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"Peace With America In The Balance"

GERMAN STATEMENT Britain's Need Of Ships Raises Critical Problem.

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LONDON, Dec. 21.

The Associated Press Berlin correspondent states that the German Foreign Office spokesman to-day solemnly declared that the question of continued peace or possible war between Germany and the United States hung in the balance as the Reich awaited America's reaction to a proposal by the British Minister of Shipping (the Hon. Ronald Cross) that Britain might use American ships and American ports. The spokesman added that Mr Cross's proposal was nothing less than inciting America to commit a warlike act. "The Reich Government," he added, "is concentrating her entire attention on this problem."

The spokesman said he was fully aware of the seriousness of his statement, which was made as the representative of the Foreign Office and the responsible spokesman thereof. He said that Mr Cross's speech had concentrated the Reich Government's attention on the whole question of United States support of England.

"We are watching with great interest the attitude of a nation which has shown only restraint and friendliness to one warring nation but whose attitude toward the others has consisted of a policy of pin-pricks, challenges, insults and moral aggression which has reached the point of insupportability," he stated. In the speech to which the German spokesman referred, Mr Cross told an American correspondent that the war next year would be a sea war and the real struggle would be to maintain Britain's communications and confine the enemy to his ports.

"There are a certain number of enemy ships in the United States and naturally have a covetous eye upon those vessels," he stated. "A difficult year ahead Mr Cross said that if the sinkings continued at the present rate without new constructions it would not be possible indefinitely to maintain the war effort on the present scale. The next year will be the most difficult period. Britain was hoping as much as possible but she believed that the United States would help in the coming year."

Britain was buying old American ships, but these were nearly exhausted. New ones had also been ordered and he hoped that the United States would spare something from the existing ordinary services. British shipping losses had trebled since June. Britain must possess more destroyers and also replace other warships in order to overcome the ravages of submarines.

Gigantic Programme "We shall know how to master the submarine if we possess equipment, but nevertheless we require an enormous amount of new merchant tonnage construction," said Mr Cross. "Only the United States can supply this new construction, therefore I hope that she will embark on a ship-building programme similar to the gigantic one of the last war. Given that, and also a steady accretion to our strength, there is not the slightest doubt that we can maintain our war effort at full strength, especially during the crucial spring of 1942."

"A Warlike Act" The text of the Wilhelmstrasse spokesman's statement reads: "According to the report which is available here, Mr Cross declared in Berlin: 'Perhaps America can spare us vessels from her existing normal shipping strength. There are also enemy ships in America and I am naturally eager for those vessels. There are the only pin-pricks I see for the partial effective reinforcement of our tonnage.' "This declaration by Mr Cross was addressed to American Press representatives and means nothing else but a demand upon America to engage in a warlike act, an act which could only be described as support for England."

"We are waiting expectantly to see how America will answer this brazen demand for a warlike act. "We have recently become accustomed to the fact that certain United States circles permit a formula of action which in itself is clearly in accordance with international law but which is directed by nefarious motives whereby an attempt is made to attribute the appearance of international correctness to the resultant actions."

"Thus we will be extremely interested to hear America's reaction to this clear demand by the British Blockade Minister. We are growing even more interested in Anglo-American relations in connection with American support for this England which is near collapse. We consider it impossible in the long run for a nation in its relations with other nations to treat one with restraint to the point of self-sacrifice and permit a policy of repeated pin-pricks, insults, challenges and moral aggression towards another. "In all seriousness, in my capacity as authorised spokesman, I tell you that this demand by the British Minister for support in the death struggle is claiming our full attention."

EMBASSY UNDER CRITICISM

GERMAN PROTEST TO WASHINGTON

OFFENCE ALLEGED

Harboured British Secret Agent

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LONDON, Dec. 21.

It is officially stated that the German Government has requested the State Department at Washington to recall several members of the United States Embassy at Paris.

The news agency alleges that three members of the staff of the American Embassy at Paris named Mrs Elizabeth Deegan, Mr Cecil Cross and Mr Lee Hunt—assisted British subjects to escape from France and adds: "Cross hid a British secret agent for months in the American Embassy."

A Washington message reports that the Secretary of State (Mr Cordell Hull) said that Germany had a perfect right to request the withdrawals and they will be withdrawn.

ITALY DENIES NEED OF HELP

Will Carry Out Task

BROADCAST BAST FROM ROME

Cautious Communique

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received December 22, 8.30 p.m.)

ROME, Dec. 21.

A radio announcer to-day declared: "The present situation calls for no help from our German ally. Italy is quite capable of carrying out her allotted task in the Mediterranean and African spheres. Our ally would give assistance if we needed it, just as we would assist if Germany required it."

The Rome communique, in reference to Libya, mentions only artillery activity on the front.

ITALIANS CUT CABLES

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received Dec. 22, 9.40 p.m.)

MANILA, Dec. 21.

Far East radio circuits have been swamped as a result of the Italian cutting of the cables through the Mediterranean.

A radio representative said it was understood that six eastern extension cables had been severed.

FATE OF ITALIANS IS SEALED

GREEKS PREDICT SURRENDER

VALONA RAID

Adriatic Controlled By Britain

(British Official Wireless.) (Received December 22, 9.35 p.m.)

RUGBY, Dec. 21.

Athens broadcast last night emphasising the importance of the entry of a British squadron into the Adriatic and the bombardment of Valona, added: "The fate of the Italian army in Albania is now sealed. It must either throw itself into the sea or surrender unconditionally."

200 BALES OF WOOL LEFT ON AUCKLAND WATERFRONT

Watersiders Refuse To Work Because Of A Slight Drizzle

(By Telegraph—Press Association.)

AUCKLAND, Dec. 22.

Two hundred bales of wool were left on the Auckland waterfront this morning.

They were to have been loaded on to a vessel then in port but the watersiders refused to work on Saturday night because of a slight drizzle of rain.

The men, who had been working the ship since last Monday, worked all Saturday until 9.40 p.m., when light rain started.

"About one hour's work would have completed the job," said a company official, "but the wool had to be left behind."

Italians Flee From Bardia As British Plan Final Attack

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LONDON, Dec. 21.

British forces have completely surrounded Bardia and are preparing for the final assault.

The Italian rearguard at Bardia is still resisting but British troops are now astride the main Bardia-Tobruk road. Their guns also command the remaining coastal road which the Italians are still escaping. It is believed that the occupation cannot be long delayed.

A very clear indication that the evacuation was nearly complete was given when R.A.F. bombers paid their usual visit to Bardia last night and did not encounter anti-aircraft fire. The pilots saw a ship ablaze in the harbour.

To-day's reports from the desert state that British forces comprising the inner circle of the mobile units, with infantry and guns in support, surrounded the entire area of Bardia with a perimeter of about 15 miles running round the top of a high cliff with Bardia below. The main defences, also the bulk of the enemy forces, are situated on the top of the cliff inside fairly formidable fortifications, including a large number of strong points, machine-gun nests, concrete pill-boxes, landmines and other concealed defences. These naturally call for a certain amount of care, but the British are not hurrying because the Italians are undoubtedly securely bottled up.

The size of the garrison is uncertain but the British are still convinced that there is no hope of reinforcements. Nightmare Retreat General Bert is struggling to get the garrison from Bardia along the road, which the R.A.F. is making a nightmare of blood, flame and metal. Relays of planes leave the desert airfields all day to ensure that the strafing is maintained at the highest pitch. A pall of fire overhangs Bardia, providing proof of the effectiveness of the Navy's bombardment, which was heard from the British camps all night on December 19. The town is almost a complete wreck. The slightest sign of movement brings up flights of fighters which play havoc with troop concentrations and transport columns. The R.A.F. is unrelentingly attacking Bardia, especially the barracks and jetty, in order to prevent reinforcement from the sea.

The Royal Army Service Corps is performing wonders in carrying cut the enormous task of maintaining constant supplies over the 300-mile line of communications between the front and the base. British Reinforced A Cairo communique states: "Enemy troops holding the Bardia defences are being harassed by artillery fire. Our forces, which continue to be reinforced, are clearing areas to the north-west and west. An additional 900 Italian prisoners, with four guns, have been captured."

"On the Sudan frontier our patrols continue their aggressive activities. There is no change in the situation on the Kenya front." An R.A.F. communique states: "We yesterday shot down five Italian planes in addition to seven Savoia 79's severely damaged in the Bardia area. We dropped bombs on buildings and hangars at Berka aerodrome on December 19 and also bombed grounded planes at Gazala aerodrome the same night." The Admiralty communique states: "The Fleet Air Arm attacked Rhodes, Stampalia and Scarpanto on the morning of December 19 and started fires. All our planes returned safely."

Pall of Smoke Over Bardia, the besieged Italian base in Libya, a dense pall of smoke hung on Friday, rising from fires caused by the naval bombardment and the bombings of the R.A.F., says Reuter's correspondent in the Western Desert. The defences of the beleaguered base, where two divisions of Marshal Graziani's army are trapped, are crumbling and cracking under the unrelenting attacks. The ring of British infantry, with many heavy and light tanks, is moving steadily in, supported by artillery fire.

Swarms of Tanks The correspondent describes how he travelled rapidly across the desert behind a thin film of advancing troops before the capture of Sollum, which could be seen from the high ground jutting towards the coast. He saw infantry and tanks swarm across the intervening ground and, soon afterwards, chase Italians up the Halfaya ("Hellfire") road leading to the plateau west of Sollum. This advance yielded colossal quantities of war materials and many prisoners. Marshal Graziani is believed still to have an army of about 200,000, despite his heavy losses. While Bardia held out, he is expected to have a new defensive line considerably farther west.

It is believed that the Italian troops trapped in Bardia number nearly 20,000. The greater part of two divisions are estimated to have been contained by advanced British elements operating beyond Bardia. Hemmed in by land, they are being subjected to continuous heavy bombardment from sea and air.

Towns Bombed In Eire HOMES DAMAGED Aeroplanes Not Identified TWO CASUALTIES

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DUBLIN, Dec. 21.

It is officially stated that an unidentified plane bombed Dun Laoghaire, caused a large crater, damaged houses and shattered windows. One person was slightly injured.

Another unidentified plane bombed a Carrickmacross farmhouse, injuring the owner.

POLISH EX-LEADER ESCAPES

Marshal Smigly-Ridz

GESTAPO SCOURING RUMANIA

All Ports Closed

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received December 22, 7.10 p.m.)

BUCHAREST, Dec. 21.

Marshal E. Smigly-Ridz, former Inspector-General of the Polish Army, has escaped from custody. The Gestapo and the Rumanian police are hunting for him. All the ports have been closed.

The Marshal, whose position made him virtual dictator of the old Poland, escaped with other political leaders to Rumania, where he was interned, after Poland's defeat by Germany.

INACCURATE FIRE BY BATTERIES

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LONDON, Dec. 21.

The Germans have abandoned the shelling of British convoys as the land, escaped with other political leaders to Rumania, where he was interned, after Poland's defeat by Germany. The Germans fired 1500 shells without sinking one ship.

Squadron Sails Into Italy's Backyard

Vivid Story Of British Entry Into Adriatic

Stormy Night

Guns Manned For Two Hours But Enemy Steers Clear

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received December 22, 9.55 p.m.)

LONDON, Dec. 21.

Describing the fleet's action in sweeping the Adriatic, the special correspondent aboard the flotilla leader of the light units said: "With the snow-capped mountains of Greece on the distant starboard side, we struck a tremendous storm, and soon only the nearest ship was visible."

"As at Narvik, we entered the Straits of Otranto under a watery moon hanging low over the Albanian hills. All the ships comprising the striking force were now clearly visible proceeding northward past blacked-out Valona."

"All eyes strained expectantly ahead as we progressed slowly. For two hours our guns were prepared for instant action and the torpedo tubes were manned. An occasional flickering light was visible on the distant Albanian shore, but Italy remained a patch of black."

Valona Shelled "In the meantime, some miles astern, our battleships were taking up their positions for shelling opposite Valona. We were too distant to see or hear the bombardment, but when off Durazzo we received a laconic signal saying that the bombardment had been carried out most successfully. We saw on the return fires raging at Valona while still 60 miles sailing time from there."

"We maintained actions stations until clear of possible reprisals, but saw no signs of enemy ships during the four-hour cruise. "We were actually inside Italy's backyard. Thus Italy, who long ago forfeited the claim to control the Mediterranean, cannot even claim the Adriatic as her own."

GISBORNE AIRMAN WINS D.F.C.

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LONDON, Dec. 21.

Acting Flight-Lieutenant D. H. F. Barker, Gisborne, has been awarded the D.F.C.

He was awarded the D.F.C. for his gallant and skilful operations in the defence of the island of New Zealand during the recent air raid on the island.

LOW-FLYING RAIDERS BOMB BERLIN

R.A.F. Planes Swoop Low Over Snow Covered Roof Tops

(British Official Wireless.) (Received December 22, 9.35 p.m.)

RUGBY, Dec. 21.

On the longest night of the year, when Berlin was covered with snow, the R.A.F. heavy bombers were over the city both early and late. The attack was remarkable for the audacity with which some bombers came right over the housetops, the machines flying little more than 100 feet. During such low-level attacks it was easy to see what damage had been done and there is a vivid report from an aircraft which roared over the main railway station just below 1000 feet.

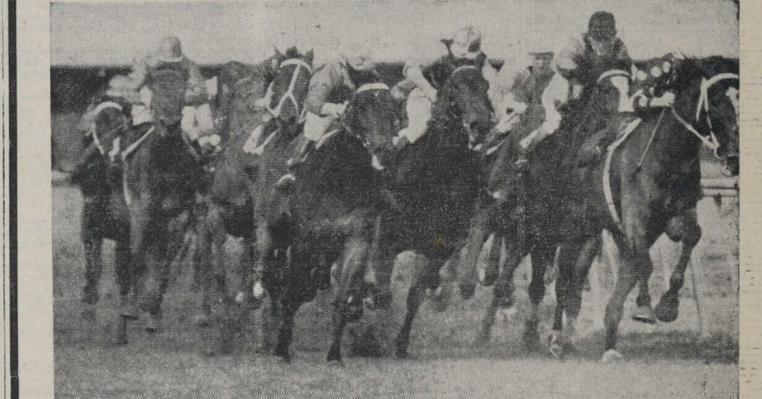
The pilot saw a bomb burst in the very centre of the station. During the actual moment of the explosion the bomber had passed and the rear-gunner looked back and saw the platform lying in ruins. The pilot then turned his machine and swooped down on a group of searchlights and battery guns. The front and rear gunners fired hundreds of rounds at point-blank range and in the brilliant moonlight they saw the searchlight and anti-aircraft crews stagger and fall.

The weather steadily improved during the night and soon after 10 o'clock some pilots found it fairly good, while others had their work made more difficult by ground haze. Fires Blazing The chief objectives of the night were the factories, goods yards, railway stations in Berlin. Early in the night an aircraft factory was attacked and fires lit. In order to attack this factory it was necessary to penetrate a particularly heavy barrage. One burst came just below one aircraft and "gave us a deuce of a shock as our last bombs were still in the rack."

An Air Ministry communique states: "Yesterday aircraft of the Coastal Command made a number of attacks on aerodromes and harbours in enemy-occupied territory. Gun positions near Cap Gris Nez were attacked and military buildings nearby demolished. A direct hit was obtained on a supply ship. In attacks on the invasion ports particularly good results were observed at Antwerp, Ostend, and Le Havre. The Berlin radio stated that the main feature of the raid on Berlin was damage to residential districts, in which some buildings were entirely destroyed and the front and back of the cathedral was damaged. They claimed to have shot down two planes."

"Except that the debris has been cleared from the streets, Warsaw looks as though it had been bombed only yesterday."

"Many people are still living in cellars under appalling conditions and there is no coal in the city. Some quarters, such as the Jewish Ghetto, are walled off and marked 'Danger Zone—Contagious Disease.' These quarters contain 10 Catholic churches and the High Court and the Catholic Archbishop lives in one of them. It is added that Poles in general are living under conditions unfit for human beings."



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Zorina in "I Was An Adventuress"

Glamorous romance and thoroughly absorbing entertainment result when exquisite Zorina meets handsome Richard Greene in "I Was An Adventuress," which is now at the State Theatre, Hastings.

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 backgrounds, "I Was An Adventuress" provides the gorgeous Zorina with 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 unforgettable "man you love to hate," returns from his European triumphs in "I Was An Adventuress" as a renegade Parisian swindler who would compel Zorina to continue luring rich men with her beauty while he concocts schemes to cheat them of huge sums. How she fights to keep her past from Greene and protect her new-found happiness from the menacing Von Stroheim, makes for intriguing drama.

Cosy

"SPY FOR A DAY" IS GAY COMEDY

With Bright Story, "Down Went McGinty"

"Spy for a Day," which is now at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings, introduces Duggie Wakefield, the well-known comedian, to the screen in a new guise. Under the direction of Mario Zampi, who also produced the picture, Duggie is seen in his new vehicle as a human individual with a definite appeal to the emotions. Zampi has treated him not as a mere lay figure for comedy, but made him a young man with a believable character and a vein of pathos.

The story of "Spy for a Day" has a war-time setting and a close connection with present-day events. Duggie is seen as Sam Gates, a country youth whose simple character makes him the butt of his village. War comes and Sam falls into the hands of the enemy. He has a series of exciting adventures, and by the time he returns to the village, having faced death from a firing squad on more than one occasion, he is no longer the fool of the village, but a person of considerable importance.

Rich man, poor man, beggar man, thief, fighter, lover, political chief! All those characters rolled into one is Dan McGinty, whose rise and fall is outlined in the robust film comedy, "Down Went McGinty," which is the second feature. Brian Donley who won screen fame in such rugged hits as "Union Pacific" and "Beau Geste" is McGinty. Akim Tamiroff and Muriel Angelus share leading roles with him.

"Down Went McGinty" is the hilarious story of a two-fisted, unscrupulous "bum" who goes into politics. Keeping one hand on the public pulse, and the other in the public purse, he swindles his way from alderman to mayor to governor.

PATRIOTIC DONATIONS AT HASTINGS

Contributions to the Hastings fund of the £1,000,000 patriotic appeal now total £12,841/1/5. The following gifts are acknowledged: Staff list (final) £2/0/6, carnival shop £9 14/6, mystery parcels £4/12/6, Raukawa School Junior Red Cross £5 5/6, D. W. Hursthouse £1, Havelock North Sub-Zone £23/8/2, stock drive £38/0/1.

The staff list contributions have resulted in £301/18/5 being collected, and final list of donations from this source are from the staffs of the following firms: Co-op, Butchery 2/6, A. J. Jones and Co. 7/-, Sister Cooper's Hospital 10/-, Gordon Walker Ltd. £1/1/-, Total, £2/0/6.

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The picture presents the star as a young village girl who goes to the city. In the metropolis, she meets and falls in love with Robert Cummings, a young blade, and the picture tells the progress of their love affair over a bumpy—and laugh-filled—road of complications. Deanna sings (more beautifully than ever) four numbers—three of them from the pen of Robert Stolz, famous Viennese musician who composed, among others, the beautiful "Two Hearts in Three-Quarter Time." The fourth is "Blue Danube Dream." All four carry words by Gus Kahn, dean of American lyric writers. In the large supporting cast are Mischa Auer, Henry Stephenson, Butch and Buddy, Anne Gwynne, Walter Catlett, S. Z. Sakall, Samuel S. Hinds, Allyn Joslyn, Reginald Denry, Franklin Pangborn, Peggy Moran and others.

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The picture presents the star as a young village girl who goes to the city. In the metropolis, she meets and falls in love with Robert Cummings, a young blade, and the picture tells the progress of their love affair over a bumpy—and laugh-filled—road of complications. Deanna sings (more beautifully than ever) four numbers—three of them from the pen of Robert Stolz, famous Viennese musician who composed, among others, the beautiful "Two Hearts in Three-Quarter Time." The fourth is "Blue Danube Dream." All four carry words by Gus Kahn, dean of American lyric writers. In the large supporting cast are Mischa Auer, Henry Stephenson, Butch and Buddy, Anne Gwynne, Walter Catlett, S. Z. Sakall, Samuel S. Hinds, Allyn Joslyn, Reginald Denry, Franklin Pangborn, Peggy Moran and others.

Current Attraction The laughter-filled thrilling and eerie successor to "The Cat and the Canary" is "The Ghost Breakers," which, with the same team of Bob Hope and Paulette Goddard featured, concludes to-day.

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Five o'Clock Gossip

Mr and Mrs P. Schneideman and family, of Wellington, are spending a holiday at Napier.

Miss Jean Russell and Miss Joan Boland, Napier, leave to-day to spend Christmas in Rotorua.

Mrs D. Carlyon, Auckland, was a week-end visitor to Napier.

Miss Ola Humphries, Elizabeth Road, Napier, has returned from a visit to Wellington.

Mr and Mrs K. McLeay and family, Roslyn Road, Napier, leave to-day to spend three weeks at their cottage in Taupo.

Mr and Mrs A. R. Webster, Hawera, are visiting Waioira.

Mrs A. G. Barnett, Wellington, was a week-end visitor to Napier.

Mr and Mrs E. T. Poulton, Takapau, have been visiting Napier.

Mr and Mrs H. M. Christie, Wellington, are visiting Waipukurau.

Mr and Mrs J. F. Saunders, Waipukurau, are spending the Christmas holidays in Palmerston North.

Mr and Mrs P. Mason, Waipukurau, with their two sons, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr and Mrs M. C. Ansell, Feilding.

Miss Joyce Wellwood, of the staff of the Terrace End School, Palmerston North, who has received an appointment to the Intermediate School in the New Year, is visiting Keneperu Sound and will later stay in Hastings.

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BLACK-OUTS IN EUROPE AND BLUE IN AMERICA

New Colour Craze Has Swept The Continent

The craze for blue is sweeping through the United States from the Pacific to the Atlantic. And it all started in Hollywood, home of so many fashion fancies.

Every woman in the land of the brave and free is to have her own "Sweet Little Alice Blue Gown."

The sky-coloured tint, claimed to be even more popular in the revel than it was originally, has been taken up eagerly by Hollywood.

It was prompted by the Alice Blue Gown sequence filmed in technicolor in the R.K.O. Radio screen version of the well-known musical comedy, "Trene."

When brides forsake white this summer, Alice blue is to be the colour chosen for their ensembles. The famous Botticelli pictures with their lovely blue effects have been the inspiration for a wedding gown by one smart designer.

Smart New York saw, at a fashion show, a white lace wedding gown and waist-length lace hood worn with a gossamer net veil of Alice blue trailing to the ground.

Silver sequins glint on the veil and bouffant skirt of an Alice blue tulle wedding ensemble, with which the bride carries hyacinths and wears blue satin shoes. An old-world effect was obtained in another blue bridal gown made of taffeta, with a deep berthe finishing the bodice and with circles of tiny pink rosebuds dotting the crinoline skirt.

Bridal trousseaus, also, show a preponderance of blue. Dainty chiffon negligees—lace trimmed or pleated—sets of lingerie, luxurious feather-trimmed muftis, bouffant, and bouffant colour schemes themselves are all favouring blue.

Why spoil the sequence when it comes to corsets? Yes, blue corsets, satin, broche and coutur are all available to milady in the U.S.A. these days.

One lovely blonde in New York was described as "a water nymph just risen from a sylvan pool." When she wore one of these creations, consisting of four life-size blue water-lilies poised on top of her head, and so cleverly arranged that there was no visible support.

Children all over the U.S.A. are going to blue, according to fashion reports. Little boys, who would have protested once upon a time at the idea of being dressed in such a "sissy" colour, now accept blue with the rest of the population.

Blue Corsets are New. Grandma, accustomed to white and believe or not, was just little shocked when flesh pink corsets were arranged shamelessly on life-like models in shop windows, and there was something about black corsets that made her look down her nose. Now, what is she going to think of blue corsets?

There is many a little pet doggie wearing his blue ribbon this year, and he doesn't need to have a pedigree or to catch the judge's eye to be awarded this particular blue ribbon. It's Alice blue. He, too, must be in keeping with the popular colour scheme.

"I dreamed of two blue orchids," says the song, but over in the U.S.A. this year blue orchids are a reality. They may come round the corner at any minute on a hat.

Blue flowers are the "thing."

Hyacinths are favourites, and are arranged as trimming, standing high on their stalks, or clustered together to make an all-over flower touque.

Cornflowers are enjoying a popular run for hats, especially the lighter shade, and the quaint love-in-the-mist, in its feathery green frame, is adaptable to millinery and trimming for frocks.

Blue Birds for Happiness. Blue birds continue as an emblem of happiness, and blue birds trim blue hats, and often white and pink ones, this year, in America.

A smart model for spring at one of New York's most exclusive shops showered a tiny hat brimmed hat of this straw in the palest pink, worn tipped forward, and snooded with a mass of Alice blue ostrich feather.

In the street, and at cocktail parties, you meet debutantes wearing what appear to be just bunches of blue flowers on their hair, but there is usually a tiny hat under the blooms, and it is sometimes fastened with a narrow band of flowers behind the head.

Christmas Party Enjoyed. Otane Women's Institute. Many Children Entertained.

The Otane Women's Institute Christmas party was held with a good attendance of members and their children, while the St. Hilda Home children were the guests of the Institute.

The motto for the day was:—"Tain't what we are—but what we give."

The president (Mrs A. B. Collins) was in charge of the proceedings, and a very enjoyable programme of songs, recitations and musical items, given by the children, and a playlet, "Dreams," by St. Hilda's children, were very much enjoyed.

The hall had been gaily decorated with paper streamers and patriotic emblems, and the floral decorations were carried out in pastel colours. As the children arrived, each received a gaily coloured paper hat, and at the conclusion were given a generously filled bag of sweets.

After the programme was concluded a sumptuous afternoon tea, with soft drinks, was provided, and a jolly time was afterwards spent in playing games.

A very happy afternoon was concluded with an interchange of seasonal greetings.

Toy Money Goes to Patriotic Funds. Lodge Christmas Treat at Hastings.

The Royal Hastings Lodge held their annual Christmas gathering at the racecourse on Saturday afternoon. There were about 300 children and 120 adults present. The children were entertained by a sports afternoon.

The Juvenile Lodge interhouse team gave a display of marching and drill to music kindly provided by the Hastings Pipe Band.

Bro. P. J. Priest, addressing the children, said that owing to a lot of the toys being unprocurable, it had been decided to make a donation to the £1,000,000 appeal fund. He stated that it was regrettable but it was hoped that the children would understand. He introduced Sis. Moyra Thomsen (Noble Grand of the Juvenile Lodge) and Mr Noel C. Harding (Town Clerk). Sis. Thomsen then presented to Mr Harding a cheque for £20.

Mr Harding stated that it was a great surprise and he knew that the money would be very welcome. He thanked the children and the lodge for the donation.

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A GOLDEN RULE IN LIFE Pleasing Others. What is the golden rule for getting along with people? Simply this: See that their ego is not deflated.

PLEASE, charm, delight and fascinate those you meet. Make them feel that you enjoy their company. Let them talk. Listen interestedly. Make them feel important. However humble or famous they may be, let them see from your eyes, your smile, the expression of your face or your bearing that you are happy to be with them.

One who can do all this in the right way has what is called a charming personality. Some people are born with the gift; others must cultivate it.

Many persons are indifferent whether they please people or not. At least they say they are. Superficially, such self-reliance seems commendable, but actually it is a serious handicap to progress.

We get ahead by inducing other people to do things our way and to see things from our point of view. If we are backed by plenty of law and money we can force them to do as we wish, whether they like us or not, but that method is expensive and cumbersome. By tact we can get our way with a fraction of the effort.

Therefore, the man who is interested in a practical success will do his utmost to master the art of pleasing others. He will find that this art is the supreme labour-saver in our complicated civilisation which makes us so dependent on one another.

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PARTIES GIVEN FOR A BRIDE-TO-BE. Miss Joan McCarthy The Guest Of Honour.

Two gatherings in honour of Miss Joan McCarthy, Waipukurau, whose marriage is to take place shortly, were held recently, at the homes of friends in Waipawa and Waipukurau.

A kitchen tea was given for her at the residence of Mrs C. Faulkner, Waipawa, when friends gathered to offer felicitations, the evening being spent in dancing and games. The guest-of-honour was presented with many gifts, and Mr G. Dew, on behalf of his fiancée, returned thanks.

A gift afternoon was held at the residence of Mrs B. Osborne, Waipukurau, and a very pleasant time was spent by all present. Miss McCarthy thanked her hostess and the guests for the many gifts given to her, after which the afternoon was spent in games and competitions.

FERNHILL PATRIOTIC SOCIETY. Funds for Parcels for Local Soldiers.

Favoured with a fine, cool evening, the Fernhill Patriotic Society held a successful dance in aid of funds for parcels for the eighteen local boys who are now serving in the forces overseas.

The hall was beautifully decorated by the committee and no trouble was spared to make an enjoyable night for all those who were present. The floor was good and music excellent, and, in addition, a competition had been organised which helped to swell the funds. Mr Matthews was the capable M.C. and was assisted by Mr Webber.

On behalf of the Fernhill Patriotic Society Mr Webber thanked all those who were present and said that their support had been most encouraging. He added that the society hoped to hold a masked ball in the near future.

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Waipukurau is a generous town, as has been shown by its response to patriotic appeals. The £1,000,000 fund closed on November 30 with £4014 in its coffers, although the district quota was only £2300, a record of which any town might feel proud.

Waipukurau is a town that is going from strength to strength—a centre of which the whole province may well feel proud for its spirit of modernity and progress.

ENGLISH VERSUS DUTCH

Because he had a small camera in his possession, Mr John McLaughlin, who has returned to Christchurch after spending 14 months in Rumania, was refused a passage on one of the Imperial Airways aeroplanes. He suggested to the officials that they take the camera, seal it, and give it to him at the end of the journey; but they were adamant, and eventually he had to travel by the Dutch line, whose officials sealed the offending camera for the trip. The fact that the fare was £150 mattered nothing to the English company.

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WAIPAWA.

The second round of the District and Dillon Shield competitions between the Waipawa and Waipukurau bowling clubs were played on Saturday, each club securing three wins.

The Waipawa Club is the winner of the Dillon Shield. Following are the results of the play:—

At Waipawa: Limbrick, McDowell, Kingston, Jopson (Waipawa) 25; Dunne, Cumwane, Carpenter, White 13. Noell, Woods, Walker, Eagle (Waipawa) 15; Hart, McVicar, Mackie, Clarkson 23. Murray, Fletcher, Petherick, Fleet (Waipawa) 13; Mills, Brebner, Ewen, Haldane 23.

At Waipukurau: Wells, Chambers, Barnes, Rivers (Waipukurau) 8; Bjorngard, Gamby, Dunkin, Petherick 24. Collier, Chambers, Bradley, Laurie (Waipukurau) 24; F. W. Hor, McDonald, Ireland, Critchley 14. Annand, Skidmore, Gardner, Richards (Waipukurau) 10; Angus, Waldrom, McIntosh, Patterson 22.

Ordinary games: Parker, Little, Clark, Holt 39; Wallace, Hutchings, Davy, Strang 36.

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IN those days there was a good deal of work done by horses and drays by the farmers themselves, but with the rise of intensive production following the practice of top-dressing, sub-division, and cultivation, Mr Kemp found it necessary to change from horses to motor vehicles, somewhere near the beginning of the Great War.

IN 1928 the business, which comprised three lorries, was purchased by Mr Clive Cassidy. In 1935 Mr Cassidy absorbed the business of Mr George Grainger, increasing the plant to five lorries, and in 1937 bought out Mr Pilcher's business in Otane, increasing the plant to eight lorries. In 1938 a further merger was effected by the purchase of part of the D. A. Preston Ltd. fleet when the plant was increased to

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THE history of progress is always interesting and in taking this opportunity of wishing all clients a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year we sincerely hope that the same progress, which has been experienced by us, will mark their coming year.

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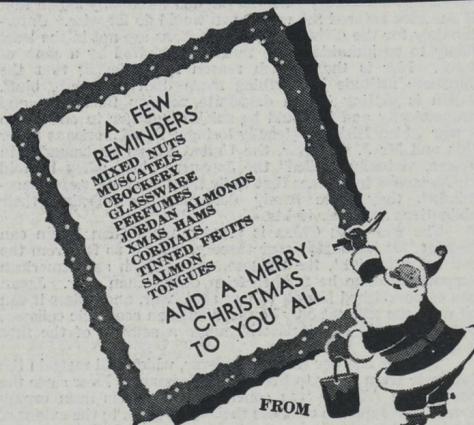
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TOTALITARIAN TEST

Modern war is the greatest, and almost the only, supreme test which can now be applied to systems of government.

The military cookery, of "The Times" (Captain Cyril Falls) has argued that in a modern authoritarian State revolution may be considered to be the inevitable accompaniment of defeat.

JAPAN A BROKEN REED

With the elimination of Italy as an effective partner in the Axis, Hitler has evidently decided that Japan must be prevailed upon, if possible, to abandon her attitude of "non-belligerence" to the European conflict.

There is another reason, however, which will restrain the Japanese from going to the help of Germany.

Personal

Pilot-Officer B. Ward is spending a few days with his parents at the T. and G. Building, Napier.

Mr Selwyn M. Hunt, Napier, has left to commence training in the Royal New Zealand Air Force ground training school at Ohakea.

Major-General Sir Andrew Russell, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., Inspector-General of the New Zealand Forces and Acting-Chief of Staff, visited Hamilton on Thursday.

Mr P. Gjording, of Hastings, left on Saturday to spend the holidays in the Wellington district.

Messrs G. McCarthy and H. Wiggins, who are in training with the R.N.Z.A.F., are at their homes in Waipukurau on leave.

Mr John R. Murray, M.A., has been appointed senior assistant at the secondary department of the Waipukurau District High School.

Leading Aircraftman R. E. Knoblock, who was accountant of the Central Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board, Waipukurau, before joining the Air Force, is back in Central Hawke's Bay on leave.

Mr T. A. S. Harris, of Trentham Military Camp, is in Waipukurau on leave, staying with his mother, Mrs J. Harris, Lake View, Porangahau Road.

Mr U. B. Walker, of Trentham Military Camp, is in Waipukurau, staying with his parents, Mr and Mrs W. Walker, Rensell Street.

Sergeant G. B. Bartholomew (Trentham), Bombardier F. F. E. Cutcliffe (Foxton), Mr J. Andrews (Wanganui), Air Gunner E. Small (Levin), Mr and Mrs E. Murington (Masterton), Mr W. D. Allington, Mr F. Chalu (Christchurch), Miss L. Leishman, Miss E. Craig, Mrs H. V. McCallum (Inglewood), Mr G. Lethborg (Raurimu), Mr and Mrs O'Connell (Opotuna), are at the Grand Hotel, Hastings.

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Captain and Mrs E. Ewart Brown, N.Z.M.C., Mr and Mrs A. Charles Mason, Mrs J. K. Lawrence (Gisborne), Mr Ray T. Lowry, Mr Noel D. Taylor, Mr and Mrs A. G. Edwards, Mr E. G. Willoughby, Mrs V. S. Blake, Miss J. A. Summers (Wellington), Miss A. U. Smith, Mrs S. E. James (Auckland), Mr W. Osborne, Mr A. C. de Lantour (Wairoa), Mrs M. R. Lunan, Miss Lunan (Hawera), Mr T. Preston (Rotorua), Mr F. E. Cox, Mr V. Hardy (Waipawa), Miss E. G. Stott (Taupo) are at the Hotel Central, Napier.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Holiday Announcement

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School for Marewa

The Minister of Education (the Hon. H. G. R. Mason) has advised the Hon. W. E. Barnard that the Government has approved of a grant for the erection of a school at Marewa.

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AIR MAIL INLAND. Blenheim, Nelson, Westport, Grey-mouth and Hokitika, Monday to Friday, 6 p.m.; Saturday, 6 a.m. Auckland and New Plymouth, Monday to Friday, 6 p.m. Christchurch, Oamaru, Dunedin and Invercargill, Monday to Thursday, 6 p.m. Saturday, 4 p.m. L. A. BURNS, Postmaster.

HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

"DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS FOR FINE, WARM WEATHER

Christmas makes people very big-hearted. A "Daily Mail" subscriber received Christmas cards reading: "Greetings to all at Hastings." He hands them on.

Prize Redonated

A generous action was that of a small Napier girl, Patricia Runciman, who has re-donated a prize of 10/6 to the Red Cross fund.

Prizes for Choir Boys

Attendance prizes were presented to the choirboys of St. John's Cathedral on Saturday as follows:—

Grave Charge

As the result of an incident alleged to have taken place in a Napier picture theatre on Saturday afternoon, a man will appear before Mr J. Miller, S.M., in the Napier Magistrate's Court this morning.

Men on Leave

An application to have a supply of petrol allotted to members of the Forces when on leave was recently made by the Automobile Association (Hawke's Bay).

Fire in Cupboard

An outbreak of fire in a linen cupboard at the home of Mr C. Goldstone, Willowpark Road, shortly after 10.30 on Saturday morning resulted in the Hastings Fire Brigade being called out.

Home for Christmas

A large number of Territorials who have been undergoing a three-months' intensive training course arrived in Napier by a special train on Saturday, men for Wairoa and Gisborne continuing the journey by another train.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO CONSTITUENTS

Hon. W. E. Barnard's Appeal

In wishing his constituents the compliments of the season, the Hon. W. E. Barnard, M.P., said that he desired to congratulate Napier and Hawke's Bay on two things—first, the ready response of the men to the call for service, both overseas and at home and, second, the fine public response to the appeal for money for patriotic purposes.

Difficult Year Ahead

"The New Year," Mr Barnard added, "is bound to be hard and difficult. It will call for bigger effort, greater sacrifice, but when we think of what our fellow-countrymen in England and Scotland are patiently and bravely enduring, I am sure that we shall not shrink from whatever duty is required of us."

MAIL NOTICES

POST OFFICE, HASTINGS

PRIME MINISTER'S URGENT APPEAL TO THE DOMINION

Everything For Great Britain In Her Struggle For The Empire

(By Telegraph—Press Association)

GREYMOUTH, Dec. 22

Opening a tour of New Zealand, which will continue as opportunity offers during the Parliamentary recess, the Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser), accompanied by the Minister of Labour (the Hon. P. C. Webb) visited Greymouth, Runanga and Hokitika during the week-end. He was accorded enthusiastic public receptions at each centre.

Mr Fraser was also the principal speaker at a banquet in honour of the 21st anniversary of the "Grey River Argus" as a Labour daily.

New Zealand's war effort was the main topic discussed by Mr Fraser, who, in remarkably frank speeches to-day, outlined what has been done for the defence of the Dominion.

Detailing the difficulties being experienced, and indicating the prospective further measures to assist Britain, the Prime Minister's speeches were warmly received, particularly at Runanga, where he made an appeal to the miners and workers to co-operate to the fullest extent with the Government in the war effort.

He urged every citizen to take a share in the defence of the country by joining the Home Guard or Emergency Precautions Committees, and indicated that a vast number of women would require training to replace men in industry, more than 86,000 having already been taken from all classes of employment.

The Home Guard

Regarding the Home Guard, Mr Fraser indicated that the question of a suitable form was now under consideration and that an announcement would shortly be made. "New Zealand's war effort, taking into consideration the extent of the country, population, and resources, is a formidable task, and it is to be expected that other parts of the British Commonwealth," he said, "All we have done and still have to do is not an experiment, but is dictated by the stern realities which threaten us.

"Firmness, Not Appeasement"

"Only by firmness and not by appeasement can victory be achieved. We must co-operate with the Mother Country and work hand-in-hand with the United States to provide everything that Britain—now in the front line of battle—needs to defeat the bullies, Hitler and Mussolini.

Speaking of President Roosevelt's intention to supply more to Britain, Mr Fraser said that without any desire to manifest interest in the politics of any country, he had hoped and prayed that Mr Roosevelt would be returned at the Presidential elections, because the American President had been frank with Britain in the exchange of destroyers for naval bases.

Nothing could be more generous than Mr Roosevelt's latest offer to supply Britain with everything required.

American Co-operation

"Mr Roosevelt knows all about our social advancement in the Southern Pacific," said Mr Fraser. "He is a student of our social progress and we know that America will co-operate fully with us if we show our worthiness of her support."

In all his speeches Mr Fraser paid a glowing tribute to the calm courage and resourcefulness of the British people in their hour of trial.

No people in the face of death and destruction had risen more supreme than the people of the British Isles, he said. They reminded one of the Hebrews of old in their spirit of self-sacrifice, giving as they were everything in defence not only of themselves but of the whole British Commonwealth.

That spirit could be summed up in the words of the three prisoners who refused to worship at the foot of the idols of Babylon.

A Noble Answer

No nobler answer had been given than that refusal, and yet it was the same answer given by the people of Britain in their hour of trial. "We believe we will win out with the help of all our people," said Mr Fraser. "The spirit of Britain was shown by Mr Churchill when he declared that if Britain went under they would continue to fight from the Dominions."

NORWEGIANS UP IN ARMS

MANY CLASHES WITH QUISLINGITES

RIOTS IN VIENNA

Austrians Oppose Nazi Governor

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LONDON, Dec. 21

The Norwegian News Agency states that many clashes between the civil population and Quisling supporters have occurred in the last few days. In the Oslo district fighting broke out at the Norwegian sports ground. The Quisling supporters retreated to a restaurant and called the police, who were powerless against a crowd of 1000 loyalists singing the National Anthem and the Royal Anthem.

A battle in the streets of the capital followed an attempt by Quislingites to tear the badge from a loyalist Norwegian. The Nazis were called up and a fierce fight ensued, several people injured and a number of arrests being made. A fresh fight later resulted in many being seriously injured.

The police have quelled other incidents at a cinema and the national theatre.

A New York report says that many arrests followed anti-Nazi demonstrations in the Third District market hall at Vienna in Austria, on December 4. Arrests were also made at a football match when spectators hooted the new Governor (Balduv von Schirach).

It is reported that the workers at the Severin rubber factory went on strike after the manager has been gaoled for insulting von Schirach.

RECORD PRICE FOR WOOL

SPLENDID APPRAISAL AT DUNEDIN GOOD SEASON

Best Display Seen For Several Years

By Telegraph—Press Association. DUNEDIN, Dec. 22

The record price for New Zealand wool this season was an outcome of the December Otago wool appraisal which began last Wednesday and was completed on Saturday.

It was noticeable that the representative display constituted much sounder and better-grown wool than came forward last year. In fact, the display was superior to those of many years past, a fact which can be attributed to the highly favourable season which this end of the Dominion has enjoyed.

Outstanding Feature

An individual feature of the appraisal was the price of 214d brought by a bale of super Merino ewe wool entered by Mr James Watt, Frankton, and binned and reclassified by the Loan and Mercantile Agency Co.

The previous best price for the season was 203d, achieved by a line of Marlborough Merino wool.

The comparison with last year's wool was all in favour of the 1940 catalogue, so that the returns to growers should be correspondingly better per sheep.

Catalogues submitted by the brokers totalled 21,846 bales, and the display represented all grades and qualities from coarse crossbreds to Merinos.

Official Report

The official report states that earlier shearing and the favourable weather resulted in clips arriving from all the producing districts throughout Otago and the surrounding districts. With few exceptions the display could be considered the best for many years.

Crossbred clips from Tapanui and South Otago were a special feature. A majority of these wools were of outstanding quality. Some Merino and halfbred clips also showed prominence and there was a good percentage of hogget wools, the bulk of which was exceptionally good, but in some instances, especially in crossbred hoggets, tenderness was apparent.

Wools generally were heavier per fleece, but not so fine in spinning quality compared with last season's clips.

Range of Prices

The official range of prices was as follows:—

Table with 2 columns: Wool type and Price. Includes Merino (60-64, 64-70), Extra super, Super, Average, Inferior, Fine Half-bred (56-58), Extra super, Super, Average, Inferior, Medium Half-bred (50-56), Extra super, Super, Average, Inferior, Extra Fine Crossbred (48-50), Extra super, Super, Average, Inferior, Fine Crossbred (46-48), Extra super, Super, Average, Inferior, Medium Crossbred (44-46), Extra super, Super, Average, Inferior, Merino Necks & Pieces, Super, Low to medium, Halfbred Necks & Pieces, Super, Good to super, Low to medium, Crossbred Necks, Super, Average, Inferior, Crutchings—Halfbred, Medium to good, Inferior, Crutchings—Crossbred, Medium to good, Inferior, Locks, Merino, Crossbred.

Machine-Gun Attack

FLEW OFF LOSING HEIGHT

No Casualties

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LONDON, Dec. 20

A German bomber machine-gunned roads on the outskirts of London on Friday morning, but caused no damage. The plane disappeared losing height, apparently having been hit by gunfire.

People in another London district this morning believed that a low-flying plane was British until they saw bombs drop.

No alert was sounded. There was little damage and no casualties.

GLUT OF VEGETABLES IN LONDON

"Dig For Victory" Plan Criticised

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LONDON, Dec. 20

Covent Garden salesmen blame misdirection of the "Dig for Victory" campaign, in which thousands of people have grown their own vegetables, for the daily returning of lorryloads of vegetables to the farms for cattle feed and manure.

They declare that people should grow vegetables previously imported.

Housewives and the majority of restaurants are opening canned vegetables instead of using fresh vegetables, and growers are unable to take up all the vegetables offered, though prices have fallen.

It is suggested that the only economic way to utilise the present vegetable glut is to ban canned vegetables until the position eases.

OVERSEAS AIR MAIL SERVICES

After being delayed for five days at San Francisco because of bad weather, Pan-American Airways' American Clipper left at 7.58 a.m. (New Zealand time) on Saturday on the first stage of the Pacific flight to Auckland. The Clipper arrived at Honolulu at 8.17 a.m. yesterday and will leave this morning for Canton Island, where she is expected at 5.30 p.m. If not further delayed, the Clipper will arrive at Auckland on Christmas Day and will leave again for San Francisco on Friday. Tasman Empire Airways' flying boat will leave for Sydney the day after the arrival of the Clipper—Press Association.

WEATHER FORECASTS NOT TO BE BROADCAST IN N.Z.

Information Will Still Be Available In The Newspaper

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 22

"Radio broadcasts of weather information, either in plain language or in international codes, will be discontinued as from midday to-morrow," said the Minister of Defence (the Hon. F. Jones) in a statement to-night.

"The Government has been reluctant to take this step earlier because of the value of the weather broadcasts to the public, and particularly to shipping and the farming community, but to ensure that the enemy can gain no possible advantage from this information, it has been decided to discontinue the weather broadcast services."

"This decision will involve the suspension of aviation broadcasts in the Dominion, and the district forecasts and special farmers' forecast," continued Mr Jones. "Shipping forecasts in plain language and in international code will also no longer be available.

"In the meantime, no change is being made in forecasts and reports distributed to newspapers, post offices, harbour boards, shipping companies, and so on.

Additional Service

"To overcome the inconvenience to farmers, the Meteorological Office proposes to provide the newspapers desiring it with a further outlook in addition to the normal district forecast. In the further outlook a general indication will be given of the weather prospects for the succeeding two or three days.

"These arrangements are being brought into force in the Commonwealth and Dominion simultaneously."

Truant's Exploit Off Italy

SUPPLY SHIP SUNK

Heavily Laden Tanker Torpedoed

BRITISH ACTIVITY

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LONDON, Dec. 20

Nosing round in the waters off the "heel" of Italy on the night of December 13-14 his Majesty's submarine Truant intercepted a convoy of Italian supply ships. The Truant immediately moved in to attack. One of the ships was torpedoed and was seen to be sinking. Another ship was hit and possibly sank.

Two nights later a tanker, heavily laden, was seen moving south. It was immediately attacked and hit by a torpedo.

AXIS ADMITS FUEL SHORTAGE

ITALY'S TROUBLES IN MEDITERRANEAN

NAVY STAYS HOME

British Forces In Libya Exaggerated

British Official Wireless. (Received December 22, 7.45 p.m.)

RUGBY, Dec. 21

The usually close consultation between the Nazis and their partners appears to have suffered a hitch in the explanation of the British naval predicament in the Mediterranean.

The "Allgemeine Zeitung" states: "It is England's plan to crush Italy by blocking her war supplies of oil, of which Italy is short, therefore the Italian navy conducted an advantageous because the British navy is anxious to avoid battle and Italian ships can therefore stay in harbour, thus saving large quantities of fuel.

This is the reason that only Italian destroyers, submarines and torpedo-boats are at sea. They consume only small quantities of oil fuel. By staying at home, the larger ships, being among the biggest consumers of oil, help to relieve the pressure.

Another Version

Rome's explanation, on the other hand, is linked with an explanation of the British victories in Libya. The official news bureau "Aroli" estimated that General Sir Archibald Wavell's army stood recently at 250,000. Presumably to explain the success of the British drive, this estimate has now been increased to 415,000 men and 1500 planes. "Aroli" adds: "These figures, taken in conjunction with the constant interception of our supplies by the British fleet, explains the difficulties which Marshal Graziani has encountered."

It would seem that Italy prefers to save fuel rather than save "Mare Nostrum."

Relentless Pressure

Describing the relentless pressure of the Greek forces on the Italians in Albania despite weather difficulties, an agency correspondent with the Greek army writes: "After valiant efforts on the central front the Greeks were successful in throwing a bridge across the river to enable the artillery to take up new positions and aid the troops to continue their advance.

"Enemy positions were occupied after a fierce attack by infantry and the Italians retreated in order, leaving the Greeks in control of the situation."

The condition of the Italians captured shows the lamentable plight of the enemy troops due to the intense cold and privations.

There was a further fall of snow on Friday night, but the Greek troops are able to withstand the weather well while it is obvious that the fighting spirit of the Italians has considerably diminished.

SQUADRON ENTERS ADRIATIC

HAIR OF SHELLS ON VALONA VALUABLE SEAPORT

Mussolini's Fleet Stays Hidden

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LONDON, Dec. 20

Sailing through the Straits of Otranto, the narrow sea between Italy and Albania, a battle squadron of the Royal Navy on Wednesday night carried the war into the Adriatic.

The roar of a multitude of guns echoed across the sea as the ships poured a hail of shells of all calibres upon Valona, Italy's sole remaining seaport in southern Albania. At the same time, cruisers and destroyers swept to the north beyond the Italian town of Bari, which is opposite the Albanian port of Durazzo, a frequent target for R.A.F. bombers.

Unhindered Passage

The battleship squadron fired nearly 100 tons of high-explosive shells on Valona, while the destroyer and light cruiser squadron swept up the Adriatic past Taranto, Brindisi, and Bari for 150 miles away, and not a single Italian ship was sighted. This unhindered passage shows the desperate straits to which Mussolini's vaunted naval power has been reduced.

The first action is revealed in an official Admiralty communique issued this morning. It says: "Light and heavy units of the Mediterranean Fleet have recently been operating in the Adriatic Sea in order to harass Italian sea communications with Albania."

North to Bari

"The Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean, Admiral Sir Andrew Browne Cunningham, has reported that, on the night of December 18, a cruiser and destroyer force under the command of Vice-Admiral H. D. Fridham-Wippell swept the Adriatic Sea as far north as Bari and Durazzo."

"During the same night, a force of battleships under the command of the Commander-in-Chief passed through the Straits of Otranto and carried out a heavy bombardment of Valona, the vital supply port of the Italian forces in Southern Albania. Nearly 100 tons of high-explosive shells were fired."

"Throughout the operations, no opposition from the enemy was encountered."

Frequent Shelling

An Admiralty communique giving further accounts of the Navy's part in the fighting in Libya states: "Both heavy and light forces of the Mediterranean Fleet carried out a bombardment of the Bardia area at frequent intervals from the evening of December 13 to noon on December 18. These bombardments played an important part in harassing the enemy and containing the defeated troops in the Bardia area."

"On the afternoon of December 16 one of our heavy bomber units was unsuccessfully attacked by enemy torpedo carrying aircraft. During the whole period, our units were repeatedly engaged by enemy shore batteries. No ships were sustained by any of our forces."

Ship Confused With The Orungal

SYDNEY EXPLANATION

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SYDNEY, Dec. 22

The Minister of the Navy (the Rt. Hon. W. Forster) today clarified the German radio report cabled from New York concerning "the Arundel Castle suddenly catching fire off Barvuv Reef, New South Wales."

Mr Forster said that the report had obviously confused the recent fire aboard the stranded Orungal, which ran on a reef at Barvon Heads, on the Victorian coast.

"The Arundel Castle, he added, had never visited Australian waters."

WOMAN RIDER OF MOTOR-CYCLE

NAPIER ACCIDENT

Girl Suffers Severe Injuries

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WELLINGTON, Dec. 22

When a girl riding a powerful motor cycle ploughed headlong through the plate-glass window of a draper's shop on Saturday evening, Napier people saw an accident that was as unusual as it was disastrous for the victim.

Miss Ngaire Newport, 17, Owen Street, Napier, was the rider. She suffered fractures of both bones of the right leg below the knee and severe cuts on arms, legs, face and chest. Her condition was at first considered serious, but it was reported last night that she was making satisfactory progress.

At seven o'clock on Saturday evening Miss Newport was riding down Nelson Crescent. Approaching the junction of Kennedy Road she tried to change gear, with disastrous results. The machine accelerated, crossed the pavement and deposited its rider in the window of Zorn's drapery store.

As the fractured leg later told the doctor: "I landed amongst the soft goods."

An n.c.o. at the artillery barracks across the street heard the crash and hurried to the scene. He rendered first aid to the young woman, who was removed to the Napier Public Hospital. An operation was successfully performed.

CHILD'S FALL ON TO PALING FENCE

Painful injuries were suffered by a child when he fell on to the sharp palings of a fence last evening. He was Terence Parker, 5, living at 502 Nelson Street, Hastings.

The child suffered lacerations to the left leg, and was admitted to the Memorial Hospital, Hastings.

His condition last night was not serious.

EXONERATION OF POLICE IN COMMISSION'S FINDING

No Impropriety In Conduct Of Officers, Says Report

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 22

The opinion that there had been no impropriety in the conduct of the police officers concerned is expressed by the members of the Commission of Inquiry appointed to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the recent prosecution of a young woman for having unlawfully permitted an illegal operation to be performed on her.

The inquiry was the outcome of remarks made by the Chief Justice (Sir Michael Myers) when the young woman appeared before him in the Wellington Supreme Court for sentence.

The members of the commission were: Mr Justice Ostry, Mr H. H. Cornish, K. C. (Solicitor-General), and Mr H. F. O'Leary, K. C. (President of the New Zealand Law Society). Their report was released at the week-end by the Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser).

Specific questions to which the commission was asked to reply were answered as follows:—

(1) Do the circumstances of the prosecution disclose any impropriety in the conduct of the police officers concerned? Answer—No.

(2) Were the police officers who took the statement from the girl under a duty to warn her that she was not obliged to make any statement, but that if she made one it might be used in evidence upon her trial? Answer—No.

(3) Was the failure or omission to give such a warning likely to induce the girl to make an untrue admission of guilt? Answer—No.

(4) Was any promise, express or implied, given to the girl by the police officers prior to or at the time of the making of the statement? Answer—No.

(5) Was any threat, express, implied or constructive, used by the police officers towards the girl prior to or at the time of the making of the statement? Answer—No.

(6) Do the circumstances of the taking of the statement disclose that the conduct of the police officers concerned was oppressive or inconsiderate, or such as to impose undue physical or mental strain upon the girl? Answer—No.

(7) Was there a breach of faith or otherwise unjust or unconscionable on the part of the police to prosecute the girl? Answer—No.

Sailor's Death In Harbour

JUMPED OVERBOARD

Attempted To Swim Ashore

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AUCKLAND, Dec. 22

Jumping overboard after his vessel had left Portland Wharf, and attempting to swim ashore, Able Seaman Frederick Smith, 31, a married man with three children, whose home is in Auckland, was drowned on Saturday afternoon.

Smith, a member of the crew of the Miena, was seen to jump overboard when the vessel was 150 yards from the wharf. He sank after swimming a short distance.

Admitted to hospital in hospital on Thursday suffering from head and spinal injuries, Grant Colin Butcher, 30, single, a hotel porter, died this morning.

Butcher was injured when he dived from a springboard at Falls Park, Henderson, into shallow water.

Will Find It Hard To Keep Going

By Telegraph—Press Association. NELSON, Dec. 21

Faced with a purchase price which would not cover the cost of the production and with prospects of a much smaller crop than last season, apple and pear growers of New Zealand would have to reduce their standard of living, said Mr H. E. Stephens, chairman of the New Zealand Fruit Advisory Board, in an interview when reviewing the negotiations with the Minister of Marketing (the Hon. W. Nash), which had resulted in an overall increase of 5½d. a case in the Government purchase price for crop plus a bonus on fruit packed early in the season.

Mr Stephens said that the original offer of 5/3 was not acceptable, as production costs had risen 5/3 a case. Some growers wanted the full cost of production, which would have meant a rise of nearly 1/-.

However, growers generally were prepared to carry on if they could get an extra 6d. a case to cover increased costs with a shade over. The board was authorised to negotiate with Mr Nash on the basis that a proposal would be put forward which would make it worth an additional 3d. to the grower.

In view of the fact that there was little prospect of export in the coming season, it was suggested that the offer of 5/3 should apply to the local-market pack. The Minister agreed to this, and also to reduce the inspection levy to 1d. The result of those decisions was that the growers will receive 5½d. above last year's figure.

Allocation of Bonus

"In addition, the Minister agreed to give a premium on fruit packed to January 15," said Mr Stephens. "The average bonus will be 2/- a case for fruit received to that date, and the allocation of the bonus has been left to the Fruit Board."

The bonus would start off at about 5/- a case in the earliest part of the season, making the price about 10/3, and would be reduced to perhaps 6d. per case by January 15.

Mr Stephens pointed out that growers were facing a reduction of smaller crops, and as a result they would be up against a stiff proposition in keeping going.

"Sacrifices Inevitable" "The growers will not be getting enough to cover the cost of production," he said, "but they recognise that with the scarcity of shipping, they will have to make sacrifices. The average grower will get through, but he will have to reduce his standard of living and will not have an equal standard compared with Public Works employees."

The approaching season, he added, would be an off season for production. Growers estimated that the crop for the Dominion would be about 400,000 cases less than last year's 2,800,000 cases. The Nelson estimates were for a reduction of about 15 per cent. on last year's 970,000 cases, but Mr Stephens felt that the result would be lower than the estimate. The pear crop would be larger, but the apple crop would be considerably smaller.

Man-Hunt Ends In Capture

FARMS MOLESTED

Shots Fired At Travellers In Victoria

BETRAYED BY CAMPFIRE

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MELBOURNE, Dec. 20

An armed man who had been terrorising residents of East Gippsland for a month was captured by the police near Orbost, 260 miles from Melbourne today.

At various times the man had appeared at farmhouses, armed with two rifles, and demanded food. Also, he had fired shots at travellers along remote roadways.

Large forces of police unsuccessfully scoured the countryside until this morning, when the police found a tramp deep in a lonely part of the forest and captured the man without a struggle. Smoke from his campfire betrayed his presence, and the police surrounded the camp. The man surrendered after the police had fired a shot.

When the man was captured, he had a shot wound in the forehead. The police allege that the man said he had attempted to commit suicide on Tuesday, as he was tired of leading a hunted existence, and had been without work for three years.

It is alleged that the man made a statement covering a series of hold-ups.

COSTS WILL NOT BE COVERED

NELSON'S VIEW OF FRUIT PRICE

SMALLER CROPS

Will Find It Hard To Keep Going

By Telegraph—Press Association. NELSON, Dec. 21

Faced with a purchase price which would not cover the cost of the production and with prospects of a much

TRAINING FOR HOME GUARD SYLLABUS FOR AREA SCHOOL INTENSIVE WORK

Promotions in Napier Unit

Further details are now available concerning the area school of instruction for n.c.o.'s of the Home Guard, to be held in Napier on January 3, 4 and 5.

Friday 7 to 9 p.m.—Unit commanders' conference. Others, platoon drill.

Saturday 8 to 9 a.m.—Unit commanders' conference. Others, musketry.

9 to 9.45 a.m.—Inter-communication and message. Demonstration of signaling apparatus, etc.

9.45 to 10.15 a.m.—Communication drill.

10.15 to 10.30 a.m.—Tea.

10.30 to 11.30 a.m.—Appreciation of a situation (officers) issuing of orders (officers); n.c.o.'s, musketry.

11.35 a.m. to 12.15 p.m.—Section leading.

12.15 to 1 p.m.—Lunch on ground.

1 to 3 p.m.—Fieldcraft; concealment and camouflage.

3 to 3.15 p.m.—Tea.

3.15 to 4.15 p.m.—Use of ground; sighting of trenches.

4.15 to 5 p.m.—Officers, battalion organisation and equipment; use of weapons.

5 to 8 p.m.—Movement of troops by motor transport, road and traffic control, routes, etc.

8 to 9 p.m.—Lecture.

Sunday 9 a.m. to noon.—Tactical exercise.

Noon to 1 p.m.—Lunch at old aerodrome.

1 to 3 p.m.—Field engineering and construction.

3 to 3.15 p.m.—Tea.

3.15 to 4.15 p.m.—Principles of attack and defence.

4.15 to 5 p.m.—Officers' conference. Others, musketry.

5 to 8 p.m.—Lecture.

8 to 9 p.m.—General review of work and discussion.

The following promotions have been announced in battalion orders issued by Captain E. B. Menzies, officer commanding the First Napier Battalion:

To be Sergeants: Temporary Sergeants H. Biddle, G. F. Gardner, J. Hyde, C. Mangerson, W. Park, C. D. Wilson, Corporals K. Taylor, Temporary Sergeants L. C. Rolis, W. H. Milne, Guardsmen R. D. Kettle, A. E. Lawry, N. C. Marriott, Temporary Sergeants G. Sowden, H. Devoyport, C. D. Hopkins, Temporary Corporal P. F. S. Martin, Lance Corporal F. L. Faram, Corporal K. J. Bourgeois, H. Lawson, Moore-Wright, W. N. Prebble, Temporary Corporal I. Rouse, E. Arnold, D. Bowland, F. H. Elliott, N. T. Hoedness, E. C. Johnson, T. W. Munro, A. A. Roberts, L. A. Walker, H. H. Wylie, L. Wright, I. R. Diggle, P. P. Mayo, Temporary Sergeant A. P. Sheehan.

To be Corporals: Lance Corporals N. N. Eren, S. T. Emmerson, H. V. Fulton, B. Gibson, A. E. Harris, C. W. Higgs, J. W. Isles, H. B. Latham, C. McKinnon, A. McCulloch, R. H. Newman, R. F. Rolis, H. E. Shaw, G. G. Williams, A. E. Scheele, Guardsman R. H. Fenton, Lance Corporals F. A. McPhail, F. W. Miles, G. A. Stephenson, J. Dallimore, E. J. Prentice, C. L. Daddon, K. Bryant, R. L. Downer, C. E. Lelkis, K. V. Kettle, S. M. Menzies.

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A draw resulted in the game between United and Hastings at Napier. Hastings declared with seven wickets down for 200. United wickets fell thickly and at stumps they had lost five for 53. Scores were:

LEADERS IN CRICKET COMPETITION BEATEN

Hastings H.S.O.B. Lost In One-Day Fixture On Saturday

Hastings High School Old Boys, leaders of the senior cricket competition, on Saturday suffered their first defeat of this season. They were beaten by Napier High School Old Boys in the only senior match played at Hastings.

No cricket was played on the previous Saturday because of rain, and all games reverted to one-day fixtures. Both senior matches played at Napier were drawn and so the positions of most of the teams on the ladder were not greatly affected.

The defeat of the competition-leaders makes the position among the senior teams most interesting and resumption of play in the new year should see some hard-fought contests.

Saturday's high wind caused players some worry, bowling being upset in games at Napier and Hastings. Results of games in all grades are—

High School B first innings 39, second innings 112 (Unsworth 32). Outright win for High School A.

TARADALE V. GAS CO Gas Co. first innings 150 (Krogh 55). Taradale first innings 143 for 5 at stumps (R. Stanford 65). Match drawn.

MARIST V. H.S.O.B. High School Old Boys first innings 154 (Lumming 74). Marist first innings 176 (Moss 32, Coady 38, La Broomie 19, Exeter 46). Marist won on the first innings.

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In their second strike Whakatu-Mahora made 40 (H. Stubbs 18, B. Johnson 14). Davis took 2 for 15 and Cushing 1 for 15. Hastings made 22 runs for four wickets (Plank 16). Love took 2 for 8 and Miller 1 for 10.

HIGH SCHOOL V. MIDLAND High School secured an outright win over Midland. Batting first, High School made 56 (Perrin 23, McCracken 17). Deslandes took 4 for 26. Midland made 61 (W. Wallis made 14, Brooks 13, S. Vince 10 not out). Davis took 5 for 17 and Roe 5 for 30.

In their second innings school declared with 7 down for 59. Midland were all out for 43 (S. Vince 17 not out).

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BAPTIST V. RUGBY Rugby secured a victory over Baptist. Batting first, Baptist made 102 (I. Milner 48, R. Hart 20, Spurdie 16). Brimer took 3 for 49, R. Pierce 5 for 19 and Snel 1 for 30.

NON-COMPETITION MATCH Rugby were defeated by Flaxmere in a match at Longmore during the week-end. Rugby batting first made 118 (Hawthorne 54). Meissner took 2 for 47, Mahoney 1 for 45, Wilcox 2 for 6 and Christison 5 for 2.

Flaxmere replied with 229 (Mitchell 80, Christison 27, Mahoney 35, McDonald 21). Toothill took 1 for 30, Campbell 5 for 41, Hawthorne 1 for 33, Morgan 1 for 16 and Miller 2 for 10.

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TRICKY WIND ON SATURDAY

PLAY DIFFICULT FOR BOWLERS

SHIELD GAMES

Details From Napier And Hastings

Reports from most of the bowling clubs in the Napier and Hastings districts show that Saturday's high wind made play difficult, but nevertheless some progress was made with shield competition as well as with ordinary games.

Details of the results are as follows: HASTINGS CLUB In the third round of the shield competition against Heretaunga, Hastings obtained four wins and four losses.

A tricky wind made play difficult. Results, Hastings playing against Heretaunga: Whakatu, Tonkin 16; Griffin, Tucker, Powdrell, Drury 19.

Aitken, Naisbitt, Hampton, Duff, 25; Mansfield, P. Thomas, Giles 18. Rose, Craig, Park, Hall 18; Brooker, Strickland, Hickmott, Roylands 22.

Bailey, Taylor, Christie, Bennett 33; Burfield, McGuire, Hawley, McBride 13.

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MINISTER'S REPLY

Price Of Petrol In Hawke's Bay

A reply from the Minister of Industries and Commerce (the Hon. D. G. Sullivan), dealing with the question of requests for a reduction in the price of petrol in Hawke's Bay has been received by the Napier Chamber of Commerce. The Minister states that investigations by officers of his Department reveal that the recent halfpenny reduction is all that is justified in the meantime.

The letter was as follows:— "I have acknowledged receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo in reference to petrol prices charged in the Hawke's Bay area. I have been in touch with my department in regard to this matter and am advised that the position is as follows:—

No Immediate Reduction "Although bulk storage facilities have recently been erected by certain oil companies at Napier, it does not necessarily follow that distribution costs must be immediately shown a considerable reduction.

"The additional tankage at Napier, together with land, buildings, etc., has involved the companies in considerable extra capital expenditure. It is the companies' decision to continue supplying Napier from Wellington. It may certainly have been necessary to increase storage space at Wellington, but no additional cost is being met by the companies.

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Co-operation With Government "It will be appreciated therefore that the oil companies have co-operated with the Government and undertaken additional expenditure in the public interest. This additional expenditure has placed on the companies considerable overhead and other expenses in Napier, such as extra freight charge, additional wharfage, depreciation, etc. rates, at least 20 per cent. On the other hand, no additional turnover has accrued to the companies; on the contrary, on account of the petrol restrictions, sales have been unable to meet the cost of the increase in the percentage overhead much greater.

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No Further Reduction Justified "Officers of my department have carefully investigated the position and have satisfied themselves that the reduction of one halfpenny per gallon is all that is justified in the meantime.

In conclusion, I would point out that, in addition to the direct saving which Hawke's Bay area will now enjoy, there are many indirect benefits accruing to the province from the considerable investment of the oil companies which have made and propose extending when the position justifies. Not the least of these benefits will be the greater safety of the wharves and harbour dues which, in the past, have gone to main centres. These and other benefits are surely real returns that the district expects for its enterprise in providing improved harbour facilities."

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Port: Mercer, Emmett, Carr,

A DUST-STORM IN THE TRUE DESERT FASHION

Heat And Wind Combine To Annoy The Residents Of Napier

For a brief spell on Saturday afternoon Hawke's Bay experienced weather conditions that would almost have done justice to the famous Western Desert, and which produced some frayed tempers among sportsmen and the public generally.

Napier had the worst of the dust storm. After a morning in which the temperatures reached the highest point of the season at 85 degrees, a high wind sprang up at 12 o'clock, just as shoppers and shop assistants were making their way home.

For half an hour the wind blew furiously, and although it then eased a little it was still sufficiently strong to be very annoying most of the afternoon. The first gusts of wind raised clouds of dust from the new railway construction work to the north of the station, and there was a miniature sandstorm in the street.

Shoppers and workers returning home on bicycles were the worst sufferers, especially those who were trying to carry parcels, for their vehicles became almost uncontrollable. One woman cyclist who lost her hat had the misfortune to see it run over by a passing car.

The recent suggestion by a Cabinet Minister that there is a shortage of silk materials would not have been borne out by any observer in the Hawke's Bay at the time, for expanses of silk stockings were visible in all directions.

Trawler Aground At the height of the gale the old steam trawler Ohinemuri, which had been laid up in "Scapa Flow," Port Arthur, for the past few years, was driven hard on to the bank. When tide dropped, the vessel settled down on her side, being almost completely submerged at high water.

The plight of the Ohinemuri recalls the case of the Sir William Wallace and the Result, which were alleged to have been mysteriously "scuttled" at the same spot on Christmas Eve, 1932.

In Hastings Gravenstein apples in orchards about the town suffered to some extent, but the damage was mild compared with what might have been expected had the gale come later. There were a good many windfalls and a good deal of fruit was marked by branch-rub. Orchardists were busy during the week-end thinning damaged fruit.

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Belle Cane Wins the Manawatu Cup

THE BUZZER'S FAST FINISH

Sir Beau Completes Wanganui Double

(By MOTUROA).

Belle Cane dispelled any doubts about her quality with a stylish win in the Manawatu Cup under conditions against such a long-striding galloper. Broughton had her well placed all the way, but her army of admirers had some anxious moments when she lost her position three furlongs from home and there were four ahead of her as they straightened up. However, when called on for a serious question, Belle Cane drew out at the distance to wrest the lead off the pacemakers.

The feature of the race was The Buzzer's fast finish on the fence in the last furlong. Indeed, had he been able to secure his opening a little sooner it is just possible that he might have downed Belle Cane, for she is a lazy fiddler and was loafing after she hit the front. As it was The Buzzer got up to within a short head of her.

Du Maurier, who made a sharp run past Charles Edward and Cherry Bay at the straight entrance, weakened in the final furlong, but battled on for third money from Little Robin, who threatened danger when he came round the straight entrance, but he made another bid below the distance and actually headed Du Maurier again. However, the effort was too much, but it directed attention to his chances in a race later at the meeting.

Homily (finishing strongly), Charles Edward and Dark Eagle were the next to finish, Charles Edward running a wonderful race after endeavouring to lead over the last mile and a quarter. He appeared to be well beaten at the entrance, but he made another bid below the distance and actually headed Du Maurier again. However, the effort was too much, but it directed attention to his chances in a race later at the meeting.

The Buzzer's great finishing effort leaves the impression that he might have been worthy of a start in the Auckland Cup.

SIR BEAU looked rather ragged when he paraded for the Fitzherbert Handicap and though the half mile was reached it was not until half way down the running that he collared the pacemakers. When Morris called upon him below the distance, however, the Wanganui colt responded magnificently and he was going away over the last bit.

It was an impressive effort considering the fact that he has done very little since the New Zealand Cup meeting and, as the race is sure to improve him, it seems a pity that he was withdrawn from the Railway Handicap.

Rakahanga ran her usual honest race. She quietly reached the front and held the pace a crack, being two lengths clear of Sir Beau across the top and into the straight. When the latter challenged the mare hung to him for a few strides, but shortly afterwards gave up the unequal struggle.

Night Eruption, who led for the first furlong was always well placed and was quite a fair third, but Sir Cruise did not seem at all happy in the going. He certainly made up some ground in the straight but he never really threatened danger. The race would do him no harm, however, and he might make amends before the meeting is over.

Black Throat ran miles below his Woodville form. He was prominent throughout, but ran badly in the final quarter and Tuatara came on from the rear to beat him for fifth place. Tuatara will be better suited by the seven furlongs event on Thursday.

Behind the placed horses were Talenta, Lady Ex (who was not at all well placed in the early running), Stencil, Hui and Kadina.

Stencil was confidently supported and came home like a carter winner. Hui was going very easily turning for home, but suddenly dropped the bit and made no impression in the run home.

Whatever chance Grand Chase and Triple Crown had was extinguished at the start when they were badly left. Authors was never sighted.

Came Home Strongly

Dynasty, who had raced so well at Woodville the previous week-end, was at a good price in the Grandstand Handicap, which he won impressively for he was not too well placed in the early running. He was still well back in the ruck across the home bend, but he made a sharp run right round the bunched field and, though he came into the straight wide out, he quickly established a clear lead. Dynasty was weakening again in the last 100 yards, but he had enough in hand to hold the race.

Like the winner, Boldstep was well back all the way, but he came through on the inner below the distance and his solid finish for second money was noting. It was only his second race this season and he is sure to improve with the outing.

Gay Fox, who led out of the straight, gave way to Harina, Siglow, Ruatiti, Corroboroe and Catalogue and he was put in some good work at the finish for third. White Rajah, seventh into the straight, was rather hampered by tiring horses and did quite well for fourth. He is improving with the race.

Harina and Siglow finished fifth and sixth respectively after having every chance, but attention to his Waikato Cup chances was rather hampered by the veteran Catalogue, who put in a dab coming into the straight to range up alongside the leaders.

Corroboroe and Ruatiti were well placed entering the final quarter, but they stopped badly in the run home.

Revelled in Conditions

A smart run from the half mile carried War Credit into a handy position across the top in the Maiden Plate and she ran past Parekura, Callardine and Vivid Night as they straightened up. War Credit appeared to slip in on Callardine as heads turned for home, but that did not affect the result as she was going away in the last quarter. Small and neat, War Credit revelled in the greasy track conditions and she was not hard to place again over the holidays.

Vivid Night began smartly and was always prominent, but while she was beaten, she was easily accounted for by the remainder. Callardine, who has improved a lot, was quite a good third, and may be heard of during the holidays.

Parekura showed some pace and was fourth, but she was not as good as she came up very fast from the ruck at the straight entrance. Inform was confidently backed and may do better.

Smiling Morn, Pinocchio, Takake, Emblem (well back early), Flying High and Pillar were next. Inform was well backed down to a very short price, was always well placed, but he was never at home in the greasy going.

Improved Filly

Golden Moon, who had let her admirers down badly at Felling and Woodville after her stylish win at Levin, was always going like a winner in the Nursery Handicap. She was with Greenock and Kenmore throughout, but once fairly into the straight she came again to put the issue beyond doubt a furlong from home. On her day Golden Moon seems to be a fair sort.

A good impression was created by Danglee, a functionary to Dunedin. She had a lot of ground to make up from the half mile, but she was fifth as they straightened up and she finished strongly to head Soutane for second money a few strides off the post.

Soutane ran her usual honest race and, while she weakened in the last few strides, she should improve over the holidays. Greenock was quite a good fourth, and seems to be on the upgrade.

Bayadeer, always prominent, was the next to finish. She was with Amaranth and Stolen Coat, who came home well and Ex Pupul next. The last-named was a good favourite and she was always with Greenock and Kenmore, but she seemed to be anything but at home in the going. She should make amends on a firmer track.

Keen Time to Run

Despite his great record of consistency Esperance Bay was at a good price for the Tokomaru Highweight and after a stiff tussle with the pacemaker, Foxiana, from the head of the straight, he won narrowly, but well. Esperance Bay was produced in great order and it does not look as if the handicapper yet has his measure.

Foxiana, who had not raced since he won as a hurdler at Marton in September, made a gallant attempt to lead all the way and he fought on gamely under pressure. He now looks more solid and should be improved by his race.

Red Chief, who looked dangerous when he joined Foxiana five furlongs from home, was still with the leaders into the straight. However, he weakened in the run home, although he stayed half a dozen lengths ahead of Autosweep and Gold Bridge, who were going up and down in the same place over the last three furlongs. They were hopelessly tied up by the going.

Chat was going well just in behind the leaders three furlongs from home when she slipped, losing her rider.

Impressive Success

Laughing Song, who has not run a bad race since being taken over by Wallace Young, paraded in great order for the Pararus Handicap and was made favourite at a good price. The Hastings mare achieved an impressive success for she was chopped back at the start and she was still badly placed half a mile from home. However, she came right around the bend and she finished very fast in the front as they straightened up she came away in the straight to win very easily.

Like the winners, Autosweep tailed the field early, but he did not appear on the scene until well into the straight. He finished very fast in the second place without actually threatening Laughing Song, who was still going well.

Rimveil's Great Triumph

VILLIERS STAKES WIN

Malagigi Returns To Top Form

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At Randwick on Saturday Rimveil ran the best race of his career to win the Villiers Stakes narrowly from Breeze. Turfgoers describe Rimveil as the best son of Vellmond to date.

All started: A neck; two lengths from first, with a solid wall of horses ahead, but entering the straight he came round the field with an electrifying gallop, cut Breeze, Theopian and Breeze. He won by half a length full of running.

The chief results were:—

VILLIERS STAKES, One Mile.
1—RIMVEIL, 8 (E. Bartle) 1
2—BREEZE, 6.13 (Silburn) 2
3—RED THESIAN, 8.2 (Parsons) 3
Scratched: Rival Chief and Mandowrie. Half a length; a head. Marengo was fourth. Time, 1.39.4.

HOLIDAY HANDICAP, One and a quarter miles.
1—MALAGIGI (N.Z.), 8.9 (E. Bartle) 1
2—TRIGGERMAN, 7.0 (Duncan) 2
3—SEDDJUM, 9.5 (Harvey) 3
All started: A neck; two lengths from first, Time, 2.6.8. Seven-Fifty broke down.

At the Moonee Valley races the main event was the Fun Handicap, which resulted: Bathing Beauty, 7.3 (Perival) 1; Cackle 7.0 (Unkovich) 2; Heaght 7.3 (Bresley) 3. Nine started including Bankshaw (N.Z.). One and a quarter lengths; one and three-quarter lengths. Time, 2.44.

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William Potts At Reefton

CRACKJACK'S WIN

Lawry Memorial To Refund

The Reefton Trotting Club's meeting on Saturday was held in fine weather after a morning rain. There was a large attendance. The course was soft. The results are:—

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP
Of £80, 3.49 class; 11 miles.
1—ALLIE AUDUBON, 36 (Motz) 1
2—WINDSOR LAD, 12 (King) 2
3—SEA WOLF, sc (Johnston) 3
All started. Neck; neck. Time, 3.40.

LEWIS PASS HANDICAP
Of £70, 3.5 class; 11 miles.
1—CRACKJACK, sc (F. Frost) 1
2—PRINCE McLEWYN, sc (L. Berkett) 2
3—BEAUSE, sc (Yeatman) 3
Also started: 5 Flower Potts, 2; Liqueur (coupled with Crackjack), 4; Warline. Half a length; twelve lengths. Time, 2.55.

PUBLICANS' HANDICAP
Of £100, 4.50 class; 2 miles.
1—WILLIAM POTTS, sc (D. C. Watts) 1
2—REFUND, 24 (Maldens) 2
3—POP EYE, 72 (Berkett) 3
Scr.: Janet Gaynor, Logan's Palm. Half a length; same. Times, 4.41, 4.39 1-5, 4.36.

RAILWAY HANDICAP
Of £80, 3.40 class; 11 miles.
1—INDIAN CLIPPER, 12 (Gleeson) 1
2—TALAK, 12 (R. Young) 2
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Of £250, 9 furlongs.
1—WINDSOR LAD, 12 (Kerr) 1
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3—AVIS, sc (Slack) 3
Also started: 3 Jeanne d'Arc, 7; Nancy Carbine, 2 Sea Wolf, 4 Baron Silk. Half a length; three lengths. Times: 3.42, 3.37 2-5, 3.54 2-5.

RECOVERY HANDICAP
Of £70, 3.43 class; 11 miles.
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Scratched: Dawn Grattan, Nationalist, Warline. Crackjack was coupled with Liqueur.

LAWRY MEMORIAL HANDICAP
Of £80, 2.58 class; 11 miles.
1—REFUND, 12yds 1
2—EQUERY, 12yds 2
Scratched: Janet Gaynor. First and second horses were bracketed.

Preparation For Waipukurau TRIALS AT HASTINGS

Interest In Holiday Candidate

There were a number of interesting trials at Hastings on Saturday when the local candidates for Waipukurau were given their semi-final gallops.

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MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, HASTINGS.
THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS TREE will be held at the Hospital at 10 a.m. on Christmas Day, and the public are cordially invited to attend.

I. RUSSELL,
Sister-in-Charge.

AUCTIONS

FOR PRIVATE SALE.
255 — ACRES — 255
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109 Acres being Freehold, 146 Acres Renewable Crown Lease. Lease 66 years (45 years to run). Rent — 7/- per acre.

BOTH Properties are in good English grasses with the exception of approximately 1-acre of shelter bush. Fences in good order.

The Freehold property is subdivided into 8 paddocks; Leasehold portion 5 paddocks. Watered by running stream. Buildings on Freehold Section—5-roomed Dwelling, with elec. light, hot and cold water, cowbails, sheep-yards.

Situated 6 miles from Dannevirke. School bus passes door every morning. Norsewood cream lorry passes door; daily rural mail delivery.

Stock—542 Sheep (515 br. ewes), 3 horses.

The property is one which is capable of much improvement. The freehold section was originally a dairy farm.

Price reduced to £1500 for cash over and above existing mortgages.

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FOR SALE.
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Modern Premises, including Shop, 4000 loaves per week and £80 small goods.
Requires Substantial Deposit.
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WELL Appointed Houseboat, recently reconditioned, situated on Waikato River. Contains ten cabins with wire mattresses. Well appointed saloon (27ft x 10ft). Completely equipped kitchen and ample deck space. Overall length 56ft, beam 22ft. Ideal family accommodation at reasonable price or rental.

KELSEY AND ROGERS,
Land Agents. Queen Street, Hastings. Phone 4300. Private 2083.

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FINAL CHRISTMAS POULTRY SALE
IN THE MART,
RUSSELL STREET, HASTINGS.
TO-DAY — TO-DAY
MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1940,
At 10.30 a.m.

MESSRS HARVEY, FULTON AND HILL, under instructions from various clients, will sell—
250 Head of Table Poultry.
250 W.L. Cockerels.
25 B.O. Cockerels.
45 B.O. and W.L. Young Cockerels.
17 Ducks.
16 Geese.
5 Turkeys.

— ALSO —
Tools, Sundries, Fruit and Vegetables.
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STOCK SALES

ASSOCIATED AUCTIONEERS
STORTFORD LODGE YARDS.
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SHEEP—
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1st prize 5/-, 2nd 3/-, 3rd 2/-.
Girls up to 6 years.
Girls over 6-9 years.
Girls over 9-12 years.
No entry fee.

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1st prize £25, 2nd prize £5, and 12 other prizes of £1 each.
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CHRISTMAS WEEK.
SHOPPING HOURS
MONDAY, December 23, 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
TUESDAY, December 24, 8.30 a.m. to 10 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, December 25, Closed (Christmas Day).
THURSDAY, December 26, Closed (Boxing Day).
FRIDAY, December 27, 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
SATURDAY, December 28, 8.30 a.m. to Noon.

SITUATIONS VACANT

WANTED: Cook-General for small family; must have good references; to Napier. Ring "287," Daily Mail, Hastings.

WANTED: Married Shepherd to commence early January. Good accommodation. Apply Watson and Anderson, Public Accountants, Hastings.

WANTED: Youth for dairy farm, so as to be handy to Napier. Ring 4386 Napier, immediately.

WANTED: Two Boys willing to learn Shepherding and general station work; start second week in January. Write, stating age, to Manager, "Aramoana" Station, Waipawa.

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20 ACRES of good flats handy to town. First-class grass seed country. Five acres in Montgomery clover, 5 acres in seed and ample deck space. Overall length 56ft, beam 22ft. Ideal family accommodation at reasonable price or rental.

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IN THE MART
RUSSELL STREET, HASTINGS,
TO-DAY, DECEMBER 23rd, 1940,
At 10 a.m.

MESSRS HARVEY FULTON AND HILL, under instructions from the Mortgagee will sell—
BUNGALOW of Four Rooms, with kitchenette, bathroom, washhouse and shed, being situated on Lot 1 D.P. 3136 Block 8 Heretaunga Block; area 31.49 perches and being No. 809 Jerovis Street, Hastings.

NOTE:—We can recommend any one on the look-out for residential property to attend this Sale. The House is well and safely built and the instructions are to sell. Terms and conditions may be had on application to the auctioneers.

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HASTINGS BOROUGH COUNCIL.
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council Offices will be closed from the 25th DECEMBER, 1940 to the 2nd JANUARY, 1941, inclusive.

CEMETERY: For information regarding the Cemetery, ring phone No. 4374.

LIBRARY: The Public Library will be closed on the 25th and 26th December, 1940 and again on the 1st and 2nd JANUARY, 1941.

NOEL C. HARDING,
Town Clerk.
HASTINGS,
21st December, 1940.

WANTED
YOUNG MAN
AS SALESMAN
Applicants must be ambitious and of good character. Previous experience not essential.
Apply—
MANAGER,
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LADIES to book appointments now so as not to be disappointed before Christmas. Non-electric 10/6, oil 12/6, combination 17/6, genuine Evgene 20/-.
All styles of hairdressing.
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55.0 : 8 per Acre for 2 Sheep Country 327 Acres Govt. Lease. 320 Acres Native Lease; all in one block; average 2 1/2 per acre; well subdivided, well watered and well grassed. Good up-to-date 6-roomed house, motor shed, and other outbuildings. 4 stand woolshed, sheep yards, dip and cattle yards. Will winter 2 sheep per acre and capable of improvement. Manures have never been used on this farm.

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Cash Required: £3000.

NOTE: This is a cheap farm. It will graze over 2000 sheep and the cost per acre is 15 0/6. The farm is in good order and full of feed.

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