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German Attempt To Gain Control Of France

PETAIN NOT ACQUIESCENT

Blunt Refusal To Hand Over Fleet Is Reported

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LONDON, Dec. 28.

It is reported that important negotiations in which a development is imminent which is likely vitally to affect the domestic status of France and also her relations with the Axis are at present in progress at Vichy between France and Germany.

The Free French news agency says that the Vichy Minister of the Navy (Admiral Darlan) conveyed to Hitler the refusal of the Vichy Government to surrender the French Fleet.

Obscurity still cloaks the French situation, but all sources indicate that members of the Vichy Government continue strongly to resist German attempts to exceed the armistice provisions.

Philippe Barnes, former editor of "Le Matin" and the "Paris Soir," in an article in the "Sunday Times," says: "The Germans are striving to impose on Vichy measures placing the French Empire in their hands before the Free French and the British make decisive progress. Hitler will not attempt an appropriation of the French Empire because he knows that the Empire would surrender to Britain rather than accept German domination."

The Associated Press Lisbon correspondent says that a number of French naval units have already gone to North Africa from Toulon.

"Plebiscite Of Silence"

DE GAULLE'S APPEAL

Broadcast Message To France

FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

(By Radio)

In an appeal to Frenchmen, General Charles de Gaulle, leader of the Free French Forces, urged the Government at Vichy to break off the present negotiations with the Germans as a sign of their faith in France, and he urged true Frenchmen in Africa to take up arms in defence of their freedom. If French Africa went to war all true Frenchmen would co-operate.

General de Gaulle suggested that all Frenchmen stay indoors for an hour on New Year's Day as a protest against the present state of affairs. Such a Plebiscite of Silence, he said, would awaken a sympathetic response everywhere.

U-BOAT BASES BOMBED

BORDEAUX 'DROME' ATTACKED

R.A.F. KEPT BUSY

Mine-Laying Off Enemy Coast

British Official Wireless
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RUGBY, Dec. 28.

The R.A.F. Bomber Command last night raided the bases in occupied France from which Germany attacks shipping in the Atlantic. The chief objectives were the submarine base at Lorient and the Merignac aerodrome, near Bordeaux, from which Germany sends some of her heaviest bombers over the ocean trade routes.

A communiqué detailing the raids states that the R.A.F. attacked targets in the docks at Cherbourg and Lorient and the aerodrome at Bordeaux. At Lorient, stores, barracks, dry-docks and a power station were bombed and at Cherbourg the docks were straddled.

At Bordeaux bad weather made it difficult to find the target but many bombs were seen to burst among the hangars.

St. Inglevert aerodrome and the shipbuilding yards at St. Nazaire were also bombed.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA AT ODDS

Critical Articles

DOMESTIC PROBLEMS AT TOKYO

Regime Not Stable

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LONDON, Dec. 27.

Evidence of friction between Russia and Japan is given by the publicity organs of the two countries.

The Japanese newspaper "Nichi Nichi Shimbun" complains that, although the new Japanese Ambassador in Moscow (Mr. Tatekawa) tried hard, he was unable to improve Japanese relations with the Soviet Union. A long article on Japanese conditions printed in Moscow newspapers described the instability of the new regime, the growing domestic and foreign difficulties, the worsening of the economic and food situation, and mounting discontent over the Chinese war.

The article is one of a series, the widespread publication of which is causing alarm among the Japanese.

WILL PETAIN GO TO AFRICA?

GERMAN OCCUPATION MAY EXTEND

BRITISH DOUBTS

British Official Wireless
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RUGBY, Dec. 28.

Reports from various quarters suggesting that critical developments are pending in the relations between the Nazis and Vichy are prominently reproduced in the Press. Observers here with access to reliable sources of information are inclined to treat the reports—such as that the extension of German occupation is imminent or that Marshal Petain and his colleagues contemplate leaving Vichy for French North Africa—with considerable reserve.

All the evidence points to a tendency since the eclipse of Pierre Laval of there being more of threats and less of flattery in the Nazis' mode of address towards Vichy. This may reflect disappointment at the failure of their hopes, which some Nazi circles, perhaps encouraged by Laval's entourage, had built up of obtaining from conquered France that complaisance and collaboration which Marshal Petain and his colleagues could not find compatible with French honour or interest.

Distress in France

It is perhaps significant that, at the same time as the Nazis are making demands under threat, German propaganda in France is at pains to expurgate the Germans from the charge of having brought distress and want to France. The truth is that not only is France bearing an immense financial burden in paying for German occupation and in having to deprive her population of essential foods to feed the forces of occupation, but sorely needed supplies are being systematically taken from France to be exported to Germany.

Strong Pressure

Diplomatic circles in London are disinclined to hazard any views as to the outcome of the present phase of special strain between Vichy and the Nazis. There is no doubt that the Nazis are in a position to exert every strong pressure, but, on the other hand, the situation contains a number of elements which should enable Marshal Petain and his colleagues to resist, and those who have followed the developments in France, reports the campaign with the keenest interest are those who express most doubt whether the Nazis will secure the acquiescence of Vichy now for terms and conditions going beyond those of the treaty itself.

NEW ZEALANDER WAS ON SKUA

Successful Attack On Haugesund

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LONDON, Dec. 28.

The Air Ministry states that a New Zealander navigated the Skua which set fire to the supply ship at Haugesund.

SEVERE "BLITZ" CARRIED OUT ON LONDON AREA

Many Trapped When Bomb Falls Near Underground Shelter

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LONDON, Dec. 28.

The "all-clear" sounded late last night after the worst raid on the capital since December 8. Scores of high-explosive bombs and hundreds of incendiary bombs were scattered over a wide area. The raid had all the features of a severe "blitz."

London, where many bombs were dropped in a raid beginning soon after dark and lasting about four hours, reports a British Official Wireless message.

A few bombs were also dropped on East Anglia, the south-east of England and at one point on the south coast. A number of people were killed and others injured. Many dwelling houses were destroyed or damaged.

It is believed that at least some of them, particularly those in the Pacific, have been refuelled and provisioned from secret bases.

Naval circles are confident that all will eventually be caught and destroyed.

EIGHT RAIDERS ACTIVE

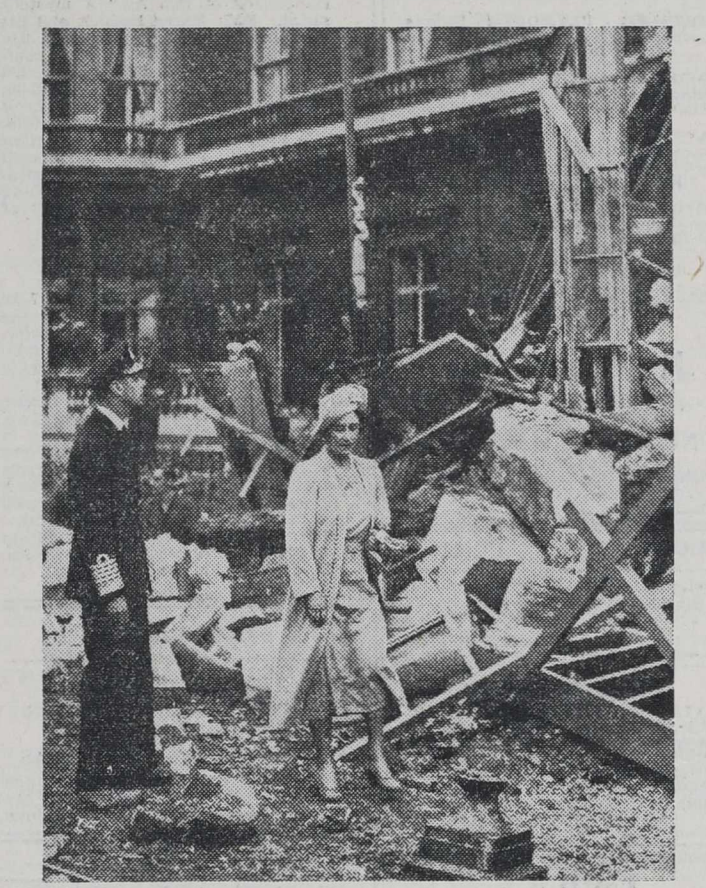
TWO OR THREE IN PACIFIC

AMERICAN BELIEF

Refuelled At Secret Bases

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.

A preliminary audit of British resources in the United States reveals that Britain will run out of cash to pay for war materials by the early autumn.



LONDON BOMBED AGAIN.—Their Majesties the King and Queen, whose determination to share the peril suffered by their subjects has won world-wide admiration, are here inspecting air-raid damage in the heart of London.

Japan Believed To Be Arming Raiders For Germany's Use

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.

It is reliably stated at Manila that United States naval circles are giving the closest attention to the reported arming of at least 12 German vessels at present in Japanese and Japanese-controlled harbours in China for raiding activities in the Pacific. It is understood that several have already been engaged in provisioning and refuelling German raiders at present active in Australian and Indian waters, probably making rendezvous in Japanese mandated islands.

An authoritative United States defence official expressed the opinion that the German vessels, which were completely armed by mid-January, constitute Hitler's aid to Japan in starting the southward expansion, which will be timed to coincide with Germany's action in south-east Europe, thus mobilising the United States Fleet in the Pacific while Britain urgently needs naval assistance in the Mediterranean. He said that foreign intelligence reports indicated that numerous Germans had been arriving in Japan for months. Hitler was exerting pressure on Japan to put the "squeeze" on the United States while Hitler strikes at Europe.

Troop Movements

It is understood that there have been troop movements from Central and South China to Formosa and Hainan Island. All preparations have been completed for the southward push. However, it is pointed out that no Kwantung units have moved, indicating that the Japanese fears of Russia are still undispelled.

It is reported that the most recent incident involved the Norwegian tanker Olav Jakob, which, manned by a German prize crew, entered Kobe, refuelled and departed despite protests from the Norwegian Minister.

It is also stated that two German vessels, the Ragensburg and the Kimberland, left Japan late in October and have not yet returned, while the Elsa Essberger, the Durrenland, the Scharnhorst, and the Amalie, at Kobe, and the Dairn, the Starland and the Elbe-Oldenwald at Yokohama have been steadily fuelled and provisioned.

It is said that three German vessels are at Tsingtao and three others in China ports are at present being armed.

Tokyo's Denial

A Tokyo message says that the Navy spokesman characterised as "false and fabricated" reports of German vessels in Japanese-controlled harbours in China for raiding activities. He said that the Navy would not permit that and no such activities were at present in progress.

He said that such reports were undoubtedly similar to the unconfirmed report that a German warship with a Japanese name and flag had sailed Nauru for the purpose of causing a disturbance. He said he was without information that German raiders were active in making rendezvous in the Japanese mandated islands.

"Fifth Column" In Rome

ALARMING SITUATION

"Hysterical Gossips" Attacked

FASCISM UNDERMINED

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CREMONA, Dec. 28.

Roberto Farinacci, speaking at a Fascist meeting, attacked "certain old men and hysterical old gossips for attempting to poison Italian public opinion."

"Undermining the national framework is a crime of real treason against the soldiers fighting for an Axis victory," he declared. "Vigilance against these persons must not be relaxed, but all this can be halted if staunch Fascists know how to act effectively at the opportune moment."

"If yesterday we could suffer certain persons, to-day we can't," he concluded.

AUDIT OF BRITISH RESOURCES

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TOKYO, Dec. 28.

The Domei news agency announces that more than 200 casualties were suffered when passenger and freight trains collided at Kyujo, Formosa.

PLANES TO SWAMP LUFTWAFFE

AMERICAN LABOUR'S IDEA

SPEED ADVISED

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.

Mr. Walt Reuther, director of the General Motors Division of the United Automobile Workers, who is the author of the Congress of Industrial Organisation plan to build 500 fighter planes a day in idle automobile plant facilities, to-day broadcast a plea for the speedy adoption of the plan lest it be too late to aid Britain.

If the plan were implemented immediately, he stated, enough planes could be turned out after six months to swamp the Luftwaffe.

"This is Labour's plan, but why should Labour concern itself with speeding 'plane production'?" he asked. "It is concerned because it believes that the country's main defence is the little fortress island holding off Nazi bombers on the other side of the Atlantic."

Axis Rebuffed By Bulgaria

STORMY DEBATE

Pact Would Violate Neutrality

MUST AVOID WAR

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SOFIA, Dec. 28.

Well-informed circles state that, after a stormy meeting of the Bulgarian Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee, it overwhelmingly rejected a proposal that Bulgaria adhere to the Axis and sign a three-power pact.

The Foreign Minister (M. Popoff) opposed the pact on the grounds that it did not coincide with neutrality and the country's desire to remain out of the war.

DANISH SHIPS FOR BRITAIN

Quartered At Manila

AGREEMENT REACHED WITH AMERICA

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MANILA, Dec. 28.

Reliable quarters state that four Danish ships that have taken refuge at the Philippines will be turned over to Britain shortly as the result of an agreement between Britain and the United States.

ITALIANS TOLD TO HOLD BARDIA AT ALL COSTS

Fortifications Erected As British Rush Lorry Loads Of Reinforcements

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LONDON, Dec. 28.

Apparently unending lines of lorries are pouring men and materials westward from the Libyan frontier for the reinforcement of General Sir Archibald Wavell's forces investing Bardia. A large proportion of these lorries had been captured from the Italians. The British drivers declare that the vehicles are excellent.

An Italian prisoner stated that the commander at Bardia was preparing to evacuate when an urgent order was received direct from Mussolini to defend the town at all costs.

The Associated Press correspondent at Cairo says that Marshal Graziani sent thousands of men to throw up additional fortifications at Tobruk. The defence of Bardia is designed to enable the completion of the work at Tobruk.

Artillery, tanks, and infantry are arriving every day to join in the siege of Bardia, which is being pounded with increasing intensity by British heavy batteries, said a message on Friday. The Italians hold a strong and deep defensive line some eight miles from the town. Against this a mighty assault by British, Indian and Dominion troops, co-operating with an aerial and naval bombardment, is apparently being prepared.

Meanwhile the gunfire is growing in volume and the Italians cannot reply without using reserves of ammunition that cannot be replaced.

It is reported that Mussolini has ordered that Bardia is to be held at all costs. The Italians there were preparing to fall back when the message was received.

Thousands of Italians are working on new fortifications at Tobruk, in order to make a second point of resistance.

Tanks Moving Up

Two 13-inch guns manned by naval gunners support field artillery in the attack on Bardia in preparation for the final assault. A continuous stream of heavy tanks and guns are moving up.

An army officer told the correspondent of the Associated Press of Great Britain that "we could go in and take Bardia now, but that would probably cost a good many lives, so we are keeping on hammering at them. When we get more tanks up, we will get them out of their holes without much trouble."

ITALIAN FLEET RETREATS UP ADRIATIC

Only Remnant Left To Cover Rearguard Action At Himara

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LONDON, Dec. 28.

The main body of the Italian Fleet has been driven out of the southern Adriatic and has sheltered at Fiume and Pola in order to escape attacks by British bombers, according to Greek naval authorities.

Only one Italian cruiser and several destroyers remained to cover the Italian rearguard action before the fall of Himara.

A violent battle is raging in the Kilsura sector of Albania at a point at which the Italians have concentrated great forces in order to defend an important mountain pass, also northward of Kilsura, where the Greeks are threatening to cut the highway to Berat, said an earlier cable. The Greeks northward of Pograde captured new positions, prisoners and materials.

The Greeks are meeting continued strong resistance on the coastal sector.

Artillery Duels

Heavy artillery duels are continuing in the north.

The "Daily Telegraph's" Athens correspondent says that the Greeks in the Kilsura and Tepelini sector maintain a policy of jumping from hill to hill, refraining from entering towns till all the surrounding heights are cleared.

The Greeks have captured five officers and 65 men belonging to five different units, which indicates the chaos among the retreating Italians, whose units mingle pell-mell.

Athens messages summarise the 24 hours to Friday night as a day of continued Italian retreat north-east of Himara and of further progress by the Greeks, who captured prisoners. From some of the heights captured—Greek artillery have been dragged on improvised sledges through deep snow by men and mules—the Greeks are shelling districts dominating the northern approaches to Tepelini through the upper valley of the River Viosa. Further north, despite deep snow,

the Greeks continued to drive back the Italians.

Earlier messages stated that the Greeks had been assisted by detachments of Albanians under the noted rebel leader Blizal Tot.

One detachment on the Greek right wing attacking from the southwest were reported to have forced the Italians after 21 hours of battle to retreat across the river Harboli over the only bridge in the vicinity.

Steady Progress

Steady progress with the Greek operations in Albania was recorded in a Greek communiqué on Friday, which stated: "Local operations were crowned with success and enabled our troops to advance and occupy enemy positions. Prisoners were captured and a considerable quantity of material fell into our hands."

Reports from Athens state that in the coastal area the Greeks have pushed forward north-east of Himara in the coastal sector. The Italians have been forced to retreat, and the Greeks have taken many prisoners. Further north the Italian lines have been pushed back and new positions have been taken up by the Greeks.

A communiqué of the British Air Force in Greece states: "Warehouses, buildings and railway lines at a village south of Valona were bombed by the R.A.F. yesterday. All the bombs fell in the target area. Nine enemy fighters intercepted our formation and a ten-minute engagement resulted. From all the operations all our planes returned safely."

PLOT AGAINST ARAB RULER

Attempted Murder

MANY ARRESTS MADE

Sherif Executed

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ROME, Dec. 28.

The newspaper "Popolo di Roma" publishes a report from Beirut that a plot to assassinate King Ibn Saud, of Saudi Arabia, has been discovered and frustrated.

A number of political personages have been arrested. Sherif Abdul Hamid has already been sentenced and executed.

Trade Stands Up To "Blitz"

MARKETS STEADY

Flow Of Imports Little Affected

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The campaign against the excess profits is gathering force. The chairman of many companies at their annual meetings are complaining of its inequitable incidence.

The "Daily Telegraph" says that representations made to the Chancellor of the Exchequer that the tax tends to remove the incentive to efficiency and economy and suggests that he modify the tax in the next Budget, possibly by reducing the 100 per cent duty to 80 or 90 per cent.

Commodity markets have been affected by the holidays and the price of most commodities with little change in prices. The only one to show activity has been cotton, which has advanced sharply, apparently to some degree owing to fears that the German raids might interrupt the flow of supplies.

Air Raids Fail

The "Economist's" trade supplement takes a fairly favourable view of the business position. It says: "Air raids and transport difficulties continue to hamper production but the output is considerably higher than might be expected for a period of intensive bombing. Germany has obtained results nothing like those she expected. The actual destruction of munition factories is very small and the experience of the last few months has shown the night bombing on the present scale does not curtail the volume of production sufficiently to cause serious anxiety."

Essentials Still Arrive

"Though shipping losses are heavy, large imports of essential materials are still arriving safely, but still greater efforts are needed to speed up the turn-round of ships in ports and accelerate distribution to the centres of consumption."

The writer concludes that British industry has done wonders in improvisation in the last year and has achieved a measure of success in adjusting itself to new and difficult conditions. "The progress in many directions is very considerable," he said, "but, all told, our achievements in 1940 have not been commensurate with the resources and resources and only a maximum effort in 1941 can see us through the critical period."

STRONG DEFENCES AT HONG KONG

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HONG KONG, Dec. 28.

"Anyone who thinks that Hong Kong can be captured in three or four days has got an erroneous impression," said Air Marshal Sir Robert Brook-Popham, after a tour of the defences.

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State

HILARIOUS FARCE ON THE SCREEN

"Charley's (Big-Hearted) Aunt"

Opening to-morrow at the State Theatre, Hastings, is the hilarious modern version of the evergreen, ever-popular "Charley's Aunt," the stage farce which ran with such remarkable success on its first and following presentations.

"Charley's (Big-Hearted) Aunt," is a grand, slapstick farce. Arthur Askey puts over a commendable performance. His resource is unbounded, and his ability to put over a female impersonation, side-splitting, Richard Murdoch is, of course, Stinker. Graham Moffatt is Albert, and Moore Marriott is Jerry, and all three give the star fireless support. J. H. Roberts and Felix Aylmer are Dean and Proctor, respectively, and each acts with a seriousness that gives excellent contrast to the fooling. Wally Patch, Phyllis Calvert, Jeanne de Casalis and Elliot Mason are others who thoroughly enter into the spirit of the play.

There is little connection between this farce and the original "Charley's Aunt," but the new version more than competes with the old. Cheerful exuberance is the secret of the entertainment's success. It gives new zest to evergreen gags, particularly those turning on female impersonation. There are also many brilliant new gags, local and topical. In a word, this film is a comedy masterpiece.

Current Attraction

The conflict between a kissless bride and a legally dead wife over the same husband brings about dramatic and hilarious complications in the new Irene Dunne-Cary Grant co-starring film which concludes today, "My Favourite Wife." Leo McCarey, who guided the two stars in "The Awful Truth," is responsible for the new scintillating hit directed by Garson Kanin, of "Bachelor Mother" fame.

Regent

DEANNA DURBIN IN NEW SUCCESS

"Spring Parade" Is Gay Comedy-Musical

Bright and laughter-filled, "Spring Parade" is now at the Regent Theatre, Hastings. The star is Deanna Durbin. Perhaps this review should be ended with that statement, for it seems all-sufficient. Eight great pictures in succession is now Deanna's proud record. And 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 a young village girl who goes to the city. In the metropolis, she meets and falls in love with Robert Cummings, a young blade, and the picture tells the progress of their love affair over a bumpy and laugh-filled road of complications.

Deanna sings (more beautifully than ever) four numbers—three of them from the pen of Robert Stolz, famous Viennese musician who composed, among others, the beautiful "Two Hearts in Three-Quarter Time." The fourth is "Blue Danube Dream." All four carry words by Gus Kahn, dean of American lyric writers. In the large supporting cast are Mischa Auer, Henry Stephenson, Butch and Buddy, Anne Gwynne, Walter Catlett, S. Z. Sakall, Samuel S. Hinds, Allyn Joslyn, Reginald Henry, 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 undoubtedly 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 is the best possible. "Spring Parade" is no exception.

Cosy

"ZANZIBAR" A FINE ADVENTURE

With Musical Comedy, "MARGIE"

Graphic adventures of a white huntress in conflict with jungle beasts and treacherous savages in the shadow of a flaming volcano are presented in "Zanzibar," which is now at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings. Lola Lane portrays a daring girl explorer in the picture. James Craig, handsome screen newcomer, has the role of a danger-seeking young American. The story is based upon a fantastic but little known provision of the Versailles Treaty which commanded that the sacred skull of an African Sultan be returned to its rightful tribe to restore peace among the natives. Blending historical fact with fiction, the story turns the spotlight upon one of the most weird themes ever brought to the screen.

Highlights of the picture show a ship wrecked in a storm on the African coast, the trek of the white survivors through danger-infested jungles, battles with wild beasts and angry natives, a wild game hunt, and the escape of the whites as an active volcano destroys an entire countryside in the thrilling climax.

Presenting an array of comedy favourites in roles designed to bring out the best of their laugh-getting talents, the musical farce, "Margie," is the second feature. Mischa Auer, whose mad antics have lifted him to the top ranks of movie comedians, is seen as a wealthy banana king from South America. Four other funny men include Edgar Kennedy, Allen Jenkins, Eddie Quillan and Wally Vernon. Nan Grey and Tom Brown share the love interest in the rollicking film, and Joy Hodges sings the title song, "Margie."

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BIBLE ADDRESS AT HASTINGS

In the United Hall, Hastings, last evening the usual Bible address was given, the subject being "The second coming of Christ, the hope of all true Christians."

The speaker, Mr A. F. Milne, called attention to clear Scripture declarations to the effect that Christ would "come again" in "like manner" as He was seen to go; that He will establish the dead and after conferring eternal life upon those found worthy. He will associate them with Himself in the execution of judgment upon the incorrigible sinners among mankind, after which He will establish infallible authority and control over all nations, bringing righteousness, peace and happiness into all departments of human life.

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CARY GRANT AND IRENE DUNNE

Hilarious Comedy, "My Favourite Wife"

Acc talent and a streamlined story of modern marital entanglements mark the fast-paced, delightful comedy entertainment, "My Favourite Wife," which is now showing at the State Theatre, Napier.

Re-united for the first time since their appearance in the memorable comedy hit, "The Awful Truth," Irene Dunne and Cary Grant are co-starring in "My Favourite Wife," with Randolph Scott and Gail Patrick heading a notable supporting cast. "My Favourite Wife" is described as a breezy, laugh-laden, sophisticated comedy.

Miss Dunne, cast as Grant's wife, disappears when a scientific expedition for which she is the photographer is shipwrecked in the South Seas. After seven years Grant has her declared legally dead and marries Gail Patrick. Unfortunately, Irene is very much alive, and is rescued from the desert island with Scott, a handsome scientist, with whom she has been marooned alone all this time. She arrives home on the very night her husband embarks on his second honeymoon.

Chartering a plane, she overtakes the newlyweds. After she flabbergasts Grant with her appearance, "My Favourite Wife" attains dizzying heights of hilarity. Irene tries to outwit Gail for the love of her husband. Grant grows frantic in his efforts to tell his bride the startling truth of Irene's return. Gail can't understand her groom's sudden coolness. And when Grant learns of Irene's island mate, Scott, who now wants to marry Irene, the picture unrolls a series of spicy situations and scintillating moments unique to the screen which are climaxed by a whirlwind laugh-finish!

Commencing Wednesday The lives and loves of to-day's boldest adventurers are presented in the thrill-packed "Foreign Correspondent," which comes to the State Theatre, Napier, on Wednesday (New Year's Day). Joel McCrea is featured.

Regent

ROLICKING STORY, "THE SEA HAWK"

Piracy On The Spanish Main

All of romance, adventure and thrills are packed into one great screen saga, "The Sea Hawk," is now screening at the Regent Theatre, Napier. Errol Flynn heads the cast of thousands, and featured with him are Brenda Marshall, Claude Rains, Donald Crisp, Flora Robson and Alan Hale.

Rife with dramatic incidents revolving about England's famous sea hawks, who sailed the seven seas in the pirate galleons, their sails full-bellied in the wind, "The Sea Hawk" is a tale of the Old World in the sixteenth century.

The film concerns itself with the intrigues of Spain's King Philip and his henchman directed against the court and possessions of England's good Queen Bess, played by Flora Robson. Flynn is seen as Geoffrey Thorpe, daring captain of a buccaneer ship engaged in piracy against England's enemies. With his lusty crew of privateers, he attacks home-bound Spanish galleons loaded with rich booty and robs them to swell England's dwindling coffers. In his capacity of a sort of "Robin Hood of the seas," he has the unofficial but wholehearted approval of his Queen.

On one of these plundering expeditions, he takes prisoner one of Philip's emissaries to England, a haughty Spanish nobleman, portrayed by Claude Rains. With the Spanish Ambassador is his lovely niece, Martha, played by Brenda Marshall. She despises Thorpe as a pirate thief until he makes amends by returning her jewel case to her and explaining that on the Spanish ship were hundreds of Englishmen who had been taken prisoners and impressed as galley slaves. Thus begins a romance which blossoms into true love, despite the barriers that strive to separate them.

New Year's Day Deanna Durbin's latest and best picture, "Spring Parade," will be the attraction at the Regent Theatre, commencing Wednesday (New Year's Day).

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Steam your 'vegies and, of course, slip your vegetable water into their gravies and sauces; you'll find you can gradually reduce their salt and sauces when the minerals reach their interiors and don't go down the sink.

Introduce potatoes in their jackets when they are new, small and delicious; you'll probably be allowed to continue. Specialise in your 'vegies, grow 'em if possible; anyhow see that they are fresh and young, and try and always have at least four kinds. Make your uncooked salads varied and dainty, too. They won't have much room or desire left for starchy puddings and pastries, and you'll soon find you can often substitute fruit.

Introduce wholemeal flour very slowly and gradually. Begin your scones with say, one part of wholemeal to three of white flour, and as they can bear it, improve the proportion. Go more rapidly in your dark fruit cakes, and slowly yet gently and firmly reduce your output of white flour cakes. The so-called staff of life is generally the biggest bone of contention. Plenty of salads, fruits and vegetables always on the table, automatically decrease its use and with it jam, and thus sugar. Start with both white and wholemeal bread on the table. Be wily, and let the white be sometimes dry and old. When the propitious day dawns, as it usually does, get them to try wholemeal only for just one week. They'll probably continue, but don't gloat, be silent as the sphinx.

Slip milk in unseen wherever you can. I find a glassful placed at each breakfast plate generally vanishes, but don't comment if it is untouched.

Lastly know yourself for a humble beginner, studying always to find new sources of information, striving ever to really please and to bring more health and more happiness to your very dear ones.

A point often overlooked is to make buttonholes on children's clothing perpendicular. The "up-and-down" buttonhole takes the weight better than the horizontal one.

Tainted saucers can be cleaned by boiling a cut-up lemon in them for one or two hours.

When adding milk to vegetable acids, to prevent it curdling dissolve a little bicarbonate of soda in the milk before adding to the other ingredients.

THESE MODELS WILL BE ADMIRER



ON THE LEFT—Displaying a pencil slim skirt of burgundy wool, Gail Patrick, a Columbia star, wears this newsworthy hip-length boxed jacket with unpadding shoulders and a perky kitty bow to match. ON THE RIGHT—A bolero sets off this delightful linen frock. Dusty pink stripes on a baby blue background running diagonally and straight for slimmess.

WAIPUKURAU BOXING DAY WEDDING

Miss J. McCarthy Married

GOWN OF IVORY LACE

Bridesmaid In Lavender

The marriage was solemnised in beautifully fine weather on Boxing Day, of Joan Theresa, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. McCarthy, Waipukurau, and Alfred George, only son of Mrs and the late Mr Dew, Ormondville. The ceremony which was performed by the Rev. Father T. McDermott, was held in St. Joseph's Church, which was decorated with scarlet gladioli and maiden-hair fern. Miss F. Atkins was the organist.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of ivory stiffened lace over ivory taffeta. Her beautiful veil (which was lent by her cousin, Mrs G. Smith) formed a halo effect with a spray of orange blossom. The bride also wore a string of pearls and carried a shower bouquet of roses, sweet peas and maiden-hair fern.

The bridesmaid was Miss Clare McCarthy, sister of the bride, and she wore a frock of lavender crinkled crepe-de-chine trimmed with violet velvet. Her head-dress was in the form of a stiffened net veil which was held in place by a matching spray. To complete her ensemble, she carried a matching shower bouquet.

Mr W. Dew, Dannevirke, cousin of the bridegroom, carried out the duties as best man.

A reception was afterwards held at the Kosy Tea Rooms, where the guests were received by Mrs McCarthy and Mrs Dew. The bride's

WEDDING CEREMONY IN WANGANUI

Miss Lila Warren And Mr Anthony Dasent

A wedding of Hawke's Bay interest took place at All Saints' Church, Wanganui, recently, when the Rev. Nigel Williams officiated. The bride was Lila, youngest daughter of Mrs Warren and the late Mr T. Warren, Wanganui, and Anthony, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G. Dasent, Aorangi, Hastings.

Miss R. Standing, Hastings, was the bridesmaid and the bridegroom's brother, Mr John Dasent, was best man.

The wedding reception was held at Foster's Hotel.

Mr and Mrs A. Dasent will live in Hawke's Bay.

mother wore a dress of navy broad-cloth satin finished with golden posy clasps at the neckline. Her bouquet was of gladioli and sweet peas. The mother of the bridegroom had a frock of new petrol American crepe, complete with fingertip coat and burgundy accessories. Sweet peas and carnations made a pretty bouquet.

For travelling, the bride was attired in an air force blue costume, prune hat, shoes, gloves and handbag and she carried a beautiful fur stole, the gift of the bridegroom. After a honeymoon in the Auckland district, Mr Dew will proceed to camp for training with the Fifth Reinforcements while Mrs Dew will reside in Waipukurau.

To clean a vacuum flask, fill it three-quarters full of warm water, add half a teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda, and shake the flask (with cork in) as hard as you can for several minutes.

MAKE IT A HOLIDAY FOR MOTHER ALSO

Try To Be Easily Pleased

SIMPLE FOODS ARE ALWAYS GOOD

Consider Nutrition

(Contributed by the Department of Health)

It all depends on what you are going to do, but presumably camping will be the holiday for most New Zealanders. You may be near or away from shops, you may be in a fruit-growing district, or there may be none at hand. Then again, you may be anywhere from North Auckland to Stewart Island, with corresponding differences in local conditions.

Primarily it is a holiday—for everyone, including mother. Try to bear that in mind and excuse the tinned foods. The tinned meats and the tinned fish, and the eggs will no doubt be varied according to father's success at hunting, be it rabbit or venison, or the fish he has brought home with pride. And how pleasant to combine business with pleasure, bringing home mussels or eels, both of them of good food value. Turning native in this fashion is particularly justified in these days when we are not getting our supplies of cod-liver-oil—go fishing, get fresh air, get sunlight on your bare limbs and catch fish for your dinner—and come home after the holidays with a good store of vitamin D in your body.

What else can you do to save mother the work? Take your full quota of milk—one-and-a-half to one-and-three-quarter pints a day—and a good deal of the food problem is already solved. No cooking needed for this item, unless, having to get your milk, you need to make soups, custards, salad dressings or puddings with it. But we were hoping to save mother from having puddings to make.

Tomatoes, peaches, marmite or vegemite, brown bread and butter—there is nothing wrong with a repetition of these for your lunch every day. They need not be made into sandwiches, in fact, the tomato will be better kept whole. If brown bread is not to be had, perhaps you can get raw peanuts, or have beans with your breakfast bacon, or tinned peas, or wheat germ, or marmite on your fruit or on your porridge—and don't forget the porridge! These things will contribute to your quota of Vitamin B.

And then, if raw fruits and vegetables, so enjoyable in the summer as well as health-giving, are not available, let us hope that oranges and lemons are at hand. But if not, you may have to rely on tinned tomatoes and tomato juice. However, perhaps there will be small fruits, blackcurrants and raspberries, perhaps you may even be lucky enough to get gooseberries growing in profusion as they do around Lake Wanaka. And if lettuce is in short supply, make the most of their value and of mother's holiday by near-cutting them up; it is also better for the teeth to have the chewing to do. Then, too, you are sure to find some watercress growing in a stream. We New Zealanders have lost the habit of eating watercress, largely because we have been unnecessarily afraid of its harbouring hydatid eggs. It is a valuable addition to our salads. Let us give this country of the year by giving our dogs are made hydatid-free. Regarding salads, the people of England are trying to win the war—which will be largely a nutritional war—by returning to good food habits; for example, using a hedgerow salad, made with dandelion, nasturtium and other leaves.

Mountaineering expeditions often present difficulties. What sort of foods can be taken to provide a maximum of food value with a minimum of cooking difficulties and a minimum of weight. Back to the foods of our Scottish forebears—oatmeal porridge and milk. Dried skim milk will keep quite well—it has less tendency to go rancid than dried whole milk. Butter can be carried separately. Cheese, damper, bacon, pemmican—these will form the climber's fare. And in his case, sweets are justified to supply his muscles with energy. But alas, we think not of mountaineering expeditions by our young men in New Zealand, but of other hazardous expeditions on the other side of the world.

As sound nutrition is the bedrock of health it is well to consider carefully the problem of the food supply so as to ensure the greatest happiness and benefit from our holiday.

Visitors to Hastings for the Rosenberg-Howard wedding included: Mr and Mrs L. R. Wilton and family, Mr Duncan McLachlan, Mr and Mrs E. T. Wilton, Mr and Mrs H. McLachlan and family, Mr and Mrs P. D. McLachlan and family, Miss Freda Kemble, all from Masterton; Mr and Mrs W. Kemble Welch, Mr Gordon Welch, Wellington; Mrs Ted Carroll, Rotorua.

Commandant Cook, of the Salvation Army, Hastings, who is now a patient at Royston Hospital, had a happy occasion on Christmas Day with a reunion of his family at his bedside. The members of the family present were his wife, Mrs Cook and Miss E. Cook, Adjutant Dr Bramwell Cook, on furlough from India, Mr and Mrs Howard Cook and family, Wellington, Mr and Mrs Henry Cook and family, Hastings, Mrs Bramwell Cook and family, who are in Christchurch, were unable to be present.

Miss Margaret Whyte, who has just completed a brilliant school career at the Napier Girls' High School, both scholastically and in every branch of sport, has been selected for a studentship at a Teachers' Training College, commencing in 1941. She received her primary education at the Crown-Hoppe School and her present success speaks well for the standard of education at both schools. For the last two years she has been head prefect of the school.

Two more successes in the dancing world have recently been achieved by Hawke's Bay girls. Miss Peggy Barnard, daughter of the Hon. W. E. Barnard, M.P., and Mrs Barnard, Thompson Road, Napier, followed up the passing of the Associate's examination of the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing (Ballroom) by qualifying this month as a Member of the Society. Miss Betty Signal, Wairoa, passed the Associate's examination at the same time as Miss Barnard, and has now passed the Member's examination as well. Both were pupils of Miss Phyllis Bates, Wellington.

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Five o'Clock Gossip

Miss D. Davey, Frasertown, has been visiting Nuhaka as the guest of Mr and Mrs R. Steed.

Mrs C. Brewster, Gisborne, is a visitor to Nuhaka and is the guest of Mr and Mrs P. J. Brewster.

Mrs R. K. Booth, Martinborough, is visiting her mother, Mrs M. A. McKenzie, Waipukurau.

Miss Joyce M. Pratt, Hastings, has passed the subjects of Education and Philosophy in the 2nd B.A. (Stage 1) University examination.

Miss Jean Rogers, Auckland, is visiting Napier and is the guest of Mrs J. Copas, Mawera.

Mr and Mrs F. Durant, Wellington, are visiting Hastings.

Miss L. Razos, Hastings, is visiting Wellington. She will return tomorrow.

Mr and Mrs E. C. Robinson, Pohl Robinson and Miss P. Svensen, Napier, are visitors to Nuhaka and are staying with Mr and Mrs W. Dumble.

Gunner Bruce Boyle, who has been home on leave, has returned to Auckland to rejoin H.M.S. Philomel.

Mr Wheti Nohi Nohi and Pera Teagalo, Nuhaka, visitors to Karongata, Hastings, and are the guests of Mr and Mrs Peter Edwards.

Mr K. B. Crombie has returned to Nuhaka from Gisborne, where he has been visiting his wife, who is an inmate of Chelsea Private Hospital.

Mr and Mrs A. Edwards, Wellington, are visiting Napier.

Miss A. Stewart is a Dannevirke visitor to Napier.

Mr and Mrs E. C. Griffen were Wellington week-end visitors to Napier.

Mr and Mrs C. A. Tidy, Marton, are spending a few days in Napier.

Mr and Mrs G. M. Winlove, Waipukurau, are spending a holiday camping at Taupo.

Mr and Mrs E. Reynolds, Waipukurau, are spending the school vacation in the Palmerston district.

Mrs T. Stabler and her daughter Ebbara are Waipukurau visitors to Wellington. They will later visit Blenheim.

Miss V. Renner, Wanganui, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr and Mrs L. Renner, Waipukurau.

Mrs M. Schroder and Miss A. Schroder are Waipukurau visitors to Wellington, and are the guests of Mrs M. Mablin, Karahaka Bay.

Mrs J. E. Dunn has left for Palmerston North, and will spend a few days with friends in Wellington before returning to Waipukurau.

Miss Ruth Hepburn, of Palmerston North, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr and Mrs H. Hepburn, of Waipukurau.

Mr and Mrs H. R. Cook and Dr. A. Bramwell Cook, who have been visiting their father and mother at 307 Riverslea Road, have left Hastings.

Visitors to Hastings for the Rosenberg-Howard wedding included: Mr and Mrs L. R. Wilton and family, Mr Duncan McLachlan, Mr and Mrs E. T. Wilton, Mr and Mrs H. McLachlan and family, Mr and Mrs P. D. McLachlan and family, Miss Freda Kemble, all from Masterton; Mr and Mrs W. Kemble Welch, Mr Gordon Welch, Wellington; Mrs Ted Carroll, Rotorua.

Commandant Cook, of the Salvation Army, Hastings, who is now a patient at Royston Hospital, had a happy occasion on Christmas Day with a reunion of his family at his bedside. The members of the family present were his wife, Mrs Cook and Miss E. Cook, Adjutant Dr Bramwell Cook, on furlough from India, Mr and Mrs Howard Cook and family, Wellington, Mr and Mrs Henry Cook and family, Hastings, Mrs Bramwell Cook and family, who are in Christchurch, were unable to be present.

Miss Margaret Whyte, who has just completed a brilliant school career at the Napier Girls' High School, both scholastically and in every branch of sport, has been selected for a studentship at a Teachers' Training College, commencing in 1941. She received her primary education at the Crown-Hoppe School and her present success speaks well for the standard of education at both schools. For the last two years she has been head prefect of the school.

Two more successes in the dancing world have recently been achieved by Hawke's Bay girls. Miss Peggy Barnard, daughter of the Hon. W. E. Barnard, M.P., and Mrs Barnard, Thompson Road, Napier, followed up the passing of the Associate's examination of the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing (Ballroom) by qualifying this month as a Member of the Society. Miss Betty Signal, Wairoa, passed the Associate's examination at the same time as Miss Barnard, and has now passed the Member's examination as well. Both were pupils of Miss Phyllis Bates, Wellington.

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BRIDE IN SATIN

St. John's Church, Napier, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday evening when Eileen Beryl, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Dallimore, Brewster Street, Napier, was married to Edward Bradley, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G. Bradley, Cameron Road, Napier. The church had been beautifully decorated for the occasion with bouquets of pale pink carnations, hydrangeas, Christmas lilies and palms, and each pew was tied with a posy of these flowers.

The ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. Dean Brocklehurst, and Mr P. W. Tombs presided at the organ. During the service two hymns were sung, "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden" and "O, Perfect Love."

The bride, who was given away by her father, was a dainty figure in her lovely wedding frock of off-white slipper satin, made with a heart-shaped neckline. The heartily gathered bodice came to two points at the waistline and had a row of satin-covered buttons down the front. The long tight-fitting sleeves were buttoned from elbow to wrist and the fully flared skirt fell into a long and graceful train. Her veil of embroidered tulle was held in place with a topknot of orange blossoms and she carried a small sheaf of off-white flowers to tone with her gown.

The four attendant 'maids were the Misses Margery Dean, Gwen Parry (Auckland), Pat Flan (Wellington) and Margaret Whale (Auckland). All were dressed in pretty frocks of cupid blue taffeta fashioned alike with a corsage having a deep V neckline, short puffed sleeves and slots at either side, threaded with deep cyclamen ribbon velvet. The very full skirts were finished at the back with bustle bows, and they wore top-knots and carried bouquets of cyclamen shaded flowers. They also wore cameo pendants, gifts from the bridegroom.

Mr Jack Dallimore (the bride's brother) attended the bridegroom as best man, and Messrs. Doug. Dalton, Harry Bradley and Reg. Walls were the groomsmen. Following the ceremony a very happy reception was held at the Victoria Hall, where the decorations were carried out with pink gladioli and blue hydrangeas to tone with the bridal party. The guests were received by Mr and Mrs Dallimore, assisted by Mr and Mrs Bradley.

Mrs Dallimore was wearing a smart frock of teal blue french crepe made with a V neckline gathered with a sunray front, and a skirt with unpressed pleats. Over her frock she wore a navy blue pique-georgette coat, navy blue bako straw hat with veil and a shoulder spray of natural flowers.

Mrs Bradley chose a smart ensemble of periwinkle blue novelty crepe, blue straw hat and a posy of matching flowers.

When leaving for a honeymoon tour the bride looked smart in a frock of teal green American crepe. The corsage was gathered into a pointed yoke and had a small pelerin collar finished with loops. The flared skirt was smartly tailored. She wore a small white straw hat with legionnaire bow and carried white accessories.

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The second day of the Auckland Trotting Club's summer meeting was held at Epsom on Saturday in excellent weather. There was a large attendance and the track was in good order. The following are the results:—

OAK HANDICAP £200; trotters; 3.49 class; 14 miles 2-1-BUNCRANA, scr (F. J. Smith) 1 4-4-SUPERIOR RANK, scr (Mithell) 2 12-13-SILVER COUNTESS, scr (Primmer) 3 Golden Journey was coupled with Bunrana.

All started. One and a-half lengths; two lengths. Times: 3min. 30 1-5sec. 3min. 30 3-5sec. 3min. 31 3-5sec.

DECEMBER HANDICAP £200; 3.5 class; 14 miles 4-4-CYNIC, scr (Moran) 1 1-1-VANSON, scr (Smith) 2 6-6-SIR ECHO, scr (Goodall) 3 Rama Direct was coupled with Vanson, and Parrish Boy was coupled with Sir Echo.

All started. One and a-half lengths; length. Times: 2min. 49sec. 2min. 49 3-5sec. 2min. 50sec.

SUMMER HANDICAP Of £300; 4.1 class; 2 miles 3-2-TOCEITIE, 48 (Holmes) 1 5-5-PRINCESS LINNETT, scr (Broughton) 2 2-3-MAZAIRE, 12 (Donald) 3

All started. One and a-half lengths; neck. Times: 4min. 28sec. 4min. 30 3-5sec. 4min. 29 4-5sec.

CHAMPION HANDICAP £850; 3.23 class; 14 miles 4-3-OUR PEGGY, 12 (Stewart) 1 1-1-SUPERIOR RANK, scr (Donald) 2 3-2-WORTHY NEED, scr (Smith) 3

Cruiser was coupled with Worthy Need. Scratched: Llanvabon, Accountant.

RIDING THIS WEEK AT HASTINGS

NORM. CAVANEY, who will go to the scale at 7.10, will be riding at the Hawke's Bay meeting at Hastings this week. He will be on Arabic and Authores. Tom Tito informed me at Awapuni on Saturday that he would be through for the meeting to ride in the high-weights and set-weights events, while it is understood that Jack Mudford will also do his New Year riding at Hastings. R. G. Howell, whose good riding was the deciding factor on Rakahanga on Saturday at Awapuni, will also be riding at Hastings. —"Moturoa."

Neck; half a length. Times: 3min. 16sec. 3min. 17 1-5sec. 3min. 17 2-5sec.

TRAMWAY HANDICAP £275; 2.56 class; 14 miles 4-4-CLAY POT, scr (Paton) 1 12-12-HANDICAPPER, scr (Stubbs) 2 6-7-STARGUM, 36 (Williams) 3

Scratched: Kewpie's Bingen. Neck; half a length. Times: 2min. 47sec. 2min. 47 1-5sec. 2min. 44 2-5sec.

EPSON HANDICAP £275; 14 miles 5-5-ELITE REY, 84yds. 1 2-2-MODEST MAID, scr 2 6-4-MODERN LADY, 24yds. 3

All started.

DOMINION HANDICAP £250; 14 miles 4-4-LATEST EDITION, 36yds. 1 8-8-IHI IHI, scr 2 18-19-KIA KAHU, scr 3

Scratched: Waifu.

RANFURLY HANDICAP £235; 14 miles 7-7-ADVERSITY, scr 1 3-1-WORTHY NEED, 12yds. 2 8-8-MONGOLIAN, 12yds. 3

Scratched: Llanvabon, Star Pronto, Superior Rank, Bold Venture.

CARRINGTON STAKES TO CAESAR

Summer Meeting At Randwick

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The chief events at the A.J.C. summer meeting at Randwick yesterday were:—

CARRINGTON STAKES £1000; 6 fur. CAESAR, 8.6 (W. Cook) 1 RED THESSALIAN, 8.1 (E. Bartle) 2 FENTHIDES, 8.10 (H. Hickey) 3

Also started: Ensign 9.0, Bramoli 7.13, Waireka 7.7, Gallant 7.5, Pancho 7.2, Happy Bay 7.0, Miss Pen theus 6.10. One and a quarter lengths; half a length. Time 1.12.4.

DENMAN HANDICAP £750; 14 miles FEMINIST, 8.2 (E. McMenamin) 1 EARLY BIRD, 8.3 (F. Shean) 2 MARENGO, 8.10 (W. Cook) 3

Eleven started. One and a half lengths; one and a quarter lengths. Time 1.12.4.

SUMMER HANDICAP One and a quarter miles OUR BOY, 7.13 (Morris) 1 CONDEVON, 7.11 (Breasley) 2 BANKSHAW (N.Z.), 8.2 (Hopgood) 3

Nine started. A head; half a head. Time 2.6.

SORENTO HANDICAP Six furlongs CEVROSE, 7.13 (Martin) 1 BEAUFILIER, 7.5 (Purtell) 2 OLD VIENNA, 7.9 (Badger) 3

Thirteen started. Time 1.44.

ROBIN GOODFELLOW FOR N.Z. SECOND IN DERBY Stud To Be Founded By Mr S. Levin

New Zealand breeders were successful in securing much valuable bloodstock at the December Sales at Newmarket, one of the purchases made being the highly successful rafter Robin Goodfellow, one of the late Sir Abe Bailey's valuable young sires. The sales were remarkably successful, prices in many cases being three and four times higher than anticipated in view of the low prices ruling at the October Sales. The remarkable courage and optimism of the British people was shown in the fact that all the top priced lots, including the three stallions which realised 5000 guineas each, were bought by English breeders.

New Zealand breeders bid for a number of the stallions with little success, although in the light of recent values some substantial offers were made on their behalf. Perhaps the best purchase made at the Sales will prove to be the eight-year-old stallion, Robin Goodfellow, whose young stock are described as very good looking and most promising. Robin Goodfellow, who ran second in the Derby to Bahram, recently sold by H.H. Aga Khan to U.S.A. for £40,000, was purchased by Messrs. Wright, Stephenson and Co. Ltd. on behalf of Mr S. Levin, of Wellington. He intends to establish a stud. He has undoubtedly made a most valuable purchase and was aiming high when he set out to secure this highly performed and well-bred horse. His purchase was commented on in England as the bargain of the Sales.

Robin Goodfellow was bred at the famous Workop Manor Stud by Lady Robinson and was purchased at the Doncaster Sales as a yearling by the late Sir Abe Bailey. He won two valuable races as a two-year-old at his two first starts, the Salisbury Stakes, and then at Ascot he took the New Stakes, beating a high class field of twenty other yearlings. Robin Goodfellow, after being badly placed in the Derby, finished with a very strong run to cut down everything but the winner, unbeaten Bahram. The same season he won the Knowles and Dimes Stakes, 14 miles; the Breeders' St. Leger, 14 miles; the Oadby Breeders' Plate, 14 miles; in each race conceding weight to the field. He was also second in the Greenham Plate to H.H. the Aga Khan's theft, second to Lord Derby's Fairbairn in the Great Yorkshire Stakes, both of whom he defeated in the Derby, and was beaten a head in the Liverpool St. Leger by Santorin, to whom he was the half-brother to the late Sir Abe Bailey. He failed to gain a place in the Ascot Gold Cup, although placed third to Plassy and Cecil, both also of the Son-in-Law line, in the Coronation Cup. His stake earnings of £7000 so far in the Derby, second to Coronach as a stake earner of all horses imported to the Dominion.

Great Sire Line Robin Goodfellow represents the great Son-in-Law line like Beau Pere, while he is very closely related to famous horses on his dam's side, his grand-dam is a half-sister to the great racehorse and sire Flamingo, the Two Thousand Guineas winner, who also ran second to Falstead in the Derby and won over £20,000 in stakes, and is the sire of the winner of the late Ascot Gold Cup, and to Omar Khayyam, who won the Kentucky Derby and has sired the winners of over half a million pounds in stakes. Robin Goodfellow is by Son and Heir, who, in addition to being the sire of Flamingo, whose half-brother, Phidias, also won the Irish Two Thousand Guineas and St. Leger and whose dam is an orphan sister to the St. Leger and Ascot Gold Cup winner, Solario.

By these purchases Mr Levin has undoubtedly laid the foundation of a stud with breeding and performance representing much of the very best of England's classic and staying blood. Accompanying Mr Levin's mares is a daughter of the Derby and St. Leger winner, Trigo, by Blandford, for a South Island breeder. This mare is in foal to Suvazir, a winner of £269 and one of the great staying sons of Son-in-Law. This young sire, he was bred in 1933, won eight races all over distances, his wins including the Churchill Stakes, 2 miles, at Ascot, and the Yorkshire Cup, also over 2 miles.

For a Walkot breeder, four young mares were also secured. Amongst these are daughters of the two Thousand Guineas and Derby winner, Call Boy, by Hurry On; of the St. Leger and Doncaster Cup winner, Singapore (sire of the St. Leger winner, Chambleigh), by Sainsborough; and the brilliant Sir Cosmo, who was unbeaten as a three-year-old. These mares are in foal to such sires as Fearless Fox, Flag of Truce, (winner of £5449 and combining Son-in-Law and Teddy blood), the French-bred Two Thousand Guineas winner, Le Ksar, and the brilliant galloper and notable sire, The Satrip, recently taken back to England from U.S.A. He is a son of The Tetrarch and an own brother to the Two Thousand Guineas winner, Tetratema. These mares are from great winning lines, an example being the mare by Singapore, which traces to famous Pretty Polly's sister Miranda. In recent years many highly performed stallions have been imported here and the opinion has been held for a considerable time that it was essential for further importations of brood mares to be made. Those indicated above are bred on the best possible lines and should establish fresh and notable families in the Dominion.

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(TOP) GUNNERS FROM ACROSS THE WORLD—Anti-aircraft practice with a Bren gun by New Zealand troops in Britain. (BELOW): Five New Zealanders look out at Britain.

Imported Mares For Mr Levin NUCLEUS OF STUD Trigo Mare For South Island

Eleven valuable mares were secured for New Zealand at the December sales at Newmarket and privately. These include four young mares for Mr S. Levin (who has purchased Robin Goodfellow), which were especially selected to mate with Robin Goodfellow and include a daughter of the Derby winner, Colorado.

They are in foal to the highly-bred young stallions Fairplay, winner of £6026, by the champion sire, Fairway; Fearless Fox, great stayer by Foxglove and winner of the Goodwood Cup, 21 miles, in record time; Felstead's son, Field Trial (stud fee £98), winner of the King Edward VII Stakes at Ascot, and who ran third to Bahram and Robin Goodfellow in the Derby and is a winner, Book Law, and the Oaks winner, Pogrom; and to the Irish Triple Crown winner Museum (£7206), whose half-brother, Phidias, also won the Irish Two Thousand Guineas and St. Leger and whose dam is an orphan sister to the St. Leger and Ascot Gold Cup winner, Solario.

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MAIL NOTICES

POST OFFICE, HASTINGS: Mails close approximately one hour earlier than Hastings.

OUTWARD OVERSEAS MAILS: Overseas mails will be dispatched as opportunity offers.

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TRANS-PACIFIC AIR MAIL: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31.

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Manawatu, Wairarapa, Dannevirke and Taranaki Districts, 6 a.m., 4 p.m. and Monday to Friday, letters only, 6 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).

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Otago, Pukekohe, Pahi Pahi and Pukehou, 8 p.m.

COMMENCING Monday, December 30, the street receiving letter boxes will be cleared at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. from Monday to Friday (inclusive)—Saturday 10 a.m. only.

AIR MAIL INLAND: Blenheim, Nelson, Westport, Grey-mouth and Hokitika, Monday to Friday, 6 p.m., Saturday, 4 p.m.

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FOR LYTTLETON (from Wellington): Rangitira: Dec. 30, Jan. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 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.

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

FOR NAPIER from Southern ports (cargo only): Wainui loads early January.

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Hawke's Bay Daily Mail Your Own Morning Paper

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1940. BERLIN AND VICHY

The confused and somewhat conflicting reports which are coming from those "reliable neutral sources" which newspaper readers nowadays regard with scepticism and suspicion do nothing to clarify the relations existing between Berlin and Vichy.

Since, however, the censorship in unoccupied France is stricter than that in any belligerent country, and since neither the French nor the German Government is willing to explain the situation, there is no alternative but to sift rumour and conjecture in the light of the few facts that are known.

The most surprising development in recent weeks has been the stiffening of the attitude of the Vichy Government towards the new German demands—surprising, that is, in view of the fact that in the days following the signing of the armistice it seemed that the Vichy authorities were content to be entirely subservient to Berlin.

But the recent German demands, acceptance of which would mean the loss of the last vestiges of French independence, have altered the whole aspect of Franco-German politics.

The first hint of serious differences between Marshal Petain and Berlin came in the first week in November, when, after two visits by M. Laval to Paris, in the course of which he met Hitler and the Nazi military authorities, the German radio screamed triumphantly that France would "collaborate" with Germany in the establishment of the "new order" in Europe.

A few days later, Marshal Petain, after himself interviewing Hitler, defined this collaboration in terms so vague that it was fairly obvious that a cog had slipped somewhere in the works.

What happened after that no one knows. The only feasible interpretation of the complicated moves which followed is that the German Government became convinced that Marshal Petain would have to be put out of harm's way, but at the same time realised that without him the Vichy Government would lose whatever popular support it may command.

To get over this stumbling-block someone hit on the ingenious plan of luring Petain to Paris and keeping him there—officially as a guest and actually as a prisoner—while Laval, who could be counted on to be pro-Nazi as long as he was getting something out of it, governed in the name of Petain but without his interference.

So far all this is conjecture, but what happened next is fact. Laval's complicity in the plot was discovered, and he was dismissed from the Cabinet. The clause in the constitution naming him Marshal Petain's successor was revoked, restrictions were placed on his personal freedom, and M. Flandin was appointed to succeed him as Foreign Minister. Three days after these events, Otto Abetz, the German Ambassador to France, paid a visit to Vichy, as a result of which, it is said, Laval was set at liberty.

Since then, Franco-German relations have deteriorated steadily, and the position has been complicated by the increasing seriousness of Italy's predicament. Either Germany must do something to retrieve the situation in the Mediterranean, or she must be prepared to see her weaker ally go down before the Greek and Imperial forces on land and the British Navy at sea.

It will naturally be asked why, seeing that the Vichy Government is militarily impotent, the German Government does not take what it wants by force instead of engaging in all these devious intrigues. The answer is a fact which has been pointed out by the "Daily Mail" more than once: the task of ruling by force the 100,000,000 inhabitants of the countries she has conquered has already become a grievous burden for Germany, immobilising a large part of her armed forces and imposing on them duties quite beyond the range of a great offensive campaign.

The fresh appeal by General de Gaulle to France cannot fail to strengthen the morale of those Frenchmen who are faced with a critical decision. France, in spite of all, still has a few cards to play, and Hitler, however much he may employ the threat of force, knows that the completion of the invasion would enormously increase the drain on Germany's military resources and would put another nail in the coffin of the "new order" in Europe.

Personal

Mr J. A. Baird, Hastings, who has been studying at the University of Otago for the past year, has received word that he has passed the Medical Intermediate Examination.

Mr P. Morelato, Auckland, known to radio listeners as "Blind Peter," is visiting Napier. With Mrs. Morelato he is the guest of Mr P. Razos.

Messrs S. C. Tonks and A. K. Fyson, president and secretary respectively of the Egmont Racing Club, are visitors to Hawke's Bay for the Hawke's Bay summer meeting at Hastings.

Mr C. G. E. Harker, M.P., Wai-pawa, accompanied by Mrs Harker and Miss Pauline Harker, is spending the Christmas and New Year holidays at Taupo.

AT THE HOTELS

Mr and Mrs Yearbury (Wellington), Mr and Mrs Radonski (Auckland), Mr H. Archer, Miss C. Keow (Gisborne), Mr A. Ross (New Plymouth), Mr S. Shields (Popo-rangi), Mrs and Miss Mahoney (Masterton), Mr T. Sinclair (Trentham), Mr A. Povey (Trentham), H. Martin, Mr A. Horton (Dannevirke), Mr W. Hoggan (Westshore), Mr A. Hassall (Hawera), Mr W. Foulgrain (Paikipaki), Mr B. Chambers (Wairoa), Mr L. Laid (Woodville), Mr P. Dume (Christchurch), Mr T. White, Mr H. Slatter (Hawera), Miss Chaining (Carterton), Mr A. Gore (Dunedin) are at the Carlton Club Hotel, Hastings.

Mr and Mrs C. A. Allen (Gisborne), Mr and Mrs A. Johnson, Miss B. Higgs, Mr Reg Hare, Mr H. Hatch, Miss E. M. Hatch (Wellington), Mr W. Archer, Miss C. Cameron (Auckland), Mr A. D. Morrison (Trentham), Mr and Mrs A. R. Smith (Gisborne), Miss Jocelyn Hawkins, Master Murray Hawkins (Karori), Miss Trengrove (Christchurch), Mr R. D. Sharpe (Te Aute) are at the Grand Hotel, Hastings.

Mrs A. F. Bell, Miss Betty Raisin, Mr and Mrs W. A. Stewart, Mr and Mrs F. Cresswell (Wellington), Mr E. Cameron (Porangahau), Mr F. Chalu (Christchurch), Mr and Mrs Welch (Wairoa), Mr and Mrs W. O'Connor (Masterton), Mr D. G. Robertson, Mr J. C. Robertson (Palmerston North), Mrs G. Hocking and children, Mr and Mrs W. J. Oliver (Wellington), Mr and Mrs A. Haswell (Rongotiti), Mr and Mrs R. Brownell, Mr and Mrs E. Black, Mr and Mrs A. Drummond, Mr D. Drummond, Miss A. Drummond, Miss A. Jennings (Auckland) are at the Pacific Hotel, Hastings.

Mrs L. Bowden, Miss E. Bowden, Mr E. W. Johns, Mrs K. S. Johns (Auckland), Mr and Mrs C. Newton, Mr and Mrs W. Edwards, Mr B. L. French, Mrs F. Grady, Miss Priclor, Miss Saunders, Mrs S. L. L. (Wellington), Mr R. E. Hare, J. P. Wahroonga, N.S.W., Mr W. T. Hesselstine, Mr W. J. Thorburn, Mr S. V. Clarke (Feilding), Mr S. Saltzman (Dunedin), Mr F. Storey (Blenheim), Mrs P. H. Callender, Mrs W. Carter, Mr C. McAffer, Mr N. McAffer (Palmerston North), Mr S. Williams, Mr and Mrs Jukes, Misses H. and F. Jukes, Mr E. C. Jukes, Mr Webb (Wanganui), Mr J. Eagle, Mr and Mrs W. Jewett, Mr Jewett (Palmerston North), Miss A. Stewart (Dannevirke), Mr P. R. Boeger, Mr Ian Daysh, Miss N. Bissett (Pahiatua), are at the Hotel Central, Napier.

Mr and Mrs G. Mullins, Mr and Mrs R. Ritchie, Mr R. Arkle (Auckland), Mr and Mrs E. C. Griffin, Misses Burt, Mr and Mrs D. Allan, Mr and Mrs Rowe, Miss A. Rowe, Mr and Mrs P. V. Miles, Misses N. and B. McKeown, Mr and Mrs S. D. List, Mr B. Warburton, Mr E. G. G. (New Plymouth), Mrs G. Sanson, Mr and Mrs J. Leuchars, Lieut. W. D. Leuchars, Mr and Mrs Dyer, Mr and Mrs V. Williamson, Miss Williamson, Mr and Mrs J. C. Webb (Wanganui), Mr J. Evans, Mr and Mrs Barton-Griger, Mr and Mrs W. Green, Mr and Mrs G. T. Mason, Mr L. D. Raymond, Mr and Mrs A. H. Rabone, Miss V. Armstrong (Wellington), Mrs A. Burgess (New Plymouth), Mrs M. Hamilton (Bournemouth), Mrs Hansen, Miss Hansen (Dannevirke), Mrs T. A. Brown, Mrs Lewis (Masterton), Mr and Mrs C. Woods (Wairoa), Mr and Mrs G. A. Tidy (Marton), Mr H. Abbott (Hastings), Mr E. M. Aikman (Great Barrier), Mr T. Poulis (Upper Hutt), Miss J. Wrightson (Eastbourne), Mr and Mrs G. Wilson, Miss E. M. Stallard (Palmerston North), Mr J. Henry (Hamilton), Mr Pappill (Christchurch), Mr and Mrs S. C. Tonks, Miss C. Tonks, Mr A. F. Fyson (Hawera), Lieut. M. A. Craven (Christchurch), Mr D. J. Barry, Miss J. Barry (Gisborne), Mr and Mrs J. H. Russell, Messrs R. and D. Russell (Bulls), Miss C. Jones, Mr and Mrs R. Wardell (Dunedin) are at the Masonic Hotel, Napier.

WAIROA Mr C. C. McKay, Mr B. Eising (Hastings), Mr and Mrs J. T. Rutherford, Mr and Mrs C. Wood, Mr S. J. Mahon, Mrs Green (Wellington), Mr A. S. Bourke (Waipukurau), Mr A. Waters (Taihape), Mr M. Tomkinson (Gisborne), Mrs D. Pegden (Palmerston North), and Mrs J. Newman (Napier) are staying at the Clyde Hotel.

FLYING-BOAT FROM SYDNEY Major-General Sir John Duigan Returns

By Telegraph—Press Association AUCKLAND, Dec. 29.

Fourteen passengers arrived at Auckland today by the flying-boat Aotearoa which made a fair weather crossing from Sydney under the command of Captain O. Garden.

Among the passengers was Major-General Sir John Duigan (Chief of the General Staff) who headed the New Zealand delegation to the recent Eastern Group Conference at Delhi.

Also on board were three children of one family.

The passengers were: Mrs H. Begg, Miss M. Begg, Masters M. and D. Begg, Mrs M. Z. Radley, Miss A. Haes, Miss O. H. Fairhall, Major-General Sir John Duigan, Lieutenant G. Crossley, Messrs J. S. Gill, H. Havely, Paulie, G. S. Radley and G. Trippner.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Assault Charges

Arrested late yesterday afternoon, a middle-aged Napier man will appear in the Napier Police Court this morning to answer two serious charges of assault, allegedly involving females.

Scrub Fire

A small fire which broke out among the trees and shrubs on Mr L. Stephenson's property in Chaucer Road, Napier, about 1.30 p.m. yesterday afternoon, was quickly subdued by the Napier Central Fire Brigade. As far as could be ascertained, little or no damage was done.

Reaction to Blitzkrieg

A fourteen-year-old school girl living in Worthing, Sussex, in writing to her uncle, contributes this gem to the British reaction to the blitzkrieg:—"The air raid siren is just going as I write this, and, honestly, I shall feel quite lonely going to bed without the siren when victory comes. We have had many bombs dropped near us, how near I must not say, because it would be blue pencilled, but to give you a hint, all the apples on our trees came off at once and now we don't eat them fast enough. We have school all day now, as the whole of England is a defence area. We seem to spend most of our time down the shelters, or if there is machine gunning in the corridors. Sirens usually go in the middle of French lesson—we are glad! But if we are down the shelters for a long time and miss meals we are not so glad."

Auckland Cathedral

The General Trust Board of the Anglican Diocese of Auckland has received cabled advice from London of the award of the adjudicator (Sir Giles Gilbert Scott) in the competition for plans for the proposed Auckland Cathedral. The competition was held under the provisions of the will of the late Miss M. T. Sutton, who bequeathed the residue of her estate, estimated at £65,000, towards the cost of the cathedral. It was open to members of the New Zealand Institute of Architects resident in the Dominion or elsewhere, and it is understood that between forty and fifty designs were submitted. The awards are: First, Charles Towle, Sydney, premium £1000; second, Arnyas D. Connell, Long Sutton, Hampshire, £400; third, Ferguson G. F. Sheppard, and J. R. P. Blake-Kelly, Auckland, £200; fourth, T. K. Donner and H. G. Bartlett, Auckland, £100. The winner, Mr Towle, was formerly in practice in Auckland, but left early last year for Sydney, where he is now engaged in designing aerodrome buildings for the Commonwealth Government. The most notable example of his work in Auckland is the Christian Science Church in Symonds Street.—Press Association.

Letters To The Editor

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

Without Varnish

Sir,—The well known London Press writer, Sister Huddleston in a powerful article written some months back makes an appeal for the "telling of the plain unvarnished truth by our newspapers, radio speakers and Ministers." And now we have arrived at the end of 1940 and a little of that "plain unvarnished truth" is emerging (some-what shyly) into the light of day. Herewith accept the thanks of a reader of the "Daily Mail" for your leader of December 23.

You have, for to start, taken that hypocritical "crusade" idea out of the war business. With all the garishness of it, this war is plainly and simply a fight for our very existence.

As for Britain's assuming responsibility for a "new order" in Europe, it is not only an impossible thing, as you say, but morally wrong in the bargain for we have no right to impose our idea of a new order or a form of government upon the peoples of Central Europe.

Unless we too wish to join the ranks of the dictators, perhaps this is the kernel of the nut.

When Ambassador Joseph Kennedy (a few months ago called "Great Britain's best friend") spilled the beans by saying "Democracy is dead in England" he, in the picturesque language of his country "said a mouthful."

Your next leader could "continue on." I mean that you perhaps could (if you only would) give us the next chapter in the world's most exciting serial—and head it "The Fight for Existence—As what? It would probably pull quite a lot of wool off (not over) our eyes.—I am etc.

CLARITY.

Breakfast Table

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"Why, after Shakespeare's hero, of course! Surely you know of Alasper Yorick!"

What will you wear during the Xmas holidays? Do you need a new hat for the race of fannels and sports coat for the best? Parents offer many suggestions, and a visit to their interesting shop would be well worth your while.

HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

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

The "Daily Mail's" special forecast is as follows: Winds: Moderate northerly winds predominating. Weather: Fair to fine and warm. Seas: Slight.

HASTINGS WEATHER: Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5 p.m. at the Hastings Magnetic Observatory, Cornwall Park, were as follows:—

Table with weather readings: Dry bulb temp., Wet bulb temp., Maximum temp., Minimum temp., Grass, etc.

Counterfeit Notes: A split Reserve Bank 10/- note was intercepted in an Auckland bank.

Esik River Bridge: In spite of the tremendous difficulties which faced the contractors when they commenced work, the erection of the new ferro-concrete high-level bridge over the Esik River at the Dominion turn off, has been proceeding steadily for many months.

Havelock North Blaze: A spectacular blaze in the early hours of Saturday morning destroyed a modern bungalow in Miller Street, Havelock North, despite the efforts of a bucket team of 18 men from the Volunteer Fire Brigade.

General situation: Anti-cyclones are centred over the North Island and a trough of low pressure is advancing across the Tasman Sea.

Forecast—Winds: Northerlies prevailing, moderate in the north but fresh to strong in exposed positions south of Taranaki and Hawke's Bay.

Seas: New Zealand waters: Rather rough to rough south of Cape Egmont and about Cook Strait, elsewhere slight or moderate. Eastern Tasman Sea: Moderate to strong northerly winds turning later to south-westerly in the southern portion. Seas rather rough to rough.

Weather: Fair in eastern and northern areas but becoming unsettled in western districts from Taranaki southwards with scattered rain and drizzle developing. Temperatures mild to warm.

To-day's Diary: HASTINGS: The Theatres: "Spring Parade," Regent, 2.15 and 8 p.m.

"My Favourite Wife," State, 2.15 and 8 p.m. "Zanzibar" and "Margie," Cosy, 2 and 7.45 p.m.

NAPIER: The Theatres: "My Favourite Wife," State, 2 and 8 p.m.

"Wolf of New York" and "Sing Dance and Plenty Hot," Mayfair, 2 and 7.45 p.m. "Sea Hawk," Regent, 2 and 8 p.m.

Give Him Point-Setters this Christmas

Young couples are buying their engagement rings now—fascinating engagements 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.

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Men are hard to please with gifts, especially if it's something to wear, but you take no chances of making him a martyr to your taste when you give him a Point-Setter, the shirt with soft-collar comfort but stiff-collar smartness.

RANGATIRA RUNS ON REEF DURING HEAVY FOG

Steamer Express Is Refloated Safely: 750 Passengers Transhipped

(By Telegraph—Press Association) CHRISTCHURCH, Dec. 29. Sliding gently into the reef at the western end of Pigeon Bay, about 20 miles from Lyttelton, in dense fog this morning, the steamer-express Rangatira, under the command of Captain G. B. Morgan, remained hard aground for nearly 10 hours. Her 750 passengers were safely transferred in lifeboats to the cargo steamer Waimarino, which berthed at Lyttelton shortly after midday. The Rangatira was assisted off the reef by the Lyttelton Harbour Board's tug Lyttelton I and an intercolonial steamer on the afternoon tide and, steaming up the harbour at a brisk eight or 10 knots, she completed her interrupted journey apparently little the worse for her stranding. She arrived at Lyttelton at 3.40 p.m.

The mishap occurred about 5.30 a.m. The Rangatira had been steaming slowly for some time in a thick coastal fog when her siren sounded at intervals. She struck very gently that most of those on board did not know she was aground. A few of the male passengers went on deck and saw the reef of rocks a few yards away on the port bow. The passengers were told to return to their cabins and await orders.

Relief Ships Sent
In response to wireless messages from the stranded ship the Lyttelton staff of the Union Co. quickly made arrangements to dispatch relief ships. The company has two ships in port at Lyttelton, the coastal steamer Waimarino and an intercolonial steamer. By 7.30 the Waimarino had been made ready for sea and left the intercolonial steamer following soon thereafter.

The tug Lyttelton I, however, was the first vessel to answer the summons, steam at an hour's notice always being available on one of the other of the Lyttelton Harbour Board's tugs. She left for Pigeon Bay about 7.15. The second tug, Lyttelton II, is temporarily out of commission, but was immediately made ready for duty as necessary in the salvage operations.

Sun after Fog
When the relief vessels left the wharves the fog extended for the full length of Lyttelton Harbour. It began to lift as they neared the entrance to Pigeon Bay and the actual rescue operations were carried out in brilliant sunshine and on an almost smooth sea.

The Rangatira went aground about two hours after full tide, and when the rescue vessels arrived she was lying about 300 yards off the west headland of the bay with her bow well out of the water and showing most of her bow rudder. Her stern was well down in deep water and the tug had made a line fast and was pulling gently to prevent the Rangatira's going further up. The grounded steamer had no list, which greatly simplified the transhipping of passengers.

Cheerful Passengers
Soon after the arrival of the Waimarino, the port lifeboats—that previously been swung out and filled with women and children and lowered into the water without mishap. All the passengers were wearing lifebelts and seemed in remarkably good spirits.

The lifeboats of the Rangatira are of the manually-operated propeller type, and women passengers were enthusiastically assisted in the operation of the hand levers.

Extraordinary Scene
It was an extraordinary scene when a launch carrying a representative of the Christchurch "Press" arrived a few minutes after the Waimarino had taken up her station. There was no noise of the engines and the launch was being towed by a small motor launch. The launch was being towed by a small motor launch. The launch was being towed by a small motor launch.

As the lifeboats began to ply to and fro between the Rangatira and the Waimarino, it was noticeable from the launches that Air Force men passengers on the steamer express were lending valuable aid in the loading of the lifeboats.

The only mishap reported was that to a woman who tore a finger-nail.

The crowds in the lifeboats were so cheerful that they might have been going to a picnic. In one boat a mother settled down to feed an infant child from a bottle heated by the thoughtful stewardess. The milk was warm and the mother and a seaman held the bottle in the water to cool the milk.

On the Waimarino
On board the Waimarino all preparations had been made to receive the passengers. Companion ladders lowered on each side expedited the work of taking the passengers aboard. Some of the launches assisted by towing the lifeboats, and one large passenger launch took a full load of passengers. As soon as they boarded the Waimarino the women passengers were given facilities to wash and were served with tea. All praised warmly what had been done for them.

Aboard the Rangatira all had had a substantial breakfast before leaving the ship. The stewards helped the passengers into their lifeboats.

When the Waimarino came into the inner basin and was warped into her berth at No. 2 wharf, there was a big crowd to welcome the rescued passengers. Anxiety continued to be felt for the fate of the Rangatira and preparations were continued in Lyttelton for an attempted salvage.

Safely Backed Off
Shortly after 3 o'clock anxiety was ended by the advice that the Rangatira, under the combined power of her own engines and towlines from Lyttelton I and the Union Co.'s intercolonial vessel had backed off the reef. This welcome news spread just as rapidly as the news of the stranding and when the Rangatira steamed up the harbour shortly before 4 o'clock Evans Pass and the Summit Road were lined with hundreds of motor cars.

No one would have guessed, as she steamed serenely up the harbour, that she had been aground and consequently in danger of serious damage for nearly 10 hours, nor would one have suspected from her deft and expeditious berthing that anything was amiss. She swung round outside the moles and came in stern first—the usual practice in berthing the steamer-expresses.

VISIT PAID TO EGYPT

SIR JOHN DUGAN RETURNS

BRIEF SURVEY

Greetings From N.Z. Troops

(By Telegraph—Press Association) AUCKLAND, Dec. 29. "I bring back with me from the Middle East New Year greetings to the Prime Minister and people of New Zealand from Major-General B. C. Freyberg and all officers and other ranks serving under him in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force," said Major-General Sir John Dugan, after he arrived by the flying-boat Aotearoa.

Major-General Dugan led the New Zealand delegation to the recent Eastern Group Conference at Delhi and later paid a visit to Egypt, following it with a flying visit to Greece.

"Full of Fight"
"When I left the Middle East on December 8," continued Sir John, "our troops were in great heart and full of fight. They had been working hard night and day to make themselves efficient and there was a wonderful spirit of comradeship and teamwork apparent among them all. Their amenities in the training camps are excellent and the organization for the caring of the sick and wounded is second to none in the Middle East."

Tank-hunting Methods
One aspect of the New Zealanders' training, which Sir John Dugan mentioned, is designed to meet enemy tanks. "In modern warfare," he said, "every soldier must be a potent tank-hunter, for armoured fighting vehicles are difficult to stop. Our troops are busy devising all sorts of ingenious methods of dealing with enemy tanks."

Italian Prisoners
Speaking of his visit to Greece, made while the Greek Army was scoring repeated successes against the Italians in Albania, Sir John Dugan said he had seen a large number of Italian prisoners.

"All that I saw," he said, "were so tame that they would feed out of your hand."
Sir John referred to Mussolini's boast that the Mediterranean was controlled by Italy. Through his flight from Egypt to Greece he saw no signs of any Italian ships or aircraft. Britain ruled the ocean without difficulty.

NEW SAILINGS ARRANGED

THE SOUTH ISLAND SERVICE

MAORI ON RUN

Special Trips Are Cancelled

(By Telegraph—Press Association) WELLINGTON, Dec. 29. Special sailings in the Wellington-Lyttelton service have in the meantime been cancelled.

The Wahine will arrive at Wellington tomorrow morning in place of the Rangatira and will leave again at 8.30 a.m. for Lyttelton.

The Maori will be recommenced to-morrow and will leave at 7.45 p.m. for Lyttelton. Thereafter the Maori will leave Wellington on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and the Wahine on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7.45 p.m.

Vessel Leaking Slightly

RANGATIRA DAMAGED

Examination By Diver

POST OFFICE BUSY

(By Telegraph—Press Association) CHRISTCHURCH, Dec. 29. The reef which the Rangatira struck is about five miles south-east of Lyttelton Heads.

The Wahine, which made a special daylight trip, arrived at Lyttelton at 7 p.m. and sailed for Wellington at 8.30 p.m. carrying passengers booked for the Rangatira's scheduled trip to-night.

The Rangatira is leaking slightly and was pumped out by the Lyttelton Harbour Board's diver. It was decided to send her to Port Chalmers for dry-docking. She left for Port Chalmers this evening.

The stewards and stewardesses were paid off and sent to Wellington by the Wahine to join the Maori which will be recommenced to-morrow.

VIVID ACCOUNT OF GREAT FIGHT ON LIBYAN BORDER

New Zealand Drivers Tell Of Exciting Days On The Desert

(By Telegraph—Press Association) WESTERN DESERT, Dec. 27.

The most exciting days they had known were described in vivid detail to-day by New Zealand truck drivers who returned from the front for a brief stay at their headquarters—a quiet little bay somewhere along the Mediterranean coast. They were members of operating sections of the Reserve Motor Transport Company, A.S.C., whose trucks carried English and Indian troops into the battle that rid Egypt of the Italian armed forces.

Nearly 230 drivers and reliefs and officers in three fleets of heavy lorries took assaulting parties to the very gates of the enemy positions in the Barrani area.

It is now confirmed that several of them decided on the spur of the moment to take an even more direct part in the offensive, following the charging infantrymen into the enemy positions and helping to round up the surprised enemy troops.

Admittedly their action was irregular but undeniably it was splendid.

In addition they were forced time after time to seek shelter behind truck wheels or trenches from bursting shells, bombs and the rain of fire from machine-gun nests and aircraft. It is believed that one driver, bring a Bren gun from the shoulder, brought down a diving Italian machine.

One Casualty
They suffered only one casualty—a driver who was hurt, but not seriously, when a truck overran a landmine.

Intense cold and continual sandstorms were experienced during several days and nights spent by the drivers in the front line. Events moved so swiftly that they find it difficult to retract them chronologically.

One said the first thought after troops had gone into action was to make a mug of tea and it was not until shots whizzed overhead as he was doing this that he fully realised the closeness of the battle.

Complete Surprise
All agreed that the element of complete surprise made for the swift victory. Even the sight of the big New Zealand trucks, which some mistook for tanks, by the startled enemy soldiers seemed to have had a demoralising effect.

Incredibly enough, the men obtained adequate sleep. The most exhausting phases of their task was the all-night return journey with prisoners.

They are now continuing their work of carrying supplies to the British forces across the border. One driver described how his section loaded Indian troops and spent the first night in the open some sixty miles from the enemy. Next

NAVY CAN SAVE THE EMPIRE

DANGERS WORSE THAN IN 1917 SUCCESS PREDICTED

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Giving an account of the bombardment of Nauru, the Minister of the Navy (the Rt. Hon. W. M. Hughes) said that in semi-darkness, just before dawn on Friday, a German raider signalled a warning to the Nauru radio station not to use its wireless and added that it was going to shoot the phosphate-loading jetties in order to save destruction to human life and property.

Then, having satisfied itself that there was no warships in sight, it hoisted the Nazi flag and opened fire at point-blank range.

The raider shelled the potato store and loading gear, the cantilever loading jetties and the cantilever shore storage and all oil storage tanks.

"The oil fuel tanks are still blazing," he said, "but the power station is intact. No private houses were fired upon and nobody was injured."

Mr Hughes added: "An Australian warship is on the raider's trail. Mr Hughes did not think the damage done was as great as was at first feared. He did not think it would amount to £1,000,000 as had been estimated in one quarter."

Contact Re-established.
Mr Hughes stated that radio communication with Nauru had now been re-established.

He disclosed that the name used by the raider was either Nanyo Maru or Manryo Maru, both of which appear in Lloyd's Register.

The spokesman of the Navy Office at Tokyo says he has no information confirming the claim that the Nauru raider flew the Japanese flag and used a Japanese name.

Tokyo newspapers ukewarmly treated the raider story, carrying brief Melbourne dispatches without commenting on the flag angle.

The Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies) said that the public could rest assured that the Navy was doing everything to destroy the enemy ship. He had communicated the facts of the shelling to the Japanese Government.

"In this latest manifestation of German methods of waging war, the peoples of the world have yet another example of German duplicity and lack of regard for any common decency which exists among civilised nations," he said.

"Among such nations this action will only deepen, if that is possible, the disgust with which Nazi Germany is regarded."

Observers in London, says a British Official Wireless message, noting that the Nazi forces have now added the attack on the undefended island of Nauru to their record of attacks on undefended islands and open towns, wonder if the choice by the German raider of Japanese colours under which it masqueraded in this attack.

"There is no need for farmers to 'get the wind up,'" he added. "This is just a difficulty to be overcome and we are going to use every available means to overcome it. We are already in touch with other sources of supply."

Sir Albert went on to say that at the time of the raider's attack there was a stock of about 60,000 tons of crushed and dried rock phosphate on Nauru. While it was impossible to be definite at this stage, he felt certain that means of shipping it would necessarily be slow in comparison with loading from the cantilever.

He recalled that some years ago, when all demands could not be met from Nauru and Ocean Islands, the commission had purchased supplies from Makatea and Christmas Island in the Pacific and from Florida and Morocco.

Repairing Damage
So far as repairs to the Nauru plant were concerned, Sir Albert said, the magnitude of the task had not yet been assessed. However, the commission had on its staff men with a wealth of special experience that would be of the highest value. They had been tackling the greatest possible difficulties, including those in the Pacific, and he was sure they would rise to this occasion.

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He issued a warning that Britain faces more dire consequences from German submarines and pocket battleships than the darkest days of 1917. He conceded that the British blockade was less decisive than in the World War, although it was very important. But the submarine and pocket battleship campaign of 1941 would be more difficult to combat than were the submarines in 1917. Nevertheless, the problem should be capable of solution in 1941.

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The Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies) said that the public could rest assured that the Navy was doing everything to destroy the enemy ship. He had communicated the facts of the shelling to the Japanese Government.

"In this latest manifestation of German methods of waging war, the peoples of the world have yet another example of German duplicity and lack of regard for any common decency which exists among civilised nations," he said.

"Among such nations this action will only deepen, if that is possible, the disgust with which Nazi Germany is regarded."

Observers in London, says a British Official Wireless message, noting that the Nazi forces have now added the attack on the undefended island of Nauru to their record of attacks on undefended islands and open towns, wonder if the choice by the German raider of Japanese colours under which it masqueraded in this attack.

"There is no need for farmers to 'get the wind up,'" he added. "This is just a difficulty to be overcome and we are going to use every available means to overcome it. We are already in touch with other sources of supply."

Sir Albert went on to say that at the time of the raider's attack there was a stock of about 60,000 tons of crushed and dried rock phosphate on Nauru. While it was impossible to be definite at this stage, he felt certain that means of shipping it would necessarily be slow in comparison with loading from the cantilever.

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PHOSPHATES IN DOMINION

ADDITIONAL STOCKS FOR WAR

NAURU SUPPLY

Commission Member's Review

(By Telegraph—Press Association) AUCKLAND, Dec. 29.

"The damage to the plant at Nauru Island is a grievous loss, but I can say that we have already begun to take steps to deal with the situation," said Sir Albert Ellis, the New Zealand member of the British Phosphate Commission, in an interview.

"At present, of course, it is possible to speak only in general terms, but I am in close touch with the central office of the commission in Melbourne, and I hope to make more specific information before long."

Stocks Built Up
In anticipation of war risks, Sir Albert continued, additional stocks of rock phosphate had been built up in New Zealand since about the beginning of the present year.

Material had been stored in varying quantities at various fertilizer works, and had been drawn upon simultaneously with indoor stocks. The use to be made of these extra stocks in the present emergency was naturally bound up with what the commission would do to make up for the reduction in output from Nauru.

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Further information has been received officially of the capture and ultimate destruction of the German ship Rhein (6000 tons) in West Indies waters by the Royal Netherlands Navy ship Van Kinsbergen.

A suspicious vessel was sighted by the Van Kinsbergen in the early hours of December 11. The ship was closed and identified with the aid of searchlights as the Rhein, and was ordered to stop. The Rhein attempted to escape in the darkness, but was brought to by a shot fired across her bows.

Attempt To Scuttle
A boarding party was sent over and the crew of the German ship, who had previously set her on fire in an attempt to scuttle her, were transferred to the Van Kinsbergen. After fighting the fire for some hours, it was found impossible to save the German ship. Although the attempt to scuttle her had been prevented and identified with the aid of searchlights as the Rhein, and was ordered to stop. The Rhein attempted to escape in the darkness, but was brought to by a shot fired across her bows.

Father Of Nine Died By Poisoning
By Telegraph—Press Association AUCKLAND, Dec. 28. An inquest into the death on Saturday evening of Thomas William Roberts, 52, a married man living at Eden Terrace, was held by the Coroner (Mr F. H. Hurn).

A verdict of death by poisoning, self-administered, was returned. Roberts was the father of nine children.

Japan's Dire Need Of Steel

CHINA WAR SUPPLIES

Other Necessities Now Lacking

REVIEW OF RESOURCES

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received December 26, 6 p.m.) TOKYO, Dec. 27.

The Japanese Cabinet has directed that a revision be undertaken of the material resources mobilisation plan for the last quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31. To counteract the United States embargoes and the pressure on trade with British Crown colonies, Cabinet requires additional steel output, a new rice-supply plan, intensive and extensive development of ore deposits enabling the elimination of dependence on foreign scrap, and purchases of high-grade coal from China and Manchukuo.

The president of the planning board (Mr Naoki Hoshino) stressed the importance of speeding up the installation of ore-processing machinery at existing blast furnaces. "Optimism is unwarranted at the moment when Japan is on the verge of the fifth year of the China affair," he said, "and the nation demands steel in huge quantities for national defence and other purposes."

Efficient work was performed by the mailroom staff at the Christchurch Post Office. The Rangatira's mail reached the Chief Post Office at 7 p.m. Before 10 p.m. the southern mail had been sorted and dispatched to the southbound night express, and all city mail had been sorted for Monday morning's deliveries. Before this task was completed another large mail arrived by the Wahine.

NAPIER DEFENCE RIFLES

Light Mars Practice

MUNRO RETURNS TOP SCORE

R. Gollop's Success

Shooting was not particularly brilliant when members of the Napier Defence Rifle Club fired the first practice of the third series for the club championship, on Saturday afternoon.

Bad light seriously affected the marksmen, the best effort being put up by J. Munro, who secured 45 at a range of 600 yards. Rifleman R. Gollop was awarded the Hon. W. E. Barnard's trophy after a fairly close shoot, J. Munro retaining the Ladder Badge.

The following were the best scores registered:—
Marksman Hcp. 600 800 1100
R. Gollop 5 41 39 85
J. Munro 0 45 39 84
J. Hawkins 9 34 30 83
H. Pedersen 0 40 38 78
G. Gordon 7 36 30 73

The next shoot will be held at Row's Hill on January 11 at 2 p.m.

Fear Of Attack Through Greece

GERMAN PRECAUTION

Troops Would Cross Bulgaria

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received December 29, 11.10 p.m.) LONDON, Dec. 29.

The Associated Press correspondent at Budapest learns that Germany planned to cross Bulgaria to Greece in the event of Britain landing troops in an attempt to use Greece as a starting point for an invasion of Central Europe. The movement of German troops to Rumania is chiefly an insurance measure.

NO MEDIATION IN INDO-CHINA

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received December 29, 6 p.m.) VICHY, Dec. 27.

It is reliably reported that France plans to send a delegation from Indo-China to Bangkok in an effort to settle the frontier dispute.

France has rejected Japan's offer to arbitrate, declaring that it will not accept third party mediation.

Australian Navy At Home

WAR MEASURE

Minister Praises Fine Record

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received December 29, 6 p.m.) SYDNEY, Dec. 28.

In reviewing the activities of the Australian Navy, the Minister for the Navy (the Rt. Hon. W. M. Hughes) announced that 90 per cent. of the Australian naval ships were now in Australian waters. He was not permitted to say more than that.

He claimed that Australian ships had built up a fine record. "Apart from co-operating with the Royal Navy in patrolling the trade routes of the world," said Mr Hughes, "our ships have already sunk one enemy cruiser, destroyed several enemy submarines, destroyers and torpedo-boats, shot down enemy aircraft, and captured enemy merchant ships."

Mr Hughes also praised the operations of other units of the Australian Navy—the minesweepers, sloops and other auxiliary craft which had been constantly at

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BIRTHS

HUTSON.—On December 27th, 1940, at Sister Cooper's, Hastings, to Mr and Mrs Charles Hutson (nee Marjorie Young)—a son. Both well.

DEATHS

LOW.—On December 28th, 1940, at the Napier Hospital, Annie, widow of the late Alexander Low, aged 68 years.

The funeral will leave the Presbyterian Church, Taradale, at 3.15 p.m. to-day for interment at Taradale Cemetery.

H. W. BROWN,
Funeral Director,
Taradale.

PUBLIC NOTICES

MARAENUI GOLF CLUB (Inc.).

THE ANNUAL SUMMER OPEN TOURNAMENT will be held at the Maraenui Links, Napier, on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd JANUARY. Finalists unable to play on 3rd January may arrange to play off on Saturday, 4th January.

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STOCK SALES

ASSOCIATED AUCTIONEERS

WAIKURAU YARDS.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1941.

Sale will commence at 10.30 a.m. with cattle followed by fat and store sheep. Sale of sheep will commence not later than 12 noon.

SHEEP—
1000 Woolly Ewe & Wether Lambs
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CATTLE—
STORTFORD LODGE YARDS
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1941.

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No stock will be yarded before 5.30 a.m. until further notice.

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Waikurau: 4, 18.
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Ongaonga: 10, 24.
Takapau: 14.
Tara: 28.

Ewe Fair, Waikurau: 11, 25.
Ewe Fair, Stortford Lodge: 7, 21.

DEATHS

SMITH.—On December 28th, 1940, at Napier, Charles Cooper Smith, dearly beloved husband of the late Ada Susan Smith; aged 65 years.

A service will be held at the Eskdale Church at 2 p.m. to-day (Monday), the funeral leaving afterwards for interment at the Eskdale cemetery.

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