvellous voice as well as her splendid acting and great beauty, and Alice Faye sings many of the songs Lillian popularised. Among these are "After the Ball Is Over," "Rosie, You Are My Posie," "My Evening Star," "The Band Played On" ("Strawberry Blonde") and many others and many others.

Don Ameche has the role of Lillian's composer-husband, who strug-gled to author her greatest stage success. It is Ameche's third com-poser role and advance reports indicate his acting again is outstanding as it was in "Alexander's Ragtime Band" and "Swanee River." Henry Fonda is cast as Alexander Moore, the newspaperman who fell in love with the gorgeous Lillian when they were both young, but failed to tell her about it. Fresh from his tri-umph in "The Grapes of Wrath," Fonda is sald to give another stiring portrayal in a highly dramatic

The great Lillian Russell num among her admirers such persons as Diamond Jim Brady, the financier, and Jesse Lewisohn, the copper king, played respectively by Edward Arnold and Warren William.

Current Programme

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

Turning the spotlight on the "inside" politics and romances of bigtime theatrical business, "Curtain Call," a vivid comedy-drama, is the second feature. Principal roles are

second feature. Principal roles are portrayed by Barbara Read, Alan Mowbray, Helen Vinsen, Donald MacBride and John Archer.

Mayfair

BORIS KARLOFF IN "THE FATAL HOUR"

With "Blondie Has Servant Trouble"

Horror hits police headquarters and James Lee Wong, celestial sleuth, is called in to find the culsletth, is called in to find the cul-prit, right in the police department, in Monogram's chilling "The Fatal Hour," which comes to-morrow to the Mayfair Theatre, Napier.

Packed with thrills and excitement, "The Fatal Hour" opens with the murder of a police officer, assigned to a smuggling case, and Captain Street, broken-hearted at the death of his friend, calls in Mr Wong to insure the killer's capture. Wong to insure the killer's capture. The trail leads to the Neptune Club, and its proprietor, "Hardway," exgangster; it leads to Belden's Jewellery Store, until Belden, sen., is murdered, and his son accused of the crime; it leads to the "Town" apartments, until suspect Tanya Petrova is murdered there. But it is not until a new murder occurs, right in until a new murder occurs, right in police headquarters as the law is lining up the chief suspects, that Wong can tie together all the clues that definitely point to the murderer. Boris Karloff, who again plays the suave Wong, is rapidly becoming the screen's number one super-sleuth. Still boasting the typical characteristics of "the family next door" which has already won them millions of devoted followers, Columbia's Rumsteads—Dagwood Blondie bia's Bumsteads—Dagwood, Blondie, Baby Dumpling and Daisy—are back in the latest of their film series, "Blondie Has Servant Trouble,"

"Blondie Has Servant Trouble," which is the second feature.

Heralded from the beginning as the perfect embodiment of the laughable and lovable traits combined by Chic Young in his famous comic strip, Arthur Lake, Penny Singleton and Larry Simms renew their claims to this distinction. Current Programme

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

out all the innocent charm and vivacity of the young French actress.

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

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attraction now screening at the Regent Theatre, Napier. Written by the author of "Good-bye, 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.

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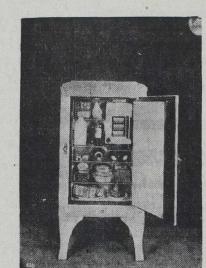
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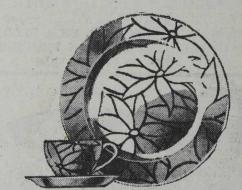
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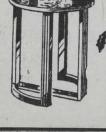
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mas everyone had a good word for everyone else, and the welcome which the weary traveller received,

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It is not perhaps generally known that as late as Christmas, 1834, there were no less than 28 mail coaches leaving London daily for various parts of the country, and, even in the 'fifties, a number of coaches were still on the road. In the late 18th century those who wished to spend the festive season with friends had to set out on their journey some

had to set out on their journey some days before Christmas, if they had any great distance to travel; and what a setting out it was!

People, we are told, occasionally made their wills before starting upon a long journey, and various were the schemes devised for hiding money. On these long, slow journeys the traveller simply had to carry a good supply of guineas, for those days; and before a guest set out for home, friends and relations

tect the passengers with his blunderbuss, but there is good reason to believe that he sometimes aimed rather wide of his mark, and the coachman seemed by no means loath to pull up when ordered to do so by the "gentleman at the crossroads." It is to be feared that sometimes they received a "Christmas box" from the said gentleman — in fact, it is known that many of the coach drivers and guards were in league with the highwaymen. in league with the highwaymen. The weather encountered was something to remember, and the state of the roads was terrible. For hours the unfortunate outside passengers sat numbed with cold or drenched with rain whilst those inside the coach shivered and tried to

For Everything

over in a few hours like a modern railway journey. In the 18th century the mackintosh had not been invented; and, as no cloth could posside the coach shivered and tried to stretch cramped limbs. The later coaches were top-heavy and frequently overturned, and the early ones often sank into the mud up to the wheel axles, so bad were the

gathered round him, and wished him a "safe journey."

The guard was supposed to pro
the old records, Christmas was frequently snowy in bygone days. During the winter of 1836 the Liverpool

Yet Christmas In the coaching days had charms which, alas! have gone for ever. Try to picture the arrival at the wayside inn on a fine, As far as can be ascertained from cold December evening, with the passengers and the coach people all filled with the true spirit of Christ-

How warm and comfortable the inn parlour must have looked, with its bright fire, its spotless white tablecloth, and its white panelling. There was no wild rush; everyone took his time, and Mine Host was moderate in his charges. Even if one had through some mischance of the road, to spend Christmas Day at the inn it was no great hardship. English roast beef and plum pudding were sure to appear on the ding were sure to appear on the table, and the landlord bustled in and greeted his guests with "A Merry Christmas to you all, gentlemen. God bless you."

One can realise what the outside passengers must have suffered in such weather; and it should be re-membered that the journey was not

sibly have withstood a day's rain, it is pretty obvious that the outside

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The explanation is that Santa Claus is the name of a village in America, the postmaster of which is a kindly soul with a soft spot for children. At Christmas he is one of the hardest-worked men in America. Every year hundreds of American

Every year hundreds of American children post letters to Santa Claus and many of these childish missives find their way to the little village in Indiana.

Fortunate Children Instead of consigning them to the waste-paper basket, the postmaster sends out short stereotyped replies, to the delight of the fortunate child-

ren who receive them and to the considerable surprise of those par-ents who have never heard of the The village did not always bear the name of Santa Claus. It was originally known as Santa Fe, with

originally known as Santa Fe, with which name the few inhabitants were perfectly satisfied. As the population increased the leading residents decided to apply for the establishment of a post office. The first observation of the United States Post Office Department was that another village in Indiana also bore the name of Santa Fe, and regulations were that there could not be two post offices of the same name in any one State.

A mass meeting of the villagers was called to consider the ruling. A resolution that the village should change its name was carried un-

change its name was carried un-animously, but when it came to the choice of a new name there was considerable diversity of opinion. Jus as it seemed that the meeting would as it seemed that the meeting would dissolve without having reached a decision, the village humourist rose and in a weary voice proposed that the new name of the village should be Santa Claus. The humourist only wanted to raise a laugh, but the effect of the proposition was almost magical. It was seconded immediately and carried without discussion.

Letters to Santa.

Letters to Santa As post office sorters began to be aware of the name on the list they realised that they had at last found an appropriate destination for those frayed and dirty envelopes bearing the legend "Santa Claus" that invariably found their way into the mails at Christmas. At first only a few letters reached the village, but as the years passed and its name and fame became more widely and fame became more widely known, the letters increased in number until they assume formidable

proportions.

Not only do children write to Santa Claus. Parents also take advantage of the oportunity by writing a letter signed "Santa Claus" to their own children and forwarding it to the postmaster to be posted at the famous village so that the stamp will bear the Santa Claus cancellation

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SAMUEL PEPYS HAD A VARIED DIET

Whatever our forefathers of past centuries lacked, they certainly had plenty of tempting Christmas fare, and the appetite to eat it. Take, for example, the dinner to

which Pepys sat down on Christmas Day, 1658, which consisted of "a

Day, 1658, which consisted of "a dish of marrow bones, a leg of mutton, and a loin of veal; three pullets and a dozen larks, all in a great dish. Also a great tart, a neat's tongue, a dish of anchovies and prawns and cheese."

And what hungry Briton of to-day would not hail a Christmas pie like that provided for his guests in 1770 by a Sir Henry Grey? "It was," we read, "nine feet in circumference, weighed 165lb., and contained among other ingredients four geese, two turkeys, two rabbits, four wild turkeys, two rabbits, four wild duck, two snipe, seven blackbirds,

duck, two snipe, seven blackbirds, and half a dozen pigeons." This leviathan pie, we are told, "was brought round at table on a four-wheeled truck specially constructed for the purpose."

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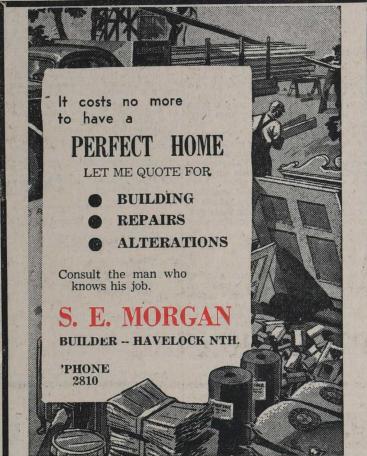
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Of Mithra

houghts are turned a great deal to small coloured candles flickering upon a tree, old carols, plum pudding, mince pies, crackers and paper caps, holly and mistletoe. We are so used to these things which are part and parcel of Christmas Day, that never do we, even for one moment, stop to think when and how these customs originated (says an English

writer).

During the second century, the religion of Mithra, who came from Persia, flourished side by side with Christianity. By the end of the second century this religion of Mithra had taken so strong a hold in Europe, that even a Roman Emperor, Commodious, was instructed in its principles, a form of sun worship. Legend has it that Mithra was born among the hills on the 25th day of December and that those who first worshipped him were shepwho first worshipped him were shep-herds. Because Mithra delivered them from a "devouring bull whose blood became the vine and the mar-row of his bones the wheat," the

first day of the week was kept in memory of him and called Sun-day. Great Rejoicings The birthday of Mithra, that is December 25, a day of great domestic festivity, nearly coincided with the feast of Saturn, known as Saturnalia—also a time of great rejoicings and incidentally of much unrestrained licence. Apparently these ings and incidentally of much unrestrained licence. Apparently these merry-makings and festivities during the month of December which attracted so many people, also tempted the Christians. "Why," thought they, "do we not also make merry? Of course instead of keeping this feast in honour of Mithra or Saturn, we shall keep it in memory of Jesus. Saturn and Mithra are but myths, and He was One Who actually once lived among us.

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And so gradually, it is supposed, the birthday celebrations of Mithra became the feast of the Nativity, the feast of Christ. Indeed, by the fifth century A.D. Christmas had

ompletely supplanted the heathen festivals.

Holly Decorations The holly decorations in our

homes to-day, are, too, a survival of the Roman Saturnalia. The ancients used to decorate the interiors of their homes with evergreens as "a refuge for the spirits of the woods from the inclemency of the weather in winter." To the people of those far-off days, the Sun was a great god, for he gave them both warmth

and light.

When the sun was hidden in winwhen the sun was hidden in will-ter or showed himself but little, the ancients suffered grievously. No wonder they rejoiced greatly when, after a certain day in December, the days began to lengthen, for they knew, then, that soon the hard times

and life that was coming back to the earth, they hung garlands of holly in their homes—holly which keeps its leaves and is green all the

CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

Santa Claus's Counterpiece In Many Lands

The venerable Bede, the old historian, reminds us that long before the first Christmas, December 25 was associated with the honour and dignity of motherhood, and, of course, still is, although the pagan has given place to the Christian feast

We are so used to talking about Father Christmas that it is not until we go abroad that we realise that other countries have a Mother Christmas for their toy-bringer, the bringer of good gifts to good children.

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dren.
Once upon a time folks believed that St. Lucy was the wife of Good Saint Nicholas, and that at Christmas time she helped her spouse in the distribution of his gifts. In Switzerland this belief apparently lingers, for in some parts they will tell you that St. Lucy takes gifts to good girls, while St. Nicholas takes his to happy boys.

his to happy boys. Custom in Sweden

The youngest and prettiest maiden in the household plays the role of St. Lucy in Sweden on Christmas morning. She it is who goes from room to room laden with sweetmeats and gifts which she leaves first with the master and mistress, then with the sons and daughters, and when the household have all had their Yuletide greeting, she will visit the dogs, the horses in the stables, the cows in their stalls, and even the fowls.

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and even the fowls.

An aged woman used to bring gifts to the peasantry of Holy Russia, Babinska, they called her, and tradition said that she lived in Bethlehem when the Christ was born, and that the Holy Family begged admission at her door. She refused to house them, and so through the ages she is condemned to appear on earth each Christmastide, bearing gifts in honour of the de, bearing gifts in honour of the ethday of the Child she refused to

Shelter.

Very beautiful is the Mother Christmas of Poland. To greet her coming, a little hay is placed under the tablecloth that covers the festive board, a reminder of the humble bed on which the Babe of Bethlehem was placed. And when she has given away all her gifts, Mother Christmas takes back with her to Paradise some happy babe that has just awakened from its first sleep; there it sings a carol before returning to the earth, and they say you can always tell the babe thus honoured, for it laughs and crows so loudly when Christmas Day dawns.

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into the dam and the cattle are be-lieved to have eaten the plants, and

they contained. Hours after the cattle had been rounded up in a paddock two or three cows were still lurching

APPOINTMENT OF MR PAIKEA

COMMENT BY PRIME MINISTER

CAUCUS CHOICE

Difficulties Of The Selection

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 18. The selection by this week's caucus of the Parliamentary Labour Party of a representative of the Maori race on the Executive Council was referred to to-night by the Prime Minister (the Hon. P.

Prime Minister (the Hon. P. Fraser).

He stated that the caucus had very great difficulty in deciding between Mr P. K. Paikea (Northern Maori) and Mr E. T. Tirikatene (Southern Maori).

While Mr Paikea represented by far the larger number of Maoris, Mr Tirikatene had longer Parliamentary experience. Probably the fact of the numerical size of the electorate, plus the fact that Mr Tirikatene was already doing good service on the War Council accounted for the selection of Mr Paikea.

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Both men were equally qualified, and both enjoyed the full confidence of their colleagues of the Labour

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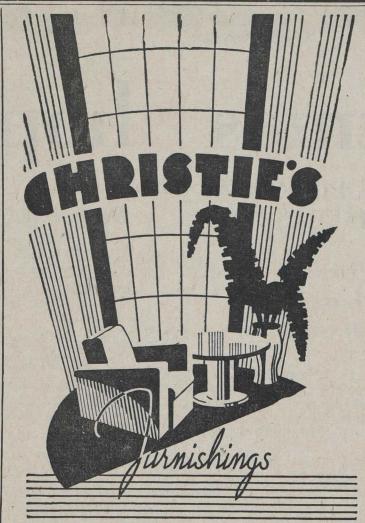
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DEMOCRACY IN THE FUTURE

There was a time when to criticise an established system of government was to be branded as a revolutionary. This was several degrees worse than being branded as a radical, and it savoured very much of the term "socialist" which caused so many nightmares in Victorian days.

Those days have gone, and it was not very long ago that a leader of the British Conservative Party said that of course he was a socialist—to the extent that every decent man and woman was a socialist. This statement did not cause any earthquake in politics, simply because thinking people to-day recognise the necessity for a continuous and sanely-planned improvement in the social system.

To-day the "Daily Mail" publishes an article by Mr J. B. Priestley in which the writer analyses the problems which will face British Democracy after the war. The underlying argument of Mr Priestley's review is simple: Democracy must either move ahead or it will slip back into some form of reactionary Fascism.

There is a tendency at the present time to attempt to defy Democracy as part of an effort to combat the widespread appeal of totalitarianism for people who sincerely believe that Democracy has outlived its usefulness. But, as Mr Priestley points out, it is a question whether the principle of true Democracy has yet been put into practice. Nominally, Great Britain has been a democracy for generations, and yet Mr Priestley says:

For nearly 10 years before the war, Britain was being run by a small plutocratic Tory clique which produced one of the worst governments this country ever has known. Our entrance into the war soon proved that this ruling class was no longer capable of ruling efficiently . . . We did not begin to fight the war properly until the base of government was broadened. But it is still not nearly broad enough. This is recognised by everybody except the small, but influential, group of persons who put their own privileges before anything else.

If Mr Priestley's argument is sound, it explains a good many things, including the futile bungling of British foreign policy which was partly responsible for the present conflict. There is no question that if Great Britain had not vacillated between idealistic pacifism and the diplomatic let-out of "taking a grave view" of matters and "deploring the actions" of the aggressive dictatorships, neither Germany nor Italy would have been in a position to destroy the peace of the

Looking back to the 10 years before 1939, it is difficult to find a single point of policy which did not have the effect of lowering British prestige. Sanctions were imposed on Italy during the Abyssinian War and then were dropped like a hot potato; non-intervention in Spain was proclaimed, but when Italy, Germany and Russia all took a hand in the game, and when British ships were being sunk wholesale by Italian submarines, nothing was done about it; France time and time again endeavoured to enlist British support in an effort to curb the insane expansionist policy of Nazi Germany, but no help was available until it was too late. And so the muddle went on until the crowning triumph of diplomatic retreat—the Munich Agreement—was reached. The agreement had only one merit: it staved off for a year the war made inevitable by disastrous muddling.

It is plain enough that little of the blame for this tragic history can be laid at the door of the British people. Throughout the period public opinion was well ahead of the Government's foreign policy, and the attitude of British Democracy was only once able to express itself—when it gave overwhelming support to the National Government in an election fought on the issue of a firm hand in the Mediterranean. But once the Government was returned it forgot all about the firm hand, and British Democracy had no choice but to submit to a continuation of the international mess.

And now the whole state of mind of the British people has been changed by war. It is useless to pretend that the nation, which entered the conflict with a grim determination untinged by jingoistic hysteria, is going to be satisfied with catch-phrases like "making a land fit for heroes to return The people are prepared to toil and suffer and to rise to heights of heroic sacrifice which no other nation on earth could hope to attain, but at the same time they are not prepared, once the war is won, to sit back under the old policy of drift.

Thus far Mr Priestley's argument is sound: British Democracy must move forward. It must discard the pathetic futilities illustrated by the most famous instance of misplaced bureaucratic authority—the Ministry of Information. It must concentrate on the building of a new and greater Britain and a British Empire which will embody the finest British traditions and will provide "fit habitations for an indomitable free people,"2

Personal

Mr J. Wylie has left Waipawa on the first stage of his journey to England, where he will go into training for the Fleet Air Arm. He was met by a number of townspeople and presented with gifts from the citizens and the Patriotic Committee.

Mr D. M. McIntosh left Hard Section 19 Mr William Keast, 102 Grey's Road, Hastings, had his toe badly injured when a lead pipe fell on his foot at the gas works.

Facial Injuries

When a boiler burst, Mr W. King, 127 Fenwick Street, Hastings, suffered burns to his face. His condition is not serious.

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Mr D. M. McIntosh left Hastings yesterday on a visit to New Ply-

Mr W. Sealy-Wood, Havelock North, has received notice that he has completed his M.B. C.H.B. Dr. W. Sealy-Wood will take up an appointment in the Auckland Hospital at the beginning of 1941.

been called up for overseas service.
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Mr H. R. H. Chalmers, general manager of the Bank of New Zealand, has been elected chairman of the assocated banks for 1941 in succession to Mr P. R. M. Hanna, whose term expires on December 31.—Press Association.

AT THE HOTELS

Mr J. D. S. Miller, Mr David Jones, Mr C. Robertson, Miss M. Deverell (Wellington), Mr and Mrs A. G. Wallace, Mrs G. H. Graham (Waverley), Mrs F. D. Martin (Ma-tapiro) are at the Grand Hotel, Hastings.

Mr and Mrs D. St. Clair Brown,
Mrs J. D. Williamson, Mrs E. C.
Beale (Auckland), Miss Stella
Morice, Mr J. A. King (Wellington),
Mrs M. Hamilton (Bournemouth),
Mrs A. Burgess (New Plymouth),
Mr and Mrs C. Handley (Palmerston North), Mr and Mrs H. White
(Porangahau), Mr and Mrs G. Ross
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White (Waipawa), Mr R. P. W.
Barker, Mr C. A. Wackley, Mr C. J.
Hyland, Mr A. W. Reid, Mr H. W.
Barker, Mr H. Allen, Mr F. Calcott
(Gisborne) are at the Masonic (Gisborne) are at the Masonic Hotel, Napier.

WAIROA Mr H. C. Plested, Mr G. C. House, Mr W. H. Edwards, Mr F. Payne, Mr D. O'Rourke, Mr C. McLean, Mr Lock, Mr Walton, Mr D. Bevin (Napier), Mr A. Pierard (Wellington), Dr Davis (Gisborne) are staying at the Clyde Hotel the Clyde Hotel.

Miss Bascand (Gisborne), Mr Virtue, Mr Barber (Christchurch), Mr Irving (Auckland), Mr Collinge (Dunedin), Mr Jackson (Napier), Mr Walton (Dargaville), Miss Mr Walton (Dargaville), Miss Spence (Ruakituri) are guests at the

AIR FORCE AND ARMY CASUALTIES

Official Announcement Made

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 18. The following official casualties

Flying-Officer Samuel James Millen, D.F.C., missing on air operations. His father is Mr S. G. A. Millen, 18 Peakes Road, St. John's Hill, Wongawi Wanganui. Sergeant John Frederick Coombs

R.N.Z.A.F., missing on operations. His wife is Mrs J. F. Coombs, 155 Queen's Drive, Lyall Bay, Welling. Pilot-Officer Neil Anzac Svensen missing on air operations. His mother is Mrs N. P. Svensen, 111 Gonville Avenue, Wanganui.

Christmas Greetings

The "Daily Mail" acknowledges the receipt of the season's greetings from the Post and Telegraph De partment message boys, whose good wishes are heartily reciprocated.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

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Collecting Shrapnel

A Foolhardy Leap

Young couples are buying their en-

Reference to services given gratuitously to the community by the St. John Ambulance was made by the acting-chairman of the Hastings subdivision (Mr J. F. Jones) at the annual inspection parade last night. Speaking of the medical boards for the examination of recruits he said laughingly: "The recruits are paid, the doctors are paid; the Army officers are paid; everyone is paid except St. John Ambulance men."

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Motor Vehicles Imported

Motor vehicles imported during the 10 months ended October 31 of this year numbered 6135, or less than one-third of those imported for the corresponding months of last year—namely, 24,607. The value of the imports for this year's period was £983,878, compared with £4,102,-161 for the 10 months of 1939, showing the "slashing" effects of import restrictions. Motor-cycles imported were 322 in number, compared with 887 for the 1939 period, and the value of these imports for this year so far as it has gone is £19,685, compared with £47,703 for the 10 months in 1939.

Collecting Shrapnel

Children still in the cities of Britain now greet each other on the way to school with, "How much shrapnel have you got?" says a Britain now greet each other on the way to school with, "How much shrapnel have you got?" says a Britain so the patter and ring of falling shrapnel is practically continuous. Next morning the children go forth and collect the pieces which litter the streets and rush off with them to the city hall, where the waste metal headquarters are. In this way they feel that they, too, are helping in the struggle.

Slogans from Britain

Despicable Swindle

A recrudescence of a form of swindling which flourished during the last war is indicated apparently of the packages arriving from England bear the standard line "Britain delivers the goods," stencilled on them, but others are embellished by an incident which gave the par-ents of a Gisborne soldier now servents of a Gisborne soldier now serving in Egypt an uncomfortable 48 hours. The mother of the soldier received from Egypt a cabled appeal for the urgent dispatch of £25, the cablegram bearing the name of her soldier son. The amount asked for aroused her suspicions, as the woman was aware that her son knew enough of the family circumstances not to make such an appeal without some extraordinary cause. In consequence, she cabled to her son stating that she was puzzled by the request, and naming the amount stated in the cablegram received by her. Promptly came the reply from on them, but others are embellished with more original and more pointed slogans. "Where is Germany's blockade?" is the derisive question one case bears, while others have "This will shut Goebbels' mouth—shipped from England," "Made in England—facts are better than propaganda," and "Another shipment from Britain." A foolhardy Leap down a steep 100ft. slope was made by a prisoner, John Archibald Cantell, who escaped from the Hautu prison farm on Monday, when he was challenged by warders after dark on the Turangi-Taupo road near Jellicoe Point. The fugitive was later recaptured. Had Cantell jumped a few yards to either side he would probably have been killed on the rocky face of the cluff. stated in the cablegram received by her. Promptly came the reply from her son: "Do not send money." The Egyptian address from which this message was dispatched did not coincide with the dispatch point of the first message, and it seems obvious that an unauthorised person has used the Gisborne soldier's name in an effort to swindle his parents. er side he would probably have been killed on the rocky face of the cluff, but where he jumped the scrub broke his fall. He then struck east into rough country, but patrols turned him south, and he was later seen on the Waiouru-Turangi road by a Public Works Department gang. Shortly afterward he was in custody once more.

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 resi-dential address must be given even if the letter is to be published anonymously.

Street Parking In Hastings

Sir,—In your issue of to-day which sets out the opinions of several persons on the above subject, one man says that the reservations in front of picture theatres are to allow a quick exit in case of "fire or

r emergency. I don't know what he means by "other emergency," but the case for fire seems quite reasonable. If that is so, why should it not apply to hotels? People may have valuable belongings to save as well as their lives, which they invariably attempt to salvage.

Does the gentleman mean that if a fire occurs when the hotels are full of people it does not matter whether they get burned or not?—

AN ONLOOKER. Hastings, December 18.

Greakfast

"Have you any references?" inquired the lady of the house.

"Yes, mum, lots of 'm," answered the prospective maid.

"Then why did you not bring them with you?"

"Well, mum to tell the truth, they're just like my photographs. None of them do me justice."

We bow our head in humble respect: The hen still produces the best package-product, use and convenience considered.

Mrs A: "I thought you knew her. She lives in the same square as you."
Mrs B: "Perhaps! But she doesn't

HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

'DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS FOR FINE MILD WEATHER

The Sound Shell on Napier's Marine Parade is to undergo a course of beauty treatment some time before the holidays, and it is understood that the structure will receive a wash of coloured cement. The "Daily Mail's" special forecast as follows:— Winds: Moderate south-west to west winds. Weather: Fair to fine and mild Seas: Slight.

HASTINGS WEATHER

ing workmen are available. It is proposed to illuminate another court, but this work involves considerable structural alterations apart from actual wiring. Meteorological readings taken ves-terday at 5 p.m. at the Hastings Mag-netic Observatory, Cornwall Park, were as follows:— Dry bulb temp.
Wet bulb temp.
Maximum temp.
Minimum temp.
Grass
Wind
Rain
Cloud

> Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5.30 p.m. at Napier by the Government recorder (Miss G. Hutton) are as follows:— Iinimum temp.

> General situation: An anticyclone is located in the central Tasman Sea and another lies to the east of the Auckland Peninsula. The disturbance between them crosses the southern part of the North Island but it is rapidly losing intensity.

Seas.—New Zealand waters: Slight to moderate. Eastern Tasman Sea: Moderate south-westerly winds and moderate seas. Weather becoming fair to fine in most districts with mild temperatures.

Only Five More Shopping Days to Christmas.

The Theatres:

8 p.m.
"Cross Country Romance," State,
2.15 and 8 p.m. NAPIER

Annual Meeting Napier Branch of the National Party, Borough Chambers, 8 p.m. The Theatres: "We Are Not Alone," Regent, 2 and



in of the Second Bat Napier Home Guard.

gifts for men . WIDE END TIES—Latest styles and newest patterns. In Silks, Cashmere and Marocains.

Prices: 2/6, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6.

WIDE END TIES and HAND-KERCHIEFS—To match. Done up in boxes. A wonderful choice and a delightful gift. Prices: 4/11, 5/6, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6 MEN'S SMART PYJAMA SUITS—Stripes, checks and twoone styles. Prices: 10/6, 12/6, 15/6, 21/-,

MEN'S FUSED COLLAR COAT SHIRTS—In all the newest creations. Smart designs and pleas ing colours.

Prices: 7/6, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6, 13/6 and 15/-.

MEN'S NEGLIGE SHIRTS— With 2 or three collars to match. New tonings, new stripes. A sel-ection of the best English mater.

Prices: 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6. SPORTS SHIRTS—With laced fronts. In a cool summer material. Well cut and nicely finished. Price: 10/6.

ALL AT OUR FAMOUS LOW PRICES!

Grass
Wind
Rain
Cloud
Rain for month NAPIER WEATHER

DOMINION FORECAST

"This is one that Hitler did not get" is the legend painted in bold characters on a case which is part of a shipment recently discharged at Dunedin from a British vessel. Most Forecast.—Winds: Westerly to south-westerly predominating, fresh at first in exposed positions but decreasing and otherwise moderate.

To-day's Diary

HASTINGS

"Dust Be My Destiny" and "Torchy Blane in Chinatown," Cosy 2.0 and 7.45 p.m. "Gunner George,' Regent, 2.15 and

8 p.m.

"Millionaires in Prison," and "Curtain Call," State, 2 and 8 p.m.

"Tropic Holiday," and "Stolen Heaven," Mayfair, 2 and 7.45

Home Guard Presentation

diamonds as a symbol of constancy and devotion in the days that lie ahead.

Designed to suit each particular hand, mounted with care and craftsmanship, every McClurg ring represents perfection. And remember, McClurg's have a ring for everyone, at their own figure. McClurg's, Napier, the oldest established Jewellers in Hawke's Bay.*

Home Guard Presentation

In recognition of his services as a temporary instructor, Sergeant-Major Cully, of the Napier Company of the National Military Reserve (Class 2), was the recipient of a presentation at last night's parade of the Second Battalion of the Napier Home Guard. **Home Guard Presentation**

WESTERMAN'S SUGGEST...



MEN'S SMART SOCKS—Fancy and plain. Ribbed and plain designs. Sizes 10in. to 12in.

Prices: 2/6, 2/11, 3/6, 3/11, 4/6, 4/11. Viyella 5/6.

BOY'S SPORTS SHIRTS- In White and Canary, open fronts with strap and button fastener.

Prices: 5/6, 5/11 and 6/6. MEN'S BATHING SHORTS-New rope and plain knits. Also fancy knits. In Blue, Maroon, Saxe, Black, White and Grey.

Prices: 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 and

MEN'S SILK ATHLETIC SING-LETS and ELASTIC TOP SHORTS TO MATCH—A com-

Prices: 2/11, 3/11, 4/6, 4/11 ea. BELTS, BRACES & GARTERS -Smart colourings.

Prices: 2/6, 3/6, 4/6 and 5/6.

SILK and MAROCAIN DRESS-ING GOWNS—English and Col-onial makes. Effective designs and well tailored. Prices: 25/6, 29/6, 37/6, 45/-to 63/

MODERN HASTINGS

COUNTER ATTACKS FAIL TO STEM GREEK ADVANCE

Italians Skim Cream Of The Army In Useless Attempt To Fight Back

(United Press Association-Copyright.) (Received December 18, 11.15 p.m.) LONDON, Dec. 17.

After 50 days of war the Greeks are everywhere maintaining the initiative. The Italians have launched counterattacks at points on the whole of the Albanian front but the Greeks have not only broken up these but have occupied various small towns on the hilltops.

The battle in the Tepelini region is passing through a particularly fierce phase, the Italians making a last desperate effort but the Greeks are holding a number of most useful

effort, but the Greeks are holding a number of most useful strategic points.

Several Italian units have been dispersed in the Pogradec sector, the importance of which is indicated by the strength of the reinforcements which both sides are bringing

Blizzard conditions have practically brought operations in the Devoli Valley to a standstill,

"The Times" Athens correspond ent says: "Despite bad flying weather the Italians are forcing their aircraft into action on certain sectors to maintain the ebbing morale of the troops, but the re sults are negligible. The general position is that the Italians every-where are slowly but surely with-drawing. They unsuccessfully en-deavoured to protract operations un-til the spring by transforming the

COASTLIGHTS MAY GO OUT

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 18.

A notice to mariners was issued to-day advising that at any time, without further notice, all lights on the New Zealand coast are liable to be extinguished or altered, and fog signals discontinued.

war of movement to trench fighting. The Modena division was thrown into the fighting on the central front and another Alpine division further left. The latter seven times vainly attempted to recapture Mount Skovovic

Greek observer declares that the Italian leaders have subjected their men to useless slaughter to justify the subsequent retreat. similar fate was suffered by specially chosen counter-attacking force in the Drynos River area, where the Modena division retired after heavy losses, leaving 200 prisoners, including a senior officer."

Elite Troops Used

The "Daily Telegraph's" Athens orrespondent says: "The Italians' increasing use of "The Italians' increasing use of elite troops is most significant. This skimming of the cream of the army represents living on capital in a military sense and is calculated to lower the army's morale."

Greek 'planes to-day blew up a large ammunition dump on the northern front and killed a large number of Italians massed nearby

number of Italians massed nearby. The Greek War Ministry has is sued a communique stating that fires have been observed at Klisura, (north of Argyrokastron) on which the Greeks are advancing and in-flicting heavy losses on the Italians.

Heavy Losses

"The enemy has been obliged to retreat with heavy losses under pressure from our troops towards Klisura, where the fires were noticed," says the communique." "On the other fronts the fighting continues successfully. We have cantured many prisoners among continues successfully. We have captured many prisoners, among whom was one lieutenant-colonel, and much war material."

All fortified positions on both sides of the Dinos River descended to Tepelini are now held by the Greeks. The Italians have withdrawn to new positions on the heights on

to new positions on the heights on both sides of Tepelini.

Italians 75's are keeping the road to Argyrokastron under continuous

The recent blizzards have thrown up natural barriers on the north-western front, snow two metres deep blocking the roads and filling Indications that the Italians had

recaptured Port Palermo were given when the official Greek spokesman to-night denied that it was now in Greek hands.

"The Greeks again have the gulf port of Palermo under artillery fire," he said.

Wild Boars And

Wolves

DANGER TO GREEKS

Intense Cold Experienced In Albania

WOUNDED SUFFER

By Telegraph-Press Association. Received December 18, 10.45 p.m. ATHENS, Dec. 17. The shortage of blankets and woollens is seriously hampering the

boars and wolves from the hills and wounded soldiers are obliged to lie on stretchers in snowheaps for hours covered with a single blan-

The Greek advance is very fast and there is no time to care for

HEAVY DAMAGE AT SMALL COST

Air Force's Bag In The Desert

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LONDON, Dec. 17.

"The Times" Cairo correspondent says that the British and Austra-lian Air Forces' total bag since the operations began in the Western Desert is now 122, compared with 13

to A The actual total bag is considerably higher in view of the great number put out of action on the

Orari Reported Safe

NOW IN PORT

Torpedoing Story Refuted

ALL ABOARD WELL

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 18. The Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser) announced that the New Zealand Shipping Co.'s vessel, Orari, which was reported on Saturday to have been torpedoed, has arrived at a British port. There are no casualties and all on board are safe and well.

Well.

The American Mackay Radio Station reported that the Orari (11,000 tons) was torpedoed on Friday afternoon in the Atlantic, and this was followed by a German claim that the ship had been torpedoed in the East Atlantic Atlantic.

Yacht Smashed On Island

YOUNG MAN MISSING

Wellington Harbour Discovery

FURTHER SEARCH



ITALIAN DEFEAT.—The Italians' headlong retreat out of Egypt to Libya can be traced on this map of the Western Desert area. Following the fall of Sollum and the Italians' desperate climb up Hell Fire Corner, the Army of the Nile is now concentrating its attack on Bardia. Sidi Omar and Fort Capuzzo, south of Bardia, have both fallen to the Empire troops, assisting in the encircling of the present main point of attack. Tobruk and Derna are the two other strongpoints of the Italians. The British are at present attempting to sever communications between Bardia and Tobruk but their success is not yet announced.

NATIONAL PARTY CANDIDATES

GENERAL ELECTION **SELECTION**

END OF MARCH

Announcement Made

At Auckland By Telegraph-Press Association.

AUCKLAND, Dec. 18. The announcement that by the end of March next year all the National Party candidates for the general election would be selected, was made by Mr G. M. Smith, chairman of the Auckland Division of the Party at a meeting of members and supporters which was addressed by the Leader of the Opposition (Mr S. G. Holland) to-night.

"THERE'LL ALWAYS BE AN ENGLAND"

Famous Song

REFERENCE BY HIS MAJESTY

Simple Theme

Two British song writers entered a musician's Seventh Heaven when his Majesty the King referred to their now famous song, "There'll Always be an England," in a solemn message to his people. The following is condensed from A. W. O'Brien's recent article on the song in the "Montreal Standard."

It tack a ground World War to

It took a second World War to give teeth to such verses as these: There'll always be an England While there's a country lane, Wherever there's a cottage small

Beside a field of grain.
There'll always be an England,
And England shall be free
If England means as much to you
As England means to me.

In March, 1939, two hard-working song-writers of the Irwin Dash Company of London, England, wrote a number they entitled, "There'll Always Be An England." Their names are Ross Parker and Hughie

A Little Too Much

Staid old England thought it was a little too much in the "Rule Britannia" category. All this business about happy little cottages in rural settings and the Empire's championing of freedom—sort of seemed a bit thick, don't you know? The English gave it an indifferent reception. Then came September 3, 1939, and all this business about freedom and the Empire that seemed a little thick a short time previously became a vivid something in dire peril. In a thousand music shops the Forgotten Song, with its background of marching feet and its thundering rhythm and its references to country lane, cottage small and what England means to "you" came off the shelves. The humming of it spread like wildfire in the nation rushing to prepare for a fight for life.

By mid-November "There'll Al-A Little Too Much

**Would Like To

Help"

By Telegraph—Press Association.
WELLINGTON, Dec. 18.
The fourteen-foot yacht Lupi, belonging to F. Weston, Elizabeth Street, in which T. J. B. Osborn, single, 29, went cruising in Wellington Harbour on Monday and failed to return, was found smashed to matchwood this afternoon on the eastern side of Ward Island, Eastbourne.
The island police said to-night that the sail had been tied to the mast. Apparently Osborn had tried to row the yacht, but it was awkward to row.

By Telegraph—Press Association.
WELLINGTON, Dec. 18.
A decision voluntarily to wind up the New Zealand Centennial Exhibition Co. Ltd., was reached at the fourth ordinary general meeting of shareholders to-day.
The chairman of directors (Mr T. C. A. Hislop) said he could see no momentary return for the shareholders.

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The chairman of directors (Mr T. C. A. Hislop) said he could see no monetary return for the shareholders.

A letter was read from the Hon. W. Nash stating that the Government would like to help the smaller shareholders by making them some return of capital, but further consideration had shown that this proposal was fraught with difficulties and anomalies which it did not appear possible to avoid.

Mr L. C. Forgie, secretary of the company, was appointed liquidator and the directors were authorised to continue to act in negotiations with the Government for taking over the assets.

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Interned By Germans, But Quite Happy

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LONDON, Dec. 17. The English humorist, P. G. Wodehouse, has spent his time in a German concentration camp writing 20,000 words for a new book. He song is receiving an unusual volume of patriotic publicity. Automobiles said this in a letter to a friend in Geneva, adding that he was quite happy.

Mr Wodehouse and his wife were captured at Le Touquet last June.

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WRITING

The head of the Toronto firm of music publishers having the Canadian reception to "There'll Always Be An England" is a record for recent years. The sale is reported to be well over 60,000 and orders are still coming in briskly. (New Zealand sales are quoted at 12,000). The song is actching on with the Americans.

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Woman's Bravery NEW ZEALANDERS Rewarded

AIR RAID WORKER

Courage And Coolness In Danger

INJURED ASSISTED

British Official Wireless, (Received December 18, 6 p.m.) RUGBY, Dec. 17.

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A list of officers and other ranks of the R.A.F. to whom awards have been made for gallant conduct during air-raids contains the name of Corporal Josephine Robins, a member of the Women's Auxiliary Air Force. She is described as displaying "courage and coolness of a very high order in a position of extreme danger."

Corporal Robins was in a dug-out which received a direct hit during

which received a direct hit during an intense enemy bombing. A number of men were killed and two seriously injured. Though dust and fumes filled the shelter, she immediately went to the assistance of the wounded and rendered first aid, staying with them until they were

The posthumous award of the George Cross to Squadron-Leader Eric Moxey was announced to-day. In August last, Squadron-Leader Moxey, who was a Flying-Officer observer in the last war, was a technical intelligence officer at the Air Ministry, and he volunteered to reministry, and he volunteered to remove two unexploded bombs embedded in an aerodrome. From the nature of his duties, Squadron-Leader Moxey was fully aware of the risks and danger of the operations. One of the bombs exploded, causing his death

DEATH SENTENCE FOR TREACHERY

Irishwoman's Offence

PLANS OF PROHIBITED PLACES

Telephone Wire Cut

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LONDON, Dec. 17.

Mr Justice MacNaughten, at the Hampshire Assizes, sentenced to death Dorothy Pamela O'Grady, aged 42, described as a housewife, under the Treachery Act, the Official Secrets Act, and the Defence Regulations

lations.

The case was heard in camera.
O'Grady was found guilty of making a plan of the Isle of Wight likely to assist the military operations of the enemy, and also of cutting a military telephone wire with the object of impeding the military operations of his Majesty's forces. She was also found guilty of approaching a prohibited place, with making a second plan which might have been useful to the enemy, and with possessing a document containwith possessing a document containing information purporting to reveal

defence measures.

Mr Justice MacNaughten said:
"On the evidence, which admits of
no doubt, the jury has returned a
verdict of guilty of treachery, for
which the law prescribes but one
sentence."

O'Grady heard the sentence un-

LLOYD GEORGE MAY BE AMBASSADOR

Significant Visit Paid To Downing Street

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LONDON, Dec. 17.

There are persistent reports that ne Government has asked Mr Lloyd George, who was Prime Minister of Britain during the last war, to become the new Ambassador to Washington. He called on the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill in Downing Street to-day, and remained for

BOY ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

IN BATTLE

HEAVY FIGHTING NEAR BARDIA

LIGHT CASUALTIES

Transport And Guns Captured

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LONDON, Dec. 17.

It is learned in London that both New Zealand and Australian troops have taken part in the victorious advance in Northern Africa, as well

ight that Australian and New Zealand forces are in action in the heavy fighting that is proceeding across the Libyan border following the capture of Sollum and Fort A third landed in a street and blew in the windows of shops and of a

Capuzzo.

This action has for its objective the capture of the port and base of Bardia. Reports of its capture are not confirmed, but the Ankara radio stated last night that the British advance forces were 20 miles past

Battle By Moonlight The first official reference to the East participation of Australian troops is contained in to-day's Cairo communique, which states: "Last night, Australian troops successfully engaged an enemy column by moon-light, capturing transport and guns."

The Prime Minister of Australia (the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies), who is at present in Adelaide, announced to-day that he had received a special dispatch from the Commander-in-Chief of the British forces (General Sir Archibald Wavell) that Australian troops had been in action against the Italians in the Middle

Major Henry Ren, of the Royal Tank Corps, a former outstanding Rugby International, died of wounds

Few Losses The British Government spokes-man said to-day that the latest re-ports from the Western Desert in-dicate that the British losses were nfinitesimal when compared with

the results. the results.

"It would appear," he said, "that the chief difficulties are now the weather and the difficulties of bringing up supplies. The moral effect of the victory will be tremendous throughout the world, and especially in the Middle East, while the threat to Egypt has been removed."

Military circles depressed as pecular

SWISS WILL CLAIM **COMPENSATION**

Bombing Of Basle BRITISH RAIDERS

BLAMED United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 18, 6 p.m.)

BASLE, Dec. 17. A woman was killed and several injured at Basle and two women were killed and one child injured in the suburb of Binningen last night when unidentified 'planes dropped 16 bombs, damaging the central station and a number of houses.

After these bombs had been dropped on Swiss territory, anti-aircraft guns on the German side of the border opened up. It is believed that border opened up. It is believed that a large squadron of 'planes was over German territory, from which one 'plane strayed over Switzerland.

The Basle correspondent of the British Associated Press reports that about 16 bombs fell. One hit the central station and another the adjoining square, damaging a number of houses. There was a large squadron of 'planes over Germany at the time. German aircraft guns

Twenty Women Trapped

HALL HIT BY BOMB Lone Raider Startles

NOVEMBER CASUALTIES

Londoners

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 18, 6 p.m.) LONDON, Dec. 17. A bomb blast on Monday night in a West Midland town caused the roof of a hall to collapse, trapped

20 women under the debris, and killed a boy and a girl. A stick of Major-General Beresford Peirse (says a British Official Wireless message).

It was announced in London tobombs straddled a street, and a Four bombs from a lone raider startled Londoners on Monday night. The first two landed on a crossroads, and blew a bus across a street, interlocking it with another.

> nurses' home. The fourth hit a public house, from which a number of people were taken to hospital.

> Rain of Incendiaries Raiders bombed several towns in the Midlands, Liverpool, another north-west town, and northern and East Anglian towns. Incendiaries rained down and then high-explo-

Raiders were over the north-west town for an hour. They hit a cine-ma, and a number of people were killed or injured. The Ministry of Home Security announced to-day that 4588 persons were killed and 6202 sent to hospital in the United Kingdom in November as a result of air-raids. The figure comprised 2289 men, 1806 women, and 493 children killed, and 3493 men, 2251 women, and 458 children

sent to hospital.

Not 'Socialisation Of Doctors'

MINISTER'S REPLY

Question At Issue Is Mode Of Payment

MR HOLLAND'S VIEW

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 18.

The Minister of Health (the Hon. H. T. Armstrong) drew attention to a statement reported to have been made by the Leader of the Opposimade by the Leader of the Opposi-tion (Mr S. G. Holland) to Welling-ton businessmen yesterday, to the effect that they should not look on while doctors were socialised. He was surprised, he said, that the Leader of the Opposition should make such a misleading and irrational statement, as no-one knew better that at all times it had been stated that there would be freedom of choice between doctor and naof choice between doctor and patient, and that the main point at issue had been the willingness or otherwise of the profession to accept payment from the Social Security fund.

Not Acceptable

That the receipt of social secur-ity payments was not wholly unac-ceptable to the profession was clear from the success of the maternity benefits scheme, which had now operated for over 12 months in a manner completely satisfactory to both patient and medical men.

He noticed that Mr Holland talked about the rights of democracy. He would point out to him that the Social Security Act had not only received the approval of Parliament but was endorsed by the people at the last general election, so it was a piece of legislation for which democracy itself was responsible, and Mr Holland's speech could be inter-preted as an appeal to lawlessness and force to flout the will of de-

By Telegraph—Press Association.
WANGANUI, Dec. 18.
Andrew Gordon Martin, 11, No. 3
Line, Wanganui, was accidentally shot at his home this afternoon by a younger brother, Colin, aged 9.
It appears that the two brothers and another boy found a shotgun in the house and when the younger brother was handling it it went off, the charge penetrating the elder brother was handling it it went off, the charge penetrating the elder boy's back. Death was instantaneous.

Need For Unity
The Leader of the Opposition had also stated that there had never been more need for unity than at the present time, but he failed to see how his reported remarks could in the slightest degree contribute to see how his reported remarks could in the slightest degree contribute to the unity which in these days was so necessary not only for the defence of the country, but for the form the council will demand compensation of essential services to maintain the health of the civil population, upon whom the success of the present time, but he failed to see how his reported remarks could in the slightest degree contribute to the unity which in these days was so necessary not only for the defence of the country, but for the followed.

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The Council to-day, said that the 'planes which bombed Basle were believed to have been British.

The council will demand compensation for the damage, which is considered to have been British.

The Fairway stallion Golden family will be alf an hour after the attacking aircraft had left.

Bombs burst on railway yards, on the Policy of the English of the country between the present time, but he failed to see how his reported remarks could in the slighte

The Social Pyramid

We shall not have a better Britain until the complete social revolution, which already is taking place in the minds of the people, is put into effect. The social pyramid, the influence of which in political and economic affairs can hardly be exaggerated, has come crashing down. It

What we have had for years is a kind of masquerade in which government by financial, big business,

The dark little industrial town is very ugly and depressing and hardly shows any signs of truly urban civilisation, but not too far away is a delightful old country mansion in its park-like grounds. So forget the town and concentrate on the mansion. That was Britain and we have had enough of it. Remember, it is the town that is defying and defeating Herr Hitler for it is the town that receives his bombs, that manufactures the Spitfires and Hurri-

And Progress, Says A Famous Writer

(By J. B. Priestley, in the "Christian Science Monitor") During this war, or immediately after it, Britain either

Choice Lies Between Reaction

BRITAIN LOOKS FORWARD

TO THE NEW DEMOCRACY

must achieve a new democracy or go Fascist.

Why Fascist? Because if the forces of reaction can resist the demand for a new democracy, they will be compelled to use so many repressive measures that the result will be Fascism. There is, in my opinion, no alternative. We cannot stay long as we are. Either we drop back into reaction and repression or we go forward to achieve a new democratic

Nearly all persons who think at about these matters—and I could produce ample evidence to support this—are fighting this war not merely to defeat Adolf Hitler and his kind, but also to bring about this new democracy. and his kind, but also to about this new democracy.

and his kind, but also to bring about this new democracy.

For nearly 10 years before the war, Britain was being run by a small plutocratic Tory clique which produced one of the worst governments this country ever has known. Our entrance into the war soon proved that this ruling class was no longer capable of ruling efficiently, that virtue had gone out of it. We did not begin to fight the war properly until the base of government was broadened. But it is still not nearly broad enough. This is recognised by everybody except the small, but influential groups of persons who put thir own privileges before anything else.

People Want More Say I do not think for a moment that promises from on high of post-war reforms such as better housing more employment, new opportunities for workers will satisfy the people of this country. They do not want more presents from the Government. They want to have more say in the Government themselves. This means, among other things, electoral reforms which are long overdue. It means greater public control of such things as finance and foreign policy. It means a wholesome reduction of privilege. It means a complete overhauling of civil service and the educational system. I do not think for a moment that

already has received a bomb or two, and must sustain more damage if the war is to be fought successfully. But it must not be repaired again after the war. It must come down and be replaced by a very different social structure.

and vested interests is disguised as a charming feudalism.

The dark little industrial town is

tive principle and that what the world has been suffering from is not too much of it but too little of

and I do not nestate to declare that I find that deep mental and spiritual unrest, that growing sense of frustration, in these people to-day. They are ready to break Herr Hitler, but they are also ready to break any imitation Hitlers nearer home. They are ripe for new expertunities and are ripe for new opportunities and responsibilities, for sudden enlarge-

ments of democratic principle. A Great New Britain Just as the people hurled them-elves into a prodigious war effort, so they can hurl themselves into the task of building a great new Britain. When they can form a government that makes the test of every policy and action: "How does this benefit the people?" and not: "How does this benefit our important friends?" The full creative energies of whole classes, hitherto frustrated, will be released, with the result that what at one time would have been

thought miracles of social reconstruction can be accomplished.

If this seems unduly optimistic,
I would remind you that these very

AT BORDEAUX

HEAVY R.A.F. RAID ON DOCKS

FACTORIES ATTACKED

Big Fires Started At Mannheim

British Official Wireless. (Received December 18, 6 p.m.) RUGBY, Dec. 17. Coastal Command aircraft carried

out heavy raids on docks and Uboats at Bordeaux early to-day, states the Air Ministry news service. From the time they left their base the navigators did not see land until they were near their targets.

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buildings being lifted in their entirety into the air before they disintegrated.

sky over Bordeaux.

the chief industrial centre of the Upper Rhine, to a sustained attack which lasted seven hours. One of LATE SPORTING the principal factories was repeatedly straddled by bombs.

Mannheim, an aniline dye factory, one of the largest in Germany, was

U-BOATS BOMBED | New Zealanders' Big Task

DESERT TRANSPORT

Important Role In

Offensive

RAPID ADVANCE (From Official War Correspondent with N.Z.E.F. in Egypt)

CAIRO, Dec. 17. I am writing this on Monday, December 15, in the Western Desert.

Motor transport drivers and signallers have spent strenuous days carrying out the limited but not insignificant parts the N.Z.E.F. has been called on to play in the British offensive.

tish offensive.

Desert Travel In the past week their drivers have spent hours at the wheel runintegrated.

When one raider came over the docks to let go a salvo of large-calibre bombs, a wide column of flame rose to a height of 300 feet.

Other bombs fell on the corner of a U-boat dock, and their explosions were followed by an immense flash which produced a bright glow in the sky over Bordeaux.

have spent hours at the wheel running up 1000 miles of desert travel and moving further and further westwards as the British forces pressed deeper into enemy-occupied territory. At a later stage trucks and drivers were drawn from many other New Zealand units to form a further huge transport column which journeyed westwards with supplies and carried thousands of prisoners back to the concentration area.

Raid On Aerodromes

The R.A.F. also attacked several aerodromes in daylight on Monday, and six merchant vessels off the French coast. After the attack, one vessel was observed to be listing to port, and another was on fire.

Aircraft of the Bomber Command also subjected targets at Mannheim, the chief industrial centre of the

At Ludwigshaven, a suburb of Imported Stallion Destroyed

TROOP TRAINS

RECRUITS "TREATED TOO LIBERALLY"

R.S.A. OPINION

Earlier Departure In The Day .Suggested

The suggestion that the authorities might exercise better control over men on troop trains was made by the president of the Hastings Returned Soldiers' Association (Mr P. J. Priest) at last night's reunion of

J. Priest) at last night's reunion of the association. He had been told that damage amounting to about £200 had been done to carriages of a train carrying men to Trentham, and he felt that this state of affairs should be ended as soon as possible, said Mr Priest.

Earlier Departures Mr Priest expressed the opinion that the trouble was due in many respects to the men being "treated too liberally" by their friends on the day of their departure. He suggested that if time-tables were rearranged so that trains left earlier in the day, the men would not have sufficient the men would not have sufficient time to take too much liquor before they left. If the trains could leave Hawke's Bay earlier in the day the men would arrive at Trentham in Manifest and a separate the state of the state daylight and not at midnight or

early in the morning as had been the case in the past. While he appreciated that the trains left Napier and Hastings trains left Napier and Hastings fairly late through waiting for Gisborne men to arrive, he thought that this could be met by East Coast soldiers being billeted for a night at Napier, said Mr Priest. Breaking their journey would be better for the men and at the same time would allow the train to leave earlier for Trentham.

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Station Farewells

Discussing the proposal that some provision should be made at the railway station for friends of sol-

Successful Evening

The Christmas re-union of the Hastings R.S.A. was very well at-

Hastings R.S.A. was very well attended and the evening was most successful. The full programme was augmented by the Hastings Orphans' Orchestra.

The following toasts were honoured: The King; "The New Army," proposed by Mr P. J. S. George, replied to by Lieutenant Silvester; "The National Military Reserve," proposed by the Rev. S. F. N. Waymouth, replied to by Major Earle; "The Home Guard," proposed by Major S. I. Jones, replied to by Mr R. E. Hunt.

Brisk Business Reported

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

War Conditions Are Accepted

LITTLE GRUMBLING

Contrary to the predictions of prophets of gloom, the second wartime Christmas promises to excel its predecessors in every way, and buving in the Hawke's Bay centres goes on just as it did in the prosperous pre-war days.

The wise have taken advantage of the warm weather of the last few

the warm weather of the last few days and have been making the most

days and have been making the most of their opportunity to buy before they are caught in the inevitable rush early next week.

Now that the school holidays have begun, the shopping areas are daily besieged by children bent on spending the contents of money boxes, and if the children cannot obtain the variety of goods that was offering in other years, they do not appear any other years, they do not appear any the less delighted with their pur

chases. A few of the adults show displeasure at being unable to secure some favourite article, but in most cases a substitute has been gladly accepted. The public appear to have a realisation that wartime must bring sacrifice, and little grumbling is to be heard s to be heard

Appreciation Of Seamen

ASSISTANCE GIVEN

Letter To Mayor Of Napier

PATRIOTIC FUND

Some time ago 14 members of the crew of a vessel sunk off the Australian coast called at Napier while returning to England on another

The shipwrecked men were with-

HEAVY DAMAGE TO FIRE AUXILIARY CORPS COSTING ABOUT £1000

Hastings Proposal Outlined By Superintendent Of Brigade

"To make this corps of real value will cost a considerable sum of money, and at present I estimate that £1000 will be required to outfit the auxiliary men for service," said the Hastings Fire Brigade superintendent (Mr R. Henderson) in a report presented at yesterday's meeting of the Hastings Fire Board.

To carry out the scheme each corps would need a pump capable of supplying 80 to 100 gallons a minute, this being approximately the average flow from an artesian well of twoinch diameter, said Mr Henderson. The hospital squad would need a larger pump, capable of dealing with 400 to 500 gallons a minute, as the racecourse lake could be used if required and also the baths at the Memorial Hospital.

FINANCES IN GOOD

CONDITION

Mr Maddison Reviews

Fire Board Year

TRIBUTE TO FIRE

BOARD PIONEER

The death of Mr J. A. Miller was

referred to by the chairman of th Hastings Fire Board (Mr G. A

Board, set up at Hastings in 1909, said Mr Maddison, and he gave valu-

ly pioneered Fire Board work in Hastings," said Mr Maddison. "This

Boots And All'

At Hastings

STRIKING SUCCESS

Napier Operatic

Society

Attractive Variety

The first number they hear is a comic song by Madge Widerstrom followed by an old-fashioned play

which features the villain, the hero the heroine and the father. The

in quick succession follow man other old favourites, "Mr Pickwich

at the Ball," a comic dance by Ivena Pothan, and "If You Were the Only Gir! In the World," a romantic

elody sung by Eric Poynter and

bers as "Tea For Two" from "No, No, Nanette" and "The Kipling Walk" from "The Bing Boys."

The feature of the third act, and

"Anyone oblige with a fill?" he

asked with an ingratiating smile as he entered the club smoke-room

In addition to the pumps, other gear would be necessary, such as a 20ft. extension ladder for each squad, bucket pumps, spanners, ropes and certain tools, continued the report. Each squad would need a separate lock-up place to stow

It was proposed to divide the members into five squads with a fireman from the brigade to act as foreman, said Mr Henderson. One squad would consist of ex-firemen under ex-foreman J. Flynn, who was foreman under the board for several years. To this squad would be allotted the care of the emergency hospital on the racecourse, Royston Hospital, and the Memorial Hospital.

The other four squads would each have a quarter of the borough to protect, with the brigade covering the central and brick-area part of the town.

The efficiency of the brigade had been fully maintained in the past year and the finances of the board seen fully maintained in the past year and the finances of the board been fully maintained in the past year and the finances of the board were in a healthy condition, said the chairman of the Hastings Fire Board (Mr G. A. Maddison), thanking members for their co-operation at the last meeting of this year, held yesterday.

"I hope that when we assemble here next year it will be in a time of peace and goodwill among all men," said Mr Maddison.

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TRIBUTE TO FIRE

The efficiency of the brigade had been fully maintained in the past identification the files are a menace.

Inquiries made in Napier yester days revealed that the Napier Wormen's Patriotic Service Corps has already included a number of fly protocy covers in the articles sent overseas.

A Private Letter

A parcel recently sent included a rard from "Four Little New Zealanders," with their Napier address mentioned. The other day the senders received a letter from a soldier stationed in Egypt.

"I would like to thank 'Four Little New Zealanders' for the care taken in putting up the parcel, and for the past 12 months can be advanced even further."

Superintendede the days revealed that the Napier active received a letter from a soldier stationed in Napier active received a letter from a soldier stationed in Napier active received that members into five squads with a

Trentham.

"You cannot blame the young fellows," said Mr Priest. "People who witnessed scenes at the Hastings Railway Station when a recent troop train left will appreciate what goes on."

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Salvage Corps

He was also preparing another squad, to be known as a salvage corps, said Mr Henderson. Their corps, said Mr Henderson. Their diers and their next-of-kin to have a good opportunity to farewell the men, Mr Priest said that he could see no way of erecting a barricade on a narrow platform such as that at Hastings. Even if a barricade were erected, unless the next-of-kin to have a good would be taken to some at Hastings. Even if a barricade were erected, unless the next-of-kin to have a good opportunity to farewell the work would be taken to some at Hastings. Fire Board (Mr G. A Maddison) at yesterday's meeting the superintendent of the brigade. The goods would be taken to some building where they would be care-building where they would be building where they would be care-fully recorded and would not be re-fully recorded and would not be rewere issued with tickets no good purpose would be served.

Although hundreds of people gathered at the station, Mr Priest felt that they were not there out of curtainty.

Milly recorded and would not be removed before a receipt was given for the articles to be handed over.

Commenting on the report, the

Commenting on the report, the chairman of the board (Mr G. A. work was undertaken enthusiastically and well, and we can see the truits of their work to-day." duty as citizens to the men. Most real farewells were made at places other than the railway station, said Mr Priest.

Chairman of the board (Mr G. A. Maddison) said that the formation of the auxiliary corps was a step onward in setting up an organisation under the Emergency Precaution under the Emergency Prec of the auxiliary corps was a step onward in setting up an organisa-tion under the Emergency Precautions Committee.

"I would like to congratulate the superintendent on this report. He has done a very fine job and Hastings should be proud of it," said Mr M. Taylor. "It is only a beginning, but I feel that the 65 men who have volunteered will put 'heir shoulders to the wheel and give of their best." Mr Henderson: They are very en-

Mr G. W. B. McCormick: Well, I hope they never have a job to do.

Conference Arranged

A letter was received from the Napier Operatic Society's clever mustical revue, "Boots And All," scored a further success when it was enture association to arrange a conference of superintendents and deputy-superintendents of brigades of the main centres and the secondary towns as soon as the Government's decicient for the placing of five germances in Napier, the Napier Operatic Society's clever mustical revue, "Boots And All," scored a further success when it was enture at Hastings last night.

The opening number, "Boots And All," Superintendent Gilberd reported that Foreman J. Spence had entered multivary camp and that Firemen P. Scullin and J. Swift were to enter the All," given by the combined male and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such a female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such a female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such a female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such a female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such a female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such a female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such a female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such as female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such as female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such as female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such as female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such as female choirs, had the swing and spontaneity that are expected in the opening number of such as female choirs are such as such as f main centres and the secondary and structure towns as soon as the Government's in the decision for the placing of fire services on a war footing was avail-able for discussion.

The superintendents of the main tentres had indicated that the formation of an association of super-intendents was generally desired, said the letter. It was suggested, therefore, that the opportunity could be availed of at the proposed con-ference to consider fully the forma-tion of such an association

tion of such an association.

The board decided to defer further consideration of certain aspects of the Hastings auxiliary corps until after this conference.

Stocks Damaged By Fire

NAPIER OUTBREAK

Brigade Makes Good

BLAZE IN CUPBOARD

The Napier Fire Brigade received a call at 5.35 p.m. yesterday to an outbreak at Hellyer's store, at the corner of Carlyle and Craven (trace).

The second act features a number of the most popular items from musical comedy and light opera, and is a gay selection. Colour and melody blend to the tune of such numbers as "Tea For Two" from "No,

It was found that a fire had broken out in a cupboard beneath a staircase, and although the brigade staircase, and although the origade had some difficulty in getting at the seat of the fire it was not long before it was under control.

The building, which is owned by Mr J. P. Thomson, was not greatly damaged, but some of the stock was destroyed. It is understood that

probably of the whole production, is the brilliant historical tableau, which depicts England's greatness through eleven centuries. It is a striking and splendid item. destroyed. It is understood that there was an adequate insurance

Memorando

On December 26, 27 and 28 the Hastings Lawn Tennis Club (Inc.) will hold a Christmas Patriotic Tournament. Entries will close on Saturaay.

The Fernhill Patriotic Society will hold a dance in aid of funds at 8 o'clock to-night. Good music and supper will be supplied, and the Christmas competition will be drawn.

he entered the club smoke-room. "Bally nuisance—left my pouch in my other coat." No one "obliged" until a new member passed his pouch along. "Who's that bloke?" he asked when the "absent-minded beggar" had left the room. "That's the club cadger," said somebody; "tons of oof but never buys tobacco if he can cadge it. He'll smoke anything, but his particular weakness is Toasted Cut Plug No. 10." "Same here." said the new member with a laugh. "I smoke it because I can't get anything else so good, but, by Jove, I wish I'd known about that blighter! I've no time for cadgres!" And everywhold.

Appreciated

MANY LETTERS

Suggestion From An

DISH COVERS NEEDED

Letters of appreciation for par-els sent overseas are frequently rey patriotic workers in Bay from men in the forces, but a notable letter was that received yesterday by the Mayor of Napier (Mr T. W. Hercock) from

an officer.
"Out in the desert the receipt of such gifts is a source of much pleasure. It is most encouraging, and is an incentive to all of us,"

"I would consider it a favour if you would pass on our appreciation to the persons responsible, and let them know they have much to be proud of in the New Zealand boys, who are making their contribution to the common cause under condi-

to the common cause under condi-tions that are certainly not ideal." The writer suggests that small net dish covers should be included

in future parcels, and says that these would assist in maintaining the health of the men. At the place where this company is stationed the The efficiency of the brigade had flies are a menace.

contents arrived in good condition and were very much appreciated, since they included goods that it is impossible to obtain out in the

Needless to say, the senders were delighted to learn that their efforts have been so much appreciated.

Several False Alarms

NAPIER BRIGADE

Superintendent's Report To Fire Board

LOSS OF PERSONNEL

False fire alarms are still fairly frequent in Napier, according to the report of Superintendent W. G. Gilberd, which was presented to the

in the opening number of such a production. The scene then changes to a present-day London street, with enlisted for home defence and was

beside a shelter. One remarks that he would like to see some of the stage productions of former of the stage productions of the sta stage productions of former times, and they then tune in to a broadcast of an old-time variety show.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CHILDREN

Matinee Performance Of "Aladdin" At Napier

All boys and girls are invited to the Municipal Theatre, Napier, on Saturday afternoon, when the pan-tomime "Aladdin" will be staged. The setting then goes back to the street, where the wardens find that the programme is over, and decide to switch over to a modern wartime tomime "Aladdin" will be staged. They should not miss seeing "Aladdin," and the beautiful "Princess Violetta," the "Widow Twankey," the villain "Abanazer," "the Cat," "Slave of the Lamp," the "Spirit of the Cave" and "the Flight Commander," or the ballet, and all the fun and entertainment of the pantomime. to switch over to a modern wartime entertainment.

"Franklin D. Roosevelt Jones," sung by Ulric Williams and tapped by the society's ballet, is the first number to be heard. Maia Alexander, singing a comic song, "Ring Down the Curtain," is introduced, as is the burlesque sketch, "Old Moore's Almanac." Peggy Black and the ballet render "The Moonlight Sonata," a ballet, with the accompaniment by Mr Scott.

The second act features a number of the most popular items from

The Blind Club of Napier, and children from the Kotemaori School, are to be the guests of the Frivs. At the conclusion of the pantomime, At the conclusion of the pantomime, every child will receive a gift. The first part of the performance will be provided by the dancing pupils of Miss Peggy Black.

The performance starts at 2 o'clock, and admission charges are:

Children 6d adults 1 (Children 6d adults 1) Children 6d, adults 1/-

BATHING BEAUTIES CONTEST

Entries Being Received At Napier

Several entries have already been received for the Bathing Beauty Contest to be held at Napier on Boxing Afternoon and Evening. In reply to an inquiry as to whether married ladies may take part, it may be mentioned that the first entry received was from a married lady. Competitors must wear bathing costume, high heeled shoes, and no head covering or wrap. In the children's ering or wrap. In the children's classes, no shoes need be worn.

A film is to be taken of Napier during the holiday season, and the

The shipwrecked men were withchase small necessities since the
pay due to them could not be lifted
until they reached England an
made application to the Admiralty.
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the production.

The production

Parcels Greatly ST. JOHN AMBULANCE PARADE AT HASTINGS

Men's And Women's Divisions Inspected By District Superintendent

An indication of the keen interest taken in the St. John Ambulance at Hastings was given at the annual parade and inspection of men's and women's divisions and the cadet unit last night in the sub-division's new rooms in the Colonial Mutual Building.

The parade was inspected by District Superintendent R. S. Munro, Napier, and the units were addressed by the acting-chairman of the sub-division (Mr J. F. Jones) District Superintendent Munro spoke highly of the turn-out and commended the sub-division on its rapid development.

HUMANE WORK

Vital Need In Time Of

Emergency

"We do not know what changes are likely to take place in the inter-national situation or in the theatre

of war, but we stand ready as an efficient orgnisation to alleviate human suffering," said District Superintendent R. S. Munro at the annual inspection parade of the Hastings St. John sub-division last night

"In spite of the good work done in

"In spite of the good work done in the past year, there is a much bigger year ahead of us," said the acting chairman of the Hastings subdivision (Mr J. F. Jones) addressing the units on parade. "We look forward to having no fewer than 100 in the women's division, and we will have about 28 in V.A.D. uniform when we resume activities next year."

A Higher Plane

Change of Heart

Rainbow Shield

Swimming

HASTINGS CARNIVAL

Mahora Secures Points

Lead

CLOSE FINISHES

Mahora Club assumed the lead in the first Rainbow Shield swimming carnival held at Maddison Baths last

night. The points margin was the closest for some years, the clubs' positions being: Mahora 34½ points, Havelock North 32 points, Heretau-

nga 31½ points.

There was a large crowd and some very close finishes enhanced the evening's entertainment. Detailed

151-5sec.
Intermediate Boys' 50 yards.—
First heat: McCracken (M.) 1, Hill
(H.N.) 2, D. Drummond (H.) 3.
Time, 29sec. Second heat: K. Taylor (M.) 1, M. Mawson (H.) 2, B.
Beckett (M.) 3. Time, 292-5sec.
Final: McCracken 1, M. Mawson 2,
K. Taylor 3. Time, 281-5sec.
Women's Open 50 yards: Miss
Marvin (H.N.) 1, Miss Cook (H.N.)
and Miss Shaw 2 equal. Time,
351-5sec.
Senior Men's 50 yards.—First

results were:—

the movement.

"I must congratulate the subdivision and the centre on acquiring these very fine rooms," said Superintendent Munro. "They would be the envy of any other unit in the district—I would go as far as to say in New Zealand. They are fine rooms for a fine brigade and the tradition of St. John Ambulance you are building up in Hastings."

"Your work and what you do concerns me and I have followed closely your work and progress," he continued. "I want you to continue what you are doing. What has been done in the past 12 months can be advanced even further."

Superintendent munro inspected

"I must congratulate the subdivision of its rapid development.

IMPORTANT PLACE

IN COMMUNITY

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE

ACTIVITIES

HUMANE WORK

Office

NAPIER BRANCH

Details Of Holiday Service

"The matron of the Memorial Hospital recently spoke in the highest terms of the work of you women but we wish to intensify it and bring the higher helps of the work you." The following hours will be observed by the Napier branch of the Post and Telegraph Department over Christmas and New Year holi-

Postal Branch December 25 (Christmas Day): Will be observed as a Sunday. Closed all

Thursday, December 26 (Boxing Day): Closed all day. Mails due for dispatch will close at 7.15 a.m. Street posting boxes will be cleared at 4 a.m. No delivery will be made by postmen

but we wish to intensify it and bring it to a higher plane next year," continued Mr Jones. "I know that it is difficult for many of you, but we are desperately anxious that it should be done. To-night I appeal to employers to subsidise those of you who are working hour for hour so that you may be released to go to the hospital for further training." If employers would give the young women four hours a week which the employees could make up, it would be possible for them to complete their hospital training in two months, said Mr Jones. He knew that if the position was fully explained to the employers they would be quite willing to assist in the movement. Wednesday, January 1 (New Year's Day): Closed all day. Mails due for dispatch will close at 8 p.m. on December 31. No delivery will

be made by postmen.

Thursday, January 2: Usual hours of attendance. Street posting boxes will be cleared at 4 a.m. No delivery will be made by postmen. "We live in difficult times," said Mr Jones, addressing new recruits, "but there is a part for all of us to play in the community. As we go about we hear people blaming systems, and I believe what is wanted is not a change of systems, but a change of heart. Telegraph Branch

Telegraph Branch
Tuesday, December 24: Telegraph counter will be open 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas Day): Will be observed as a Sunday. Closed all day.
Thursday, December 26 (Boxing new recruits, "but there is a part for all of us to play in the community. As we go about we hear people blaming systems, and I believe what is wanted is not a change of systems, but a change of heart.
"We have responsible Ministers of the Crown warning us that we are in danger," continued Mr Jones. "I think that is a challenge to all res-

Wednesday, January 1 (New Year's Day): Office open 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. After main entrance closed, apply upstairs, Dickens Street entrance.

Telephone Exchange: Open complete the continued Mr Jones. "I think that is a challenge to all responsible citizens of the Dominion. What are they doing? And so I appeal for all who may to join our ranks, so that at least we may be ready."

Telephone Exchange: Open continuously.

When the public office is closed, toll calls may be obtained from the Telegraph Branch, upstairs Dickens Street entrance, or from the telephone exchange, Browning Street.

Money Order and Savings Bank
Branch: Closed all day on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

BUILDING SOCIETY'S YEAR

Steady Business

ANNUAL MEETING TO-DAY

Prudent Finance

The 66th annual meeting of the Hawke's Bay Permanent Building and Investment Society (Inc.) is to be held at the society's office, Tenresults were:—
Junior Boys' 25 yards.—First heat: Ferguson (H.N.) 1, Sieve-wright (H.N.) 2, Blakey (H.) 3. Time, 144-5sec. Second heat: Wrightson (H.) 1, Wedd (M.) 2, Cash (M.) 3. Time, 144-5sec. Final: Ferguson 1, Seivewright 2, Wrightson 3. Time, 15sec.

Junior Girls' 25 yards.—First heat: Miss Fargher (H.) 1, Miss Mawson (M.) 2, Miss McKeown (H.N.) 3. Time, 15sec. Second heat: Miss Instone (H.) 1, Miss Biggar (H.N.) 2, Miss Condon (M.) 3. Time, 152-5sec. Final: Miss Fargher 1, Miss Instone 2, Miss Biggar 3. Time, 151-5sec. nyson Street, Napier, to-day.

nyson Street, Napier, to-day.

The annual report records steady business during the year, with applications for loans totalling £16,050.

"The committee wish to place on record the loss sustained by the society in the passing of an esteemed former chairman, Mr F. W. Williams, who, for a period of over 58 years, was actively associated with the management of the society," continues the report. "His practical business experience, at all times valuable, contributed largely to the successful development of the society's business. As chairman for many years, and later as vice-chairmany years, and later as vice-chairman until his death, he earned the esteem and appreciation of his col-

leagues.
"The continued realisation of properties in possession is most pleasing. Possible depreciation of securities has been amply covered as a

matter of prudence.

"Bonuses to borrowers amount this year to £646 3/5, and this sum will be paid out in cash in January.

"The amount to be distributed to members in respect of matured subscription investment shares and interest.

"The amount to be distributed to members in respect of matured subscription investment shares and interest on capital shares is £11,817 12/4.

"The committee have carefully reviewed the financial position of the society. The strengthening of reserves coupled with the maintenance of the usual return to shareholders is considered to be a satisfactory achievement under the war conditions now existing."

It will be necessary to elect three members of the committee in place of Messrs H. J. Rull. P. A. T. Senior Dive: G. Wright (H.) 1, Eves (H.N.) 2, R. Drummond (H.) 3.

Teams' Race: Mahora No. 1 (R.) Watkins, L. Brooker, A. G. L. Wat

HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT St. John Ambulance

Granted Status

Of Centre

Association

IMPORTANT MOVE

ceived by the Napier branch of the association.

The Napier brigade sub-district Radio appeal (additionhas also been raised to the status of E. W. Jull (monthly doa brigade district, and will remain under the control of District Super-intendent R. S. Munro. This altera-tion in the constitution of the assotion in the constitution of the association in Hawke's Bay means that all spheres of the organisation's F. Kingston (monthly donation) activity will be directly controlled from within the province without reference to the Commandery in Mrs H. D. Limbrick ... Mr and Mrs A. Malcolm

In addition to the ordinary peace- Mr time activity of the St. John Ambulance Association its members (monthly donation) Stock drive, settlers of bulance Association its members were now instructing the Home Guard and Women's Auxiliary Ser-vices in first aid.

Waipawa Total Grows

£1,000,000 APPEAL

Sum Collected Is Now £142

(Daily Mail Special Service) WAIPAWA.

As a result of the great advance made by the Hawke's Bay provincial district of the St. John Ambulance Association, its status was raised to that of a centre by a recent meeting of the Commandery in Wellington, according to advice received by the Nanier branch of the

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EVERY WOMAN MUST DO HER SHARE OF WAR WORK

Mrs Knox Gilmer An Inspiring Speaker At Hastings Women's Community Club

No woman in Hastings, or, in fact, anywhere in the Dominion, could fail to be inspired by the sincere enthusiasm of Mrs Knox Gilmer, of Wellington, a member of the Dominion. ion Central Executive of the Women's War Service Auxiliary,

sity for women to be up and doing and honestly to play their part in winning the war.

she has made it very evident that any woman who has not so far made some sacrifice and contribution towards the combined women's effort, so vitally needed, must do so without a moment's delay.

to the lounge which was gay with bowls of most beautiful flowers artistically arranged. Large bowls contained roses, delphiniums, Christmas lilies and hydrangeas, while on the tables aread howls of brilliant. the tables stood bowls of brilliant cactus flowers.

In the absence of the club president Mrs T. H. Lowry, her place was taken by Mrs T. W. Lewis, who, when extending a welcome to the guests, Mrs Knox Gilmer, Mrs C. H. Burgess, whose work for the Re-turned Soldiers Association is wide-

Mrs Lewis said that she had known Mrs Knox Gilmer for many known Mrs Knox Gilmer for many years and had frequently met her in connection with her work for the Wellington Orchestral Society, the Horticultural Society, the Crippled Children's Society and Blind Institute, to name a few of her interests. "Many people know Mrs Knox Gilmer as a great politicain," said Mrs Lewis, "but politics are not considered in her efforts now and everything she does is sincere patriotic work."

Bishop Bennett Pays a Tribute

both the Maoris and the Pakeha in Christmas party.
The Speaker The speaker said that he had

something wrong now with so much money being spent on liquor and gambling and so few people attend-ing church regularly. We have every cause to thank God for his spiritual

who has been visiting Hastings.

They must have realised from her talks the vital neces-

In the various talks which she gave while in Hastings

It was felt that a very great pri-vilege was shared by all the women who were able to meet Mrs Knox Gilmer when she was the guest of do well to follow the example set Honour at a morning tea party arranged by members of the Hastings Women's Community Club and the Hastings branch of the English-tion to the spiritual side," he concluded.

Speaking Union.

The gathering was held at the club rooms where morning tea was served in the bridge room. Seated at the main table were Mrs Knox Gilmer, Mrs C. H. Burgess (New Plymouth), who was also a guest of honour, and her hostess, Mrs Menzies (Napier), the Mayoress, Mrs G.

duded.

Mrs Burgess spoke very briefly, thanking the members for the invitation to be present and saying that now that she was no longer able to take an active part in the work for the welfare of the people of the Dominion she was pleased to have their appreciation of what she had done in previous years. Gilmer, Mrs C. H. Burgess (New Plymouth), who was also a guest of honour, and her hostess, Mrs Menzies (Napier), the Mayoress, Mrs G. A. Maddison, Mrs W. A. C. Mackenzie, Mrs W. J. White, Mrs W. H. Wood, and the Bishop of Aotearoa, the Rt. Rev. F. A. Bennett.

Afterwards the guests adjourned to the lounge which was gay with bowls of most beautiful flowers artistically arranged. Large bowls contained roses, delphiniums. Christ-

for Education

"Those who are young now will make the world of the future and they need the backing and tactful guidance of the older folk," said the speaker, who then appealed to the adults to see that their children were affected as little as possible by the were She said that he stitutes. three Soldiers Association is widely known, and Bishop Bennett, said
that she felt it was a wonderful experience to preside over such a
splendid meeting and to have the
opportunity of welcoming to the
club such fine guests.

were affected as little as possible
by the war. She said that as citizens
of the future they needed a very
thorough education and she urged
the parents to leave their children
at school as long as possible. It was
indeed a temptation to let them leave early now that there were more jobs than previously, but she felt so deeply on the subject that she wished the women to sacrifice themselves and work when the money was needed rather than to sacrifice their children when the effects of lack of thorough education

were so lasting.

Mrs Gilmer stressed the fact that the women must be up and doing and not sitting down waiting to be asked. They needed to prepare themselves and the first step was to rally round their Mayoress.

The speaker then described some of the splendid war work done by the people in Wellington, Their flost

the people in Wellington. Their first step was to arrange somewhere for The Bishop of Aoteaeroa, the Rt. Rev. F. A. Bennett, said that he was glad to have the privilege of associating himself with those present clating himself with those present in heartily welcoming Mrs Knox Gilmer and Mrs Burgess.

"Mrs Gilmer stands prominently that it was their duty as their duty as their duty as the stage of New Zealand life."

overwheimed when Mrs Gilmer first asked them to do something for this need. However, she pointed out to them that it was their duty as the classical forms of three members to this committee who had been nominated by the glear. "Mrs Gilmer stands prominently on the stage of New Zealand life," said the Bishop. "She is actively connected with everything that has to do with the uplift of the country and is interested in all that concerns heth the Maoris and the Pakeha in the matter of the matte

The speaker described the work of the Lady Galway Patriotic Guild, of which she is chairman and known Mrs Gilmer and every member of her family for very many years and he admired her wonderful desire to help with the work at hand.

"Women all over New Zealand would be very much missed and would be very missed and would be wou have a tremendous responsibility as regards the future world," he said, that everyone admired the way she had worked with the women and her children had played their part in cleaning the hundreds of pairs of shoes to be sent overseas. With regard to the contributions needed especially, she asked for men's

clothes and women's underwear.

Mrs Gilmer spoke also of the women's work at the hospitals formed to look after any of the men of the forces when ill and of the generosative of the cities and time downed to ity of the gifts and time devoted to

Finally she made a strong appeal for every woman to back the newly-formed Hastings branch of the Women's War Service Auxiliary, to be certain that every woman was

Women's War Service Auxiliary, to be certain that every woman was trained for some work, realising that the harder women work now the shorter will be the war.

Mrs Lewis thanked Mrs Gilmer for her truly inspiring talk, every word of which had been heard with tremendous interest. She also apologised for the absence of Lady Russell, the wife of the president of the E.S.U., and Mrs E. L. Cullen.

Among those present were: Mrs T. W. Lewis, Mrs G. A. Maddison, Mrs W. C. A. Mackenzie, Mrs W. H. Wood, Mrs H. Lovell-Smith, Mrs Hedley Harvey, Mrs F. C. Mackenzie, Miss Elsie Williams, Mrs H. W. C. Baird, Mrs Guy Rochfort, Miss Irene Chambers, Mrs Robin Bell, Mrs W. F. Drake, Mrs D. J. Holden, Mrs G. Baillie, Mrs W. A. Whitlock, Mrs R. Cashmore, Mrs A. J. Foot, Miss E. Pickett, Mrs Rees Davies, Mrs J. H. Joll, Mrs Gordon Roach, Mrs Donald Robertson, Miss Hall, Mrs George Davies, Mrs Dudley Newbigin, Mrs W. Barron, Mrs C. Prebble, Mrs T. B. Chapman, Miss M. Curlett, Miss Helen Ford, Mrs W. Bridgman, Mrs F. C. Cumming, Mrs J. W. Satchell, Mrs A. R. Greenwood, Mrs John Joll, Mrs E. Honeybun, Mrs A. C. A. Hyde, Mrs Johnson and Miss Delcia Johnson, Mrs W. E. Taylor, Mrs I. M. Stratton, Mrs A. E. O'Meara, Mrs F. J. Hull, Mrs H. M. Bishop, Mrs N. Beamish, Mrs J. Fraser, Mrs H. I. Simson, Mrs Bach, Mrs F. J. Bone, Mrs Hedley Harvey, Mrs W. J. White, Mrs D. Hursthouse, Mrs F. C. Twigg, Mrs W. Richmond, Mrs H. M. Sanders, Mrs C. G. Wilkinson, Miss A. F. Lewis, Mrs E. V. Simpson, Mrs C. Gardner, Mrs R. C. McLeod, Mrs W. A. Cousens, Mrs J. Ritchie, Mrs Learmonth.

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LOCAL WAR SERVICE **AUXILIARY**

The Committee Elected FOR THE HASTINGS DISTRICT

Efforts To Be Organised

Accredited delegates from 21 women's organisations in the district attended a meeting in the Borough Council Chambers, Hastings, yester-Council Chambers, Hastings, yesterday afternoon for the purpose of electing members to serve on the local district committee of the newly formed Hastings branch of the Women's War Service Auxiliary. The Mayoress, Mrs G. A. Maddison, presided and with her was the Town Clerk, Mr Noel Harding, and Mrs Knox Gilmer, a member of the Central Executive and Dominion Council of the W.W.S.A.

As the first business was the election of a committee of nine from

tion of a committee of nine from the 17 nominations received, the Town Clerk explained to the voting delegates what was necessary and

the voting was done by ballot.

The members of the committee elected were as follows:—Mrs G. Baillie, Mrs B. Baumgart, Mrs R. Cashmore, Mrs G. Dasent, Mrs D. J.

(Other women's news on page 2)

Holden, Mrs S. I. Jones, Mrs H. J. Lovell-Smith, Mrs J. B. Pickering and Mrs J. H. Wilkins.

tive of their party.
Mrs Gilmer asked Mrs Maddison to be the convener of the first meeting of the executive committee when a chairman, deputy chairman and secretary would be elected. Later on sub-centres should be formed until every woman is doing

while waiting for the votes to be counted, Mrs Gilmer answered various questions about the Women's War Service Auxiliary. She particularly stressed the need for the wives of soldiers to be so trained that they of soldiers to be so trained that they would be able to take an interest in and help with their husband's work when they returned, especially if the

work was farming.
At the end of the meeting the Mayoress thanked Mrs Gilmer very sincerely for her great help and guidance. Mrs Gilmer thanked the women for their interest and for their kindness throughout her visit. She thanked Mrs Maddison for tak-ing the chair, the Town Clerk and

Five o'Clock Gossip

Mr and Mrs W. P. Stone are Auckand visitors to Napier.

Miss C. McCormack, Masterton, is visiting Napier.

Mr and Mrs E. Jamieson, Waioukurau, are staying in Napier.

Mr and Mrs Hugh St. Leger are Gisborne visitors to Napier. Miss Montgomery, domestic science instructress at the Napier Intermediate School, is leaving at the end of this year to take up an appointment at the Palmerston North Intermediate School.

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Other classes of cattle met with keen competition; the only lot fail-

Other classes of cattle met with keen competition; the only lot failing to change hands was a line of good A.A. yearling steers.

Prices were as follows:—On account of C. C. Tilley, Hunanui, 40
4-yr. bullocks £11 2/-, 15 do. £10, 59
3-yr. P.A. £9 10/-. On account of J. M. Wright, Coonoor, 36 4-yr. P.A. bullocks £10 10/-. On account of R. S. Meech, Pongaroa, 38 P.A. bullocks £10 3/-, f. and f. cows £6
15/-, store P.A. cows £5 10/-. On account of F. S. H. Bolton, "Oete," 22 yearling P.A. heifers £4 7/-. On account of W. H. Cruickshank, Waione, 22 yearling P.A. steers £5 5/-, 13
2-yr. steers £6 15/-. On account Glyn Jones, Waione, 17 2-yr. P.A. heifers £5 15/- to £6 10/-. Other sales were fat Jersey cows £4 10/- to £7 5/-, vealers £1 2/6 to £2, yearling Jersey heifers r.w.b. £5 15/-, fwd. 2-yr. P.A. heifers £5 7/-. Sheep: Two-tooth wethers 17/6 to 19/9, 4-ths. 20/4 to 22/3, shorn ewes and lambs (all counted) 16/6, fat ewes 14/- to 17/- fat wethers 23/1

and lambs (all counted) 16/6, fat ewes 14/- to 17/-, fat wethers 23/1 to 26/-, fat b.f. 2-ths. 19/4 to 24/6, fat woolly hoggets 30/-.

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With the possible exception of cows offered with calves, the store cattle market was firm and the demand steady. The yarding of 700 head gave a representative range of cattle, and of these empty cows and good bullocks made

perhaps the best selling. Two thousand of a total of 2,500 sheep in the store pens were lambs, being the first big yarding of this class for the season. Only a proportion of the lines were really good, but the demand for even medium pens was, thanks to the feed situation, brisk and well maintained. Culls and tail-end lots were harder to quit. The few pens of other classes sold

Two-tooth wethers in the store sheep pens made 20/3; 2 and 4-tooths 20/5, and m.s. 20/5. Ewe lambs sold at 16/7, and 2-tooth ewes 28/-. Wether lambs made 13/7 to 14/6 for light lines; medium 15/8 to 18/6, and good pens 19/11 to 21/5.

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Mr H. M. Glazebrook's "Washpool" property contributed the day's top draft of heifer beef in a number of pens of exceptional quality cattle which made from £9 7/6 to £10 12/6 as an indication of the trend of the market for top lines. Medium heifers made £8 7/6, and light £6 7/6. Light cows, little better than store conditioned, made £6 2/6 to £7 2/6, and medium £8 2/6. Good quality went at £9 2/6 to £9 7/6. Little ox-beef was on offer; the tops made £13 2/6, lighter sold at £8 1 17/6 to £10 2/6 and many young steers as baby beef brought £8 2/6. The tops of the empty cow lines made £7 5/- to £7 11/-, lighter bringing £5 19/-; cows with calves ranged from £6 15/- to £7 6/-. Three-year heifers made £6 13/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £6 14/-. Four-year bullocks made £9 15/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £6 14/-. Four-year bullocks made £9 15/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £11 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £11 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £11 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £11 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £11 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £11 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £11 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £5 9/- to £11 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £6 7/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £6 7/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £6 7/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £6 7/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £6 7/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £6 7/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £6 7/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/-, and two-year £6 7/- to £10 13/-; three-year steers £8 5/

velopment of the season.

As was expected, skirted wools were still in keen demand by buyers. No definite information was available, but it appeared that, taken all round, prices for unskirted fleeces were lower compared with those of the earlier appraisal.

2/6.

In from Ocean Beach on account of medium framed £7 6/-.

Twelve well-framed empty Hereford cross cows, with some in the line described as heifers, sold at £7 7/6, 1 at £8 2/6 2 at £7 17/6, 2 at £10 12/6, 3 at £10 12/6, 2 at £10 12/6, 3 at £10 12/6, 2 at £10 12/6, 2 at £10 12/6, 2 at £10 12/6, 3 at £10 12/6, 2 at £10 12/6, 3

From Newstead again, 15 empty Hereford cows carrying good store condition and well framed sold at Obviously off hard country and in

light order, a draft of two-year steers in the Waihi Station consign-ment, Hereford cross cattle, made

Ten two-year-olds from Mrs Reed, nicely framed and in good order,

dium store order, made £5 9/.
From Elsthorpe, 17 wellbred, wellgrown yearling A.A. steers in good trict, 87 two-tooth ewes, a little

well grown and in healthy order, were passed in at 20/3, later selling

In from the Wairoa district, 137 medium-grown, medium-conditioned wether lambs, in good doing order,

Sliped, brought 18/6.

Small grown by comparison, a draft of 175 wether lambs in lighter order, but should grow on, made a bid of 15/8.

On account of Mr P. Horne, 160 wether lambs, nicely grown and fitting the description "forward," met the market at 19/11. Drafted out of this vendor's consignment, the tail-end sorts, 190 in the pen, sold at 14/6, being smaller and lighter.

A draft of 30 shorn ewes, with 29 smallgrown lambs in quite good order, the ewes aged sorts, made 14/3, all counted.

A pen of 75 wether lambs, well grown tail-end sorts in indifferent order, realised 13/7. A draft of 46 cull lambs made 10/- after a hard sale, this being typical of the small end-of-the-market pens.

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FAT SHEEP

A line of 140 medium-grown ewe lambs, carrying medium condition, offered in hardy order, made 16/7. From Mohaka, 132 medium sorts of vether lambs made 16/-.
On account of Mr B. J. McCor-

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Stortford Lodge Stock Sale

YESTERDAY'S RATES

Brokers Report On Realisations

DETAILS IN FULL

Brokers report as follows on their realisations for stock offered at the weekly Stortford Lodge sale yester-

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Eight fat ewes 18/7, 4 15/1, 53
16/10, 35 16/7, 76 16/4, 21 17/4, 3
14/7, 13 15/1; 7 fat Down 2-ths 18/7, 4 fat 2-ths 23/1, 1 fat hogget 26/10, 2 fat wethers 23/7, 17 24/1, 159 2-th wethers 20/6, 133 wether lambs 16/-, 75 13/7, 8 8/-, 129 16/6, 79 14/7, 21 11/2, 1 5/-, 10 13/-, 1 6/6; 13 ewe lambs 9/4, 10 ram lambs 7/10, 12 yearling heifers £4 2/6, 12 2-yr steers £7 11/-, 17 yearling steers £5 13/-, 1 yearling heifer £3 7/6, 1 P.A. cow £5 6/-, and 1 fat cow £8 2/6. 6/-, and 1 fat cow £8 2/6.

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One fat heifer £6 7/6, 3 £9 17/6, 2 £9 12/6, 2 £10 12/6, 2 £9 12/6, 1 £5 2/6, 1 £4 2/6; 1 £at cow £7 2/6, 3 £6 2/6, 2 £8 12/6, 1 £7 17/6, 1 £8 7/6, 2 £9 12/6, 2 £7 12/6, 2 £7 17/6, 1 £8 7/6, 2 £9 12/6, 2 £7 12/6; 2 £7 17/6, 1 £8 7/6, 2 £11 17/6; 1 £8 cows and calves £7 £6/, 1 £1 12/6, 2 £10 2/6, 3 £8 2/6, 3 £13 2/6, 2 £11 17/6; 18 cows and calves £7 £6/, 18 £7 2/-; 15 2-yr P.A. steers £6 7/- 10 £7 7/-, 16 P.A. bullocks £9 15/, 20 £8 5/- 28 £6 5/; 24 2-yr P.A. heifers £5 9/-, 8 £6 14/-; 17 P.A. steers £6 4/-, 9 £5 6/-, 19 £6 1/-, 11 £5, 1 £6 16/6, 1 £7 6/-, 1 £8 18/-, 3 £8 19/-, 2 £7 18/-, 11 £4 11/-; 7 P.A. heifers £3 12/-, 5 £5 19/-, 7 £4; 7 P.A. cows £6 16/-, 3 empty heifers £2 18/-, 2 brindle steers £5 10/-, 1 dairy cow springing £5 15/-, 1 dairy heifer £7. Five fat lambs 20/-, 1 21/-, 5 20/10, 1 20/-, 2 20/10; 12 £at ewes 15/4, 14 15/4; 137 wether lambs 16/3, 129 18/6, 176 15/8, 160 19/11, 188 14/6, 69 8/-, 43 10/-, 42 8/1; 140 ewe lambs 16/7, 46 10/1, 45 12/-, 45 10/-; 93 ewes 13/1, 14 6/-, 9 lambs 19/7, 51 wethers 19/-, 17 ewes and lambs 21/-. On account patriotic fund: 1 £at bullock £13 10/-, 1 £at cow £10, 5 £at lambs 20/-, 1 £16. Williams & Kettle Ltd. fat lambs 20/-.

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Six fat heifers £9 7/6, 4 £9 12/6, 6 £10 2/6, 2 £9 17/6, 2 £10 7/6, 2 £10 12/6, 3 £10 2/6, 2 £10 7/6, 2 £10 12/6, 3 £10 2/6, 2 £10 2/6, 2 £10 7/6, 1 £9 17/6; 1 fat cow £9 12/6, 1 £4 2/6; 1 tealer £4 9/-, 5 cows £6 11/-, 1 Jersey steer £5 10/-, 5 store cows £5 15/-, 1 P.A. steer £7 17/6, 21 cows with 21 calves £6 15/-, 19 store cows £5 19/-, 1 £1 12/6, 6 £6 3/-; 2 steers £6 1/-, 3 £4 16/-; 11 2-yr steers £5, 17 yearling steers £4 4/-, 13 steers £4 10/-, 3 £2 15/-, 3 heifers £2 15/-, 30 £1 tewes 15/7, 10 15/4, 68 £. and £. Wether lambs 21/5.

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Eighty-six 2-th ewes 28/-, 11 fat ewes 16/4, 14 16/7, 13 15/10, 14 15/7, 11 15/1, 1 18/1, 1 16/10, 2 15/1, 10 16/1, 5 17/10; 9 fat wethers 21/7, 9 21/10, 1 22/10, 2 19/10, 9 fat 4-th ewes 19/4, 1 16/-.

Three fat cows £7 2/6, 1 fat heifer £6 12/6, 1 runner £4 17/6, 1 fat Jersey cow £7 12/6, 6 empty P.A. heifers £6 16/-, 19 P.A. cows £6 14/-, 10 £7 2/-, 1 cow and calf £5 5/-.

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buyers starting on Saturday after noon and working through the week-end.

Between 23,000 and 24,000 bales were appraised, and because of the quantity to be dealt with no grouped lots were included. No lots of fewer than four bales were accepted.

Fair Amount of Seed

Although it is too soon for details of average bale prices to be announced a survey of the appraisal indicated that the wool generally was brighter than on the previous occasion. There was, however, a fair amount of seed in evidence, at tributable to the unusually early development of the season.

As was expected, skirted wools

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A pen of four medium framed A.A. cows carrying medium prime finish ranged from £7 17/6 to £8 12/6. Four light, fairly-framed A.A. heifers, a nicely-grown line in medium to good condition and a useful proposition for either fatten-ing or breeding, sold at £6 13/.

On account of Mr Norman Mc-Gregor, 11 well-framed four-year A.A. bullocks in forward store orballocks comprised a single fairly-framed four-year A.A. bullocks in forward store orballocks comprised a single fairly-framed sorts at \$2/6\$, and three useful indicated that the wool generally was brighter than on the previous occasion. There was, however, a fair amount of seed in evidence, at tributable to the unusually early development of the season.

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From Newstead again, 15 empty

1 at £9 2/6, 2 at £10 12/6, 2 at £10 7/6, 1 at £10 7/6,

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2 fat P.A. calves f9 2/6, 4 at f8
17/6, 2 at f8 2/6, 1 red cow £7 17/6,
1 Jersey cow £5 12/6, 2 at £4 12/6,
1 at £4 7/6, 1 at £4, 1 vealer £5 5/-,
1 at £3 4/-, 1 at £2 6/-, 11 P.A. bullocks £10 13/-, 2 P.A. steers £6, 4
brindle steers £4 10/-, 1 Jersey cow
and 2 calves £5 8/-, 1 Jersey cow
£2 2/6.

nicely framed and in good order, made £7 7/-.

A pen of eight A.A. heifers, on account of Mrs Reed, fairly-grown two-year-olds in good order, made £6 14/-.

On account of Apley Station, 24 two-year A.A. heifers, showing breeding, fairly grown and in medium store order, made £5 9/-.

condition, a sound quality line, real-sed £6 4/-. mixed in the frame and in medium condition, shorn early, made 28/-. on account of Mrs Reed, a pen of well-grown A.A. yearling steers, offered in good order, made a bid of £6 1/-.

STORE SHEEP

From the Havelock hills on account of Mr G. Campbell, 50 two and four-tooth wethers, well-grown sheep from under the shears of the shears. From the Havelock hills on account of Mr G. Campbell, 50 two and four-tooth wethers, well-grown sheep from under the shears, good-conditioned two-tooth wethers, in good order, brought 20/5. The same vendor contributed a draft of 42 m.s. two-tooth Southdowns in good order and nicely grown, which made 20/5 also.

A line of 93 well-framed ewes in

medium-grown, medium-conditioned wether lambs, in good doing order, sold at 16/3.

A better quality draft of 129 well-grown lambs in sound order, well sliped, brought 18/6.

Small grown by comparison, a lambs in grown lambs in quite good sorder, with the state of 175 wether lambs in lighter.

About 600 head of fat sheep were offered yesterday, and as this appeared an ample supply for butchers' requirements, the market remained steady at late rates with little variation either way.

lamb pens was on a level with that of last week, prices being from 20/to 21/- for medium sorts, and from 23/4 to 26/1 for the tops. The tops of the wethers made 23/7 to 24/1, others going at 19/10 to 21/7. Down two-tooths made to 23/1. Average quality ewes made 15/4 to 16/10; the tops made 18/7 to 19/4, the latter price being for four-tooths. Light quality made 14/7 Light quality made 14/7.

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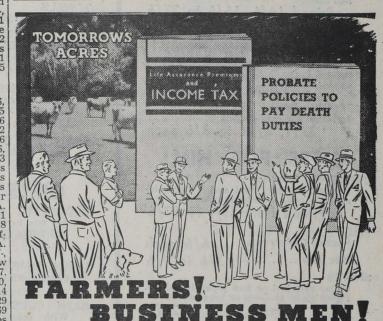
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OFFICIALS.—President: F. Tolerton Judge: P. A. Pettit. Starter: L. Mur-ray. Handicapper: A. Tuckwell. Clerk of Scales: A. H. Gordon. Sec-retary: G. H. Sceats.

PROGRAMME. FIRST DAY. To Start at 1.30 p.m.

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1—FIRST HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, of £95, second horse £10, third horse £5 from the stake. For horses that have started three times in a steeplechase or hurdle race, AND FOR HORSES ELIGIBLE TO START IN HACK FLAT RACES. Riders to comply with Rule 224 (a) of the Rules of Racing. Min. weight, 9st. 1½ MILES.

2—TELEGRAPH HACK HANDICAP, of 195, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st, 7lb. 6 FURLONGS. 3—SUNDERLAND STAKES HANDICAP (Open), of £120, 2nd £15, 3rd £10. Min. weight, 7st. 7 FURLONGS.

Weight, 151.

SUMMER HACK HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 1 MILE.

5—MAIDEN SCURRY, of £80, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. For two-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race at time of entry. Weights: Two-year-olds 8st., three-year-olds and upwards 8st. 7lb., subject to penalty of 10lb. for first win, and 7lb. for every subsequent win after date of entry. (No allowances.)

5—HARBOUR HACK HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb.

6 FURLONGS.

SECOND DAY. To Start at 1.30 p.m.

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Z—SECOND HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, of £95, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. For horses that have started three times in a steeplechase or hurdle race, AND FOR HORSES ELIGIBLE TO START IN HACK FLAT RACES. Riders to comply with Rule 224 (a) of the Rules of Racing. Min. weight, 9st, 14 MILES.

2—COOK HACK HANDICAP, of £95, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. 7 FURLONGS.

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8—G. B. OMAN MEMORIAL STAKES, of £85, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. For two-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race at time of starting. Weights: Two-year-olds Sst., three-year-olds and upwards 8st. 7lb. (No allowances.)

6 FURLONGS.

1—TURANGA STAKES HANDICAP (Open), of £125, 2nd £15, 3rd £10. Min. weight, 7st. 1½ MILES.

Min. weight, 181.

-HACK CUP HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st.

1 MILE.

6—FAREWELL HACK HANDICAP, of f100, 2nd f10, 3rd f5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. 6 FURLONGS. Nominations all events 20/-. Accept-ances all events 20/-.

RULES AND REGULATIONS. PENALTIES.—All handicaps subject to the condition that the winner of any race after the declaration of weights may be re-handicapped.

All races to be run under the New Zealand Rules of Racing.

The Committee reserves the right to alter the order of the events on the programme at any time prior to the date of the meeting.

NOMINATIONS for all events close on MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 1941, at 8 p.m. WEIGHTS for First Day will be declared on or about MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 1941.

ACCEPTANCES for First Day close on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1941, at 8 p.m. WEIGHTS for Second Day declared about 7 p.m. on night of first day's races. ACCEPTANCES for Second Day close at 8.30 p.m. the same night. G. H. SCEATS, Secretary. 'Phone 1134, P.O. Box 316, Gisborne.

The Club will make an allowance of f4 per horse towards the cost of return fare from Wairoa. Liberal allowances will also be made for visiting horses from other localities.

WAIPUKURAU JOCKEY CLUB

SUMMER MEETING

BOXING DAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1940.

OFFICIALS.—President: P. F. Wall. Judge: M. B. Bergin. Handicapper: H. Coyle. Starter: L. Murray. Clerk of Scales: H. M. Bishop. Clerk of Course: J. T. Hindrup. Time-keeper: C. E. Carlson.

- PROGRAMME -First Race starts at 12 noon

1—MAIDEN RACE, of £100; second £20 and third £10 from the stake. Weight, 8st. 7lb. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race on the flat at the time of starting. Nom., £1; acc., £1. SIX FURLONGS. f1; acc, f1. SIX FURLONGS.

D-JUVENILE HANDICAP, of f100; second f20 and third f10. For two-year-olds only. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom., f1; acc. f1. FIVE FURLONGS.

B—AMALGAMATION HACK CUP HANDICAP, of £170; £150 in specie and Silver Cup valued at £20, donated by P. F. Wall, Esq.; second £30 and third £15. Min. weight 7st. Nom., £1; acc., £1 10/-... ONE MILE AND A QUARTER.

#-BRAEBURN HACK HANDICAP, of f100; second f20 and third f10, Min. weight, 7st 7lb. Nom., f1; acc., f1. FIVE FURLONGS.

THE HUNTER HANDICAP (Open), of £100; second £20 and third £10. Gentlemen riders. Min. weight 10st. 7lb. Nom., £1; acc., £1. ONE MILE AND A QUARTER.

SEVEN FULLONGS.

Second £20 and third £10. Min. weight 7st. 7lb. Nom., £1; acc. £1. SEVEN FURLONGS.

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PRODUCE (PRODUCE (PRODUCE) B-PORANGAHAU HACK HANDICAP, of £120; second £20, and third £10. Min. weight 7st. 7lb. Nom., £1; acc., £1. ONE MILE.

ADDITIONAL TROPHY: Cash prize of f10 for most successful trainer. Points to be awarded: 5 for win, 3 for second place, 1 for third place.

PENALTIES

The winner of any race or races after the declaration of weights may be re-All nominations or acceptances made by telephone or telegram must be confirmed by letter immediately afterwards (vide Section IV., Rule of Racing, 240). ACCEPTANCES close with the secretary at Waipukurau on THURSDAY, Decem-ber 19, 1940, at 8 p.m.

F. A. G. DUNN, Secretary. P.O. Box 122. Telephone 260, Waipukurau. NOTE.—Telegraph Office at Waipukurau open until 8 p.m. Approved by H.B. District Committee, A. E. WISHART,

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Railway Handicap Again

GREAT SPRINT FIELD

Acceptances May Clear The Issue Somewhat

(By MOTUROA).

An attraction to the best class sprinters in the land and a race that invariably draws a big field, the Auckland Racing Club's big summer sprint, the Railway Handicap, is a race that is particularly kind to the backers of favourites. Their

that is particularly kind to the backers of favourites. Their record is a remarkable one, more especially as Ellerslie has not the "straight six" that makes Trentham and Riccarton tracks give all horses equal chances.

There is not an especially long straight at Ellerslie and there is a sharp bend from the half mile, making it necessary for the winner to be well placed all the way. However, the draw at the barrier seems to mean little despite this disadvantage and even in the past three years Stretto and Disdain won as actual first favourites, with Bronwen a well-backed fancy last year when Arvakur proved a false favourite. last year when Arvakur proved a false favourite.

with a problem difficult of elucidation and early betting on this race takes a wide range. There is no change in the old order on this occasion and the early discussions, despite the recent winning form of Black Thread and Lady Tinkle, find admirers for a big percentage of those weighted. It is a compliment to the handicapper, however, and, on paper, it looks as if the contest is going to be one of the best in years.

Speed, stamina and class are needed to win a Railway

Handicap, and there are quite a few engaged next Thursday

has been dropped 13lb. for his spell from racing, notwithstanding the fact that he ran Bronwen to half a length in this race last year when weighted at 9.6.

RAKAHANGA, like Black Thread and Sir Beau, is engaged at Awapuni on Saturday and, as the Ellerslie track may not be in her favour. she will be passed over in It would not be the first time that

Alex Cook produced a winner of a big race at first time of asking and it is safe to say that if Suleiman fulfils his engagement he will make

fulfils his engagement he will make matters very interesting.

Kathbella was beaten by Vascones at Woodville, but she drops 10lb. to 8.12 here and it is widely felt that she is capable of better form. She is no stranger to Ellerslie, where she was beaten half a head by Black Thread in the last Easter Handicap, and on the second day she was a close fourth in the sprint with a close fourth in the sprint with

Form, however, points most strongly to Lady Tinkle, one of the most consistent gallopers in the land. Lady Tinkle carried 9.3 when she won at Te Awamutu last Saturday and, now, with her re-handicap, she has a very handy impost of 8.11

CLASSY GALLOPER LADY TINKLE has beaten some of the best sprinters in the country at Trentham and Riccarton in the past twelve months, and, while her chances next week would undoubtedly be enhanced by a fall

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A Puzzle

The uncanny backing of the public on the big day is remarkable, for ante-post dabblers are invariably confronted

who have these qualifications.

TOPWEIGHT, with Nigger Boy out on disqualification, finds the beaten into third place in the Nai Wanganui sprinter Amigo at the top of the list with 9.2 and, while he Crusoe, and her most recent success dropped out of the sprint the first leaves the impression that she is day at Awapuni, there is some doubt as to whether he will make the trip.

Crusse, and her most recent success the impression that she is right back to her best form again. Pirate King must always be considered at Ellerslie, while Saxon Tor

favour, she will be passed over in preference for the more brilliant Don't Forget, who has been racing very solidly this season. Don't Forget must be given a great chance at

Kentucky is a brilliant sprinter on his day. He looked unlucky to lose at Trentham and he then won at Riccarton and again at Feilding,

ACCEPTANCES FOR TAUHERENIKAU

HAWKE'S BAY horses are engaged in several events at the Wairarapa Racing Club's meeting at Tauherenikau on January 1 and 2 and attention is drawn to the fact that accept-ances for all first day's events close with the secretary, Mr N. C. Shepherd, Featherston, to-morrow (Friday), at 8 p.m.

having Sir Crusoe and Rakahanga behind him at the latter meeting. Palustre is always capable of a good race, while Bronwen would need only to reveal last. form to be again a danger. She has been dropped from 7.13 to 7.5 and she has an undoubted liking for El-

Orelio's form has been very disappointing since last autumn and Belle Cane does not appeal over six furlongs on this course. Te Takina, Blonde Princess, Classic, Duvach, Foxola, Gold Money Song, Llandaff, Gaymiss, Orate and Lovaals have all shown good form at Ellerslie, but Endorsement is one on the minimum with an undeniable chance. This mare has been consistent in the best sprint company in the land and she is in excellent order for Boxing Day. The acceptances to-morrow and the final gallops may shed further light on this complex problem, but, unless rain falls, it is likely that the strongest fancies will be

LADY TINKLE SIR BEAU MARSHALL HALL

Corroboree has winning form to his redit at Awapuni and has only to mprove a little on his Feliding running to have a chance of paying expenses at the Manawatu summer meeting.

MANAWATU CUP **PROSPECTS**

Awapuni Comment

CONTEST BEARS OPEN **APPEARANCE**

"Daily Mail" Special Service. AWAPUNI, Dec. 18.

Slight rain set in this morning, but a few heavy showers would be appreciated by trainers as the tracks are on the hard side. Most of the horses holding important engagements have been given their final trials, The Buzzer, Du Maurier, Anita Foe and Old Bill finishing their tasks in a manner that indicates there is nothing amiss regarding their condition.

The prospective winner of the Manawatu Cup appears to be well concealed. It is given out that Hawera punters have been "saving up" to back Friesland, Du Maurier and The Buzzer have "can't lose" reputations and "everybody" in Wanganui will plank their coin on Belle Cane. It may be that the smart daughter of Beau Pere will go close to lifting the stake. Bill Broughton will be in the saddle.

Old Bill will go through to Auckland to-night with Jefferd's horses, Old Bill's last gallop was over a mile. He was keen to put some dash into his work, but was not required to make time.

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The Buzzer and Anita Foe claimed attention when they were stepped out for a mile gallop. They were not bustled in the early part of the trip. but over the last half-mile The Buzzer was striding along more freely than his companion. Nevertheless, it should be kept in mind that Anita Foe is in the right condition to race prominently at the meeting.

Du Maurier is getting through a lot of useful work and has never been better than he is at the present stage. He traversed a mile alone, but was not out to make time. The son of Surveyor was running on strongly, and his condition should enable him to see out a mile and a half trip to the last stride.

Likely to show to advantage shortly are Hunting Lore and Foxiana. They were companions over a solidly run mile, there being little between them at the close. They have both been accepted for the Highweight on Saturday and the stable's elect should be among the leaders at the finish.

Improved Galloper

set to whether he will make the story of the set form again. The king must be read out as to whether he will make the showed at Ellersile, while Saxon Torside and a fine weight-carrier. His best form, of course, has been shown at the house of the house

"Wager," Hastings: Tiger Gain won the Manawatu Cup in 1937. The previous year he had run Spiral to a neck. In oth races he was ridden by C. P

Native Song, who tops the list in the Flying Handicap, won at Waipukurau as a hack.

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Two years ago Jack Cameron sad-led up Sir Nigel to win the Hunter up and then run a close second two aces later in the Flying Handicap at Vaipukurau. On this occasion Master yklon, who has been galloping well, ill attempt to improve on that per-

The farm-trained Hinerangi has always raced well at Waipukurau and may have a rough chance in the maiden race on Boxing Day.

Flying Spy's third at Woodville suggests an early return to form. She was a two-year-old winner at Waipukurau last Easter.

Don Quex was an impressive winner at Awapuni in September. The Lord Quex gelding is at the top of his form and he will have a big following for his only engagement at Awapuni, the Champion Hack Handicap. This will be his Marton Cup trial.



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SYDNEY, Dec. 15. At least one stable declares it-self to be not perturbed at the pres-ence of the champion colt, Yaralla, in the December Stakes at Randwick. The connections of Linemond, winner of the Nursery Handicap at the Rosehill meeting yesterday, state that the Veilmond colt will run in the Stakes.

Linemond has won at his only two starts and in each he has raced away from the field at the finish.

S. Davidson, his rider, declared yesterday: "He seems to have plenty of courage and I was never afraid of defeat."

Tusculum, winner of the December 1.10—As

Tusculum, winner of the December Handicap yesterday, is to take his place in the A.J.C. Summer Cup

INVITATION TO STAY AT HOME

CHERRY PLUM has been rated very highly by the Auckland handicapper in the Grafton Hurdles and it would not surprise to see him stay home to do his New Year racing at Hastings. Cherry Plum has won only three small races on the flat and, in two starts over the battens, was third at Trentham with 9.4 and narnowly first at Greenmeadows with 9.13. In very much stronger company at Ellerslie he has 10.2 and is giving weight to Knight and is giving weight to Knight of Australia, General Ruse and the Whangarei double winner Master Appellant

"Moturoa."

on Boxing Day. His time for the distance, 11 furlongs, was 2.19, which is 1½sec. outside the record

RIDING ENGAGEMENTS ANNOUNCED

Horsemen At Holiday Meetings

Additional riding engagements announced for the Manawatu meeting on Saturday are:—
W. J. Broughton: Soutane, Belle Cane, Val Pere, Night Eruption, Talenta.
G. R. Tattersall: March Easy, Play On, Grand, Chase, Golden Moon, All Outet

Morris: The Buzzer, Colincamps, Sir Beau, Colerica, Pinocchio.

H. Stewart: Half Crown, Homily, Re, nascor, Stolen Coat, Bold Step.

S. Waddell: Greenock, Charles Edward,

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D. W Redstone: War Credit, Royal Consort, Little Robin, Bayadeer, Kotua.

H. N. Wiggins: Friesland, Plastre, Kadina, Ex Pupil, Siglow, Inform.

R. G. Howell: Rakahanga, Harina,

Authoress.

Triple Crown ran her best race this season when she finished half a head away from Blue Border on Saturday. Her turn is not far off.

Catalogue was never dangerous in the Wairongomai Handicap at Otaki on Saturday, but the race will do him much good in view of his holiday engagements. His mission may be the Wairarapa Cup.

Hunting Squire is possibly one of the first of the stock of Sporting Blood to race. But for running wide with Swell Chance at Otaki on Satur-day he might have won. Autolite, with all her weight, tried to lead all the way on Saturday, but weakened into third place. It was her first start since last Easter and the race should improve her.

Dainty Sue won the Louisson Handi-cap at Awapuni last year, but she may not be ready yet to show her best form. However, this Australian-bred mare has been putting plenty of dash into her work at Awapuni of late and the Manawatu fixture should shed some light on her New Year prospects.

Silverhope's effort at Woodville was a great disappointment to his admirers, but it is obvious that the Hunting Song-Tea Doll gelding was not right on the day. The race and the trip did him no harm, however, and it will surprise if he does not soon make amends. Silverhope will have a big following if he goes to Awapuni on Saturday.

ASHBURTON TROTTING CLUB

> Fields For Boxing Day

The following are the acceptances for the Ashburton Trotting Club's meeting, to be held on Boxing Day:— 11.40-

MITCHAM HANDICAP,
Of £150 (3.49 class), 1½ miles.
Cleeve Hill, Cockney, Dux, Early Bell,
Great Worth, Helen Galindo, Loughros,
Mavis Nelson, Royal Worthy, Sea Wolf,
Smoky, scr.; Noble Lady, 12; Diana Wild,
24; Muraahi, 48; Small Change, 60.

WAKANUI HANDICAP, Of £150 (3.43 class), 11 miles.
All Gallant, Avowal, Canister, Dandy Travis, Echoist, Gallinaceous, Hardy Oak, Hoyden, Harold Jinks, Jesse Gentry, Joan Potts, Lone Worthy, Ordnance, Positive, Robinette, Rosie Bond, Shannon Lass, Silver Flash, Solicitor, Spencer Volo, Statuette, Swagger Jack, Turret, scr.

ASHBURTON CUP HANDICAP, Of £750 (4.29 class), 2 miles. King Potts, Lady Milne, Loyal Rey, Navy Blue, Nelson Eddy, Peter Smith, cr.; Horse Power, Lightning Lady, Nell frattan, Renown's Best, Sandusky, 12; Plutus, 36; Great Jewel, 48.

HOLIDAY TRANSPORT DIFFICULT

DIFFICULTY is being experienced in arranging transport from Palmerston North for Belle Cane and Sir Beau on Sunday or Monday, and it is reported that unless satisfactory arrangements can be made the brilliant Wanganui pair may miss the Manawatu meeting on Saturday. It will be a great pity if these three-year-olds have to be withdrawn from their engagements at Awapuni for they would have been a great draw card. Early speculators should await further advice.

"Moturoa." DIFFICULTY is being exper-

McLEAN HANDICAP, Of £200 (3.35 class), 15 miles. Captain Potts, Silver Grattan, Star Ace, Sunny Corner, Tokalon, William Potts, scr.; Braw Lass, Colossal, Grat-tanita, Happy Man, Super Jack, 12; Little Derby, 24; Perula, 36.

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> MIDSUMMER HANDICAP, Of £225 (4.44 class), 2 miles.

Jacose, MacGregor, Panquitch, Zingarrie, scr.; Clockwork, Warning, 12; Agility, Haughty, 24; Drumoak, 48. 4.45-BOXING DAY HANDICAP, Of £300 (2.47 class), 11 miles. Great Divide, Guncase, Harold Guy, Lady Milne, Sandusky, Smile Again, Wee Potts, scr.; Donald Dhu, Jesse Owens, Nelson Eddy, Peter Smith, Southern Smile, 12; Navy Blue, 24.

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(Signed) C. G. WILKINSON, Branch Manager, N.Z. Fruit Growers' Federation Ltd.

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Sale will commence at 10.30 a.m. with cattle followed by fat and store sheep. Sale of sheep will commence not later than 12 noon. SHEEP-CATTLE-SALES FOR DECEMBER: Stortford Lodge: Monday, 23.

SALES FOR JANUARY: Waipukurau: 7, 14, 21. Stortford Lodge: 8, 15, 22, 29. Onga Onga: 13, 27. H.B. Ram Fair: 30, 31. Waipukurau Ewe Fair: 28. WAIROA SALE YARDS.

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