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Fierce Fighting

17,000 rounds.

"We brought down 42 British 'planes and probably 20 more.

British Halted

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"It is premature to forecast the developments of such a tremendous struggle, in which the enemy had concentrated his best troops from four continents, but it can be said that if after 12 days the British armoured forces have been halted at the gates of Bardia it is due solely to the bravery of the Italian soldiers on land and air.

"Everyone did his duty to the limits of possibility. Even if the number taken prisoner is large, that ought not to cause doubt of their bravery. They resisted with the de-

bravery. They resisted with the de-termination to hold on to the end

for which reason the assertions of foreign propaganda are nothing but

CHRISTMAS IN

THE "BLITZ"

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TRADITIONS KEPT

No Last-Minute Rush

Possible

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RUGBY, Dec. 22.

HASTINGS, N.Z., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1940

The Daily Mail

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Italians Resisted To The Last Shot

GRAZIANI'S REVIEW

Striking Tribute To Britain's Armoured Forces

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received December 23, 10.15 p.m.) LONDON, Dec. 22.

Marshal Graziani's report to Mussolini on the war in the Desert says that preparations for an attack on Mersa Matruh began immediately after the Italian capture of Sidi Barrani. The absence of water and the inadequacy of communications

from the frontier prevented an immediate advance.

"A 70-mile road and pipeline were therefore built from Fort Capuzzo, while troops with supplies and all services were concentrated for the resumption of the offensive," says

"Some units, in order to economise transport, marched several hundred miles. Preparations were almost complete at the beginning of December, when all difficulties had been overcome. The water pipe-line was an outstanding technical achievement and was built in record time. It supplied 67,000 gallons a day to Sidi Barrani.

"Military preparations were well forward and supplies of food, munitions and fuel had been moved to advanced positions.
"Our air force, meanwhile, was systematically attacking the enemy in the rear while the British forces."

"The Cirene Division extricated itself better from the British presentations."

"The Cirene Division extricated it-self better from the British pres-sure but reached Hellfire Pass very attacked our rear bases, especially Benghazi. Advanced troops, to test the British resistance, swept the territory in front of our positions, sure but reached Helling Pass very tired.

"On the evening of December 12, while the last defenders at Sidi Barrani and Maktila had been encircled for three days and were making their final effort to resist, the British advance guard tried to outflank the right wing of our troops at Hellifre Pass. engaging in skirmishes against the the mechanised forces.

"Thus we noticed the increasing British aggression and boldness. While major units were taking up their positions for the attack on Mersa Matruh I sent adequate supplies of artillery to the bases from Hellfire Pass to Sidi Barrani to ward off processible attacks on the state of the second possible attacks on our southern

British Concentrations

"From the beginning of October aerial reconnaissance revealed the continual concentration of British forces and supplies east of Mersa Matruh, which might be attributed to the intention strongly to resist our offensive. A prisoner captured on December 7 declared that the British attack was being launched British attack was being launched in ten days and we warned our

troops.

"Tfelt during the day of December 8 that the British attack was imminent and sent fresh warning to the commands with orders to be prepared to withstand the attack. We took the necessary steps fully to utilise the air force.

British Fleet

"To complete the picture of the battle we must take into account the British Fleet and 'planes. The fleet continually attacked our columns from Bardia to Sollum. The Air continually attacked our columns from Bardia to Sollum.

"There was therefore no surprise, from Bardia to Sollum. The Air Everyone knew the probability of a British attack.

Force obviously with new reinforcements continually harassed out

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Sudden Collapse

"At dawn on December 9, over flat desert where the advance was easy and tactical points of resistance non-existent, the British poured masses of armoured cars, tanks, and light and heavy arms supported by mobile batteries. Effective aerial forces, artillery and 'planes undertook a short preparation then, immediately the terrific aerial bom-

GIANT ITALIAN WARRIOR

Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, who carned the title of Marquis of Neghelli, in the Abyssinian War, is one of the biggest men in the Italian Army, standing 6ft. 4in. For two years after the Abyssinian War he was a brave and ruthless Viceroy of the defeated country and suffered 38 wounds from bomb splinters in an attack by still unsubdued natives. His present post is field commander of the Italian Armies.

bardment ceased, armoured units advanced from all directions so that, despite the fiercest resistance,

our positions went down one after another in a few hours.

The first attack hit General Maletti, who began to withdraw until, with the Second Libyan Division, he with the Second Libyan Division, he was overcome. Our anti-tank guns and artillery were ineffectual because we were forced to disperse our fire on a number of very mobile objectives of the armoured mass operating concentrically over a wide front. The British were crushingly superior in armoured units.

units.
"Our National and Libyan Divisions were worthy of even this battle and the courage and heroism of our army commanders and troops will write pages of glory and epic grandeur in this unequal strug-

"The detachments which were isolated and encircled resisted to the last shot. After eliminating General Maletti's force and the Second Libyan Division, the British hurled themselves against Sidi Barrani, where Blackshirt Divisions, despite bombardment from sea and air, resisted bravely for two days. The First Libvan Division tried to fall back on Sidi Barrani but the road was cut by British armoured cars. It resisted lengthly, knowing its fate was sealed. The situation threatened to overthrow even the second line divisions, for which reason ne counter-attack could be launched.

"I advised the withdrawal of the rear divisions on the line of Hellfire Pass to the sea. Sollum and Fort Capuzzo where defence positions were prepared with other divisions. "The detachments which were isolated and encircled resisted to the

BOASTFUL ECHO FROM ITALY

GERMAN WARNING TO **AMERICA**

THREAT OF WAR

Third Axis Partner More Cautious

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Italy has followed up Germany's warning to the United States against any warlike act, with the implied threat that the three-Power pact between the Axis and Japan, may be converted into armed action if more United States ships are handed to Britain.

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Virginio Gayda, Mussolini's publicist, declared that United States submission to the proposal of the British Minister of Shipping might plunge the United States into war by provoking action under the tripartite pact.

The newspaper "Popolo di Roma" says: "The Axis will use the tripartite pact as an arm against the United States if it continues its present foreign policy."

sent foreign policy."

It repeated the German accusation that the United States diplomatic staff at Paris had been guilty of espionage.

The Propaganda Minister (Mr Nobufumi Ito) to-day parried ques-tions relative to Japan's attitude re-garding the German Foreign Office spokesman's warning to America. "We must watch developments. It is dangerous to speak on hypothets." "We must watch developments. It is dangerous to speak on hypothetical cases," he said, and added that whether American acts of assistance to Britain would be considered aggressive and a matter for the tripartite pact signatories would be decided by the joint technical commissions

Fierce Fighting "During December 13, 14 and 15 flerce fighting took place in the region of Hellfire Pass, Sidi Omar, Capuzzo and Sollum, where General Bergarzoli's troops energetically counter-attacked and wiped out dangerous groups which had filtered through our lines and were attempting to cut the road to Bardia. "On the evening of December 15, when new mechanised columns were advancing on Sollum, Jarabub Faizes and Sidi Omar and one group had already reached Sidi Azeiz, all General Berganzoli's troops withdrew in perfect order to Bardia, where they are still heroically resisting. Two Spies Shot In Italy

OPERATED AT TARANTO

Woman Sent To Prison For Life

TWENTY-ONE OTHERS

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A firing squad at dawn shot two men convicted of membership of a spy ring operating in Italy on behalf of a foreign Power. One was alleg-

CRUISER DIVISION AT MANILA

U.S.S. Cincinnati Sent

HONOLULU BASE TO BE STRENGTHENED

> Big Training Area

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 23, 7.30 p.m.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. The United States Navy is reported to be enlarging the Lahaina Roads base, says a message from Honolulu. This indicates that the

Honolulu. This indicates that the battle fleet may continue indefinitely with its training in Hawaiian waters. Fourteen mooring-buoys have already been established at Maalaea Bay.

The Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Knox, has announced contracts to construct 31 auxiliary vessels at a cost of approximately 265,765,000 dollars. Shipyard expansion is estimated to cost 6,600,000 dollars.

It is confirmed at Shanghai that the United States cruiser Cincinnati is to arrive at Manila, in the Philippines, within the next few days, giving the American Asiatic Fleet a complete cruiser division. The others are the Houston and the

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EAST INDIES CHEQUE



NEW AMBASSADOR.—Lord Halifax, whose appointment as British Ambassador to the United States in succession to the late Lord Lothian, has just been announced. According to broadcast comment, the decision is warmly welcomed in America, where his straightforwardness and sterling worth are fully recognised.

Italians Dig In At Bardia In Spite Of Britain's Strength

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"The helter-skelter blitzkrieg in the Western Desert has finished, at least for the present," says the "Daily Tele-graph's" Sollum correspondent. "The Italians have decided to stick in their toes at Bardia and give battle seriously despite the evacuation of Italian Air Force personnel, material and other stores, which earlier suggested that the enemy would surrender the little seaport without a fight

"The British patrols are coming under fire from wellplaced artillery round the enemy's concentric defence lines. Our battle-worn armoured brigades require sleep, food, water and petrol before opening the next phase.

"Ten days have seen the front lines advance 150 miles over barren country through which there is only one road for supplies."

The correspondent adds that he has heard of no real break-down in essential services anywhere. Almost magically, necessities, and even leters from home, are reaching the ters from home, are reaching the men, who work, eat and try to sleep on the gale-blasted escarpment.

Travelling along a road with a non-stop stream of traffic, he met New Zealanders and Australians, who were happy although they did not look it at first glance. No one could look happy with his face behind a mask and dusty eyes screwed up with the strain of peering into sandstorms in which the visibility is a couple of yards.

Frenchmen Defy Gestapo

POSTERS TORN DOWN

Invitations To Join Nazi Air Force

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The Free French Agency declares that posters signed "Commandant Constantine" recently appeared on the walls of Paris inviting airmen to volunteer for service in the Luft-

All were torn down the same night and new posters soon reap-peared threatening reprisals. Within two hours young Frenchmen, by daylight and under the eyes of the German police, ripped them down also.

AIRMAN PRESUMED KILLED

PROTECTION OF

EXTENSIVE PLANS ON MAINLAND

MALAYA

SINGAPORE BASE

British Trusteeship In Far East

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The Governor (Sir Thomas Thomas) in a broadcast declared that the mainland of Malaya was being placed in a state of defence in addition to Singapore and Penang. He added that a considerable number of troops were already in Malaya, which showed Britain's determination to protect the countries for which she is trustee.

DEFACED IN DAYLIGHT Pledge To Fight · Fascist

NEW INDIAN PARTY

Opposition To Congress Planned

DEMOCRATIC BLOC

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of Mahendra Nath Roy, former member of the Committee of the Third International, also Narayan United Press Association—Copyright.
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LONDON, Dec. 22.

Flying Officer Garland, the holder of the Victoria Cross, who was previously reported missing, is now presumed to have been killed,

Third International, also Narayan Bhaskar Kare, former Congress Premier of the Central Provinces, inaugurated the Radical Democratic Peoples' Party and resolved to form a National Democratic bloc consisting of the parties opposed to the present Congress policy and pledged to fight Fasciers

SUDDEN RAID ON **MANCHESTER**

VICTIMS CAUGHT IN STREET

FEW INJURED

Attack On Merseyside And Liverpool

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LONDON, Dec. 22.

Family Tragedy

Eleven members of one family named Fitzgerald were killed when a bamb hit a shelter in a working-class district of Liverpool last night. Only the father, who was ill in bed, and an 11-year-old son survived. Both have been clambering over piles of rubble throughout the day looking for the victims. The father could not be kept in bed.

It is estimated that about 200 'planes participated in the raid.

The casualties included the crew of a fire-engine which was racing into action and crashed into a bomb crater.

A splinter carried off the cue and arm of a man playing billiards.

Factories Afire At Venice

VISIT PAID BY R.A.F.

The R.A.F. also blasted the main railway leading into Venice, which is carried into the city by a two-Venetian lagoon.

All our machines returned safely.

odds are greatly against success in such an adventure, it is pointed out

INVASION PLANS AGAIN BREWING

British Experts Predict New Blitzkrieg As A Prelude

(British Official Wireless.) (Received December 23, 8.30 p.m.) RUGBY, Dec. 22.

A great deal of space is devoted in the weekly Press to speculation as to the necessity of Hitler making a striking LONDON, Dec. 22.

A north-west of England town (later stated to be Manchester) w.s. heavily attacked. Hundreds of incendiary and high-explosive bombs were dropped. The attack was so quick that many were caught in the streets, and a number in a public house, which was struck.

Liverpool and Merseyside were attacked for several hours but on a smaller scale. Only two deaths are reported from Liverpool, where a few were injured. Three were killed at Merseyside.

There was little damage and only a few casualties in the London raids.

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What Next?

What his next move will be is a matter of intense interest to all in Britain to-day. Hitler is faced with the gradually contracting steel ring of the blockade outside which the British Empire is quickly accumulating vast armaments, an overwhelming air force and adding rapidly to its sea power. Germany's situation is becoming such that, as the Prime Minister said: "Hitler has a great need of doing something. a great need of doing something, now or soon."

The active participation of his junior partner may well cause him acute embarrassment.

Hitler's Hand Forced

The untoward events in the Medi-terranean and North Africa may well force Hitler's hand and compel United Press Association—Copyright.
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LONDON, Dec. 23.

The R.A.F. on Saturday night, without loss, raided Venice and caused extensive damage.

In the attack on Venice, which was visited for the first time, an

was visited for the first time, an objective which the Italians may possibly have thought was beyond range was Porto Marghera, where there are docks and petroleum works. It lies on the mainland not works. It lies on the mainland not from the reilway bridge.

The essential hazardousness of co-operation in Egypt and Days the British fighter stations followed by troop-carrying aeroplanes whose operations would be impossible unless the British fighter squadrons are first rendered harmless.

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works. It lies on the mainfaild flot far from the railway bridge.

The Air Ministry states that during the past three months the Italians have more fully developed their oil refineries at Venice, but last night they were set on fire one by one.

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An official story deals in detail with a surprise attack which began on the night of December 7 on Casis carried into the city by a two-probable—by the German Staff as tel Benito, in Western Libya, where well as by anyone else—that the extensive damage was done to all extensive damage was done to all five hangars, and with the subse-quent bombing of the Italian aero-dromes at Benina, Sidi Barrani, Sol-lum and Bardia, and also aerofromes throughout Libya.

Carpeted With Flames

What happens in the Mediterran-ean or Africa does not matter as long as Britain is defeated. The

next few weeks or possibly days are

next few weeks or possibly days are full of danger.
One thing, however, is certain:
The people of Britain have shown their courage, determination and calm under Germany's almost nightly raids. The last months have not been wasted and if Britain remains "true to form" the issue is not in doubt

SURPRISE ATTACK

BY R.A.F.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE

TO HANGARS

CASTEL BENITO

144 'Planes

LONDON, Dec. 22.

Twenty tons of bombs were dropped on Benina aerodrome on December 8, and the field was carpeted with flames, but the heaviest raid, on December 10, was on El Adem, where numbers of aircraft on the ground were destroyed and the aerodrome was completely gutted.

Raids made between December 12 and December 17 were on Bardia, Bomba and Apolonia. These and other targets were bombed with increasing severity on occasions too

creasing severity on occasions too numerous to mention.

Dawn to Dusk

Continuous attacks lasting from dawn to dusk were made upon troops and motor transports. Particularly heavy raids were made on Tobruk, where petrol stores and ammunition dumps were blown up.

Air Vice-Marshal J. H. Dalbiac, commander of the British Air Force in Greece, reports that the R.A.F. has lost only nine 'planes since the Italian invasion of Greece. British 'planes, he says, have dropped 94,000lb. of bombs on Valona in 18 raids, and 63,000lb. on Durazzo in eight raids. One squadron has shot down 39 Italian 'planes and probably 12 more, but has lost only one man killed and one missing.

CRITICAL PERIOD * NEXT YEAR

War Expenditure

HEAVIER DRAW ON RESERVES

Australia Warned

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"War expenditure of £300,000,000 a year is not unlikely," said the Federal Treasurer (Mr A. W. Fadden). "Next year will be the critical period in the war and it is certain ly at non-combatants.

Greek advanced forces have occupied Himara, on the Albanian coast, another vital stronghold on the road strategic importance.

In this basis of the war and it is certain period in the war and it is certain period in the war and it is certain period in the war and it is certain pogradec front, in the north, Greek that we must before long face a far troops captured a few heights of heavier drain on our reserves than at present."

Main Railway Line Also Bombed NEW TARGETS FOUND Men force filter's fand and compete the complex of the comple Enemy Losses Total

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THREE ITALIAN DIVISIONS TRAPPED AT KLISURA

Greeks Beat Off Counter-Attack In Major Battle Of Campaign

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LONDON, Dec. 22. An Athens message says that fresh Italian troops have been sent to the battle around Tepelini and Klisura, where three divisions, normally 50,000 troops, are slowly locked in the trap and the Greeks are attacking on three sides.

A major battle is proceeding in the Tepelini and Klisura areas, inland from Valona, where the Greek successes yesterday are stated to be among the most important of the war. The counter-attacks have broken down. An Italian regiment was decimated and two battalions surrounded.

The Greeks captured 2000 Italians Says that 18 Training an official announcement made in Athens on Sunday night. The Italians stubornly contested every yard of the Greek advance in this area, and some of their best troops were thrown against the Greeks.

The spokesman said that Himara was under the absolute control of Greek artillery.

Non-Combatants Bombed

Italian bombers on December 21 swooped without warning from the clouds and rained bombs on the principal square at Larissa, killing women and children. They again swooped dropping more bombs among the dead and injured and converted the square into a shambles. The raid was aimed solely at non-combatants.

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The Greeks captured 2000 Italians during the week.

The Italians are using 'planes on a large scale, attacking Greek troops and bombing towns behind the lines. Fifty bombs at Permeti caused heavy casualties and damage.

An Athens communique reports successful local fighting at various points. The prisoners include two lieutenant-colonels.

The spokesman said that Himara lians' position is becoming increas-ingly difficult and where we have captured 300 prisoners, big guns,

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PROGRAMME. FIRST DAY-THURSDAY, JANUARY

30, 1941. To start at 12.45 p.m.

TRIAL HANDICAP, of 100 sovs., second horse to receive 15 sovs. and third horse 10 sovs from the Stake. For horses which have never won a stake exceeding 75 sovs. to the winner, at the time of nominations. Nom. 20/-; Acc. 20/-. 6 FURLONGS

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2—DISTRICT HACK HANDICAP, of 105
sovs., including trophy value 5 gns.
presented by M. J. Sheehan. The
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horse must have been owned and
trained and kept within the district
from the same date unless by speclal permit. The district comprises
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2, MATAPIRO FLYING HANDICAP
(Flack Conditions), of £120; second
£20, third £10. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. To start at 12.45 p.m.

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-WAIROA CARNIVAL HACK HANDI-CAP, of 105 sovs, including trophy valued 5 guineas presented by Oslers Ltd. The owner must have resided in the district from December 1, 1940, and the horse must have been owned and trained and kept within the dis-trict from the same date, unless by special permit. Second 15 sovs., third 10 sovs., and fourth horse 5 sovs. Nom. 20/-; Acc. 20/-. 7 FURLONGS

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(Open), of 140 sovs, including trophy
value 10 gns. presented by the Walroa Wine and Spirit Co. Ltd. and Mr
F. Benson. Second 15 sovs. and third
10 sovs. Min. weight, 7st, Nom. 20/-;
Acc. 30/-. 1 MILE, 1 FURLONG.

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Minimum Weight—7st. 7lb. in all races except where otherwise stated. PENALTIES.

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A trophy valued at 10 gns. donated by Prebble Brothers and J. R. Gillespie will be presented to the trainer securing the most points at the meeting. Points to count: First 5, second 3, third 2. TROPHY FOR JOCKEY

A trophy valued at 5 gns, donated by C. V. Chamberlain, Esq., will be presented to the jockey securing the most points at the meeting. Points to count: First 5, second 3, third 2.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES

NOMINATIONS for all events close at 8 p.m. on MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 1941. WEIGHTS for the whole of the first day events will be declared on or about MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 1941. ACCEPTANCES for whole of the first day events close at 8 p.m. on FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1941.

WEIGHTS for whole of second day events declared on or about 8 p.m. on THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1941 (Night of First Day's Races).

ACCEPTANCES for the whole of second day events close at 9 p.m. on THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1941 (same

NOTE.—All telegrams must be confirmed in writing and name of trainer

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FIRST DAY,

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1941 To start at 12.30 p.m.

HASTINGS MAIDEN, of £100, second horse £15, third horse £5 from the stake. Weight, Sst. 71b. For three-year-olds and apwards that have never won a Flat Race at a Totalisator meeting at time of starting. Nom. £1; Acc. £1. 5½ FURLONGS

15 Acc. £1. 5½ FURLONGS

2—OTATARA HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, of £120, second £20, third £10.
For horses that at time of entry have started three times in a Steeplechase or Hurdle Race and for horses eligible to run in Hack Flat Races, Only recognised Steeplechase or Hurdle Race Jockeys, approved by the Stewards, shall be eligible to ride. Minweight, 9st. Nom. £1; Acc. £1.

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weight, 9st. Nom. £1; Acc. £1.

12 MILES

3-HAVELOCK FLYING HANDICAP
(Hack Conditions), of £120; second
£20, third £10. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb.
Nom. £1; Acc. £1.

6 FURLONGS

4-NEW YEAR HANDICAP, of £200, second £20, third £15. Min. weight, 7st.
Nom. £1; Acc. £1./10/-. 12 MILES

5-JUVENILE HANDICAP, of £120; second £20, third £10. For two-year-olds.
Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. 1; Acc.
£1.

6-STEWARDS' HANDICAP, of £150; second £20, third £10. Min. weight
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Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1; Acc.

£1. 6 FURLONGS 200 YARDS (new barrier)
The winner of any race after declaration of weights may be re-handicapped.

SECOND DAY,

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1941 To start at 12.30 p.m.

1—JANUARY HANDICAP, of £100; second £15, third £5. Winners on the Flat at a Totalisator Meeting at any time barred, with the exception of the Hasting Maiden, first day. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1; Acc. £1. 6 FURLONGS

2—AOTEA HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, of £120; second £20, third £10. For horses that at time of entry have started three times in a Steeplechase or Hurdle Race and for horses eligible to run in Hack Flat Races. Only recognised Steeplechase or Hurdle Race Jockeys approved by the Stewards shall be eligible to ride. Min. weight, 9st. Nom. £1; Acc. £1.

Nom., £1; Acc., £1. 6 FURLONGS

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP, of £175; second £30, third £15. Min. weight, 7st. Nom. £1; Acc. £1/10/-. 9 FURLONGS 5-NURSERY HANDICAP, of £120; sec-

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Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1; Acc.
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7—OMAHU HANDICAP (Hack Conditions), of £120; second £20, third £10.

Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom. £1; Acc. £1. 6 FURLONGS 200 YARDS

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Winner of any race this day to carry penalty of 71b., but winners of Hack Races will not be penalised in Open Races will not be penalised in Open Ltd., Seedsmen, Hastings.

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SUMMER MEETING

BOXING DAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1940.

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

- PROGRAMME -

First Race starts at 12 noon -MAIDEN RACE, of £100; second £20 and third £10 from the stake, Weight, Sst. 71b. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race on the flat at the time of starting. Nom., £1; acc., £1. SIX FURLONGS.

wards that have never won a race on the flat at the time of starting. Nom., £1; acc., £1. SIX FURLONGS.
2—JUVENILE HANDICAP, of £100; second £20 and third £10. For two-year-olds only. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. Nom., £1; acc., £1. FIVE FURLONGS.
3—AMALGAMATION HACK CUP HANDICAP, of £170; £150 in specie and Silver Cup valued at £20, donated by P. F. Wall, £sq.; second £30 and third £15. Min. weight 7st. Nom., £1; acc., £1 10/-.

ONE MILE AND A QUARTER.

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Weight, 7st. 7lb. Now.

4—BRAEBURN HACK HANDICAP, of £100; second £20 and third £10. Min. weight, 7st 7lb. Nom. £1; acc., £1. FIVE FURLONGS. THE HUNTER HANDICAP (Open), of £100; second £20 and third £10, Gentlemen riders. Min. weight 10st. 7lb. Nom., £1; acc., £1. ONE MILE AND A QUARTER. For PALMERSTON NORTH—

-WOBURN HACK HANDICAP, of £100; second £20 and third £10. Min. weight 7st, 7lb. Nom., £1; acc., £1. SEVEN FURLONGS.

OPEN FLYING HANDICAP, of £150; second £30, third £15. Min. weight 7st. Nom., £1; acc., £1 10/-. SEVEN FURLONGS. 8—PORANGAHAU HACK HANDICAP, of £120; second £20, and third £10. Min. weight 7st. 7lb. Nom., £1; acc., £1. ONE MILE.

The winner of any race or races after the declaration of weights may be rehandicapped.

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MEETING ON BOXING **NIGHT**

Napier Dog Racing HEAVY ENTRIES RECEIVED

Good Programme

Among the numerous holiday at ractions to be staged in Napier during the holidays is the Northern Hawke's Bay Greyhound Racing Association's championship meeting which will be held at League Park Stadium commencing at 8 p.m. on

Boxing Day.

Excellent acceptances have been received for the meeting, which will be conducted under the authority of the New Zealand Coursing Association, Dunedin. Altogether there will be 16 events on the programme, which is being recognised as the official New Zealand Championship

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FROM DUNEDIN

The Hastings Homing Pigeon Club flew their final old birds race for the season from Dunedin during the week-end. The birds were liberated by Mr H. Millard in fine weather on Saturday morning at 5.30. They met bad weather en route with the result that only one bird finished in race time. The winning bird, Bright Boy, owned by W. B. Wallace, put up a good performance by flying the air-line distance of 550 miles in 23hrs. 57mins. 8secs.

350-Mile Combined Event

350-Mile Combined Event The Napier and Hastings clubs held a combined interval race from held a combined interval race from Christchurch during the week-end. Owing to bad weather the birds were held over for a day. Mr J. Maxwell liberated the birds at 15 minute intervals on Sunday morning, when the weather was fine. This also proved a hard race, as only two birds finished in race time. The winning bird, Little Jean, owned by R. Wilkins, had an easy win, flying the air-line distance of 350 miles in 12hrs. 9mins. 33secs. Results were:—

Results were:— Hastings: R. Wilkins' B.C.H. Little Jean, 12hrs. 9mins.

33secs.
Napier: W. S. Strothers's B.C.C.
Horo Junior, 13hrs. 6mins. The final results of the points competition for the Hastings club's Old Birds Cup are as follows: W. B. Wallace 117, A. Harrison 49, C. Martin 34, R. Wilkins 30, G. Chapman 30, F. Apperley 27, F. Heyward 11, D. Crawford 9, H. McKain 9.

Help for a corporal whose home was burnt, involving the loss of everything, will be given by the Canterbury Provincial Patriotic Council. A letter from the corporal explained that he had six children, and all had lost their clothes. One was a nurse home on leave from Auckland, and she could not go back to her work until she had clothes to travel in. The writer received the ordinary pay and extra allowances, and asked for help. The most urgent need was clothing for the children, who were of different ages. Mr W. G. Chapman moved that £25 be voted to help the man. Mr H. S. Feast (Secretary) said that he had investigated the case and there was no doubt about it; the man's home had been burnt out and all was lost. It was decided to refer the letter to the Finance Committee for "sympa."

Unusual Musical Comedy. 10.51: Debroy Somers Band. 11.0: B.B.C. news. 7.39: Weather report; breakfast session. 9.0; Morning variety. 10.0: Weather report; breakfast session. 9.0; Morning variety. 10.0: Weather report. 10.10: Devotional service. 10.25: Popular melodies. 11.0: Music by English Composers. B.B.C. Salon Orchestra. 4.15: "Britan Speaks." 4.0: Music by English Composers. 3.0: "Music by English Composers. 3.0: Meather report; breakfast session. 9.0; Morning variety. 10.0: Weather report. 10.0: Devotional service. 10.25: Popular melodies. 11.0: Music by English Composers. B.B.C. Salon Orchestra. 4.15: "Britan Speaks." 4.0: Music by English Composers. 3.0: "Music by English Composers. 3.0: "Music by English Composers. 3.0: "Music by English Composers. 4.15: English Composers. 3.0: Children ress." 4.0: Music by English Composers. 3.0: Children ress. 4.0: Music by English Composers. 4.15: English Composers. 4.15: English Composers. 3.0: Children ress. 4.15: English Composers. 4.15: English Composers. 3.0: Children ress. 4.15: English Composers. 3.0: Children ress. 4.15: English Composers. 4.15: English Co Alan Hunt, an Otawhao boy, has to her work until she had clothes to this year won the Stewart Wilson this year won the Stewart Wilson the writer received the work until she had clothes to travel in. The writer received the HAWKE'S BAY MOTOR CO.,

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5.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.; B.B.C. news. 7.30; Weather report; breakfast session. 9.0; "Light and Shade." 10.0; Devotional service. 10.15; "Morning Melodies." 11.0; "Shoes and Ships and Sealing Wax." 11.15; "Musical Snapshots."

12.0; Lunch music. 1.15 p.m.; B.B.C. news. 2.0; "Connoisseurs' Diary." 2.30; Classical music. 3.30; Sports results; "Bands and Ballads." 4.0; Weather report and light music. 4.30; Sports results, 5.0; Children's session. 5.45; Dinner music. 6.15; B.B.C. news. 6.55; Weather report. 7.0; News. 7.10; Talk by the Gardening Expert.

To: News. 7.10: Talk by the Gardening Expert.

10: Evening Programme: The Hillington Orchestra. 7.38: "One Good Deed a Day." 7.51: Frank Luther and the Lyn Murray Quartet. 8.3: "Evergreens of Jazz." 8.16: Harry Owens and his Hawaiian Hotel Orchestra. 8.22: Mary Lou Williams (plano). 8.28: "The First Great Churchill." 8.53: Victor Sylvester's Harmony Music. 8.57: Weather report and station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15; B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Albert Sandler Trio. 9.30: Dance music. 11.0: B.B.C. news. 11.30: "Let's Have a Party!" 12.0: Midnight Mass.

Holden presented the prizes, which had been purchased from a fund left for the purpose by the late Mr J, Holden. One of the tiny children presented the prizes, which had been purchased from a fund left for the purpose by the late Mr J, Holden. One of the tiny children presented the prizes, which had been purchased from a fund left for the purpose by the late Mr J, Holden. One of the tiny children presented a bouquet to Mrs Holden, and Mrs Purcell received Christmas gifts from their pupils. The ceremony concluded with afternoon tea served by the school girls.

Following is the prize list:—
Primer 1: Brian Feck, Colin Booth, Claude Haye, Winnie Carruthers, Jean Luscombe.
Primer 2: Lawrence Feck, Rose Luscombe.

Standard 4: Ronald Clark, Jack Luscombe, Josie Gamble, Roy Williams, Lola Kerr.

7.0: News. 6.55: Weather report.
7.0: News. 7.15: "Britain Speaks."
730: Reserved.
745: Evening Programme: Programme by Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra. The Orchestra. 7.58: Vladimir Horowitz (planist). 8.4: Miliza Korjus (soprano). 8.12: The Orchestra. 8.57: Weather report and station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Celebrity session. 10.0: "Hollywood Makes History." 10.21: Music, mirth and melody. 11.0: B.B.C. news. 11.30: Christmas Eve variety. 12.0: Midnight Mass.

3YA Christchurch

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6.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news. 7.30: Breakfast session. 9.0: Morning melodies. 10.0: Classical programme. 10.30: Devotional service. 10.45: Hall of Fame. 11.0: "Shoes and Ships and Sealing Wax." 11.15: Talk: "Fashions." 11.30: Popular tunes. 12.0: Lunch music. 1.15 p.m.: B.B.C. news. 2.0: Light orchestral and ballad programme. 2.30: Plano-accordion and Hawaiian music. 3.0: Classical music. 4.0: Weather forecast. 4.5: Mainly instrumental. 4.30: Sports results; Hits and medleys. 5.0: Children's session. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.15: B.B.C. news. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: News. 7.30: Evening Programme: London Palladium Orchestra. 7.39: "Dad and Dave from Snake Gully." 7.51: "Peter Dawson's Christmas Party." 8.0: Some Recent Releases. 8.17: "A Gentleman Rider." 8.30: Studio Recital of traditional songs by Vera Martin (contralto). 8.42: "The Buccaneers of the Plrate Ship Vulture." 8.57: Weather report and station notices 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: "Words and Music." 10.0: Dance music by Ambrose and his Orchestra, Lew Stone and his Band and Joe Loss and his Band, with Instrumental interludes by Sowande and his Music. 11.0: B.B.C. news. 11.30: English variety. 12.0: Devotional. 12.0: Midnight Mass.

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and his Hawaiian Serenaders, Harry Tate and Company, Walter Preston and Evelyn MacGregor and Bert Mars and his Rocky Mountain Boys. 8.57: Weather report and station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.28: "Coronets of England." 9.54: "Do You Know Why?" 10.0: Variety, 11.0: B.B.C. news. 11.30: Christmas Carols.

7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news. 7.30; Breakfast session. 11.0; Light music. 12.0.2.0 p.m.: Lunch music, 1.15; B.B.C. news. 5.0; Light music, 5.30; For the children. 5.45; Light music, 6.0; "The Nigger Minstrels." 6.15; B.B.C. news. 6.45; Weather forecast; "Silas Marner." 7.0; After-dinner music.

music.
7.30: Light entertainment. 8.0: "Coronets of England." 8.25: Classical programme. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel, 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: "Mittens." 9.38: Light music.

IYA Auckland 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news. 7.30: Weather report; breakfast session. 9.0: "Players and Singers." 10.0: Combined Service. 11.0: Anglican

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12.15 p.m.: "Musical Musings." 1.0: Dhimer music. 1.15: B.B.C. news. 2.0: "An Afternoon at the Proms." 5 0: Children's Song Service. 5.45: "As the Day Declines." 6.15: B.B.C. news. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: "Harmonic Interlude."

7.30: Evening Programme: Budapest String Quartet. 8.4: Nativity Play. 8.57: Weather report and station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: "Martin's Corner." 10.0: Radio Dispatch. 10.5: Louis Levy and his Gaumont British Symphony. 10.11: "Forty Minutes of Unusual Musical Comedy. 10.51: Debroy Somers Band. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

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ORMONDVILLE. The breaking-up ceremony and prize-distribution at the Makotuku School provided a pleasant afternoon's entertainment Mrs Annie Holden presented the prizes, which had been purchased from a fund left for the purpose by the late Mr J. Holden. One of the tiny children presented a bouquet to Mrs Holden, and both teachers, Mr A. Neilsen and Mrs Purcell received Christmas gifts from their pupils

Calves.—Grade dairy: Dorothy Feck 1, Ronald Clark 2, Doreen An-dersen 3. Dairy condition: Ronald Clark 1, Dorothy Feck 2, Doreen

Lambs.—Long wool: Colin Morrison 1, Joy Williams 2, Robin Williams 3. Down-cross: Colin Haye 1, Claude Haye 2, Alan Andersen 3. Robeson. 8.4: "Bundles." 8.34: Heddle Nash (English tenor) in a studio recital. 8.49: Marek Weber and his Orchestra. 8.57: Weather report and station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: "The First Great Churchill." 9.55: Debroy Somers Band. 10.0: Radio Dispatch. 10.5: Billy Cotton and his Band. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

3YA Christchurch 6.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news. 7.30:
Breakfast session. 9.0: Morning programme. 10.30: Devotional service. 11.0: Music for all.
1.0 pm.: Dinner music. 1.15: B.B.C. news. 2.0: Favourite entertainers. 2.30; Ballads we love. 3.0: Classical hour. 4.0: Christmas Fantasy. 4.30: Band programme. 5.0: Children's song service. 5.45: Evening reverie. 6.15: B.B.C. news. 6.55: Weather report. 7.0: Carol Service.
8.0: Evening Programme: Readings by O. L. Simmance. 8.20: Programme of Popular Classics. 8.57: Weather report and station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: Olga Coelho. 10.0: Radio Dispatch. 10.5: Favourite old and new. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

4YA Dunedin

5.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news. 7.30: Breakfast session. 9.0: Morning music. 10.0: Weather report. 10.10: Musical silhouettes. 10.40: Duos, trios and quartets. 11.0: Ante-Communion Service. 12.0: Recordings.

1.0 p.m.: Weather report. 1.15: B.B.C. news, followed by dinner music. 2.0: At the London Palladium. 2.35: "A Christmas Carol." 3.30: Classical music. 4.30: Music in a Cafe. 5.0: Children's session. 6.15: B.B.C. news. 6.45: Recordings.

7.30: Evening Programme: "The Shadow." 7.57: Popular Artists: The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra. 8.5: John Charles Thomas (baritone). 8.14: Fritz Kreisler (violin). 8.20: The Boston Promenade Orchestra. 8.27: The Kentucky Minstrels. 8.35: Ignace Paderewski (plano). 8.41: Gladys Moncrieff (soprano). 8.47: The New Light Symphony Orchestra. 8.57: Weather report and station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.33: "The Life of Cleopatra." 10.0: Radio Dispatch. 10.5: Jay Wilbur and his Band. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

2YH Napier 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news,
11.0 a m.-1.30 p.m.: Recordings. 1.15:
B.B.C. news,
2.0-1.0: Afternoon concert session 6.15:
B.B.C. news. 7.0: Light music.
7.15: Radio play: "Amos Bone's First Christmas." 8.0: Organ and ballad selections. 8.30: Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, 8.39: Dora Labbette (soprano). 8.47: New York Phil. harmonic-Symphony Orchestra, 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: Beniamino Gigli (tenor). 9.34: William Primrose (viola). 9.37: Choir of Strasbourg Cathedral, 9.42: The Philharmonic Orchestra. 10.0: Radio Dispatch.

7.0: "By the Way." 7.30; Scottish Omnibus. 8.0: Albert Sammons (violin). 9.5: Feature programme. 9.0: Christmas Talk by Canon Anthony Dean. 10.0: Billy Cotton's Dance Band. 11.0: Midnight Mass from Downside Abbers.

Midnight Mass from Downside Abbey.

12.15 p.m.: French Newsletter. 12.30: Messages in Music from Canadian and American Soldiers, Sandy MacPherson, Theatre Organ. 12.45: Nicholas Hannen in "The Adventures of Alonzo MacTavish." 1.15: Starlight. 1.30: "Britain Speaks." 2.0: Scottish Omnibus. 2.30: Christmas talk by Canon Anthony Dean. 2.45: Bands Across the Sea, No. 3, Harry Roy. 3.0: "Within the Fortress." 4.0: Music by English Composers, B.B.C. Salon Orchestra. 4.15: "Britain Speaks."

6.45: Programme for Children Evacuated Overseas. 7.0: "David Copperfield." 7.30: "Calling New Zealand." 7.45: Feature programme. 8.15: Carparate of Canada C

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vant Trouble."

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Moore 21; Young, Pinel, Stuart 15.

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DEANNA DURBIN IN NEW SUCCESS

"Spring Parade" Is Gay Comedy-Musical

Bright and laughter-filled, "Spring Parade," is now at the Re- been lived in rigid conformance with gent Theatre, Hastings. The star is his own steadfast, almost fanatical Deanna Durbin. Perhaps this re-view should be ended with that dards in behaviourism, recklessly statement, for it seems all-sufficient. Eight great pictures in succession is now Deanna's proud record. And provides the basic theme for the proud she should be, for no other star, either on the stage or screen, has ever been able to create such an unbroken line of triumphs.

The picture presents the star as 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 Vienness musician who composed, among others, the beautiful "Two Hearts in Three-Quarter Time." The fourth is "Blue Danube Dream." All four carry words by

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 Denny, Franklin Pangborn. Peggy Moran and others.

It is perhaps becoming almost monotonous to record the success of each Durbin film, but there is a reason, both for the continued popularity of the star herself and for the triumph which each of her films undubtedly is; for in addition to the charm, freshness and singing ability of Deanna herself, it must be remembered that the story, settings, cast and music for each of her films it the best possible. "Spring Parade" is no exception.

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COMEDY

Irene Dunne-Cary Grant, "My Favourite Wife"

"My Favourite Wife," which opens to-night at a special 10.30 o'clock session at the State Theatre, Hastings, brings back Irene Dunne and Cary Grant to the screen in a gay sophisticated romantic comedy in which these Hollywood luminaries hit a stride which should carry them to top comedy awards for the year.

A large share of their success in this breezy film is due to the hilarious story which was especially designed for the stars' talent by Bella and Samuel Spewack. Miss Dunne is cast as a wife presumably lost at sea whose husband, Cary Grant, has her declared legally dead after seven years' absence and then marries Gail Patrick. The newlyweds no sooner depart on their hoheymoon than the first wife returns, very much alive. She was rescued from an uncharted Pacific island on which she had been marooned all these years with Bendolph Sestt

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Spotlighting the adventure-filled episodes of Carson's life when he joined John C. Fremont of the United States Army to survey and moon than the first wife returns, very much alive. She was rescued from an uncharted Pacific island on which she had been marooned all these years with Randolph Scott, orbitally a handsome scientist.

She overtakes the honeymooners at a Yosemite hotel, and presents herself to her startled husband Unable to blurt out the truth to his bride, Grant tries to keep his first wife hidden—with some hilarious and disastrous complications. Now starts a mad pace which is heightened until the uproarious climax. The kissless bride and her distraught husband flee home only to find Miss Dunne awaiting them and posing as an old friend of the family.

Contributing lavishly to the laughs are Gail Patrick as the bride who can't comprehend her husband's sudden aloofness and Randolph Scott, whose desire to marry Grant's first wife after being stranded with her for seven years aggravates the burden the jealous husband is already carrying. In other fine performances are Ann Shoemaker, Donald MacBride, Granville Bates, and two youngsters, Scotty Beckett and Mary Lou Harrington, who portray the Dunne-Grant children.

Time John C. Fremont of the United States Army to survey and map the shortest overland route to California, "Kit Carson" abounds in spectacular scenes involving bitter fighting with the Indians, dan gerous treks in wagon trains, plots and counterplots engineered by sly and counting Mexican schemers.

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Rules to guide you can be summed up as "thoughtfulness

and consideration of your host." The thoughtful guest will see that: Her arrival has been planned in full co-operation with her host and complete consideration for the host's convenience in the meeting of friends. That all items of clothing are checked and some extras added, and that she has money enough for herself and a surplus for some friendly "shouting."

have them sent on.

W.D.F.U. MEMBERS

AT MANGATERETERE

December Meeting Held

A MESSAGE FROM

MRS NOEL ADAMS

A generous artermoon tea was their served, the hostesses being Mesdames W. Rowe, G. Wall, W. Tucker and R. Tinning.

A pretty hand made silk blouse donated by Mrs C. Rowe was won by Mrs Dobson.

A raffle for a beautiful doll's pram donated by Mr J. W. Shaw, proceeds to go to the Million Pounds Appeal realised £7 9/- and was won by Mrs P. Gibson, Jervois Street,

Hastings.
A splendid parcel of knitted goods was handed in for patriotic pur-

The meeting closed with the president's wishes for a very happy Christmas for all.

Evening Wedding

Ceremony

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white carnations and a prayer

She will:-(1) Express any food dislikes tact-

(2) Be meticulously punctual for meals; make sure of her host-ess's arrangements before mak-ing plans for herself.

(3) Be obliging and sporting about games and amusements.(4) Discard wet coats and goloshes

(5) Put newspapers and books away

(6) Observe telephone etiquette and keep conversations brief and her voice harmoniously pitched. Remove fancy coverlets before lying on the bed.

(8) Empty shoes on the garden when coming from the beach, and clean up methodically after any of those little accidents of the make-up session.

(9) Study the interests of the parents before indulging children and the welfare of pets before

(10) Take all her trappings with her when at last she must depart.

In Striking Contrast

In striking contrast is the guest who forgets to make friendly inquiries into the household arrangements, sleeps in when others rise, or rises with the rooster when the household

with the rooster when the household prefers lounging.

She abuses the practice of breakfast in bed by making an extraordinary number of stipulations about how the eggs are to be done, and carelessly spills food on bedclothes or leaves crumbs on the carpet.

Probably, too, she drags her suitcases about and plumps them on the bed itself, instead of leaving them on the chairs or stands usually provided, and lies down on the spotless coverlet newly done up for the visitor.

She'll be in danger of not being

the bed itself, instead of leaving them on the chairs or stands usually provided, and lies down on the spotless coverlet newly done up for the visitor.

She'll be in danger of not being asked again—and deservedly so—if she:—

(1) Wanders carelessly about the house with curlers clamped in position.

(2) Wails that she can't play bridge or that, anyway, she doesn't want to make up a four.

(3) Comes in breathlessly on days, coat, hat, and brolly dripping, and plumps on the lounges sofa.

(4) Commandeers the newspapers or dissect them.

(5) Menacelies the telephone and the menace of the Christman Carols were then sung and enjoyed by all.

Correspondence was read concerning the Division's share in Emergency Precautions work, the Spitfire Fund to which members all over the Dominion contributed sufficient to purchase a machine for Great Brittant, the maintenance of the Rest Home at Palmerston North and the Garden Party which is to be held there in February. Mrs E. Honey the Lambara of the Emergency Precautions and the need of baby clothes for the Maternity Hospital.

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Miss C. Graham, Christchurch, is visiting her sister, Mrs C. D. Edmundson, Napier.

Mr and Mrs Nelson Ball, Hast-

Mr and Mrs E. C. Hurdsfield and family, Waipukurau, have left for their beach cottage Pourerere, where they will spend the school holidays.

10) Caps all previous sins by leaving things behind at departure, and then annoying the exhausted hostess by sending telegrams and notes of instructions to have them served.

Mrs R. Warburton, Wellington, arrived in Napier last evening and is the guest of her parents, Mr and Mrs F. W. Triggs, Lincoln Road.

Mr and Mrs I. W. N. Mackie, Waipukurau, will spend the Christmas vacation at their beach cottage Por-angahau. Miss M. Daniels will be Christmas Greetings Sent

Mrs L. G. Harker, Waipukurau, her daughter, Miss Bobs Harker, and Miss Pat Wood, Hastings, left yesterday for Wellington to attend school. The President, Mrs D. J. Holden, was in the chair, and with her was the Secretary, Mrs A. W. T. Webb.

The President welcomed all present and appropriate that the next. the Couttes-Wright wedding to-

Mrs A. L. Falls and Mr R. Falls, Madeira Road, Napier, left on Sat-urday to spend Christmas in Cam-bridge as the guests of Mr Dudley

Mr and Mrs Spencer Triggs arrive in Napier to-day to spend the Christmas vacation with Mr and Mrs F. W. Triggs, Lincoln Road.

Miss J. Freeman has left Ormondville for her home in Kakahi. Miss Freeman, who was infant mistress at the Ormondville School, will not return after the holidays.

Tailored shantung linen sports who are fighting or have fought for their country, and let us make this Christmas as happy as we can for the sake of the children and those around us."

Competition results were as follows: Gift box of flowers—Mrs Hugh Mills special, first, and equal second, Mrs Rowe 2 equal, Miss M. Burrell and Mrs Giles 3 equal; best bloom—Mrs W. R. Davis; Mrs H. Mills 2, Mesdames Tichborne and E. Farmery 3 equal; balaclava—Mrs Giles 1, Mrs G. Dawson 2, Mrs Giles 1, Mrs G. Dawson 1, Mrs W. R. Davis 2, Mrs Happer 3; Christmas cake—Mrs G. Dawson 1, Mrs W. R. Davis 2, Mrs Nicholas 3.

A delicious afternoon tea was then served, the hostesses being Mesdames W. Rowe, G. Wall, W. Tucker

Tailored shantung linen sports frocks in blue, green, gold and nat-tocking in the force burst, green, gold and nat-tocking in blue, green, gold and nat-tocking in the force burst, green,

tute December meeting was notable for a rose and sweet pea show, which drew a fair number of entries.

The judge, Mrs F. Middlebrook, made awards as follows: Collection of roses: Mrs H. O. Baines 1; one rose, named variety: Mrs H. O. Baines 1; polyanthus roses: Mrs D. Dew 1, Mrs H. R. Benbow 2, Mrs G. Hill 3; best bloom in show: Mrs H. R. Benbow; bowl of sweet peas: Mrs A. Hutcheson 1, Mrs G. S. Chapman 2 and 3; Iceland poppies: Mrs F. Hosking 1; flower not otherwise mentioned: Mrs H. R. Benbow (delphinium) 1, Mrs G. S. Chapman (stock) 2, Mrs H. O. Baines (clematis) 3.

Letters were received by the Insti-tute from soldiers in Egypt who had parcels which the Institute had sent, The letters which were written in September, expressed deep gratitude and appreciation, and caused the members of the Institute to feel how very well worth while it was to send them.

spoke of her pleasure in the year's successful work and wished the members a happy Christmas, which was reciprocated.

ENJOYABLE CARD EVENING

The wedding was solemnised last evening by the Rev. W. T. Drake, at St. Matthew's Church, Hastings, of Effie Mavis, eldest daughter of Mrs D. A. Cole, Hastings, and Thomas Henry, eldest son of Mr Frederick Addis, also of Hastings The bride, who was escorted by Mr J. Scobbie, chose a simple gown of white satin charmelaine fashioned with high neckline and leg of mutton sleeves. Her veil was of olain tulle and she carried a sheaf of white carnations and a prayer Five Hundred" Tourney At Napier

of white carnations and a prayer book.

The bridesmaid, Miss Doris, wore a gown of /delphinium blue satin moire with heart-shaped neckline and puffed sleeves. Her bouquet was of blue and pink flowers.

Mr Thomas Cole was the best man.

The reception was held at the Ritz tearooms and the guests were received by the bride's mother, Mrs Sweeney jun., in third place. Mrs Plank and Mrs Moore gained lucky numbers and two consolations were awarded.

Special prizes were given to Mrs Ahearn and Mrs Sweeney (2), a Christmas cake to Mr Williamson and a dinner to Mrs Sweeney jun. These gatherings are held every Friday by the Greyhound Social committee and are proving a great success.

Five o'Clock X MEN'S HOLIDAY WEAR

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A STORY WITH A MORAL

There is an old story of three sparrows and a loaf of bread. The loaf bounced from a basket as the baker's delivery truck rounded a corner. As it hit the road a crumb bounced off, and instantly three sparrows, who had been sitting on a nearby tree, swooped down for the crumb. When their little argument was over, one carried off the small crumb for his breakfast; the other two flew away without a bite, the big loaf remaining untouched and unrecognised.

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Too many people go through life that way. Too many get excited over the crumbs, and let the real source of supply go unnoticed. We struggle for a fragment and fail to see where it came from. The crumb is only the pick-up, the big prize is often beside it.

What a lot of people need is a wider vision and an improved capacity to judge opportunity. Success is never attained by staying awake at night, but by staying awake in the daytime, and, although everybody may not have the ability nor the desire to carry away the whole loaf, it's easier to break off a large piece than fight over a couple of crumbs or be like the two sparrows who got no breakfast at all.

What You Have Survived

gers and troubles you have survived.

More than once, perhaps a dozen times, your life or your business was in great danger.

You thought at the time that you had come to the last page of the story of your life, but that story has not yet come to an end.

You see, you are not as perishable as you thought you were. You have proved that you are not so easily broken.

It will strengthen you to remember this, now that all the troubles and dangers of wartime have come upon us. These, too, you can survive.

Did You Know_

That condensed milk contains about 40 per cent sugar?
That mulligatawny is an Anglo-Indian soup, deriving its name from the Indian word "milagutanir" meaning "pepper water," so called because it is seasoned with curry powder?

powder?
That canned peas are sealed in a brine usually consisting of pure water, sugar and salt?
That discolouration of the inside of a can does not indicate spoilage, nor does the discolouration necessarily produce harmful changes in the food. Every housewife knows the tarnishing action on saucepans when such vegetables as string beans are cooked, likewise the discolouration present in some canned lines is simply the aftermath of the heating process of manufacture.

Mr and Mrs G. F. Gardiner and family, Seapoint Road, Napier, leave to-day on a holiday visit to Taupo.

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Mr and Mrs G. E. Beatty are Welington visitors to Napier. Mr and Mrs Gerald Robison, Wellington, are spending the Christmas holidays in Napier.

Mr and Mrs J. C. Hay, Waipukurau, will leave to-day on a short holiday visit to Wellington.

Mrs V. Banks leaves Napier to-day to spend Christmas in Danne-

Mr and Mrs Alan Bibby, Onga Onga, are staying with Mrs Bibby's parents, Mr and Mrs T. F. Fitz-Gerald, Feilding.

- bits to dogs, against the host's ings, with their children, are spending the holidays with Mrs L. Kny-(7) Maltreats books, breaking their backs, turning down pages and vett, Feilding.

(8) Occupies the bathroom when the working members of the family are ready for the morning shower before carrier to the morning shower before carrier to the cation. before going to the

(9) Is troublesome when a pictureparty is mooted, saying, "Oh, I've seen that show," or "I don't want to go, anyway."

Mr and Mrs K. Haybittle, Feilding, and their little daughter, Judith, will spend the holidays with relatives in Napier. Mr and Mrs E. C. Haybittle, also of Feilding, will join them at New Year.

Mrs R. D. Spencer, Kaingaroa, Feilding, will arrive to-day to spend three weeks' holiday with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr and Mrs Terence Bailey, Porangahau.

The monthly meeting of the Mangateretere Women's Division of the Farmers' Union was held in the school. The President, Mrs D. J. Helden was in the daughter than the control of the president of

or dissect them.

(5) Monopolises the telephone or conducts phone conversations with undue intensity.

(6) Is unnecessarily benevolent towards the children and the pets of the house. Feeds children with sweets on sly, or hands titter with sweets on sly, or hands titter with sweets of the house. Feeds children with sweets on sly, or hands titter with sweets of the country, and let us make this Christmas as happy as we can for the sake of the children and those around us."

Inty Hospital.

Mrs D. J. Holden read the Christman and Mrs H. A. Fannin and Miss Nancy Fannin, Nelson Street, Hastings, leave to-day to spend Christmas in Napier with Mrs Fannin's sisters, the Misses Leithead, Balquidder Road. At the end of the week Miss Nancy Fannin will leave for Auckland.

Tailored shantung linen sports frocks in blue, green, gold and natural, 79.6. Tailored worsted fiannel continuous. The competition results were said:

"Let us face the future with determination like the people of Great Britain and our allies, and those who are fighting or have fought for their country, and let us make this Christmas as happy as we can for the sake of the children and those around us."

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The Ormondville Women's Insti-tute December meeting was notable for a rose and sweet pea show,

A presentation was made to Mrs. Freeman, who is leaving the district.
The President, Mrs H. R. Benbow

Playing for the first time for the Hawke's Bay "500" Championship held at Napier some 60 players took

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Three Cows Penned To Meet The Buyers

A RECORD LOW ENTRY

Brisk Sale For Store Lambs At Stortford Lodge

A long and almost unbroken vista of empty cattle pens greeted the few buyers who attended the Stortford Lodge saleyards yesterday, the solitary exception being a single barren Jersey cow which was later joined by two more cattle of the same breed.

The first beast made a bid of £6/12/6, and the other two, a cow which had calved the previous day, sold at £7/10/-, the final entry selling at £6/2/6. One satisfactory feature of the sale was that if competition was not very keen, at least there were no passings!

Probably constituting a record low entry, yesterday's cattle offering was, according to one authority, at tributable to the fact that butchers could not get such late purchases killed. It was stated that this is the first time within memory on which the sale has been held at Stortford Lodge before Christmas on the Monday, the break with precedent being in the nature of an experiment.

The next sale, on January 8, is a fortnight away but the most optimistic could not describe yesterday's as a "double" market; in fact, there were only two butchers present to witness the cattle sales.

Proportionately similar conditions ruled in the fat sheep pens, where below 100 head were penned. There

ruled in the fat sheep pens, where below 100 head were penned. There was a small attendance of butchers and the market was little changed from last week.

Conditions nearer normal were AGRICULTURALISTS — HASTINGS Econditions hearer normal were seen in the store sheep pens, where an entry of about 3000 head, all lambs, came forward on to a brisk, active market with competition

On account of Mr J. F. T. Black and in from Waipawa 159 South-down cross lambs, fairly grown and carrying quite good store condition, sold at 18/9. sold at 18/9.

On account of the Whenuahou Trust, 176 lambs described as having been all picked as "seconds," nicely-grown, clean-conditioned sheep, met the market at 19/9.

In from Clareinch Station the same morning 243 shorn wether lambs, well-grown sheep from under the shears in good order, made a brisk sale at 19/1.

A medium-grown draft of 217

vere as follows:

A medium-grown draft of 217 fairly conditioned woolly wether lambs in healthy order sold at 18/7.

From Patangata on account of the Estate of W. Crampton 200 shorn wether lambs, well-grown and good conditioned, sold in two cuts at 18/9 and 18/100.

On account of Ridgemount Station 183 wether lambs, nicely grown and in good order throughout, made

18/3.

From Newstead on account of Mr
L. Pattullo 184 well-grown lambs
carrying good store condition, an
even quality line, sold at 19/4.
A draft of 271 B.F. wether lambs,
particularly good-conditioned and
almost ready for the works, made
20/.

From Te Awanga on account of Mr B. Shaw 116 fresh conditioned, forward wether lambs, a well-grown right line, sold at 20/6.

bright line, sold at 20/6.

On account of the same vendor 139 ewe lambs, nicely-grown sheep in good order, brought 21/.

A draft of 140 wether lambs, small to medium sorts in medium order, realised 17/-; a similar line of 167 medium lambs made 16/10.

From Clareinch Station again a lighter draft of 161 shorn wether lambs, the lighter to 161 shorn wether lambs, the lighter to 161 shorn wether lambs, to 161 shorn wether lambs, to 161 shorn wether lambs, to 162 shorn wether lambs, to 163 shorn wether lambs, to 164 shorn wether lambs, to 165 shorn wether lambs, to 165 shorn wether lambs, the lighter of 161 shorn wether lambs, to 164 shorn wether lambs, to 165 shorn wether lambs, to 165 shorn wether lambs, the lighter of 161 shorn wether lambs, the lighter of 161 shorn wether lambs, the lighter trade was greater than twelve months before. With imports of raw materials and exports of manufactures, the ocean-borne trade of the United Kingdom ran into hundreds of millions of money. Its maintenance is a tribute to the British navy's ability to command the seas.

Still Many Customers

particularly good-conditioned sheep which should do well, sold at 22/.
On account of Kelly Bros. 111 well woolled wether lambs, well-grown and in good order, made 21/3.

Fat Sheep

Prime lambs made 23/10 to 25/1; medium conditioned pens sold at 21/10 to 22/10. The tops of the ewes made 16/4 to 16/10, and an entry of wethers in medium order met the market at 22/7.

Brokers' Reports

Brokers report as follows on their ealisations yesterday at Stortford

Murray, Roberts and Co. Ltd.

One hundred and eighty-three rape lambs 18/3, 116 wether lambs 20/6, 139 ewe lambs 21/-, 140 wether lambs 17/-, 167 16/10, 90 17/1, 86 S.D. lambs 20/-, 22 ewe lambs 17/-, 41 wether lambs 17/5, 32 14/1, 21 S.D. cross lambs 15/10, 159 18/9. Dalgety and Co. Ltd.

Ten fat lambs 23/10, 176 wether lambs 19/9, 84 19/4, 111 D.X. lambs

Loan and Mercantile Agency Co.

One hundred and eleven woolly wether lambs 21/3, 217 18/7, 270 f. and f. b.f. lambs 20/-, 111 b.f. lambs 15/5, 1 12/6, 23 12/1, 7 7/6, 4 6/-, 6 fat ewes 16/4, 4 15/1, 1 fat lamb 20/10, 3 21/7, 7 fat ewes 16/4.

One fat cow £6/2/6, 1 dairy cow £7/10/-

RECORD FIGURES FOR A WEEK'S KILLING

Whakatu And Tomoana Works Busy

Last week's killing proved to be something of a record for the To-noana and Whakatu freezing works, when upwards of 100,000 sheep and lambs were put through. It was stated yesterday that on different days during the week each works estab-lished a record for any one day's billing

killing.

There have been few big sheep coming forward so far this season, but it is expected that there will be an improvement in this direction in the New Year. The lambs, for which the first rush is now drawing to a close, have been killing out particularly well, and as one works official said yesterday, "There have been few disappointments from any source."

Weaner Pigs And Cows Sold

(Daily Mail Special Service)

DANNEVIRKE

Little attention was paid by buy-ters at the Norsewood stock sale yesterday. No sheep were offered. Weaner pigs made from 21/- to 25/-. Store cows source."

Campbell Wedd and John Kuzmich equal 4. Primary girls: Judith Oram 1, Freda Page and Beverley Pilcher equal 2, Alison Jude 3, Janet Scrimgeour and Elaine Jude equal 4. Gift books were presented to Hilda Tod and Rob Bruce, and a special prize was given to Phil Oram, who has completed twelve years as a pupil of the Sunday School and has kept up a standard of general excellence.

During the afternoon Ethel Minto sang the carol "Silent Night."

A Record Season In Waikato

LUXURIANT GROWTH

Farmers Make The Best Of The Weather

HAY FOR THE ASKING

A welcome spell of dry, warm weather has been experienced in the Waikato during the past three weeks, and no rain has fallen in that period. There was a luxuriant growth of all kinds of fodder during the spring months, and the recent dry spell has been taken full advantage of by farmers to complete the making of ensilage and to cut their hay.

one Otorohanga farmer stated that the quantity of hay he had in hand was so great that he offered two paddocks to any farmer who would care to cut them and take the hay away. No one accepted the offer as everyone in the paighbour.

POSITION OF BRITISH WOOL STOCKS

Increased Exports

LARGE QUANTITIES IN RESERVE

Command Of The Seas

Despite the war, with its loss of European outlets for mill products, Great Britain has managed to export woollen and worsted yarns and manufactures in large quantities. The value of her shipments for the eight months ending August was £21,502,932, being £2,429,360 greater than a year before (state the Sydney woolbrokers, Winchcombe, Carson Ltd.

Those figures include returns for the earlier months of the year when France. Belgium, Holland and the Scandinavian countries were open for trade, but the result is wonderful considering the circumstances prevailing. The value of the raw wool imported was more than double the amount recorded from January to August, 1939.

In all branches of her textile trade, woollens, cottons, silks and rayons, the value of British export trade was greater than twelve Those figures include returns for

Still Many Customers

The Dominions, South Africa, outh America, the United States and other countries are still customers for Yorkshire's products and price consumption of them will accomb from the combined with dust blowing across the programment of the combined with dust blowing across the programment of the combined with dust blowing across the programment of the combined with dust blowing across the programment of the combined with dust blowing across the programment of the combined with dust blowing across the combined with dust blow across the combined with dust blo

South America, the United States and other countries are still customers for Yorkshire's products and their consumption of them will account for appreciable quantities of the sheep's staple. Government orders for goods in the British Isles are not being experienced to the extent of a few months ago, but civilian trade has been better because of the approach of winter. lian trade has been better because of the approach of winter.

It is estimated that Great Britain

It is estimated that Great Britain imported 900,000,000lb. of wool between January and August or the equivalent of about 3,000,000 bales. She has, therefore, been well stocked, but the quantity used has been large and stocks must be kept on safe levels. The shipments which are to be stored in America will provide her with reserves which can be quickly drawn upon if necessary provide her with reserves which can be quickly drawn upon if necessary in addition to the quantity which will be shipped direct to her ports from the great wool producing countries.

It would be injudicious to overlook the fact that stocks of surplus wool will accumulate during the war with Furone cut off from supplies

with Europe cut off from supplies. Ideas in that regard could, however, become exaggerated. The United Kingdom, United States, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, India and other countries outside enemy hands will use bulky weights of the raw material.

Peacetime Needs Europe will want wool when peace comes, and probably large quantities of it. Meantime her own sheep will be slaughtered to a much more than normal extent for food pur-poses. That reduction should accen-tuate the need of the Continent for

the sheep's staple.

It is futile to attempt to prophesy It is futile to attempt to prophesy what the wool situation will be when the war ends. Who can fore-tell what monetary or social changes will arise or how long hostilities may last? The only knowledge available from past experience is that wool and other raw materials were in demand after previous wars

NO SHEEP OFFERED AT NORSEWOOD

"Unshrinkable" Wool

PROCESS EVOLVED

Satisfactory Progress Reported

AUSTRALIAN IDEA

Considerable progress has been made with the Freney-Lipson "unshrinkable wool" process evolved at the McMaster Laboratory in Sydthe McMaster Laboratory in Sydney, both wool experts and manufacturers have expressed the belief that it will solve the problem of 'felting' as effectively as, and more cheaply than any of the English processes (states the "Sydney Morning Herald.")

With a view to putting it to more extensive comparcial tests the

extensive commercial tests, the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research has arranged with Hole-proof, Limited, to carry out a series of trials at their factory in Mel-

bourne,
In announcing this arrangement,
the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research stated that the semi-industrial scale tests with small quantities of men's socks at a time had already led to the belief that the process was essentially sound for woollen goods.

would care to cut them and take the hay away. No one accepted the offer, as everyone in the neighbourhood was in the same position.

Never in the experience of old Waikato farmers has any season been so successful. Production repected to eclipse all records.

Sheepfarmers are equally as satisfied as dairymen. The lambing returns have been exceptionally high. Shearing is well advanced in most districts, and the wool clips have been heavy. The sheep have been turned out in excellent condition.

It is estimated that production in pigs of all kinds is 30 per cent. The killings of bobby calves have also been very heavy, one company handling 317,000 this season as against 253,000 last season.

Full-Scale Trial Necessary

"It is now felt," the council said, "that any problems which remain can best be revealed by conducting a full scale trial, and that such a full scale trial, and that such a strial will provide a satisfactory basis for the estimation of costs."

In co-operation with Messrs Vicars and Company, Sydney, the council's officers also are developing methods for the treatment of tops. Recently trial batches of several hundred pounds were put through a pilot plant, and steps are being taken to ascertain whether the product is regarded as satisfactory by certain manufacturers of knitted goods.

Should both these large-scale tests prove satisfactory, the council will be in a position to make available sufficient data to enable other manufacturers to assess the value of the process for their purposes. "It is now felt," the council said, "that any problems which remain can best be revealed by conducting a full scale trial, and that such a trial will provide a satisfactory basis for the estimation of costs." In co-operation with Messrs Vicars and Company, Sydney, the council's officers also are developing methods for the treatment of tops. Recently trial batches of several

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WOOL APPRAISAL AT WELLINGTON

Satisfactory Prices For Offering

By Telegraph-Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 23.

The Wellington Woolbrokers' Association reports that the third Wel sociation reports that the third Wellington appraisement was completed on Saturday, when catalogues totalling 27,637 bales were appraised. With the exception of some of the hogget wools, which were tender, the bulk of the offering opened up very attractively and was well grown, resulting in satisfactory prices being realised.

Owing to exceptionally heavy arrivals of wools into store during recent weeks, it has been necessary to hold some of the clips over until next appraisement.

Defence Rifle Shooting

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On Saturday the members of the Napier Defence Rifle Club fired the second practice of the second series for the club championship, ten shots

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day next, ten shots at 600 and 800 yards.

Sunday Gathering

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At the Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon, Mrs F. Robert-son, wife of the Rev. F. Robertson, presented the prizes to the pupils of the Sunday School, the following teachers also being in attendance: Mrs A. H. Bull, Misses J. Oram, A. Page and Mr O. Page. The prize

Senior boys: P. Oram 1, Melvyn Jamieson 2, Stan Neagle 3. Senior girls: Betty Baikie 1, Harriet Baikie 2, Barbara Page 3, Helen Scrimgeour and Bertha Minto equal 4.

Junior boys: David Oram 1, Donald Baikie 2, Bob Bartlett 3. Junior girls: Dawn Scrimgeour 1, Danhae girls: Dawn Scrimgeour 1, Daphne Symmans 2, Ethel Minto 3. Primary boys: Bruce Pilcher 1, Peter Scrimgeour 2, Stuart Wedd 3, Campbell Wedd and John Kuzmich

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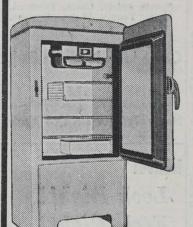
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FRANCE AT THE CROSSROADS

By pointing a pistol at the head of unoccupied France,

Hitler has tacitly admitted that desperate measures are

necessary to break the stranglehold of the British blockade on Germany and Italy, but it is difficult to see how, in the

long run, Germany can emerge victorious from the present

successfully complete the occupation of France. The frag-

ment which is still nominally independent could put up no

sort of fight against the Nazi war machine which has already established its western headquarters in Paris. Such a move

would give Germany an excellent position from which to intimidate Spain, and it would bring the entire coastline of

the Continent, from Norway to the Adriatic, under the

domination of Berlin. Further, it would bring Germany, for

the first time in history, to the shores of the Mediterranean,

and the activities of Nazi U-boats against British ships in both

the Mediterranean and the Atlantic would be greatly extended.

Vichy France, extended the war-front, she would automatic-

ally increase her own liabilities. Had Marshal Pettain surren-

dered tamely to the German demands, Hitler might have a

chance of getting away with his fresh scheme of piracy, but

when that scheme involves the deposing of Petain and the

installing of a renegade such as Laval in his place, the last

shred of French loyalty to the nominal Government must

vanish, and Germany will be faced with the task of holding

down, by force 40,000,000 people. It is almost certain that

all the French colonies which have not already declared for

General de Gaulle's Free French Movement, and perhaps the

remainder of the French Navy, would secede—the British

successes in Africa would help such a development very

materially—and it is more than likely that Hitler would grasp

seem that Great Britain is in a position to make any drastic

move to counter the new German campaign. Probably a

complete occupation would be neutralised to a large extent if

a knock-out blow could be struck in Africa while Italy is still

tottering and before the reported German plans for the

bolstering up of the shaky end of the Axis can be put into

effect. There is no question that Italy is on the brink of something; it may be total collapse or it may be a German

military occupation, but if the Italians meet with final defeat

in Libya and in Albania, the arrival of German forces on the French Mediterranean coast would not be such a serious

matter for Britain as it would be if the war spread to the

coast of Spain while the battle is still being fought in the east.

and Vichy is going on. Marshal Petain, who, since the

Franco-German armistice has done a good deal of rehabilitate

himself in the eyes of the world by restoring something of

the dignity and independence of what is left of France, is making a stand, but he is faced by such men as Laval and

Admiral Darlan, who appear to be prepared to go to any

lengths of humiliation to secure the favour of Hitler.

shadow of defeat and conquest, and it may be that France

will pass into complete servitude until the spirit of the once-

great Republic is revived by the downfall of its enemies.

useful purpose by demonstrating to such neutrals as remain

in Europe exactly what happens when a Great Power is

trampled on by Nazism.

Incidentally, the French disaster may serve at least one

In the meantime the diplomatic battle between Berlin

As far as Metropolitan France is concerned, it does not

the shadow of France and lose the substance.

On the other hand, if Germany, by the occupation of

There is no doubt that at the present time Germany could

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REMEMBER ...

P.O. Box 45

NAPIER STREETS TO BE CLOSED

Details Of Holiday Arrangements

The Napier Borough Council advertises in this issue that various Napier streets will be closed to traffic over the holiday periods. The streets affected by this decision are: Hastings Street from Dickens Street to Tennyson Street, Emerson Street and Market Street—on Tuesday, December 24, from 7 p.m. till 10 p.m., and again on December 31 from 7 until 9 p.m.

until 9 p.m.
On Boxing Day the Marine Parade from Tennyson Street to the Sound Shell, Emerson Street from Hast-ings Street to the Sound Shell, Herschell Street from Tennyson Street to Emerson Street, will be closed from 1 until 4 p.m. and from 6.30 p.m. until 11 p.m.

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EXPECTED ARRIVALS

Awahou, Gisborne Dec. 28 Wainui, Wellington Jan. 13 COASTWISE TRADE

PAKURA: Arrived here on Saturday and sailed for Waikokopu and Gisborne last night. AWAHOU: Leaves Auckland to-night for Napier via East Coast bays and Gis-borne, being due here about December

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Wahine: Dec. 25, 27, 29, 31, 7.45 p.m.; Jan. 2, 8.15 a.m.; 3 5, 7.45 p.m.; 7, 8.15 a.m.; 8, 10, 12, 7.45 p.m.; 7

FOR PICTON (from Wellington): Tamahine: Dec. 24 11 p.m.; 27, 2.45 p.m.; 28, 1.15 p.m.; 30, 2.45 p.m.; 31, 6 p.m.; Jan 2, 9.30 a.m.; 3, 2.45 p.m.

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Whether Marshal Petain is strong enough to steer France past the crossroads is more than doubtful. Perhaps the fates are too much for a country which is still under the

Personal

Constable D. H. Sutton, Waipukurau, who has received word of the death of his father, will leave this morning for Kaitangata, Otago.

Mr H. Denne, of the Trentham Military Band, is spending leave with his parents, Mr and Mrs T. C.

ing. Both members have been transferred from Dannevirke and Mr J. B. Blomfield, vice-president made presentations on behalf of the R.S.A.

Dr J. V. Cable, son of Mr and Mrs M. Cable, Hataitai, Wellington, who has been serving in London and Midlands hospitals for the last five years, has left to take up his new duties as assistant-superintendent of the Dunedin Hospital.

Captain M. D. Stewart, sailing master of the Bluff Harbour Board's dredge, has been appointed pilot and tug master in Otago Harbour. There were 17 applications for the position.

Mr C. S. Plank, of the telegraph engineers' branch of the Post and Telegraph Department, and formerly of Palmerston North, who has been in America for the past 27 months, will return to New Zealand toward the end of December. Mr Plank, who was granted a Commonwealth Fund Fellowship, has been specialising in electrical communications, and has spent one year in the head office of the Bell system, the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., New York, an organisation which controls 7,000,000 telephones in the United States. For the remainder of the time he has been associated with operating companies of the Bell system in various parts of America.

Miss M. Butler, Miss N. Butler, Mr C. E. Mardell, Mr and Mrs V. Macpherson. Jones, Mr and Mrs P. V. Miles, Mr and Mrs F. A. Provost, Mr and Mrs Cheviot Bell (Wellington), Mr and Mrs G. Ross Parsons (Halifax), Mrs Ann Burgess (New Plymouth), Mrs M. Hamilton (Bournemouth), Mr H. W. Abbott (Hastings), Mr and Mrs C. C. Giblin (Waipukurau). Mr John Giblin (Hastings), Mr and Mrs C. C. Glbin (Waipukurau), Mr John Giblin (Dannevirke), Mr and Mrs C. H. Handley (Palmerston North), Miss P. Courage (Ashburton), Mr S. Vogan (Christchurch), Mr H. R. Pearcy (Wanganui) are at the Macanic Hotel Napier sonic Hotel, Napier.

Miss P. Cook, Mr I. Roberts, Miss Pengally, Mr L. Clayton (Wellington), Mr R. Sim, Mr P. Stokes, Mr Patterson (Gisborne), Mr R. Thornton (Tolaga Bay), Mr P. J. Harris (Ohakea), Mr and Mrs Desmond are staying at the Clyde Hotel.

Mr Maxwell, Mr and Mrs Lawton, Mr and Mrs C. K. Lowe, Mr and Mrs Berry, Mr and Mrs Smart are guests at the Wairoa Hotel.

MAIL NOTICES

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Holiday Announcement

The "Daily Mail" will not be published to-morrow (Christmas Day) or on New Year's Day.

That Italian Navy

The Italian Navy, the butt of many jokes in recent months, re-ceived another dig in the course of

Thousands of dead fish, mostly eels and pike, were found floating on a certain area of Lake Pupuke on Thursday morning. The killing of the fish is believed to be due to the decomposition of vegetable matter at the bottom of the lake. Efforts are being made to recover the fich and it is thought that it may be necessary to drag the lake to recover those that are not on the surface. The first indication of the trouble is said to have been the appearance of an extensive film of fish oil on the lake.—Press Association. oil on the lake .- Press Association.

Medical Tests

Analysis of the medical examination returns relating to men drawn from the Wellington and Hutt Valley area in the second ballot for territorial service shows that out of 3839 men medically examined up to December 21, 2247 had been passed fit, 391 had been declared temporarily unfit, and 1201 permanently unfit. Thus rejections on medical grounds (both temporary and permanent) represent about 41 percent. of the total examined. This is roughly 10 per cent. better than the result shown by the first territorial ballot men.

Auckland. The decision is that water supplies required are to be obtained from the city. For a long time, large sections of the North Shore community have protested against the water supply drawn from Lake Pupuke, Takapuna. The Board of Water Board that it authorises the issue of requisitions upon the parties concerned.—Press Association.

Leaders to Broadcast

The British Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill) will broadcast to the Empire at 8 a.m. today (New Zealand Summer Time).

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Miss M. Butler, Miss N. Butler, Mr C. E. Mardell, Mr and Mrs V. Macpherson Jones, Mr and Mrs F. A. Provost, Mr and Mrs G. Ross Parsons (Halifax) Mrs Ann Bayes (Naw)

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Medal Awarded

The bronze medal of the Royal Humane Society of New Zealand has been awarded to Charles L. Olsen, Beach Haven, Auckland, for the rescue of a man from drowning in Waitemata Harbour. The rescue staff; "Lauretta" florists; Hastings the Pope will broadcast over the Vatican Radio at 9 p.m. to-night.

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Mairoa, 6.30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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Napler, Monday to Friday, 6 a.m., 11 a.m., 4 p.m. Gisborne District, 4 p.m. Wairoa, 6.30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Auckland, Main Trunk and Waikato districts, 8.5 a.m. and (letters only), 4 p.m. Saturdays only, 1.15 p.m. (letters only). Manawatu, Wairarapa, Dannevirke and Taranaki Districts, 8.5 a.m., 4 p.m. and Monday to Friday, letters only, 6 p.m. Wellington, 8.5 a.m., 4 p.m. Monday to Friday, letters only, 6 p.m. Waipawa, 8.5 a.m. and 4 p.m. Waipawa, 8.5 a.m. and 4 p.m. Waipawa and south of Waipukurau and south of Waipukurau, Monday to Friday, 8.5 a.m., 4 p.m. Saturday, 8.5 a.m. Otane, Monday to Friday, 6.30 a.m., 4 p.m. Saturday, 8.5 a.m. Opapa, Poukawa, Paki Paki and Pukehou, 6.30 a.m.

Husband (listening to operatic radio programme: "Do you like Chopin, dear?"
Wife: "No, I get tired walking from shop to shop."

What will you wear during the Xmas holidays? Do you need a new hat for the races or flannels and sports coat for the beach? Parkers offer many suggestions, and a visit to their interesting shop would be well worth your while.*

Garages Open

Garages and service stations throughout Hawke's Bay will be open every day, including Christmas Day and New Year's Day, during the holidays. Many service stations will provide a 24-hour service for this period. Petrol coupons 12 to 16 will be current until December 31, and those numbered 17 to 21 from January 1 to the end of February.

Schoolboys on Farms

A gratifying measure of success has attended the scheme to place secondary schoolboys on farms and Mrs R. S. McAulay, Eisthorpe.

Mr Lawrence Howes, Tuai, is spending the holidays in Ormondville with his parents, Mr and Mrs H. Howes.

Wing Commander A. J. Manson, Personnel Selection Board of the Royal New Zealand Air Force, is visiting Hastings. He lived at Hastings before he enlisted shortly after the outbreak of war.

Messrs D. G. McCallum, president and W. G. Hulston, honorary audive and District Returned Transport of the State of the Action by farmers in making speciation, the number placed would have been substantially larger.—Press Association.

Messrs D. G. McCallum, president, and W. G. Hulston, honorary audive and District Returned Transport of the State of ed that the men be ordered to appear at Auckland on December 30.

North Shore Water

North Shore (Auckland) residents express delight with the Board of Health's decision in Wellington following recent representations to the Minister of Health (the Hon. H. T. Armstrong) during his visit to Auckland. The decision is that water supplies required are to be obtained.

The British Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill) will broadcast to the Empire at 8 a.m. today (New Zealand Summer Time), Christmas Greetings
Acknowledged

For Christmas greetings received by the "Daily Mail" thanks are extended by the management and staff. The following acknowledgements are made:

Greetings from the Napier Har-

Young couples are buying their engagement rings now—fascinating diamonds as a symbol of constancy and devotion in the days that lie ahead. Designed to suit each particular hand, mounted with care and craftsmanship, every McClurg ring represents perfection. And remember, McClurg's have a ring for everyone, at their own figure. McClurg's, Napier, the oldest established Jewellers in Hawke's Bay.*

HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

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

The "Daily Mail's" special forecast is as follows:— Winds: Moderate to strong north-vest winds.

Weather: Cloudy and mild with scattered rain, chiefly about the Seas: Moderate.

HASTINGS WEATHER

Meteorological readings taken yes- erday at 5 p.m. at the Hastings Mag- letic Observatory, Cornwall Park, were as follows:—	
Dry bulb temp. Vet bulb temp. Maximum temp. Minimum temp. Grass ft. underground Vind Rain	82.0deg. 71.0deg. 87.0deg. 55.0deg. 53.0deg. 70.0deg. E.N.E.2 Nil

NAPIER WEATHER

Meteorological readings taken yes-terday at 5.30 p.m. at Napier by the Government recorder (Miss G. Hutton) are as follows:— Minimum temp.

DOMINION FORECAST

General situation: Pressure is very low south of New Zealand while a deep secondary appears to be developing in the central Tasman Sea. An anti-cyclone covers south-eastern Australia.

Forecast.—Winds: Moderate to strong north-westerly with a change to southerly extending slowly over half of the South Island during the next 24 hours.

Seas.—New Zealand waters: Moderate inshore on the East Coast, elsewhere rough. Eastern Tasman Sea: Moderate to strong north-west winds in the northern and central portions and a change to strong south-westerly extending over the southern portion. Seas rough.

Weather: Unsettled in Westland with intermittent rain, scattered rain or drizzle in other western districts and the far south. Elsewhere fair, but scattered showers extending to Otago and South Canterbury with a wind change. Temperatures mild but becoming cooler in the south.

To-day's Diary

HASTINGS

Carnival Dance, Assembly Hall, Boxing Night.
The Theatres:

"Three Men from Texas" and "Blondie Has Servant Trouble," Cosy, 2 p.m., 7.45 p.m., 10.30 p.m.
"Spring Parade," Regent, 2.15 p.m., 8 p.m., 10.30 p.m.
"I Was An Adventuress," State, 2.15 and 8 p.m.

NAPIER Late shopping night, shops close 10

The Theatres: "The Way of All Flesh," Regent, 2, 8 and 10.30 p.m. "Kit Carson," State, 2, 8 and 10.20 p.m. "Private Affairs," and "Covered Trailer," Mayfair 2 and 7.45 p.m.



GIFT IDEAS

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Here is a small selection from Westerman's Gift Parade for 1940. Visit our Showrooms and see the gorgeous displays of dainty apparel. Wonderful for giving . . . still more wonderful to receive!

LOCKNIT, SATIN & KABE 3-PIECE SETS.

With plain or motif, lace trimming. Slip with opera top or round neck. Bloomer or Pantle, shades, Ivory, Peach, Nil, Sky, Corn. S.W., W. and O.S.

Prices from 17/9 to 59/6

SATIN, LOCKNIT & CELANESE NIGHTGOWNS.
Sleeveless, with shoulder cape or puffed sleeve, plain and trimmed designs. Shades Peach, Rose, Sky, Ivory, Corn and Nil. S.W., W. and O.S.
Prices 9/6, 11/6, 13/9 to 35/-PYJAMAS.

In Locknit, Kabe and Celanese. Plain, striped and fioral designs. Tailored and fancy styles.

All shades and sizes.

Prices ... 9/11 to 32/6

BLOOMERS, PANTIES & SCANTIES
Plain and trimmed. All sizes and

Prices from .. 2/9 to 7/11

MODERN STORE

HASTINGS' XMAS RENDEZVOUS

SUMMER DRESSING GOWNS.
In locknit and floral celanese,
tallored and fancy styles trimmed with contrast design or lace.
All sizes. Shades: Blue, Green
Rose, Black, Navy.
Prices from .. 10/6 to 69/4

LOCKNIT VESTS.
In all shades and sizes.
Prices from 2/9

TREATMENT OF NURSES CRITICISED BY BOARD

Army Authorities Alleged To Have Been Unfair In Pay Question

(By Telegraph—Press Association)

AUCKLAND, Dec. 23.

DELIVER DECISIVE

BLOWS

50 MILES AN HOUR

Panzer Divisions Will Be

Outclassed

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Thousands of tanks are being

ormed into the Royal Armoured

Corps as Britain's reply to Ger-

Many of these tanks are of a new

ecret design with which the Army

expects to repel any attempt at in-

vasion and deliver decisive blows when the Continent is invaded.

Of Two Types

on their speed and manoeuvreability

Swarms of fast scout cars called Dingoes accompany the armoured

Describing a visit to the British

respondent describes the mechanised army as one of the most power-

ful military striking weapons the world has ever seen. If Germans

learned the lesson of the tank from

the British in the last war, the cor-

respondent says, the British armoured units in Egypt have demonstrated how well the lesson of experience has been learned in this war.

Corps d'elite

Lord Halifax

Appointed

NEW AMBASSADOR

Mr Eden To Go To

Foreign Office

CABINET CHANGES

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LONDON, Dec. 22.

It is announced that Lord Halifax has been appointed British Ambas-sador to Washington in succession to the late Lord Lothian.

Resultant changes in the British Cabinet are announced as follows:—

The Rt. Hon. Anthony Eden (at present Secretary of State for War), Foreign Secretary, succeeding Lord Halifax.

Captain David Margesson (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasury), Secretary of State for War, in succession to Mr Eden.

BARDIA'S DEFENDERS

REINFORCED

Italians Hold The Line

At All Points

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 24, 0.45 a.m.)
ROME, Dec. 23.

The Italians at Bardia have been reinforced with heavier tanks and are holding the line at all points. The British are attacking with the

heaviest type of Morris tank

many's Panzer divisions.

has been built up.

to resist enemy fire.

LONDON, Dec. 22.

A statement that the Army authorities were not giving fair treatment to nurses called for service with the Forces was made at a meeting of the Auckland Hospital Board by the chairman (Mr Allan Moody).

He said the board recently had experience of two sisters who had been called up, had left the hospital and had been informed by the Army that they would not be required

The Army had given the nurses no pay and as a result they had suffered hardship and had been forced to ask the board for assistance. It was the Army's duty to see that nurses were treated properly.

Mrs Dreaver: It is a dreadful thing

Mrs Dreaver: It is a dreadful thing.
Mr Moody: The Army adopted a miserable attitude about their pay.
Mr G. T. Parvin said it was ridiculous for the War Cabinet to carry out such a short-sighted policy and not to pay nurses until they had actually embarked to leave the country.

country.

On the motion of the Rev. W. C. Wood, who suggested that confusion had probably caused the lack of payment, it was decided to send a letter to the Ministers of Defence and Health drawing their attention to the matter and asking them to determine the question of liability to pay the nurses.

Centennial Film For Appeal

GOVERNMENT'S OFFER

Patriotic Fund To Benefit

N.Z. PRODUCTION

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 23. The Government is making available the film "One Hundred Crowded Years" which commemorates New Zealand's Centennial to the National Patriotic Fund Board in aid of the National Patriotic Fund.

The film was offered to the board by the Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser) and arrangements are

being made with a special committee representing the film industry for early distribution of the film throughout New Zealand.

The production which was well received when given its first screen-

uits, and, together with obsolete and ceived when given its first screen-ing to an official gathering in Weltiny tanks, act as liaison and reconnaissance units. lington last month, was produced in the Government studios at Miramar. tank lines, an agency military cor-

AIR FORCE AGE LIMITS

ENLISTMENT CHANGE ANNOUNCED

CREW SECTION

Maximum Is

Raised

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 23.

Changes in the conditions for enlistment into the Royal New Zealand
Air Force crew section were announced by the Minister of Defence
(the Hon. F. Jones) to-night.
Briefly, the maximum age for airmen pilots has been increased from
27 to 30, and the maximum for air
observers and air gunners from 31
to 32. The minimum age of 18 is
unchanged.

to 32. The minimum age of 18 is unchanged.

Mr Jones said that the experience of the first year of war has shown that air personnel over the age limits previously fixed had shown themselves to be quite as efficient as the younger men. Obviously Wrong Policy

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"Obviously, in view of this experience," said the Minister, "it would be wrong to keep potential first class pilots, observers and gunners out of the Air Force because of a year or two in age. In some cases men otherwise eminently suitable for selection were rejected because they were a few months over the earlier age limits, and it was felt that this was not in the best interests of the Air Force.

"Similar steps are being taken in Canada, the United Kingdom and Australia under the Empire Air Training Plan. It is anticipated that this will considerably augment our manpower resources in what is necessarily a specialised field.

Assessments Unaltered

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"I would point out that this alteration will in no way affect the assessment of those candidates already selected. That is, a candidate already selected as an observer may not be reclassified as an airman pilot because of the increased age limits. Similarly, a candidate previously rejected because of the earlier age limits may not be reclassified for selection. It will be necessary for such candidates to renew their application for enlistment. Assessments Unaltered

cation for enlistment.

"The main purpose of the change," concluded Mr Jones, "is to remove obstacles which might stand in the way of the Air Force's securing the most suitable type of man available for air crew's duties." Viscount Cranborne has been created a baron, thus enabling him to handle foreign affairs in the House of Lords in place of Lord Halifax.

ORDERS AWAITED FROM DE GAULLE

Enlistments At Noumea

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SYDNEY, Dec. 23.

Two thousand men, including some natives, have enlisted in the Free France forces at Noumea and Tahiti. They are awaiting orders from General de Gaulle

CALLED OUT

SERVICE DURING 1941

GAZETTE NOTICE

New Zealand Defence Forces

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 23. Notice of the calling out for mili-tary service of a number of units of the Defence Forces is Gazetted

to-night.

The following units are called out as from January 7:

12th Field Regiment, New Zea

12th Field Regiment, New Zealand Artillery, comprising the 37th and 38th Batteries and 30th Light Air Detachment, New Zealand Ordnance Corps (attached); 22nd Field Company, Corps of New Zealand Engineers; 4th Signals Company, New Zealand Corps of Signals; Headquarters, 7th New Zealand Infantry Brigade.

2nd and 3rd Battalions, Auckland Regiment; 2nd Battalion, Wellington Regiment; 2nd Battalion, Hawke's Bay Regiment; 2nd Battalion, Canterbury Regiment; 1st and 2nd Battalions, New Zealand Scottish Regiments (personnel not already called out by earlier proclamations); 1st, 2nd and 3rd Provost Companies, Corps of New Zealand Military Police.

From February 3

From February 3

The following are called out from bruary 3: February 3:

Headquarters, 1st New Zealand
Mounted Rifles, 1st Mobile Veterinary Section, New Zealand Veterinary Corps; Headquarters, 2nd New
Zealand Mounted Rifles Brigade;
2nd Mobile Veterinary Section;
Headquarters, 3rd New Zealand
Mounted Rifles Brigade; 3rd Mobile
Veterinary Section; Headquarters
4th New Zealand Mounted Rifles
Brigade.

Revised Date

Revised Date The calling of the following units for January 7 is cancelled, and these units are called up also from Febru-

vasion and deliver decisive blows when the Continent is invaded.

The B.E.F. left 471 tanks and machine-gun carriers in France, but, since the Dunkirk evacuation, an entire new group of armoured forces has been built up.

ary 3:

Auckland East Coast Mounted Rifles; Waikato Mounted Rifles; North Auckland Mounted Rifles; North Auckland Mounted Rifles; and Manawatu Mounted Rifles.

From April 1.

The following are called up from April 1:
5th Composite Company, N.Z.
A.S.C.; 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Reserve Mechanical Transport Companies, N.Z.A.S.C.; 8th Field Ambupanies, N.Z.A.S.C.; 8th Field Ambulance; 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Motor Ambulance Convoys; Northern Central and Southern Remount Depots, New Zealand Veterinary Corps: Northern, Central, and Southern Veterinary Hospitals; 4th Provost Company, Corps of New Zealand Military Police.

Five Casualties Reported

NEW ZEALAND LIST

Sergeant Held As Prisoner

He describes the armoured units as a "corps d'elite," and says they consist of many famous regiments. Both the training of the personnel Both the training of the personnel and the tanks themselves, he says, incorporate lessons learned in France, and as great advantage has been taken of that experience as was taken by the Germans from the lessons learned in their battle against Poland.

Speeds of 50 miles an hour are common. Engine power is immense, and the armaments, as well as armour. are the best available.

The correspondent sums up in the words of a tank officer who said: "We shall not underestimate the enemy, but any talk about German Panzer divisions being invincible is just so much nonsense. One day we hope to prove it beyond all doubt."

Sergeant John Frederick Coombs,
R.N.Z.A.F., previously reported
missing on air operations, now
reported a prisoner of war in
Germany. His wife is Mrs J.
F. Coombs, Lyall Bay, Wellington.

Pilot Officer David Alexander Rankin previously reported missing and believed killed in air operations in April, now presumed by the Air Ministry to be killed in action. His father is Mr D. Rankin, Malcolm Avenue, Wel-

Pilot Officer Arthur Patnell Pritchard, R.N.Z.A.F., killed in air operations. His father is Mr A. J. Pritchard, care New Zealand Railways, Wanganui.

Stoker Petty Officer Frank Stoner, reported missing on war service. His wife is Mrs F. Stoner, Church Street Devenport

Church Street, Devonport, Auckland. Private C. H. Humphries, N.Z.E.F., blinded as a result of an acci-dent. His mother is Mrs C. Humphries, Hilton Road, Cam-bridge.

MILITARY UNITS BRITISH FORTRESS THAT GUARDS THE FAR EAST

Real Strength Of Singapore Base May Be In The Air, Not The Sea

The foresight of those who, 20 years ago, decided to establish a great naval base at Singapore has never been more apparent than it is to-day when the island, at the southernmost point of continental Asia, is the corner-stone of British strategy over a wide area in East Asia, the western

Pacific, and the Indian Ocean. The defences of Singapore are in perfect trim and fully prepared for any emergency.

It is not always realised that Singapore is much more than a naval base, although that is the primary function in the scheme of Empire defence. It is no less important as an air base, while the troops and fortifications which defend the naval and air bases make it a fortress of the first order.

Well-Equipped Base

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It has been remarked that a naval base is never really "completed," since changes in naval practice are always making new demands on a repair and refitting station, but it can be said that the Singapore naval base is complete in the sense that it can carry out all the tasks assigned to it. Since the King George VI graving dock, one of the biggest of its kind in the world, was officially opened two years ago, work has been continuing at the base unceasingly. Much has been spent in finishing the workshops in the dockyard area, improving the facilities for warships using the base, increasing the accommodation available, and providing the Admiralty with a powerful and up-to-date radio station.

Base for Overhaul

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Though Singapore is primarily a base for warships operating in Far Eastern waters and the Indian Ocean, it is also being used for repairing, overhauling and refitting vessels from greater distances. The Navy has its bases in the Mediterranean sufficient for all purposes, but in certain circumstances it might be convenient to send a ship all the way to Singapore, which has so far been entirely free from any danger of enemy action. The same applies to merchant shipping, and the Singapore Harbour Board has very adequate dry docking accommodation which would supplement the naval facilities. The fact that Singapore has a floating dock and graving dock both capable of taking the biggest vessels afloat means that there is no limit to the work which can be carried cont there.

A Fortified Coast

A Fortified Coast Singapore is immensely strong in fortifications. The coastal batteries have tremendous range and protect all sea approaches to the naval base. The advantage held by land bat-teries in an encounter with war-ships was shown in the Norwegian campaign and there is every reason to believe that any hostile vessels approaching Singapore would receive a very warm reception.

PRIVATE BLINDED

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By Telegraph—Press Association.
WELLINGTON, Dec. 23.
The following casualties are officially announced:
Sergeant John Frederick Coombs,
R.N.Z.A.F., previously reported missing on air operations, now receive a very warm reception.
The garrison includes British, Indian and Malay soldiers, who are all by now fully acquainted with their roles in the defence of Singapore and the Malay peninsula. The defence of the "back door" approaches to Singapore, via the east coast, presents a special problem and training in "jungle warfare" tactics have been given to all the units likely to be affected.
The jungles are one of the natural defence of Singapore, for, though

The jungles are one of the natural defence of Singapore, for, though there is no virgin jungle on the island, the approaches to south Malaya through Johore, and many square miles of country farther north, are covered with thick wooded territory through which a hostile force could not hope to advance. The additional fact that there are comparatively few roads on the east of the peninsula considerably simplifies the defence problem.

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R.A.F. Patrols

Singapore is not so well known to the outside world as an air centre, though some writers have suggested that it may one day become even more important for its air strength than as a naval station. Be that as it may, the Royal Air Force is at present busy in all parts of the Malay peninsula. There are several Service aerodromes on Singapore island, and the civil airport, one of the most modern east of Suez, also at the disposal of the R.A.F.

Up country the R.A.F. have available both their own aerodromes and sinet.

He appointed the former Premier, He appointed the former Premier, He appointed the former Premier, Baron Hiranuma, Home Minister, after the resignation of Mr Yasui, and Lieutenant-General Heisuke Yanagawa, Director-General of the China Affairs Board, was appointed Minister of Justice after the resignation of Mr Kazami.

Prince Konoye conferred with representatives of the old political parties and also of big business. However, seven members of the current Cabinet were not consulted before the changes, which are intended to strengthen the Government before the Diet reconvenes on December 26.

Less has been heard in recent years of the supposed "menace" of Singapore to the Japanese Empire. The Japanese have evidently come to realise that a base which is as far away from Yokohama as Gibraltar is from New York could not seriously threaten their home coastiline. That it could be used to very good purpose in operations in the China Sea and beyond could not be doubted.

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Wartime Duties

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From Singapore the R.A.F. looks out across the South China Sea to Hong Kong, and south-east to Borneo and Sarawak, west to Ceylon, and south to Port Darwin and Australia. Its duties in wartime would be similar in some respects to those of the Coastal Command in Great Britain. The Sunderland flying-boats for reconnaissance work are well known in Singapore, as are the Blenheim bombers, local photographs of which have appeared in the Malayan newspapers. The R.A.F. units in Malaya have a large area to patrol, and the long coast-line of the Malay peninsula would need to be constantly watched if there were ever a threat to the country.

Local Defence Forces The Malaya Command includes several thousand volunteer troops, Europeans and non-Europeans in civilian life, whose training has recently been completed at camps lasting two months. These units are being reinforced by Europeans called up under the compulsory training ordinance. The militia have been working extremely hard and will soon be fully trained. The army makes good use of the non-European manpower in the country. There is the well-known Malay Regiment raised a few years ago and now at full strength. Malay units in the Royal Engineers, Malays in the R.A.S.C., and other ancillary units, and Eurasians have been recruited for an anti-aircraft regiment and the Royal Corps of Signals. The Malaya Command includes

Signals.
Singapore's food control arrangements are chiefly concerned with ensuring the maintenance of adequate stocks of rice in the Colony. The Government has instituted a pooling system by means of which the emergency stocks are constantly turned over to prevent deterioration. A modified plan for individual rationing, to be enforced only in the event of shipping routes being sericusly disturbed, is being tried, and rice consumers are required to and rice consumers are required to register with their usual dealers.

JAPANESE CABINET **CHANGES**

Long Conferences

COLLEAGUES NOT CONSULTED

Previous Decisions

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 23, 6 p.m.) TOKYO, Dec. 21. After all-night conferences the remier (Prince Konoye) launched large-scale reorganisation of Cab-

RETURN

NO PLACE IN VICHY CABINET

OFFICIAL BELIEF

Hitler Still Uttering Threats

United Press Association—Copyright. (Received December 23, 9.10 p.m.) LONDON, Dec. 22.

The Associated Press Vichy correspondent says the official spokesman said there was no question of Pierre Laval returning to Cabinet nor of an immediate reconstruction

Hitler has threatened to cancel the armistice with France and to proclaim a state of war unless Marshal Petain, French Chief of State, agrees to new German demands, says the correspondent of the International News Service at Vichy in a message to the Sunday Express.

her fleet.

2. That Marshal Petair, should dismiss the Minister of Justice (M. Alibert) and the Minister of the Interior (M. Peyrouton). It was these two Ministers who recently put Marshal Petain on his guard against Pierre Laval's plot to seize power.

3. That the Government should be moved from Vichy to Paris (where it would be under the thumb of Otto Abetz, Hitler's representative). The correspondent adds that the demands are so harsh that Marshal Petain is not expected to accept in the minister of the service of the servi

Petain is not expected to accept

Zero Hour Fixed

The Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrich-Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten" says it is believed in the Wilhelmstrasse (German Foreign Office) that the Government will wait only until December 28 for Marshal Petain's answer to the German demands for further French co-operation in the building-up of the new order in Europe.

Abetz, he says, has made it clear to Marshal Petain that Germany is unwilling to wait longer.

It is generally believed in diplomatic circles in Berlin that developments of great importance are imminent.

minent.

The London "Observer's" diplomatic correspondent says that Hitler aims at full French acceptance of Axis status plus a declaration of war against Britain. If this is achieved, the strategy of Hitler's culminating attack on Britain will be to close the Western Mediterranean, bottle up the British fleet, isolate the British armies in the Middle East, leave Italy to her fate and, with French and Spanish help, impose an effective blockade cn Britain. Britain.

Competent observers are convinced that Britain's resistance has created an entirely new situation in which the control not only of France's Atlantic bases but of the Air Force and the Navy would give the Nazis an immense advantage. Italy's disasters are increasing the need.

guard's van were in first-class order and condition, and that the permanent way was well laid and maintained and perfectly safe to travel over a authorised speeds.

Preventing a Recurrence

(4) Question: What steps, if any, might be suggested to prevent the occurrence of a similar derailment? Answer: The board concurrence with the

It is expected that the total occupation of France against Vichy's protests would swing the whole French Colonial Empire, and perhaps the fleet, back into the battle on the side of Britain.

The French News Agency says that the numbers of Gestabo agents at Vichy have increased in the last few weeks and that they now also guard French ports and aerodromes owing to German fears that the pressure they are exercising will create a situation in which Marshal bwing to German lears that the pressure they are exercising will create a situation in which Marshal Petain and his collaborators, pushed beyond endurance, will be tempted to flee to Africa.

War it was impossible to obtain fresh supplies of the French instrument which is regarded as most satisfactory in its performance.

Locally-Designed Recorders

Nazis Cautious

Laval advocated.

The crisis between Marshal Petain and the Nazi authorities appears to be coming to a head, says a London cable. The French Chief of State has refused to dismiss two Ministers at Germany's request. They are believed to be the two Ministers who warned him of Pierre Laval's plot to sieze power.

Germany is most cautious because of the possible breakaway of the African Empire, but is doing her utmost to wear down the Vichy supporters who are holding out against dishonourable dealings such as Laval advocated.

LAVAL WILL NOT LIMITED EXPRESS ENTERED CURVE AT TOO HIGH SPEED

Report Of Board Following Investigation Into Mercer Smash

(By Telegraph—Press Association) WELLINGTON, Dec. 23.

The report of the board of inquiry appointed to investigate the accident to the Wellington-Auckland "limited" express near Mercer on October 28 has been released by the Minister of Railways (the Hon. D. G. Sullivan).

In finding that the cause of derailment was the overturning of the engine due to its entering a curve at an excessive speed, the report goes on to deal exhaustively with matters connected with the position of the wrecked train, the evidence of the 58 witnesses examined, and the running of the train from Taumarunui northwards to the point of

Suggestions are also made relative to the safe running

the board finds:—

(1) Question: What was the cause of derailment? Answer: The cause was the overturning of the engine due to its entering a curve of 8.2 chains radius at a speed of approximately 55 miles an hour.

(2) Question: Was any employee in the service of the department guilty of any dereliction of duty which, directly or indirectly, contributed to the derailment? Answer: The driver of the train drove the

tributed to the derailment? Answer: The driver of the train drove the engine between Ngaruawahia and the point of derailment at speeds considerably higher than those permitted by the permanent and temporary speed restrictions in force on that section of the line. In particular, he entered a curve of 8.2 chains radius in respect of which a permanent speed restriction of 30 miles an hour is fixed at a speed well in excess of 50 miles an hour.

A Competent Driver

The board found that the driver of the train was a steady, experienced and competent driver with a first-class record. While it was possible that on the occasion in question the driver had his mind on certain other considerations relating to the crossing of opposing trains, etc., the board can only state the bare fact that on a length of line with which he was familiar the driver attempted to drive the train round a sharp curve at a speed more than 20 miles an hour in excess of the authorised maximum speed.

General Comment

(3) Question: Generally, are there any circumstances in connection with the derailment which call for The board further recommends

Answering the specific questions put to it in its order of reference, the board finds:—

Answering the specific questions locally, and also recommends that until a sufficient number of recording speedometers can be procured ing speedometers can be procured and fitted to locomotives, records of and litted to locomotives, records of train speeds between stations as compiled by the train control officers be subjected to careful scrutiny by a senior officer of the Locomotive Branch or of the Traffic Branch with a view to ascertaining whether the drivers exceed the authorised maximum speeds.

Radius Boards

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Regarding the position of radius boards, the board recommended that a radius board should be placed in such a position, and at such a distance ahead of a curve, as to ensure that the driver would be able, before reaching the curve, to bring the speed of the train down to the speed prescribed for the curve by means of the ordinary service application of his brakes.

In cases in which one curve follows another so closely that the board of the second curve cannot be placed as suggested above without encroaching on the first curve, the board was of the opinion that if the second curve was of shorter radius than the first, a double board should be placed ahead of the first curve showing the radius of both curves with the radius of the nearer curve on top.

Subsequent Curves

Subsequent Curves

A radius board of the ordinary type, displaying a single number, should be placed at or near the entrance to the second curve unless that curve is followed closely by a still sharper curve, in which case another double board should be placed sufficiently in advance of the sharpest curve to safeguard it

with the derailment which call for comment, particularly in respect of the rolling stock and the permanent way in the locality of the derailment? Answer: The board was satisfied that the locomotive, cars and guard's van were in first-class order and condition, and that the permanent way was well laid and maintained and perfectly safe to travel over at authorised speeds.

Preventing a Recurrence

(4) Question: What steps, if any, might be suggested to prevent the occurrence of a similar derailment? Answer: The board concurs with the recommendation submitted by the board of inquiry which investigated

ment was impossible to obtain fresh supplies of the French instrument which is regarded as most satisfactory in its performance.

Locally-Designed Recorders

The board suggests that in view of the difficulty of obtaining overseas supplies of speed recorders, a suitable instrument be designed

There was found to be no evidence to justify a finding that an extension of time is necessary or desirable, and the board therefore had no recommendation to make.

Costs to be paid by the Crown to the New Zealand Locomotive Enginedrivers', Firemen's and Cleaners' Association were fixed by the board at fifty guineas.

MOTORS

American Scheme

TO CAPACITY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.

The President of the Congress of Industrial Organisation (Mr Philip Murray) announces that President Roosevelt plans to utilise the present unused capacity of the automotive industry, which could produce after six months' preparations 500 of the most modern fighting planes a day and approximately 150,000 annually.

Mr Murray said that the unused plant capacity exceeds the combined British, German, French, Italian, Russian and Japanese automobile production by approximately 4,000,-

SOVIET PROTEST TO

Alleged Arrests Of Communists

LONDON, Dec. 22.

PUNJAB PREMIER AT

Official Visit To Indian Troops

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Fire Breaks Out In Mailbag

DAMAGE REPORTED

Letters On Way To The South

NOT SABOTAGE

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 23.

Mails for Wellington, Christchurch and Auckland which left Nelson on Saturday evening by the Arahura containing letters and parcels were damaged by fire and subsequently by water. Two slings of mail were put in the hold under the usual supervision at 7.30 p.m., and at 8 p.m. smoke was seen issuing from them. They were hoisted on deck, where the fire was extinguished guished.

Seven bags were seriously damaged out of 14. The majority of the letters have already been sent to their addresses but an endeavour has still to be made to deliver two bags full of parcels with damaged addresses.

Nothing in the hold but the mail was damaged, and the fire was apparently started in one of the bags themselves. Inquiries reveal that the fire does not appear to be the result of sabotage. No definite cause has been ascertained yet.

H.M.S. SWORDFISH OVERDUE

British Submarine Thought Lost

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H.M.S. Swordfish was a vessel of 640 tons, with a normal complement of 40. Among her most recent ex-

FOR BRITAIN THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS

'PLANES INSTEAD OF

PLANTS NOT USED

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production by approximately 4,000,-000 annually.

RUMANIA

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The "Daily Telegraph's" Belgrade correspondent reports that the Soviet Minister at Bucharest has protested against the anti-Soviet campaign in Rumania and the continued arrests of so-called Communists.

CAIRO

LONDON, Dec. 22.
The Admiralty announces that the submarine H.M.S. Swordfish is considerably overdue and must be considered lost. LONDON, Dec. 22.

According to a Cairo agency message, the Prime Minister of the Punjab has arrived in order to visit Indian troops in the Middle East.

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And Tahiti

HASTINGS TENNIS CLUB CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT Makes No Reply

Hawke's Bay Players To Participate

excellent matches should be seen.

Second Round

Handicaps

MEN'S SINGLES

MEN'S DOUBLES

WOMEN'S SINGLES

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

son play Miss M. White and partner, Mrs J. Chambers and Mrs J. Rus

COMBINED DOUBLES

First Round

Second Round

MEN'S SINGLES

J. M. Chambers and M. Chambers play R. Gloyn and A. Ritchie, N. R. C. Wilson and J. B. Wilson play H. M. Fisk and A. E. Beddows.

COMBINED DOUBLES

1st Round

Byes: G. Goodwin and Miss J. Faulkner, A. E. Torbett and Miss Carr, A. E. Beddows and Mrs J. Russell, D. Goodwin and Miss M. White, J. Smith and Miss J. Swinburn, Miss M. White, J. Smith and Miss J. Swinburn, Miss M. J. Hennah, Miss M. P. Hoadley, Mrs B. Boys, Miss J. Faulknor, Miss J. Burnell.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Miss S. Glendinning plays Mrs J. Chambers, Miss M. Redgrave plays Miss J. Cornford, Mrs J. Herrick plays Miss M. White, Mrs J. Herrick plays Miss H. Mawson, Miss J. Paisley plays Miss Rolleston.

Byes: Mrs H. Hassall, Miss M. Bell, Miss J. Hennah, Miss M. P. Hoadley, Mrs B. Boys, Miss J. Faulknor, Miss J. Burnell.

J. N. Lowry and Mrs H. Hassell play C. Hobbs and Mrs Schroder, A. Kennedy and Miss J. Hennah play R. D. Sharpe and Mrs Milburn.

2nd Round H. Hassell and Miss Rolleston play J. and Mrs J. Chambers, H. Fisk and Mrs Boys play D. Ritchie and Mrs Herrick, N. Banks and Mrs G. Cotterill play J. B. Wilson and Miss H. Mawson, A. Ritchie and Mrs Ritchie play W. Mawson and Mrs Mawson. H. Gilmer and Miss J. Burrell the bye.

WOMEN'S SINGLES 1st Round

Byes: Mrs W. Mawson, Miss M. White.

Miss J. Swinburn plays Mrs B.
Boys. Mrs J. Russell plays Miss
Rolleston, Miss M. Bell plays Mrs
W Schroder, Mrs H. Hassell plays
Miss J. Faulkner, Miss J. Paisley
plays Miss J. Cornford. Miss J.
Hennal the bye.

First Round

Byes: Misses J. Faulkner and J. Swinburn, Misses M. Macniven and S. Glendinning, Misses M. Redgrave and J. Hennah.

Mr Sainsbury MAYOR'S GREETING TO To Criticism

Chamber Of Commerce Still "Cuts No lce"

Brush At Wairoa

Season's Greetings To All Of Its Ten Members

When Mr J. A. Lee was relieved of his position as Under-Secretary for Housing he made only one comment. He wished members of the Government "a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Mr C. R. Sainsbury, Wairoa, may or may not aspire to follow in the footsteps of Mr Lee, but his only comment on criticism made by the Wairoa Chamber of Commerce was Mrs J. Herrick and Miss Rolles-ton play Misses D. Carr and J. Bur-rell. Wairoa Chamber of Commerce was to refer the members of that organisation to the published report of their last annual general meeting. "I wish the 10 members a very

MEN'S SINGLES

H. M. Fisk plays A. A. Kennedy,
R. Gloyn plays P. G. Land, J. N.
Chambers plays A. E. Torbett, H.
Gilmer plays Mason Chambers, C.
Hobbs plays J. Smith, D. Hyland
plays G. Goodwin.

Byes: J. G. Blackmore, D. Goodwin. "I wish the 10 members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year," he added.

Mr Sainsbury gave no sign of repenting of his statements at the last meeting of the Hawke's Bay Education Board, when he described the Wairoa Chamber as "a self-appointed and very small body that cuts no ice in Wairoa."

Poland A German Storehouse

A TRANSFORMATION

Industries To Help The Nazis

DICTATOR'S CONTROL Miss D. Carr and J. Burnell play Misses Macniven and Glendinning, Mrs H. Hassall and Mrs W. Maw-

Poland is fast becoming trans-ormed into a German storehouse. Like the Low Countries, Norway, and northern France, it is gradually being "taken over" by Germany, the myth of an independent Polish State Mrs J. Chambers and Mrs J. Russell play Mrs Herrick and Miss Rolleston, Miss M. Redgrave and Miss J. Hennah play Mrs Boys and Mrs Cotterell, Miss J. Paisley and Miss M. Bell play Miss H. Mawson and Mrs C. Carrell.

Byes: Miss J. Cornford and M. P. Hoadley, Miss J. Faulknor and J. Swinburn, Miss Rolleston and Mrs Herrick.

Evidences of this movement are seen in Associated Press reports from Berlin. These reports state that Hans Frank, German Governor of Byes: G. M. Spencer and Miss Paisley, A. E. Torbett and Miss D. Carr, D. Goodwin and Miss M. White, J. B. Wilson and Miss J. Bur-

W. Mawson and Mrs Mawson play D. Hyland and Miss P. Hoadley. lance and sponsorship, this work is gradually being accomplished.

Efforts of the German administration to intensify agricultural production is seen in the report that there are three times as many farm

there are three times as many farm tractors in Poland as there were before the Germans took over.

The textile mills at Lodz—renamed Litzmannstadt—have been "overhauled and modernised," the semi-official Dienst aus Deutschland reports, "and changed to handle synthetic cotton fibres."

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" reports that the street car company is in full swing in Warsaw, and that gas mains, which suffered no less than 380 hits during

the German invasion, and water and electric services are again function-

Glass Replaced

Many hundreds of thousands of square feet of glass have been put back in the windows of the city.

Governor-General Frank, working strictly under the "Fuhrer" principle, is reported to be promoting a four year self-sufficiency plan, and has four subgovernors under him directing efforts toward this end.

The City of Warsaw is administered by 70 Germans, under whom are 24,000 Polish officials.

HOW THE ARMY MAKES A BED

Instructress Tells

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TIPS FOR AMERICAN SOLDIERS

"The American Army has just ordered 2.000,000 new sheets; thousands of new soldiers presently will be making their own beds for thefirst time; and for them a businesslike woman named Martha Aldenhas some pertinent tips.

Miss Alden, who has the unusual job of "sleep expert" for a big sheet company, remarks that bed-making looks simple to a man until he tries it—or until he writhes through a long night in one of his own beds—and that there are a few little angles that make all the difference between pleasure and punishment.

The American Army has just ordered 2.000,000 new sheets; thousands of new soldiers of previous wars and those now serving. S.M., in the Napier Magistrate's Court yesterday when Charles Horace Jennings pleaded guilty to two charges of obtaining sums of money by false pretences.

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Jennings was released on probation officer at Dannevirke (Sergeant Saunders.)

Account Opened

Detective K. W. Mills told the Court that the accused opened and account with the Dannevirke branch of the Bank of New Year to returned soldiers of previous wars and those now serving.

Christmas Cheer

WAIPUKURAU LIST

Public Generosity

Displayed

GOODS RECEIVED

between pleasure and punishment.

The basic thing in bed-making is to get the centre fold of the sheets in the middle of the bed and make sure it stays there as you proceed.

DROVE CAR WHILE

COURT

INTOXICATED

GAOL SENTENCE

Must Not Drive Until

He Is 21

(Daily Mail Special Service)

Appearing before Messrs H. L. Harker and M. J. Gemmill, J.P.'s, at the Wairoa Police Court on Monday, Jack Johnston, a Maori, 18 years of age, pleaded guilty to the charge of being in a state of intoxication while in charge of a motor car. He was convicted and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment, his driving licence was cancelled and he was prohibited from obtaining another

prohibited from obtaining another until he was 21.

Incidents In

Theatre

GIRL'S COMPLAINT

Term Of Imprisonment

Imposed

OFFENCES ADMITTED

an accident.
"It couldn't have happened twice,"
commented Mr Miller.

Unblemished Character "The accused has an unblemished

character, and he feels his position keenly," said Mr Gleeson in pleading

Serious Offence

thing abnormal about him. The annoyance and suggestions made

Cigarettes led to an amusing

were quite foreign to the girls.'

"In extending to the citizens of Napier my earnest wish that they may enjoy a Merry Christmas and a very Happy and prosperous New Year, I feel I must make some reference to the generous manner in which they have responded to the many calls on their purses," states the Mayor of Napier

place on record my sincere appreciation of the work of our organisers, collectors and workers in the cause of the Women's Patriotic Corps, Lady Galway Guild, Red Cross, Y.W.C.A., and all working for these bodies.

with the wish that they may soon recover and be able to enjoy life as it was intended that we all should.

"To the old people my message is that their work has been well done. May they have many years left in which to enjoy the happiness they have earned.

"To complying I express the hope that the New Year will

"In conclusion I express the hope that the New Year will pave a way to the settlement of all our troubles, and leave us free from the cares we have experienced in the past.'

BE INCLUDED

MERGED IN NAPIER BOROUGH

OFFICIAL ACTION

Progressive Move For District

the next session of Parliament will provide for the merging of West shore and the Napier borough, according to advice received in Napier from the Minister of Internal Affairs (the Hon. W. E. Parry) yesterday.

terday.

The Minister's decision will settle a controversy which has exercised the minds of local bodies in the dis-trict for a considerable time. Some

Hans Frank, German Governor of Poland, has announced that the Pole has "been freed from unwilling participation in politics." His sole interest, Governor Frank declares, is now to weave together again an agricultural and economic structure which was torn apart by the war.

Agricultural Efforts

Linder strict German surveil-

One of the outstanding difficulties related to the construction of a new traffic bridge to replace the footbridge which connects Port Ahuriri and Westshore.

and Westshore.

Another point raised by the Borough Council was that a loss would be suffered if they were permitted to charge only the present rate for domestic water supply to Wastshore consumers.

N.Z.E.F. and Air Force (those training in Canada and those in the R.A.F.), also those serving on the Pacific Islands:

"Christmas, 1940. In the years to come, when you look back on this Wastshore consumers."

will be considerable, and will mark the culmination of years of steady progress by this popular seaside re-

Case

VALUELESS CHEQUES Term Of Probation Granted

Detective K. W. Mills told the Court that the accused opened an account with the Dannevirke branch of the Bank of New South Wales

AMERICAN CLIPPER IS DELAYED AGAIN

Before Thursday

AUCKLAND, Dec. 23. Pan American Airways' American Clipper has met with another delay of 24 hours at Honolulu because of bad weather, and is now not expected at Auckland before Boxing

Day.

After having been delayed at San Francisco for five days by bad weather, the Clipper left for Honolulu at 7.58 a.m. (New Zealand time) on Saturday with an extra load of petrol as a precaution and with a large consignment of mail—between 1300lb. and 1400lb.

After hattling for about 22 hours

OLD SOLDIERS GREET THE YOUNG

TOAST TO THE BOYS **OVERSEAS**

The New Zealand Returned Soldiers' Association has dispatched the following message to New Zealanders serving with the Second N.Z.E.F. and Air Force (those train-

Christmas Day, may your recollections of it be very happy. In every returned soldier's home in New Zealand the toast will be 'to the boys overseas.'

"At the outbreak of the war, we declared our faith in our successors—our younger brothers. Nineteenforty has shown the world what strong young hands can do with the weapons the Empire is forging for them. To all of you, our warmest good wishes—make it a merry Christmas and a victorious New Year."

Recently advice was received

Year."
Recently advice was received from Brigadier-General Alex Ross, chairman of the Canadian Legion of War Services, intimating that the above message is to be issued in conjunction with Group Captain L. M. Isitt, New Zealand liaison officer in Canada, on a special card bearing the N.Z.R.S.A. badge to every member of the R.N.Z.A.F., at the proper time.

Ime.
In addition, arrangements have been made for the Hon. W. Perry, M.L.C., president of the N.Z.R.S.A., to broadcast a message of goodwill and greetings for Christmas and New Year to returned soldiers of the contract of that he lost his mother," counsel continued.

"He has spent two nights in custody, and that should have a deterrent effect on his future actions. He has been perfectly frank about the matter in order to save the girls the humiliation of being brought to Court, so that in spite of his fall there is still a shred of manhood left in him, and I appeal to you as strongly as I can to extend to him the benefits of probation," said Mr Gleeson.

several contributions coming to hand since the board met recently. In view of the many calls on the In view of the many calls on the public purse, the board appreciates the measure of support to enable the provision of festive cheer to the

December 28, and New Year's Eve, the Boxing Night attraction is to be with the season's prices arises from the same doft the bed, allowing for plenty of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of worn. The usual popular prices will be fact that the majority of the same and the second that the provision of festive cheer to the bed of the the bed, allowing for plenty of the bed, allowing for plenty of the police but had repudiated the policy of the pull that the provision of festive cheer to the bed with the palor that the policy of the policy of the pull that the policy of the pull that the provision of festive cheer to the subset of the significant majority. The policy of the pull that the policy of the pull that the provision of festive cheer to the bed allowing for plenty of the policy of the policy of the pull that the policy of the pull that the policy of the pull that the pull that the pull that the provision of festive cheer to the bed allowing for the policy of the policy of the pull that the policy of the pull that the policy

YOUNG MAORI IN HASTINGS MAYOR THANKS PEOPLE FOR YEAR'S WORK

"Our Hearts And Prayers Go Across The Oceans." Says Mr Maddison

"The credit is due to all—to the men and women and children who have energetically and successfully organised the many efforts and worked and given for the comfort of our nurses, sailors, airmen and soldiers, and to the people generally who have never failed in so many ways and at all times to back up this great and essential work." said the Mayor of Hastings (Mr G. A. Maddison) in a Christmas message released last night.

"At Christmas time, in a community whose peace and safety remain safeguarded by our own kith and kin in the fighting services, our thoughts and hearts and prayers go out to them across the oceans fervently hoping as we do, that they, too, will have the time and opportunity to enjoy Christmas, and that soon they will be back home with us

Until he was 21.

On Saturday last, the police stated the defendant borrowed a car and took a number of friends to Frasertown, where they had drink. When they returned to Wairoa it was found that one of the crowd had missed a bus so they set off to catch it, with the result that the car left the road when negotiating a bend, striking a telegraph pole and doing some damage to the car.

The police stated that if there had "At the close of 1940, Mrs Maddi-"At the close of 1940, Mrs Maddison and I wish to extend to our Maori and pakeha people our sincere thanks for the assistance and guidance that has been so generously accorded us during another year of office. In addition to municipal administration, we have first in our Centennial celebrations and secondly in the district's patriotic and war The police stated that if there had been another car on the bend at the time a serious accident would have occurred.

Defendant's Story

The accused told the Court that he did not want to drive the car but

The police stated that if there had been another car on the bend at the district's patriotic and war work, received the spontaneous and enthusiastic co-operation and service of all men, women and children. Indeed, Hastings has every reason to be proud of its splendid achievements.

"Mrs Maddison and I extend to hospital and the court that he did not want to drive the car but

The accused told the Court that he did not want to drive the car but his friends made him. He also stated that he had had no drink, but he was sleepy as he had not been to bed the night before. everyone, those in hospital and other institutions, those upon whose shoulders the cares and worries and sorrows of the day rest heavily, those mothers and fathers and sisthose mothers and fathers and sisters and brothers who have given their sons and brothers to fight for us. We humbly offer the sincere wish that you and they will enjoy a happy Christmas, in the sure and certain knowledge that the coming year will bring us closer to peace and happiness for all time." Mr Harker told the defendant that Mr Harker fold the defendant that he had been warned before by the police about his drinking, but had taken no notice. "This is a serious offence and we cannot let this sort of thing go on," he added. "You must be taught a lesson."

REPLY MADE BY UNION

WATERSIDERS AT AUCKLAND

WORK IN RAIN

Report Said To Be

"Garbled" Ey Telegraph-Press Association.

The sequel to an incident which occurred in one of the Napier picture theatres on Saturday afternoon took place in the Magistrate's Court yesterday when John James Murray, a 32-year-old bricklayer, appeared before Mr J. Miller, S.M., on two charges of common assault involving girls aged 13 years. AUCKLAND, Dec. 23.

yesterday when John James Murray, a 32-year-old bricklayer, appeared before Mr J. Miller, S.M., on two charges of common assault involving girls aged 13 years.

Murray, who was represented by Mr M. L. Gleeson, entered a plea of guilty. He was convicted and sentenced to one month's imprisonment on each charge.

Senior-Sergeant F. C. Felton, who conducted the case for the police, told the Court that Murray went to a picture theatre and sat alongside a young girl. He spoke to her and then touched her. She became frightened and complained to an usher, who found her another seat.

The accused them moved across and sat down beside another young girl and engaged her in conversation. She also complained of his actions.

A lad sitting quite close to the girls became aware that "something funny" was going on, especially when the second girl left the theatre, said the Senior-Sergeant.

Murray, who was later intercepted by Mr Miller, S.M., on two charges of common assault involving the loading of a vessel on Saturday night, the president of the Watersiders Union (Mr P. H. Soloma:) has issued a statement to the Press. He said that the statement published was garbled and misleading. At the request of the Waterfront Commissioner (Mr R. E. Price) he agreed that extended hours would be aworked on the ship possibly until 2 o'clock on Sunday morning, refreshments to be provided if the ship was not finished by 11 p.m. The men was falling, he (Mr Soloman) asked the man in charge of the loading to provide refreshments while the men were standing by. He replied: "I'll see about a pot of coffee being provide refreshments while the men were standing by. He replied: "I'll see about a pot of coffee being provider refreshments while the men were standing by. He replied: "I'll see about a pot of coffee being provide refreshments while the men were standing by. He replied: "I'll see about a pot of coffee being provider refreshments while the men were standing by. He replied: "I'll see about a pot of coffee being provider refreshments while chamber in five days,

Mounted Unit On

WEEK-END WORK

There were 52 men on parade at a week-end turnout of the Wai-marama Mounted Troop of the Home Guard, and with fresh enrol-ments the unit now has a roll total

In convicting Murray, Mr Miller said that the Court would always regard such offences as serious. In the case before him there was not one girl concerned, but two. One complained and aparently that was not sufficient warning to him, for he moved over to the second girl and repeated his conduct.

"They are entitled to every protection," said the Magistrate. "The accused is not a boy—he is a man and that shows that there is something abnormal about him. The

went into action and a striking feature of this manoeuvre was the steadiness of the led horses under the No. 3's. Other Movements

Other movements included increasing and decreasing the front creasing and decreasing the front, mounting and dismounting, wheeling and a short route march.

The infantry section of the unit was instructed in squad drill and rifle exercises by Sergeant Nicholl, signalling by Corporal Boyle and musketry by Trooper Field. Members of the Hastings St. John Ambulance, were again in attendance bers of the Hastings St. John Ambulance were again in attendance and continued their instruction.

During the afternoon the wives and relatives of the guardsmen again provided a welcome cup of tea and also attended a St. John Ambulance class under Superintendent H Barden.

H. Barden. Next Parade

As Major Parker and the n.c.o.'s of the troop will attend the course of instruction for officers of the Home Guard at Napier on January 3, 4 and 5 the next full parade of the unit will be held on Sunday, January 12 at 1 p.m. The n.c.o.'s are so keen, however, that they are arranging night parades during the next fortnight.

next fortnight.

At the conclusion of the parade the Commanding Officer congratulated the unit on its keenness and smartness, and the mounted men on the contract of their houses. the turn-out of their horses.

WAIPAWA PLAYERS VISIT

DETAILED RESULTS

Begun

An enjoyable time was spent at the Otane Lawn Tennis Club's courts when the first match in a triangular tournament between Waipukurau, Waipawa and Otane was held, this first game being between Otane and Waipawa players. Following are the details of play, Otane names being given first: Men's Singles

R. D. Sharp lost to E. J. Watts, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3; M. August lost to P. Plummer, 6-0, 6-3; W. F. Turner lost to D. Y. Allen, 6-2, 6-5; N. Mundell lost to Jull, 6-0, 6-2.

Miss A. Britten beat Mrs Gambie, 9-5; Miss D. Craig beat Mrs Knobloch, 9-2; Miss M. Mundell beat Miss Carne, 9-6; Miss L. August beat Mrs Maitland, 9-4.

Men's Doubles

Misses Britten and Craig beat Mesdames Gambie and Knobloch, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2; Misses Mundell and August lost to Miss Carne and Mrs Maitland, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Maitland, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Combined Doubles

Sharp and Miss Britten beau
Watts and Mrs Gambie, 6-2, 3-6, 6-4;
August and Miss Craig beat Plummer and Mrs Knobloch, 6-5, 2-6, 6-1;
Turner and Miss Mundell beat Allen
and Mrs Maitland, 4-6, 6-5, 6-3; Mundell and Miss August lost to Jull
and Miss Carne, 6-4, 6-4.

Matches: Otane 9, Waipawa 7.
Games: Otane 159, Waipawa 167.

To Farmers

MOTOR TRUCK PLATES

On Farms

GAZETTE NOTICE

they require the payment of annual licence fees in respect of farmers' motor vehicles, provided the vehicles are used exclusively in connection with farming business and are used on the roads only in proceeding from one part of a farm to another part of the same farm or to an adjacent farm which is owned by the same person.

by the same person.

Farmers in this category are also exempted from the heavy traffic fees and may also obtain refunds of the Motor Spirit Tax.

Possibilities For Auckland

(Daily Mail Special Service)
AUCKLAND, Dec. 23.
Auckland tracks are firm and

Auckland tracks are firm and there is the possibility of rain before the races.

Win and place prospects are:—
11.45—Robinson Handicap.—First division: Night Pilot, Princess Val, Radiant Vaals. Second division: Corot, Sir General, Valley Maid

12.30—Grafton Hurdles.—Kaiwaka, Small Boy, Cherry Plum. 1.15—Great Northern Foal Stakes. —Pay Roll, Varuna, Foreign

2.5—Auckland Cup.—Old Bill, Beau Vite, Cheval De Volee. 2.50—Queen's Plate.—Cilla's Kraal,

4.25—Nursery Handicap.—Silver Clarion, Route March, Dependable.

Excellent Entries: Leading

Excellent entries have been received for the 36th annual Christmas tournament of the Hastings Tennis Club. The proceeds of the tournament are to be donated to patriotic

Leading Hawke's Bay players are taking part, and some

Post entries will be received by the secretary (Mr J. B. Wilson).
Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be available on the courts.
Play will begin each day at 9 a.m.
Following is the draw for the various events:—

Misses J. Cornford and P. Hoad-ley play Mesdames Cotterill and Milburn, Mrs B. Boys and Miss M. Bell play Mesdames J. Chambers and J. Russell, Mesdames Hassell and Mawson play Mrs W. Schroder and Miss J. Paisley.

Championships

1st Round Byes: R. Gloyn, Mason Chambers, H. E. Fisk, A. E. Torbett, H. Gilmer, D. Ritchie, J. B. Wilson, G. Goodwin, A. Ritchie, J. N. Lowry, D. Goodwin, P. G. Land.
M. Banks plays J. Smith, W. Mawson plays D. Hyland, R. D. Sharpe plays C. Hobbs, A. E. Beddows plays J. Blackmore.

MEN'S DOUBLES 1st Round

Byes: C. Hobbs and A. E. Torbett,
D. and G. Goodwin.
W. Banks and J. N. Lowry play
H. Gilmer and J. Smith, H. Hassell
and W. Mawson play D. Ritchie and
R. D. Sharpe.

2nd Round

MEN'S DOUBLES

H. Hassall and W. Mason play
C. Hobbs and H. Fisk, J. Chambers
and Mason Chambers play P. Land
and J. Blackmore, G. and D. Goodwin play H. Gilmer and J. Smith,
R. G. Gloyn and A. E. Torbett a bye,
G. Spencer and J. B. Wilson a bye.

Mrs R. H. Milburn plays Miss P. Hoadley, Mrs J. Herrick plays Mrs G. Cotterill. 2nd Round

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

CHRISTMAS MUSIC PRESENTED

Recital At Napier ORGAN AND VOCAL

SELECTIONS

Memoranda

The Napier High School Old Boys' Football Club has arranged a series of carnival dances. The first of these is to be held in the Foresters' Hall to-night. The Buffs' Orchestra is to be in attendance. The other has been overlooked on the property. shearing shed the shoulder wool football Club has arranged a series of carnival dances. The first of these is to be held in the Foresters' Hall to-night. The Buffs' Orchestra is to be in attendance. The other nights set for these dances are Boxing Night (Thursday). Saturday, December 28, and New Year's Eve. The Boxing Night attraction is to be a masquerade, when masks are to be worn. The usual popular prices will be observed, and some good night's entertainment is assured.

The Frivolity Minstrels ask all patrons to remind their visiting friends that on Friday next they will be giving two variety shows in the Sound Shell. The first one will commence at 8 o'clock and the second one about 9.15 p.m. Admission

Displeased With

Discrepancies Are

floors by growers has given some of them a surprise. In many instances, they have regarded their wool as sound when handling it in the shearing shed. When it is displayed on the show floor its tenderness becomes apparent. In the

"March of the Magi Kings" (Dubois), aria, "I know that my Redeemer liveth" from "The Messiah" (Handel), Mrs Ulric Williams.

Chorus, "For unto us a child is born," from "The Messiah" (Handel), arr. for organ by W. T. Best.

May be consulted for a decision. Once the value is determined it is final, and there is no right of appeal.

Tender Condition

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Mr and Mrs A. Ritchie play G. Goodwin and Mrs J. Russell, H. Gilmer and Mrs C. Carrell play J. Chambers and Mrs J. Chambers, M. Chambers and Mrs J. Chambers, M. Chambers and Miss M. Redgrave play H. Hassell and Mrs Hassell, R. Gloyn and Miss M. Bell play A. Kennedy and Miss J. Hennah, C. Hobbs and Mrs Schroder play H. M. Fisk and Mrs B. Boys, R. D. Sharpe and Miss Cornford a bye.

Prices

AUSTRALIAN WOOL

An 'enjoyable programme of music having as its theme the Christmas message was presented in St. John's Cathedral, Napier, last night. The artists were Mr P. W. Tombs at the organ, Mrs Ulric Williams (soprano) and Mrs J. H. Fieldhouse (contralto).

The items presented were as follows: Chorale Preludes, "In dulcid Jubilo," "From Heaven above to Earth I come" (Bach).

Recitative aria, "Behold a Virgin Shall Conceive," "O thou that tellest Good Things" from "The Messiah" (Handel), Mrs J. H. Fieldhouse.

"Offertoire on two Christmas Themes" (Guilmant), aria "Rejoice Greatly" from "The Messiah" (Handel), Mrs Ulric Williams.

Christmas Pastorale (Merkel).
Recitative, "Then shall the eyes of the blind" aria, "He shall feed His flock," "Come unto Him" from "The Messiah" (Handel), Mrs J. H. Fieldhouse and Mrs Ulric Williams:

"Fantasia on Christmas Carols" (Faulkes), aria, "He was Despised" from "The Messiah" (Handel), Mrs J. H. Fieldhouse.

"Mool is appraised by three final appraisers, one representing the selling brokers, acting for the grower, and two acting for the grower in the

Mr T. W. Hercock's Christmas Message Expresses Appreciation

THE PEOPLE OF NAPIER

(Mr T. W. Hercock). "The results have been truly wonderful, and I wish to

'To those in ill-health I extend my sympathy, together

WESTSHORE WILL

Legislation to be brought down at the next session of Parliament will

months ago a petition was raised by Westshore residents asking for incare corporation in the borough, but the ports Napier Borough Council, wishing to have a fuller discussion on certain points raised, lodged an objection to the proposal.

Some Knotty Problems

Westshore consumers.

It is understood that the Borough synthetic cotton fibres."

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" reports that the street car company is in full swing in Warsaw, and that gas mains, which suffered no less than 380 hits during the German invasion, and water and

Not A Serious

HEARING AT NAPIER

some three years ago, and that the account was guaranteed by a citizen there. On account of the un-

Will Not Reach N.Z.

By Telegraph-Press Association.

Message From R.S.A.

Victorious New Year By Telegraph-Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 23.

Strong Young Hands
"At the outbreak of the war, we

mitigation.

"From early childhood he has not had the benefits of a good home in that he lost his mother," counsel continued.

"Daily Mail" Special Service.
WAIPUKURAU
The Christmas Cheer fund of the
Waipawa Hospital Board for its
three institutions now totals £100.

Triangular Tournament

(Daily Mail Special Service)
OTANE.

Women's Singles

Sharp and August beat Plummer and Allen, 6-5, 6-5; Turner and Mundell lost to E. J. Watts and Jull, 6-4, 6-3.

New Concession

Vehicles Used Only

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, Dec. 23. Parade

HOME GUARD TROOP

Waimarama Members At Exercises

WELLINGTON, Dec. 23.

In order to facilitate farm production, an additional concession to farmers in the form of granting them E plates for motor trucks used for farm work is provided by the Transport Legislation Suspension order, gazetted to-night.

The notice, which comes under the War Emergency Regulations, suspends the provision of Section 11 of the Motor Vehicles Act so far as they require the payment of annual licence fees in respect of farmers'

LATE SPORTING

TO-DAY'S RACING

3.35—Railway Handicap.—Lady Tinkle, Belle Cane, Corato.

5.10—Christmas Handicap.—Enrich, Kindergarten, Foxola.



MANAWATU RACING CLUB CHRISTMAS MEETING

> AWAPUNI RACECOURSE, PALMERSTON NORTH.

BOXING DAY, 26th December,

SATURDAY, 28th December. First Race 12.15 p.m. Good Fields Soldiers in Uniform Admitted Free.

THE POVERTY BAY TURE CLUB

SUMMER MEETING

To be Held at the MAKARAKA RACECOURSE, GISBORNE, MAKARAKA RACECOURSE, GISBORNE,

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

2nd £10, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st.

1 MILE.

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

5 FURLONGS

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

6 FURLONGS

SECOND DAY.

To Start at 1.30 p.m.

1-SECOND HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, of £95, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. For horses that have started three times in a steeplechase or hurdle race. AND FOR HORSES ELIGIBLE TO START IN HACK FLAT RACES. Riders to comply with Rule 224 (a) of the Rules of Racing. Min. weight, 9st. 1½ MILES.

2-COOK HACK HANDICAP, of £95, 2nd £10, 2nd £5. Min. weight, 9st. 1½ MILES.

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The final gallops to-day may shed some further light on the prospects for Waipukurau on Boxing Day, but those who appeal at this stage.

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

6 FURLONGS.

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

6-FAREWELL HACK HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. 7lb. 6 FURLONGS. Nominations all events 20/-. Accept-ances all events 20/-.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

PENALTIES.—All handicaps subject to the condition that the winner of any race after the declaration of weights may be re-handicapped.
All races to be run under the New Zealand Rules of Racing.
The Committee reserves the right to alter the order of the events on the programme at any time prior to the date gramme at any time prior to the date of the meeting.

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

ACCEPTANCES for First Day close on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1941, at 8 p.m. WEIGHTS for Second Day declared about 7 p.m. on night of first day's races. ACCEPTANCES for Second Day close at S.30 p.m. the same night. G. H. SCEATS, Secretary. 'Phone 1134, P.O. Box 316, Gisborne.

TRANSPORT ALLO VANCE. The Club will make an allowance of \$4 per horse towards the cost of return fare from Walroa. Liberal allowances will also be made for visiting horses from other localities.

GREYHOUND RACING AT HASTINGS

Track Record Equalled

A large attendance at Nelson Park, Hastings, on Saturday evening saw several thrilling greyhound races. The highlight of the evening was the equalling of the track record by China Clipper and Miss Beverley, both of whom put up a good performance.

The track, which is recognised as being the fastest in New Zealand, was in good order throughout the

The results were as follows:-The results were as follows:—
ALBERT MAIDEN STAKE, 330
yards.—First heat: Foreign Lad 1,
Fast Flight 2, Breezing Home 3.
Time, 18sec. Second heat: Gentle
Breeze 1, Beau Geste 2, Lady Ann 3.
Time, 19sec. Third heat: Kindergarten 1, The Judge 2. Time, 20sec.
Final: Foreign Lad 1, Kindergarten 1, The Judge 2. Time, 20sec.
FANNIN NOVICE STAKE, 560
yards.—First heat: Boston Prince 1,
Synip Again 2, Young Boston 3.
Time, 33\(\frac{1}{2}\)sec. Second heat: Don
Salvo 1, Brown Bomber 2, Lucky
Gold 3. Time, 35sec. Final: Boston
Prince 1, Synip Again 2, Don Salvo
3. Time, 33sec.

NELSON PARK OPEN STAKE, 560 yards.—China Clipper 1, Glen-coe 2, Black Royal 3. Time, 32sec. SPECIAL HURDLE EVENT, 560 yards.—Lochiel 1, Loch Lomond 2, Glencoe 3. Time, 35½sec.—a track

HAWKE'S BAY MAIDEN STAKE, HAWKE'S BAY MAIDEN STAKE, 560 yards.—First heat: Miss Beverley 1, Lady Luna 2, Cappy Boston 3. Time, 32sec. Second heat: Hats Off 1, Golden Spring 2, Loppalong 3. Time, 32 4-5sec. Third heat: Kyber Lad 1, Miss Synip 2, Foreign Lad 3. Time, 32 3-5sec. Final: Miss Beverley 1, Hats Off 2, Miss Synip 3. SAPLING STAKES, 330 yards.

Beau Geste 1, Young Desire 2, Flash Lady 3. Time, 20sec. HERETAUNGA NOVICE HURDLES.—Old Pal 1, Sparkling Footsteps 2, Master Ryan 3. Time,

WAIPUKURAU

GOOD MEETING IS **ASSURED**

STRONG FIELDS

Events Will Be Keenly Contested

By "Moturoa"

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Prospects are exceedingly bright for the Waipukurau Racing Club's summer meeting at Waipukurau on Thursday and indications are that the club will enjoy one of its most successful meetings in recent years. The fields are all of handy size and the class is very evenly balanced. Splendid track conditions prevail and the committee is leaving no stone unturned to assure that the meeting will provide a goodly sum to be contributed to the patriotic funds. It rests now with the Hawke's Bay racing enthusiasts to make the day an outstanding triumph.

The Amalgamation Hack Cup field is well up to standard and, as this race has usually brought to light a good handicap horse, this event may have an important bearing on the more important races in the next few months. Native Chief has a fine record of consistency and won three races at Gisborne in the spring, since when he has not started. He is reported to be in great order and will have a big following. Kobi, who showed good form on this track as a two-year-old, won at Woodville recently, while Laughing Song scored impressively at Awapuni last Saturday. This is one of the most improved mares in the distance when he has not started. He is reported to be in great order and will have a big following. Kobi, who showed good form on this track as a two-year-old, won at Woodville recently, while Laughing Song scored impressively at Awapuni last Saturday. This is one of the most improved mares in the distance and she will be bracketed with that solid Bulandshar mare City Song, who won at Otaki at her last start. Malacca and Authoress will be improved by their recent racing, while Shani won a double at Green we wands that have never won a race at time of entry. Weights: Two-year-olds 8st., three-year-olds and upwards start have never won a race at time of entry. Weights: Two-year-olds 8st., three-year-olds and upwards 8st., three-year-olds and upwards start win, and 71b. for every subsecut win after date of entry. (No

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

Juvenile Handicap: Proven, High Morale, Silver Ball. Amalgamation Hack Cup: Laughing Braeburn Handicap: Proclamation, Flying Spy, Kadina.

Hunter Handicap: Gay Mimic, Doctor Defoe, or Master Cyklon. Woburn Handicap: Native Chief, Royal Pageant, Squeers. 5—HACK CUP HANDICAP, of £100, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. Min. weight, 7st. Diana Tetrix. 1 MILE. Porangahan Handicap: Malacca

Porangahau Handicap: Malacca City Song, Proclamation.

The Buzzer Tops pity that he did not accept for the Auckland Cup, where he was favourably treated with 8.3—151b. under Marton Cup

NEW YEAR WEIGHTS

Laughing Song Rated Best Hack

RATA HACK HURDLES. Of f150; 14 miles.

Segra 11.5, Hanover 10.11, War Lap
10.6, Great Quex 10.2, Prinihia 9.7, Hyderabad 9.6, Selkirk 9.4, Gold Nut 9.0,
Travail 9.0, Parekura 9.0, Spearcast 9.0,
Haile Selassie 9.0, Manteau 9.0, Luath
9.0, Royal Stuart 9.0.

MARTON CUP. Of £500; 1½ miles. Of £500; 1½ miles.

The Buzzer 9.4, Amigo 9.0, Black Thread 8.11, Globe Trotter 8.11, Du Maurier 8.6, Little Robin 8.0, The Ring 7.13, Anita Foe 7.6, Dynasty 7.6, Homily 7.3, Play On 7.3, Old Surrey 7.3, Dark Eagle 7.3, Siglow 7.3, Laughing Song 7.0, Ruatiti 7.0, Charing Cross 7.0, Colossal Chief 7.0, Hasten 7.0, City Song 7.0, Charles Edward 7.0.

RAILWAY HANDICAP. Of £200; 6 furlongs. Of 1200; 6 furiongs.

Amigo 9.9, Black Thread 9.9, Sir Crusce 9.5, Wings of Song 7.13, Night Eruption 7.13, Chary 7.10, Grandora 7.7, Black Robe 7.2, Colossal Chief 7.0, Red Cat 7.0, Tuatara 7.0, Race Call 7.0, Golden Ridge 7.0, Collincamps 7.0, Solaria 7.0, Sea Link 7.0, Air Flight 7.0.

NEW YEAR HACK HANDICAP. Of £225; 9 furlongs. Of £225; 9 furlongs.
Laughing Song 9.9, Esperance Bay 9.6,
Hasten 9.3, Last Acre 9.2, Hunting Lore
8.5, Gold Bridge 8.4, Myarion 8.3, Kotua
8.3, City Song 8.0, Segra 7.13, Foxiana
7.13, Arabic 7.10, Talenta 7.9, Renascor
7.7, Curtail 7.7, Wenewene 7.7, Rose Acre
7.7, Royal Consort 7.7, Sunny Dale 7.7,
Bide-a-Wee 7.7, Squeers 7.7, Inform 7.7,
Courting 7.7, Red Chief 7.7, Viracious 7.7,
Newbury Queen 7.7.

PROSPECTS FOR | Comment On Form Shown At Awapuni

BELLE CANE IS GOOD

Thoroughbreds To Be Offered At Hastings Races

(By MOTUROA).

Belle Cane covered herself with glory when she won the Manawatu Cup on Saturday and, as well, she was impressive. Well placed in the early stages of the race she was fourth at the half mile, but she was then cut off and she was awkwardly placed as they straightened up. However, when her chance did come to go through she quickly gave the leaders their

The impression created by her Trentham and Riccarton successes was surely borne out by Saturday's success, but it did not prove her a stayer, for there was no pace on until the final half mile. It was a race made to suit a non-stayer, but, in view of her Derby engagement at the New Year, it was pleasing to note that Belle Cane stayed on when The Buzzer challenged on the fence inside the last furlong.

Belle Cane is undoubtedly a great filly. She may not be

as brilliant as Silver Scorn, Razzle Dazzle or Desert Gold; she may not be a true styer like Gold Light or Enthusiasm; but she is undoubtedly a high class filly and, with no outstanding colt to oppose her, the Manawatu Cup can be taken as a really

The race certainly showed that the Beau Pere filly had trained on the right way since Riccarton and that she is as fit as hands can make her for Ellerslie, but backers should not run away with the idea that the Railway Handicap is a cinch for her. She is not brilliant enough off the mark for such a race and I will be greatly surprised if her best distances are not from a mile to twelve furlongs.

will be surprised if he does not take

GOOD SPRINT FIELD

FORM HARD TO

UNDERSTAND

GREENMEADOWS track

GREENMEADOWS track
watchers are confounded
with the form shown at Woodville and Awapuni by the Gascony mare Hui. Jack Neagle
has this mare looking a picture
at present and she attracted
considerable attention from
backers at Awapuni on Saturday. However, she compounded
unaccountably when in a winning position as they straightened up. The form of this wellbred mare is hard to understand
but she may make amends before the holidays are over.

—"Moturoa"

THE BUZZER, with an ounce of luck, might have won the Manawatu Cup on Saturday. The track was greasy and he was racing under conditions that did not suit him, but he made a dab on the fence turning for home and just missed an opening. It was not until well within the last furlong that the chance did come and he was simply flying into second place.

Indeed, it showed him up as a game customer and his race attracted attention to his immediate prospects. It will surprise if Charles Edward does not show this week that he is improved by his race on Saturday.

FINE RACE PROMISED

second place.

The Buzzer's finishing effort was emphasised to some extent by the fact that Belle Cane was loafing after she reached the front, but the guide to investors.

CONSIDERABLE interest will be taken in the Louisson Memorial Handicap at Awapuni on Thursday and Saturday's form should be some guide to investors.

MIGHT SURPRISE THEM

ENDORSEMENT was responsible for a really smart gallop at Auckland on Saturday morning and the effort indicates that she has trained on well the Woodville meeting when she ran Lambourn to a head. This good Hastings mare is not in much favour for the A.R.C. Railway Handicap, but she is a very consistent and solid performer, and she would need only to begin well to effect

-"Moturoa"

fact remains that the Australian-bred gelding had to force his way through. His was the form of a true stayer and it does seem a great

Buzzer won an Auckland Cup and looked unlucky to lose the N.Z. Cup by the narrowest of margins.

Mr H. Coyle has declared the following weights for the first day of the Marton summer meeting on January 1 and 2: the holidays.

MAIDEN RACE.
Of £130; 6 furlongs.
Ringcraft, Smiling Morn, Thorama,
Midvane, Ninia, Nationalist, Sunny Dale,
Lady Grey, Small Chance, Star Zone,
Glen Donal, Flying High, March Easy,
Greek Idol, Half Crown, Gold Tray,
Wildfire, Tattler, Minvaals, Inform, Airshot all 8.7.

LADIES' BRACELET.
Of £120; 9 furlongs.

Doctor Defoe 11.9, Etruscan 11.5, Pitmark 11.1, Waimutu 11.1, Hokumai 11.0,
Seyfried 10.11, Wenewene 10.7, Idalian
10.7, Parekura 10.7, Vin Rouge 10.7,
Arachne 10.7, Luath 10.7.

MAIDEN RACE.

NOT HIS BEST FORM

LITTLE ROBIN was confidently backed from the right quarter on Saturday. He had done every-thing right since he ran second to Royal Chief in the Metropolitan Handicap and he was handily placed with 7.13, but his fourth placing was a long way below expectations.
However, it would be foolhardy to condemn Little Robin for that defeat. In the first place he was unsuited by the slow pace adopted over the first mile and then he covered far too much ground around

over the first mile and then he covered far too much ground around the home turn. In this latter respect the unfair to place all the JUVENILE HANDICAP.
Of £160; 5 furlongs.

Soutane 8.13, Saint Tor 8.8, Gunyah
8.1, High Morale 7.10, Mindo 7.10, Athenian 7.10, Jolly Ruler 7.10, Trekalong
7.8, Fleche D'Or 7.8, Leisurely 7.5, Amorangi 7.3, Greek Step 7.3, Lady Acora
7.3, Golden Tide 7.0.

SURE TO IMPROVE THIS WEEK

WHITE RAJAH ran a fine race at Awapuni on Saturday for fourth after anything but a good passage in the crucial stages of the race. The track conditions were also against this improving Australian-bred gelding and it would not surprise to see him show greatly improved form before the Manawatu summer meeting is over. is over. -"Moturoa"

a chance to head off Belle Cane and he took it, but the leaders forced him to go wide out.

Little Robin might still have been in the money had he been ridden with more vigour over the last furlong, but he was beaten out of third money by a head by Du Maurier.

In a faster-run race and on a firmer track, Little Robin should show that Saturday's was not his best form.

GENEROUS GALLOPER

THOROUGHBRED SALE

INTEREST will be added to the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's summer meeting next week when a number of young, untried horses, and several brood mares will be offered on the second, day before the races on behalf of the well-known Mangateretere breeder Mr Ossie Nelson.

This will be an unreserved clearance sale with one exception, that being the Bulandshar-Poi Girl two-year-old filly, a youngster who, alone should attract much attention to the sale.

GENEROUS GALLOPER CHARLES EDWARD, though well beaten in the last half-furlong, the fact that he had had to be eased after the injuries he received the other day at Feilding.

It developed upon the Greenmeadows gelding to make all the running and a mistake might have been made in fighting with him sale.

Sale.

This filly, who has been handled, the real Bulandshar quality and should be all the better for the patient policy adopted with her. Like all the stock of the Blandford horse she shows great bone and is an outstanding individual. She is not over-grown, but she is well coupled up and possesses great shoulders and quarters.

DASH HACK HANDICAP.

Roeon 9.0, Scandal 8.13, Sea Link
Rotua 8.3, Silverhope 8.2, Lady Ex 7.13, Scal Caution 7.10, Pas de Cheval 7.10, victor 7.10, Taiho 7.7, Golden Pam 7.7, Army Girl 7.7, Taiho 7.7, Earlscourt 7.7, St. Grace

Horsepower has been from the Auckland Jubilee Cup.

other day at Feilding.

It developed upon the Green-meadows gelding to make all the remaining and a mistake might have been made in fighting with him when he wanted to set a stronger pace. He appeared to be well beaten of the stock of the Blandfold flows she shows great bone and is an outstanding individual. She is not over-grown, but she is well coupled up and possesses great shoulders are fully should make a great galloper for, apart from her general conformation, she has good breeding to back her. A half-sister to that good galloper. Jazz Boy. She is bred good galloper. Jazz Boy. She is bred good galloper. Jazz Boy. She is bred from Poi Girl, a half sister to that good galloper. The others are in from the Auckland Jubilee Cup.

Horsepower has been withdrawn from the Auckland Jubilee Cup.

other day at Feilding.

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next week.

type, and her breeding leaves little to be desired.

Siegall is by the Son-in-Law horse Siegafried and her dam is Allowance, a sister to Windward, and a half-sister to Mother-in-Law and the Taranaki Cup winner Trench Fight, being by Gainscourt from Arbitration, by Tribulation from Meremere, by San Fram from Maude, by St. Leger from Hilda, ancestress of Lady Lucy, Star Stranger, Fulmen, Antares, Kopu, St. Elmn, Mahutonga, Merry Day, Fisher, Alteration, Labour Day and a host of smart performers over all distances. There is also a four-year-old bay mare by Tractor from Lady Flyer, a Gasbag mare who traces back to Woodstock, ancestress of Rewi, Toxeuma, Werohia, Aube, Meamea, and the N.Z. Cup winner Wolverine. This mare has had a filly to St. Boswell's and has grown into a really nice brood mare. As such she should appeal, for the Tractor mares are proving extremely successful at the Stud.

JUMPING PROPOSITION

guide to investors.

Catalogue ran well enough in the Grandstand Handicap to suggest that he had improved with his sprint at Otaki, and, in view of his important New Year engagements, his running will be the cynosure of all JUMPING PROPOSITION I Amigo, who has not raced since the spring, appeals more in the shorter race later in the day, but this is an opportunity for Little Robin to rehabilitate himself and I

given every chance to develop and it will surprise if he does not make

a more important part at the finish.

Dynasty's stout finishing effort to
win the Grandstand Handicap—fol-Dynasty's stout finishing effort to win the Grandstand Handicap—following his good thirds at Woodville—brings him before notice, while Old Surrey, who won this race two years ago, appeals more than Hunting Cat.

The pick of the lightweights should be Charles Edward, and it looks as if he will participate in the finish with Little Robin and Dynasty.

It will surprise if he does not make good.

Molong, who still looks hale and hearty, is by California from Sanguine, by Apremont from Last Chance, by The Painter from Chance, ancestress of Merry Damon, Royal Blood, Royal Time, Royal Diadem, Jovial, Joy Ride and other good winners.

The Tidal colt is a good type for use as a station sire later on

true stayer and it does seem a great pity that he did not accept for the Auckland Cup, where he was favourably treated with 8.3—15lb, under w.f.a.

It is obvious that The Buzzer has improved since he chased Royal Chief home in the Canterbury Cup and was set to meet that horse on 21lb, better terms at Ellerslie. This, too, was despite the fact that The

and the Lord Quex—Molong gelding completed the course in all but one of the hurdles races he contested. In his only fall he was forced over the rails at Hastings. Parry should be all the better for a bit of age on him and he certainly has the size and conformation for the jumping game.

ASHHURST MEETING

Attractive Programme For January 22

but she may make amends before the holidays are over.

—"Moturoa"

Woodville, but the Gisborne gelding has always shown his best on a firm track. The greasy conditions, coupled with his big weight, militated against his chances on Saturday and a definite improvement can be confidently expected from him on Thursday.

However, Black Thread is set a stiff task for he meets Amigo on even terms and the latter was an impressive winner at Trentham in October. Amigo has been working well and is likely to be found ready to run a great seven furlongs.

Harina goes well over this distance and so does Boldstep, whose forward showing on Saturday attracted attention. Bill Turnbull has this gelding in great order for the holiday circuit.

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Nominations for all events close with the secretary (Mr J. A. McDonell) at 9 o'clock on Monday, January 6.

DIVIDED

Belle Cane Receives A Small Re-handicap

By Telegraph-Press Association. AUCKLAND, Dec. 23. Provision has been made by the Auckland Racing Club to divide the Robinson Handicap owing to the acceptors exceeding the safety limit, and will form the opening event. The first division is as follows:—

GAVE A LOT OF CHEEK

CATALOGUE, with the stable CATALOGUE, with the stable apprentice in the saddle, was not in any great favour for the Grandstand Handicap at Awapuni on Saturday, but the Melbourne Cup winner loomed up dangerously wide out as the straight was reached and momentarily looked like taking a hand in the finish of the race. The outing, however, will do him good and it would not surprise to see "Jerry" well in the picture in the Wairarapa Cup next week.

-"Moturoa"

from Rangipo, by Pacific and tracing back to Cassandra, ancestress of Ada, Magenta, Danebury, Adamant and other good winners.

There is also a well-grown three year-old filly by Tidal (sire of Floodtide, Tidewaiter and others) from Poi Girl. She is a very solid type, being well built up behind and having plenty of reach. She should be a good jumping proposition later on. good jumping proposition later on BETTER FOR A SPELL

BETTER FOR A SPELL
SIEGALL, who showed plenty of pace the short while she was in work at Hastings last season, has derived considerable benefit from her spell out at Mr Nelson's and she has grown into a fine mare who should attract some attention.

She has been hacked around the farm and schooled over a number of hurdles, at which game she shows much promise. However, Siegall, should appeal as a fine brood-mare type, and her breeding leaves little to be desired.

Siegall is by the Son-in-Law horse

JUMPING PROPOSITION

LOVERS of jumpers will find much to hold their interest in the fine big three-year-old colt by Tidal from Molong, the dam of Top Hat and Parry, and a more likely proposition for jumping races would not be found in a day's march.

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The Tidal colt is a good type for use as a station sire later on.

There is also a fine big five-year-old mare from Molong and sired by

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THURSDAY'S FIELDS

AT AWAPUNI Eleven In Louisson Memorial

By Telegraph—Press Association. PALMERSTON NORTH, Dec. 23. Following are the acceptances for the second day of the Manawatu Racing Club's meeting:—

TRIAL HANDICAP, Of £150, 6 furlongs. Distress Signal 9 0 Hunting Tau-Uru 8 9 8 9 Squire 7 13 8 7 Goldburn 7 13 8 5 Farekura 7 12 8 1 Smiling Morn 7 11 8 0 Royal Zone 7 11 7 13 Namesake 7 11 HIMATANGI HANDICAP,

Of £200, 5 furlongs.

Drake's Drum 8 1 Sir Reynard
Gunyah 8 0 Trekalong
Athenian 7 7 Impermium
Graeco-Roman 7 7 The Whipper
Monetary 7 7 LINTON HIGHWEIGHT,
Of £175, 1½ miles.

Esperance Thrasos
Bay 10 13 Etruscan
Good Sun 10 7 Inform
Hunting Lore 9 12 Selkirk
Chat 9 12

LOUISSON MEMORIAL, Of £500, 1½ miles. Catalogue 9 1 Ruarr. 8 2 Cherles 8 7 Edward 7 0 7 5 Corroboree 7 0 7 5 Corroboree 7 0 Amigo Little Robin Dynasty Hunting Cat Old Surrey 8 7 Edwa 7 5 Corroboree 7 5 Hasten

APPRENTICES' HANDICAP, Of £150, 7 furlongs. Cheerful Lady 8 13 Squeers 7
Scandal 8 13 Golden Pam 7
Kotua 8 4 Debretts 7
Caution 7 10 The Monarch 7
Wajmutu 7 3 Prattler 7 HIGHDEN HANDICAP, Of £175, 6 furlongs,

8 6 Talenta 7 12 8 6 Taiho 7 7 8 4 Triple Crown 7 7 AWAPUNI HANDICAP, Of £300, 7 furlongs. Black Thread 9 9 Goldstep 7 Amigo 9 9 White Rajah 7 Harina 7 10 Red Cat 7

Of £200, 1 mile and 1 furlong.
Blue Border 8 7 Titter
Gold Bridge 8 4 Foxiana
Counter 7 2 Courting WESTLAND SUMMER

KELVIN HANDICAP,

MEETING Acceptances For Next Saturday

By Felegraph—Press Association. GREYMOUTH, Dec. 22, The following are the acceptances for the Westland Racing Club's meeting to be held at Hokitika on December 28:— KANIERI HACK HANDICAP, Of £75, 7 furlongs. New Note 9.0, Raceaway 8.2, Philibun 8.2, Miss Waitarere 8.1, Muriet 7.12, Metric 7.12, Great Bramble 8.0, Lady Magellan 7.9, Sweet Memory 7.7.

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INNOVATION HANDICAP TROT, Of #80 (2.27 class), 1 mile.

Airline, Dawn Grattan, Free Author,
Helenora, Lady Travis, Lough Derg,
Narvik, Opportunity, Rorqual, Speedy de
Oro, Voluntary, scr; Boreas, Petite, 36
vds bhd

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP, Of £125, 1 mile. Roy Bun 9.3, Glenora Boy 8.5, Queen Linda 8.0, Entall 7.9, Waltaka 7.3, Met. ric 7.0. WESTLAND HACK HANDICAP, Of £100, 1½ miles. Gay Parade 9.0, Phil 8.5, Queen Linda 8.0, Miss Tasta 7.10, Great Bramble 7.10. THOMPSON MEMORIAL HANDICAP, Of £80, 6 furlongs. Skyrena 9.7, Peacock 8.10, Rebel Chief 8.7, Epic 8.2, Raceaway 8.1, Copyist 7.11, Adina 7.10, Miss Tasta 7.3.

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP TROT. Of £85 (3.43 class), 1½ miles.

Airline, Dawn Grattan, Kia Ora, King,
Lady Travis, Lough Derg, Narvik, Rorqual, Speedy de Oro, scr.; Jarrah, 36yds. STEWARDS' HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, Of £85, 7 furlongs,
Peacock 9.3, Rebel Chief 9.0, New
Note 8.10, Epic 8.9, Waitaka 8.8, Lifeguard 8.3, Great Bramble, Sweet Mem-

Answer To Correspondents

'Constant Reader," Napier: Miss Jose started a 3/2 favourite, but was never mentioned in the running and id not finish in the first eight. The weather was showery and the track weather was showery and the track was greasy.

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DEATH

JOHNSON.—At Waipukurau, on Dec-ember 23, 1940, Leslie, beloved hus-band of Peggy Johnson and only son of Edward and Adelina Johnson son of Edward and Aueros. of Takapau. Aged 36 years. The funeral will leave the Anglican Church, Takapau, following a service which will commence at 2 p.m. to-day (Tuesday), December 24. WHARMBY & WILLIAMS, Funeral Directors, Waipukurau

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Street to the Sound Shell; Emerson
Street from Hastings Street to the
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from Tennyson Street to Emerson
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NOEL C. HARDING,
Town Clerk.

HASTINGS BOROUGH COUNCIL

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