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Convoyed Ships Are Safe From German Aircraft

NOT ONE VESSEL SO LOST DURING WAR

Fantastic Claims Examined In Detail

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LONDON, March 21.

Official circles say Nazi airmen have not sunk a single ship in convoy during the war, despite the repeated fantastic claims.

The total damage done to British warships as the result of air attacks is as follows:—

The Mohawk, damaged by splinters on October 16. The Iron Duke, damaged by a bomb on October 19. One cruiser suffered very slight superficial damage by a bomb which did not explode on October 16.

One warship, which was not a capital ship, slightly damaged by a bomb at Scapa Flow on March 16.

A Berlin communique claims that the Germans sank nine British merchantmen and warships of a tonnage totalling 42,000 tons, to have damaged two merchantmen of 11,000 tons, and to have shot down one British plane in yesterday's raid on Scapa Flow. It also claims that an armed merchantman was attacked in the English Channel.

A British communique, commenting on the German claim, says the facts are that the convoy, which consisted almost entirely of neutrals, was not dispersed and is proceeding safely upon its voyage. None of the escorting warships was hit or damaged and no ship was sunk.

U-BOATS SINK TWO MORE NEUTRALS

ONE VICTIM IN THE PACIFIC

LATEST LOSSES

Attack On Convoy Beaten Off

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LONDON, March 22.

The Germans sank four more neutral ships, all Danish. U-boats were responsible for two of them, the others being lost by explosions, presumably mines. The victims were the Algier, the Minsk, the Bothal (2109 tons), and the Viking (1153 tons).

The Algier was sunk in the Pacific without warning. Four members of the crew and one woman passenger perished. Nineteen members of the crew were missing. A British warship rescued nine after 36 hours in a small boat.

The Minsk was sunk by a submarine off the north-east coast of Scotland. Eleven members of the crew were killed and one died, including the chief and third officers and the chief engineer.

An Admiralty communique states that two small neutral ships were slightly damaged in a German raid on a convoy. His Majesty's ships were engaged. Escorting warships and naval Coastal Command planes engaged the enemy.

The damaged neutrals were the Svinta, which was abandoned and the crew rescued, the Utklippan, which was hit by an incendiary bomb; the Toraelise, also hit but no details available.

Two naval planes on one occasion dispersed 10 Heinkels, one Heinkel being damaged by anti-aircraft fire from the escorting warships. Several others were hit by two naval planes.

The steamer Phobos (7412 tons), bound for Holland with a cargo of oil, was sunk on the south-east coast. A lifeboat rescued 30 members of the crew. They were covered with crude oil. A steamer picked up 19 others. The first officer and six Chinese crew members were killed. The vessel is still afloat.

Prayers For Recovery Of Mr Savage

Arrangement At Church Services To-morrow

Health Bulletin

Message Of Sympathy From King And Cabinet Ministers

By Telegraph Press Association. WELLINGTON, March 22.

The following bulletin concerning the Rt. Hon. M. J. Savage's health was issued at 9 o'clock to-night: "The Prime Minister has had a more comfortable day and there is no material change in his condition."

The messages of sympathy received by Mr Savage to-day include one from the King. This reads: "The Queen and I are so sorry to hear that your indisposition is persisting, but we hope you will soon be making progress towards recovery and we send you our best wishes. (Signed) George R.I."

Messages have also been received by Mr Savage from Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Mr. Anthony Eden, and Mr. De Valera.

The suggestion has been made to Mr Fraser that in view of the universal sympathy that has been shown by all classes of the community throughout the Dominion in regard to the State of the Prime Minister's health it would meet the general wish if churches of all denominations in New Zealand arranged at their services on Sunday, March 24, for prayers to be offered for Mr Savage's recovery.

Hurried Arrangements

When the suggestion was conveyed by Mr Fraser to the heads of the churches with whom it was possible to get into touch in the limited time at his disposal, they readily agreed to give effect to it. As a matter of fact, in some cases arrangements had already been made for this course to be followed. In others it was asked that, in view of the shortness of the time making it difficult for them to get into touch with all their churches, the proposal should be made known as widely as possible.

Archbishop Averil, Anglican Primate, and the Rev. J. Lawson Robinson, Moderator of the Presbyterian Assembly, have asked that it be stated that it is their special wish that all Anglican and Presbyterian Churches respectively throughout New Zealand should offer prayers on Sunday next for the recovery of Mr Savage.

NEW ZEALAND'S PART IN SYLT RAID

Big Share Taken In Bombing Of Hornum

IN THE AIR SIX HOURS

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LONDON, March 22.

"Just like Bedlam let loose," was the description given by a 22-year-old New Zealander speaking of the scene over Sylt. "A dozen searchlights caught our sergeant-pilot's machine and the searchlights got us as I released the bombs. It was a big disappointment not to see the explosion, because we had to get into the clouds quickly."

The crew of one bomber comprised a Canadian pilot, a New Zealand second pilot, an Irish wireless operator, and an English gunner.

Thirty-five per cent. of the pilots and crew engaged in the raid were New Zealanders and Australians. A further 15 per cent. were from other Dominions. Thus far it has been the Dominions' biggest representation in R.A.F. operations.

A New Zealander engaged in the raid was Pilot Officer Tony Luxmore, of Feilding.

The New Zealanders and Australians concentrated on Hornum. They averaged six hours' flying during the raid. First they flew over north-west Germany to make doubly certain of the location of their military objective, whereupon they gave the German base "all they had" before returning home according to schedule.

The Air Minister (Sir Kingsley Wood), speaking in the House of Commons, said: "The Royal Air Force raid on Sylt last night registered direct on hangars, which were set on fire. Oil storage tanks also were set on fire. Many hits were made on a jetty, a light railway, and other parts of the base. Reconnaissance flights today confirmed the success of the operations. All the reconnaissance planes returned safely."

"The Sylt raiders," Sir Kingsley added, "were over double the number of German planes which took part in the Scapa Flow raid. The Royal Air Force met with intense anti-aircraft fire, which did not prevent them from reaching their targets and dropping a large number of bombs. The German fighters sheered off when they encountered our fire."

The Sylt exploit has served to inject a new spirit into civilians who have been growing weary of the long inaction and were beginning to adopt a most critical attitude over the conduct of the war, says a British Official Wireless message.

During the raid, the next night, the British planes dropped large parachute flares from a great height, lighting up the whole scene and revealing burning hangars and the location of other objects which could be bombed.

It is revealed that one of four heavily-armed towers on the Hindenburg Dam was destroyed. The railway across the dam also is out of action. No traffic has passed along it from the mainland since.

Neutral observers on the Danish-German and German Dutch frontiers say that news of the extent of the British raid is rapidly spreading through Germany despite the very brief and belittling references made in the Nazi Press, which is confining the entire story to allegations that the British planes violated Danish and Dutch territory.

Holland made a prompt reply with a semi-official statement denying that foreign planes violated her territory.

The German official agency claims that three raiders were shot down. It says that between 15 and 20 planes participated. Bomb fragments slightly injured three people. The agency denied that a munitions dump at the air base was destroyed.

Details now received show that the raid was carried out with remarkable smoothness and precision. The bombing was from various heights, despite intense anti-aircraft gunfire. Searchlights all round the target were in action, but only a few of the bombers were caught in the beams. At one stage the British aircraft had only a single searchlight to contend with. Those which preceded it appeared to have "put out" the others.

In the hangar areas of the seaplane base a large number of bombs were dropped. Smoke was seen rising from the ground in this vicinity by some of the later arrivals.

The flaming buildings, as well as the light of the moon, guided the later arrivals to their targets.

"When we arrived over the island there was quite a nice little fire going, and we made straight for it," said one pilot. "We were being shot at all the time. Our bombs fell on a large hangar. After dropping our bombs and turning away, we saw a huge fire blazing which had not been there when we arrived."

"The anti-aircraft fire was heavy, including 'flaming onions.' It was the first time I had encountered them. It was curiously fascinating to see how slowly they seemed to approach the aircraft. Luckily, their slowness gave us plenty of time to get out of the way."

NEW ZEALANDER AWARDED THE D.F.M.

HIGH COMMISSIONER INSPECTS AIR STATION

R.A.F. Ability Highly Praised

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LONDON, March 22.

Air Chief Marshal Ludlow Hewitt and the New Zealand High Commissioner (Mr W. J. Jordan) inspected a large number of airmen at a hangar at an East Anglian bomber station, including New Zealand officers and men who recently carried out their first operation—a sweep over the North Sea.

At Air Marshal Ludlow Hewitt's request, Mr Jordan presented the D.F.M. to Corporal Knight for his skill and courage when wireless operator on December 14 in a raid on Schilling Roads and the Frisian Islands.

"On behalf of the New Zealand Government and people, I want to say how proud we are of the part you played," he said.

After inspecting the hangars and aircraft and climbing into a bomber and seeing a demonstration of the work in the gun turrets, Mr Jordan said he was greatly impressed by what he had seen, which was striking proof of the R.A.F.'s ability to hit back and keep on hitting.

Air Force Law

The Government is amending the Army and Air Force Acts, placing New Zealand and Australia on the same footing as the other Dominions regarding the application of military and air force law. The present Army and Air Force Acts put New Zealand and Australia in the same position as the Colonies because of their patriotic desire not to adopt certain sections of the Statute of Westminster, which the other Dominions desired.

The amendment will enable the Dominion laws to apply to the Dominion forces overseas and will also enable the United Kingdom's laws to apply to any United Kingdom Colonial forces visiting New Zealand or Australia.

The Personnel

M. Reynaud presented the National Union Cabinet to the President as follows:—

Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs: M. Reynaud (Democratic Alliance Party).

Defence and War: M. Edouard Daladier (Radical Socialist).

Vice-Premier and Minister of State: M. Camille Chautemps (Radical Socialist).

Navy: M. Cesar Campinchi (Radical Socialist).

Air: M. Laurent Eynac (Radical Socialist).

Armaments: M. Raoul Dautry (no party).

Justice: M. Serol (Socialist).

Finance: M. Lamoureux (Radical Socialist).

Interior: M. Roy (Radical Socialist).

Commerce: M. Rollin (Left Republican).

M. Reynaud Forms Cabinet In France Like That Of Clemenceau In Great War

Ex-Premier Daladier Has Portfolio Of War And Defence

New Ministries

British Idea Of Economic Council Is Followed

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PARIS, March 22.

At the request of the President (M. Lebrun), following the resignation of M. Daladier, M. Reynaud has formed a Cabinet.

The new Ministry includes MM. Daladier, Lamoureux, and Mandel, and an inter-Ministerial Economic Council similar to that in Britain. It comprises M. Lamoureux, Finance Minister, M. Dautry, and all the Ministers dealing with national economy.

New portfolios are Supplies and Information.

In a statement M. Reynaud said that the Ministry was similar numerically to M. Clemenceau's War Cabinet in the Great War, but the Inner Cabinet and Economic Council were important differences. He added that the former would meet three times a week and the latter once a week.

Colonies: M. Georges Mandel (Independent Republican).

Education: M. Albert Sarraut (Radical Socialist).

Supplies: M. Henri Queuille (Radical Socialist).

Blockade: M. Monnet (Socialist group).

Public Works: M. Anatole de Monzie (Socialist Republican Union).

Labour: M. Charles Pomaret (Socialist Republican Union).

Postmaster-General: M. Jules Julien (Radical Socialist).

Information: M. Frossard (Independent).

Mercantile Marine: M. Alphonse Rio (Radical Socialist).

Health: M. Heraud (Independent Radical).

Pensions: M. Riviere (Socialist group).

Agriculture: M. Thellier (Independent Radical).



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RISE IN PRICES IN BRITAIN

Increase Of 31 Per Cent. Since The War

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LONDON, March 22.

The general cost of living index since the outbreak of the war has risen by 31 per cent.

Food prices have increased 40 per cent. and industrial materials and manufactures 26 1/2 per cent.

MURDERER SAYS HE DID HIS DUTY

SIR M. O'DWYER'S DEATH

INDIAN IN COURT

Woman Tells How She Prevented Escape

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LONDON, March 22.

Not even bothering to remove his hat, Azad sauntered into Court smiling when he faced the charge of feloniously murdering Sir Michael O'Dwyer, a former Lieut.-Governor of the Punjab. A gaoler snatched off his hat, but the defendant continued to grin and had his hands in his pockets as the story of the murder was related.

The Director of Public Prosecutions said he believed that Azad's real name is Udhram Singh and the charge was accordingly amended.

The defendant allegedly made a statement: "I don't mind what sentence I get. I did my duty. I did not intend to take this person's life, I just meant to protest. I don't belong to any society."

A witness, Bertha Herring, a white-haired middle-aged woman told how she tackled the defendant after the shootings. "I heard a terrific explosion and saw a revolver in the hands of a man," she said. "He turned and came towards me. I felt deep resentment and ran to meet him, grabbed him and struggled with him. Two gentlemen then leaped on his back."

WAR PROBLEM FOR NEWSPAPERS

High Cost Of Paper PRICES RAISED IN BRITAIN

Rates May Go Up

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LONDON, March 22.

The price of newsprint is being increased 90% a ton from April 1, and there will be a further increase of 70% in July, making the price then 25 a ton compared with 11 5/8 at the outbreak of the war. This means that British newspapers generally will raise their advertisement rates. Some advocate an all-round increase of ten per cent. and another suggestion is to raise the price of penny papers to three halfpence.

EFFICIENT PRODUCTION OF ARMS

New German Minister Appointed

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BERLIN, March 22.

Herr Fritzdorf has been appointed Minister for Armaments and Munitions for the purpose of centralising and bringing to the most efficient peak the manufacture of armaments.

Two Cabinets Formed

SCHEME AT CANBERRA

Economics And War

THE PERSONNEL

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MELBOURNE, March 22.

The newly-constituted War and Economic Cabinets, formed because of the United Australia and United Country Party coalition, are announced by the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies as follows:—

WAR CABINET

Prime Minister: Mr. R. G. Menzies.

Navy and Commerce: Mr. A. G. Cameron.

Attorney-General: Mr. W. M. Hughes.

Army: Brigadier G. A. Street.

Supply: Sir Frederick Stewart.

Air: Mr. J. V. Fairbairn.

Treasurer: Mr. F. C. Spender.

Interior: Senator H. S. Foll.

External Affairs: Mr. J. McEwan.

ECONOMIC CABINET

Messrs. Menzies, Cameron, Street, Fairbairn, Foll, McEwan, and Sir F. Stewart.

DENMARK PROTESTS AT VIOLATION

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COPENHAGEN, March 22.

The Danish Minister in London has been instructed to protest to Britain against the R.A.F. violation of her territory during the Sylt raid.

Naval Base For Soviet At Wiipuri

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MOSCOW, March 22.

"Pravda" says that Wiipuri will be equipped as an important war base and will be able to accommodate the largest warships in the Soviet's Baltic fleet within a month.

Advertisement for WAIPUKURAU Easter Monday Races. Features cartoon rabbits and text: 'We're off to WAIPUKURAU For the RACES EASTER MONDAY HAWKE'S BAY'S HOLIDAY RACE MEETING GREAT FIELDS GOOD CLASS HORSES NEW TOTALISATOR FACILITIES. FOR KEEN SPORT ON A SPLENDID TRACK, WHERE YOU SEE EVERYTHING AND EVERYBODY! COME TO... WAIPUKURAU ON EASTER MONDAY All Soldiers In Uniform Free!'

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Cosy JAMES CAGNEY IN "GREAT GUY"

"The Witness Vanishes" Also Showing

"Great Guy," which opens at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings, to-day, presents James Cagney amid all those dramatic thrills which have made the popular, red-headed star famous.

But it is also a Cagney film with a difference and presents him in a role such as his admirers have never seen him in before. "Great Guy" differs entirely from any of Cagney's previous pictures in that it is not merely a pot pourri of sequences loosely strung together, but is a dramatic picture play in every sense of the word, with a dramatic element introduced logically so that humour and drama is heightened most effectively.

The film shows Cagney at his best. Selected by the Crime Club as one of the four most outstanding mystery stories, Universal's "The Witness Vanishes," which is the second dramatic picture play in its distinction remarkably well.

Based upon the James Ronald novel, this stirring drama with a Scotland Yard background has a cast including many famous English stage and screen artists. Edmund Lowe and Wendy Barrie are the leading players.

The story deals with a London newspaper publisher, who had been

Regent A NEW ZEALAND PREMIERE "Come On George" Is Great Comedy

As its special Easter holiday attraction the Regent Theatre, Hastings, will present George Formby in his latest epic, "Come On George."

Unanimously acclaimed by film reviewers as George Formby's best and funniest picture to date, it is also a film into the making of which George Formby put all his heart.

In addition to Formby the film boasts a strong cast, which includes such notable performers as Patricia Kirkwood, Joss Ambler, Meriel Forbes and Jimmy Taylor.

In the new film George Formby is seen as a goody lad with an ambition to become a great jockey. The story, packed with hilarious incidental comedy, shows how he achieved this by being blissfully unaware that the horse he is friendly with has killed more jockeys than old age.

When he finds out the truth and becomes terror-stricken, the trainer has him "psycho-analysed" so that he will not know the meaning of fear. Unfortunately, the effect of the psycho-analysis wears off just before the race and George has to go through with it.

Throughout, George is his lovable and inimitable self, deriving a fund of rich and ever varied humour from the countless impossible situations into which he is inevitably thrown.

Apart from the irresistible comedy scenes, there is a wealth of rollicking music which cannot fail to appeal to every taste. Among the hit numbers featured in "Come On George," are "Good-night, Little Fellow, Good-night," "Pardon Me," "I Could Not Let the Stable Down," and "I'm Making Headway Now."

All are escorted with the infectious "Formby" lilt and rhythm.

Not the least virtue of the film is its pace. From first to last it proceeds without let or hindrance, hilarious situations, wit pointed against wit, and with surprises all the time. This is excellent comedy and perfect holiday fare. There can be little doubt that early booking will be essential.

State "THE HOUSEKEEPER'S DAUGHTER" Brilliant And Original Comedy

One of the gayest and most exciting pictures to reach the screen for some time is now showing at the State Theatre, Hastings. It is "The Housekeeper's Daughter."

This picture was produced and directed by Hal Roach, Hollywood's famous producer of riotous and original comedy successes such as the "Topper" series, "Merrily We Live," and others. It is released by United Artists with a well chosen cast headed by Joan Bennett, Adolphe Menjou, Peggy Wood, John Hubbard, Donald Meek and William Gargan.

The film is a fast moving, lively romance smartly fashioned to contain all the elements of entertainment and an original idea of its own.

Miss Bennett, portraying the alluring housekeeper's daughter, leaves her underworld boy friend flat to return to her mother, who works for the socially prominent Randall family. Learning that the family has left town for the summer, the heroine is pleasantly surprised to discover that the young and handsome son of the family, played by John Hubbard, one of the screen's new leading men, has decided to stay in town and brave the summer heat.

Young Randall is determined to break into newspaper work and he accomplishes this feat very easily by using his father's influence.

With romance and crime marching side by side, a hilarious climax is provided in a big fireworks scene - when a gang of underworld hoodlums, who invade the house where Miss Bennett is staying, is put to flight by Adolphe Menjou with the aid of a barrage of fireworks.

Hal Roach personally directed as well as produced "The Housekeeper's Daughter" from the famous novel of the same name by Donald Young Clarke. The production was filmed from the screen play written by Rian James and Gordon Douglas and boasts sprightly dialogue, tense situations and swiftly moving dramatic romance.

The film provides comedy at its best.

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Loretta Young and David Niven, co-starring in "Eternally Yours," have the most unique screen roles either has ever played.

Miss Young, in the realm of legerdemain, accomplishes the bizarre task of appearing and disappearing at the merest behest of "The Great Arturo," played by David Niven.

Under his hypnotic spell she kisses him, despite the fact that in reality she is boiling mad at him.

After a protracted period of intensive instruction under one of the country's leading magicians, Paul de Paul, Niven became surprisingly adept in performing the many tricks and illusions called for in this Walter Wanger romantic comedy, which is now showing at the State Theatre, Napier.

Niven's feat vary from "creating" Miss Young out of bottled chemicals to freeing himself from handcuffs during a 15,000 foot parachute jump and landing successfully. Not the least among his tricks is that of hypnotising "Her-man" the pet rabbit in the picture.

However, despite "The Great Arturo's" hypnotic power, his sleight of hand and his ability to foretell the future, he is unable to make mysterious women's lipstick disappear from his collars, and when Miss Young, as his wife, finally reaches the limit of her tolerance and leaves him, he is unable to find her.

All-star support is brought to the production by Hugh Herbert, valet and confidant of Arturo; C. Aubrey Smith, a tolerant he-man bishop; Virginia Field, a magician's assistant who has been run for and around; Broderick Crawford, a too-perfect suitor of Miss Young's; Raymond Walburn, a financier whose bridal party almost starts a riot; Zasu Pitts, who flutters in and out creating impossible situations that only Arturo can remedy; and Billie Burke, as delightfully scatter-brained as ever.

Many of the most ingenious devices known to theatrical magic were used during the filming of "Eternally Yours." The most eerie of the magic aids were built for the production by Lloyd Thayer, a Los Angeles magician, and known throughout the realm of legerdemain as the premier designer of such devices.

The Fox-Australian newsreel features the arrival of the New Zealand troops in Egypt. Several Napier residents, who are in the First Echelon, are to be seen in close-ups of the troops.

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Regent GLORIA JEAN A CHILD SENSATION

Star Of New Film "The Under-Pup"

First visitor and also the last visitor to the set of 11-year-old Gloria Jean's first picture, "The Under-Pup," now showing twice daily at the Regent Theatre, Napier, was not only one of Hollywood's most illustrious personages, but an example and a good-luck omen for Gloria as well.

The visitor's name is Deanna Dabin. Three years before, Deanna, then an unknown, began her first picture, "Three Smart Girls." The history of that hit and four that followed is well known. Now Gloria's embryonic career closely parallels that of Deanna.

The same producer who first presented Deanna, Joe Pasternak, is also introducing Gloria for the same reason. Several Napier residents, who are in the First Echelon, are to be seen in close-ups of the troops.

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"MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME"

Showing With "Star Of The Circus"

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But stay, there is one thing, my unsaved friend, you would give worlds to be able to leave behind, but you cannot—YOUR SINS, unless you come to the Lord, and experience the cleansing value of the precious blood of Christ.

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A pleasant evening was held at Waikaremoana, Waikaremoana, recently, when the European and Maori friends of Miss Grace Clemence gathered to bid her farewell. For seven years Miss Clemence has taught with her sister, Miss P. Clemence, in the Kokako Native school, and is now retiring from the teaching service. A Maori parent once said: "Miss Clemence is like a mother to our children." And no words could better describe her, for, over and above the ordinary routine work of the school, she has spared no pains in caring for the physical and spiritual well-being of her charges.

After the guest of the evening had been presented with a bouquet by one of her ex-pupils, little Rangitangi Te Mairi, she and her friends were delightedly entertained by the Maori children, who gave poi dances, hakas, and Maori action songs.

Later, Sister Kearney addressed the gathering on behalf of the Maori people, and of the Mission, which Miss Clemence has wholeheartedly supported throughout her sojourn in Waikaremoana.

Mr John Rangihau also spoke on behalf of the Maori people, and Mr Stout on behalf of European friends in Tuai.

Miss Clemence was presented with a gold wristlet watch, and a klie kit, worked in Maori design by Mrs W. Mel.

The singing of Auld Lang Syne, followed by many hearty cheers, brought the evening to a close.

A BRIDE-TO-BE IS HONOURED AT WAIROA

An Afternoon Gift Party Given For Miss M. Prior

An enjoyable kitchen afternoon was given on Wednesday by Mrs M. B. Svensen and Mrs D. Gien-gary, Wairoa, in honour of Miss M. Prior who is shortly to be married. The afternoon was spent in games and competitions. After a delicious afternoon tea the guest of honour opened her many parcels assisted by Miss E. Croker and Miss R. Galbraith, two of the brides-maids-to-be.

Miss Prior in a charming speech thanked everyone for the lovely gifts.

Among those present were Mesdames Herbert, J. Svensen, Joe, Grout, Gunnell, Phillips, Beckett, Welsh, Trafford, Thompson, Prior, Galbraith, Smith, Elwin, Duncan, Goldstone, Brady, Withers, Johnston, Stranding, Dower, Innis, Boreham.

Misses Heslop, Croker, Sheehan, Redshaw.

SPECIAL RECIPE FOR THE WEEK

Japanese Biscuits

4oz flour, 2oz butter, 2oz sugar, 2oz ground almonds, half-teaspoon baking powder, 1 egg, half-teaspoon Hansell's Cloudy Almond Food Flavouring.

Sift flour and baking powder; rub in butter; add any ingredients. Mix to a stiff dough with beaten egg to which essence has been added. Roll out thinly. Cut into small rounds and bake 15 minutes at No. 4.

Put together with filling and ice tops; decorate each biscuit with Hansell's Red Colouring.

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Two English Menus For The Easter Ceremony

Here are some English buffet wedding breakfasts, and fortunately for the parents of Easter brides oysters and grapes, which figure largely in the following menus, are both in season.

Catering for a large number of guests presents a difficult problem to the average woman, who hesitates to have a wedding reception at home, but, since the advent of buffet meals instead of the sit-down affair, this problem has been solved. Buffet meals are less expensive, as so many little dishes costing a small amount can be made to look appetising and attractive. Another important feature about this type of entertaining is the service. You will only require half the amount, as guests like to move about and help themselves or help one another, which makes the party more informal.

If the service takes place about 7 p.m. or 8 p.m., the following menus are suitable as a guide. Of course, you can always add some of your favourite dishes, but be sure and make them colourful.

Menu No. 1.
 Grape and melon cocktail.
 Prawn and spaghetti ring.
 Individual mushroom vol-au-vents.
 Chaud-froid of lobster, mayonnaise sauce.
 Chicken and asparagus mould.
 Carrot basket.
 Brown and white bread and butter rolls.
 Spiced pears, ice cream.
 Angel cake biscuits.
 Sandwiches, fruit punch.
 Coffee.

Menu No. 2.
 Oyster cocktail.
 Bream newburg.
 Brown bread rolls.
 Fruit cup.
 Coffee.
 Chicken mayonnaise in lettuce cups.
 Fruit salad, ice cream.
 Small meringues.
 Fruit cup.
 Coffee.

Grape and Melon Cocktail.
 To each cup seeded grapes, add 1 cup honeydew melon cut into balls

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Five o'Clock Gossip

Mr and Mrs F. Hall, Duart Road, Havelock North, are spending the week-end in Wellington.

Mr and Mrs R. Watson, Hunterville, are spending the week-end in Havelock North.

Mrs Cook and Miss Audrey Cook, Melrose Street, Havelock North, are spending the week-end in Wellington.

Miss Margaret Waterhouse left yesterday to spend a week in Wellington.

Miss Josephine Nimon and Miss Yvonne Phillips, Havelock North, left yesterday for Wellington.

Miss Peggy Marven is spending the week-end in Motu, Gisborne, she is the guest of Mrs J. Bartie.

Miss D. Marven has returned to Havelock North after spending a holiday in Huntville.

Miss Aira Hewitt, Manratuhi, has left on a holiday visit to Wanganui.

Mr and Mrs W. J. Veresmith, Hastings, have left on a visit to Wellington.

Miss J. McAlley, Havelock North, is spending her sister in Palmerston North for the Easter holidays.

Mr and Mrs Neil Campbell, Avonui, Hastings, have returned home after a visit to Rotorua.

Mr and Mrs Henry Petre and Mrs Bush, are Palmerston North visitors to Waimarama.

Mr and Mrs J. L. Masterson, Havelock North, are visiting Wanganui.

Mrs A. M. Chambers, Hastings, and Mrs Douglas Lane, Havelock North, are visiting Wanganui.

Hastings visitors to Wellington to visit the Exhibition during the Easter holidays include the Misses Marjorie and Meg Simon, Thelma Bateman, M. Paget, and Florence Duffield.

Miss L. Cooper and Miss Madeleine Jones are Napier visitors to the Centennial Exhibition.

Mrs Nelson Bramley, "Ridge-mount" Station, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs A. G. Clark, Clive Square, Napier.

Miss Sylvia Monckton, Waipukurau, has returned home after a visit to Masterton.

Miss Justine Nesbitt, Seapoint Road, Napier, has left on a visit to Wellington.

Miss Peg. Barnard, Napier, is visiting Christchurch, where she will spend Easter with Miss Nancy Price.

GARDENING CIRCLE AT HASTINGS

Annual Meeting And Election Of Officers

The annual meeting of the Garden Circle of the Hastings Town women's Guild was held in the Guild Room on Wednesday.

Mrs A. C. A. Hyde presided over a small attendance of members.

The report of the year's work and financial statement were read by the secretary and showed a successful year's work.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Leader, Mrs H. M. Buck.
 Secretary, Mrs F. G. McAslister.
 Treasurer, Mrs A. G. Graham.
 Committee, Mesdames Dyer, Kirkman, Herbison, Dickson, and Kittermaster.

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Audrey Somerset, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Somerset Smith, Thompson Road, Napier, to Douglas, only son of Mr and Mrs C. J. Densham, of Curnell Street, Napier.

BUFFET WEDDING BREAKFASTS

with a vegetable scoop, the sections from 1 orange, a little spoonful of tartaric acid, and 1 tablespoon lemon juice. Chill thoroughly and serve in tall glasses. If liked, sprinkle the top with crushed after-dinner mints.

Prawn and Spaghetti Ring.
 Chop finely 1 small onion and try for a few minutes in 2 tablespoons margarine; add 2 level tablespoons flour and cook a little, add 1 cup stock (made from the well-washed prawn shells), and cook until thickens, gradually adding 1 cup milk. Season with a very little salt and bay-leaf. Have ready cooked in well-seasoned stock 1lb packet spaghetti. Butter a large ring mould, sprinkle with breadcrumbs, fill with spaghetti, and place in oven to thoroughly bake. Boil in salted water until tender. Cook 1lb peas and rub through a sieve, season with salt and pepper. Place mixture in a forcing bag made from greaseproof paper and fill carrots. Glaze with a little half-set aspic and set aside to chill. When ready to serve, fix on a handle made from parsley stalks or small pieces of curled celery. Before filling carrots they may be marinated in French dressing.

Spiced Pears.
 Boil 1 cup sugar, 2 cups water, 1 sliced lemon, piece of stick of cinnamon, 6 cloves, a very small amount whole mace, and a small piece of whole ginger. Simmer for five minutes. Colour syrup with cochineal, add small peeled pears (whole), and simmer until tender. Remove pears and cook syrup until very thick. Strain over pears and serve very cold.

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CURRENT PRODUCTIONS

STATE THEATRE: Now showing to Monday: "Eternally Yours" (David Niven, Loretta Young). Tuesday to Thursday: "Twenty Thousand Men a Year" (Randolph Scott, Preston Foster) and "Second Fiddle" (Sonja Henie, Tyrone Power). Commencing Friday: "The Flying Deuces" (Laurel and Hardy).

REGENT THEATRE: Now showing to Friday: "The Under-Pup" (Gloria Jean, Nan Grey, Robert Cummings). Commencing Saturday: "Come On, George" (George Formby). Saturday, April 6: "Mr Smith Goes To Washington."

MAYFAIR THEATRE: Monday and Tuesday: "The Yodelin' Kid From Pine Ridge" (Gene Autry, Smiley Burnette) and "Tropic Fury" (Richard Arlen, Andy Devine). Wednesday and Thursday: "She's Dangerous" (Tala Birell, Cesar Romero) and "Conflict" (John Wayne, Jean Parker). Commencing Friday: "Legion of Lost Flyers" (Richard Arlen, Andy Devine, Anne Nagel) and "Ride 'Em, Cowboy" (Buck Jones).

Charlie McCarthy's dulcet vocal tones will be heard in his latest film, "CHARLIE MCCARTHY, DELECTIVE." Mortimer Snerd and, of course, Edgar Bergen, are also in the cast.

A COMEDY OF ERRORS

Warner Bros. studios had no headaches in affixing a title like "NAUGHTY BUT NICE" to the latest Dick Powell-Ann Sheridan comedy due for early release. In this hilarious comedy of errors (mostly Powell's) Ann Sheridan gives generous evidence in support of her title of "oomph girl" of the screen.

Miss Sheridan has a surprisingly good singing voice and Gale Page (of "Four Daughters") who formerly sang to a large radio public in America also contributes a song number entitled "In a Moment of Weakness." Zasu Pitts, Allen Jenkins, and Helen Broderick aid and abet a competent cast in this fast paced comedy.

Work on the recently announced Elsa Maxwell series of shorts for Warner's has begun. "How Not to Give a Party" and "Riding Into Society" are the first ones.

Marlene Dietrich has started the Decca recordings of three numbers she introduced in Universal's "Destiny Rides Again." The tunes which are written by Frank Loesser and Frederick Hollander, are: "You've Got That Look," "The Boys in the Back Room," and "Little Joe, the Wrangler."



The popular English comedian George Formby with Patricia Kirkwood in his latest success, "Come On, George," which commences its Hastings season to-day at the Regent Theatre.

On Tip-Toes Up The Stairways

Tip-toeing up and down stairways and in and out of doorways proved a difficult stunt for both David Niven and Dudley Digges, judging from the number of "takes" required for a scene in Samuel Goldwyn's "Raffles," the new mystery melodrama to be released soon.

The scene was laid in a rambling old country house in which both Niven and Digges were guests. As Inspector Mackenzie of Scotland Yard, Digges was keeping a look-out on the actions of Niven, playing the title role in the picture. Niven was obviously trying to arouse the suspicions of the director, which explains the need for tip-toeing.

But every time the scene got started, Niven would forget he was acting and go into a humorous sally, which would naturally cause widespread laughter and start the scene over again.

Maurice Costello, early silent days star, goes into a role in M.G.M.'s "New Moon," which Robert Z. Leonard is directing.

HASTINGS

STATE THEATRE: Now showing to Monday: "The Housekeeper's Daughter" (Joan Bennett, Adolphe Menjou). Tuesday to Thursday: "Frontier Marshal" (Randolph Scott, Nancy Kelly) and "The Mind of Mr. Reeder" (Will Fyffe, Kay Walsh). Next Friday: "Flying Deuces" (Stan Laurel, Oliver Hardy).

COZY THEATRE: To-day and Monday: "The Witness Vanishes" (Edmund Lowe, Wendy Barrie) and "Great Guy" (James Cagney, Mae Clarke), with ep. 13 of "The Lone Ranger Rides Again." Tuesday to Thursday: "Man About Town" (Dorothy Lamour, Jack Benny). Next Friday: "Hell's Kitchen" (the "Dead End Kids") and "A Woman is the Judge" (Frieda Inescort, Otto Kruger).

MUNICIPAL THEATRE: To-night and Monday: "The Fighting Gringo" (George O'Brien) and "Behind Prison Gates" (Brian Donlevy). Tuesday to Thursday: "Adventure In Manhattan" (Jean Arthur, Joel McCrea) and "Roaring Timbers" (Jack Holt, Grace Bradley). Next Friday: "Forged Passport" (Paul Kelly, June Lang) and "Torchy Runs For Mayor" (Glenda Farrell, Barton MacLane).

REGENT THEATRE: Now showing to Friday: "Come On, George" (George Formby, Patricia Kirkwood). Next Saturday: "Andy Hardy Gets Spring Fever" (Mickey Rooney, Lewis Stone).

Charles Laughton In "Colossal" Production

An interesting piece of casting was the assignment of Charles Laughton to the title role of "THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME." Now completed, this production, according to overseas reports, offers Laughton one of his most difficult characters, and one in which he excels even his previous successes.

Due to war conditions abroad, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" may prove to be the last of the "super colossals" to come from Hollywood's film factories. More than a year of preparation and research passed before the filming of the Victor Hugo classic started. The largest motion picture company in Hollywood's history worked on the picture—3500 extras, compared with previous record-holders, "Ben Hur" (3000) and "Intolerance" (2800). The sets were among the largest ever created, covering most of RKO Radio's 88-acre ranch.

William "Big Bill" Dieterle directed the unusual picture, which was produced by Pandro S. Berman for RKO Radio.



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"Dad Rudd" Will Reappear

Cinesound has commenced production upon "Dad Rudd" in its first film for 1940, it was announced by Mr Ken G. Hall, producer-director, a short time ago.

Starred in the film will again be Bert Bailey, who already has three successful films for Cinesound to his credit. Most recent was "Dad and Dave Come to Town," which has met with outstanding success overseas.

Also prominent in the cast will be Miss Barbara Weeks, well-known American film actress, who is visiting Australia with her husband, Mr Lewis Parker.

Linda Darnell has been promoted to the feminine lead opposite Tyrone Power in "PASSPORT TO LIFE."

"THE VALIANT," in which Paul Muni first made his name, is to be remade by Twentieth Century-Fox. Lloyd Nolan, who recently left Paramount, will play the Muni role, with Jean Rogers as his leading lady. Mae Marsh will appear as Nolan's mother.

Scene-Stealer Of New Cartoon

In order to obtain the desired huskiness, and put the impression of over assurance in the voice of "Gabby," the town crier of Lilliput, the makers of Paramount's Technicolor full length animated feature, "GULLIVER'S TRAVELS," called in Pinto Colvig, Hollywood's "man of a thousand voices." After summoning Pinto, the picture makers did still further tricks to Pinto's already remarkable thorax.

Pinto's voice was first recorded doing the picture dialogue in Pinto's ordinary conversational tones by the sound mixers under Director Dave Fleischer. After that Pinto's voice was re-run and speeded up fifty per cent, faster than he had talked, giving his dialogue an added and somewhat unearthly intensity and pitch. After that the tones were recorded again, this time in rhythm with the lip movements of fresh little "Gabby," the scene stealer of "Gulliver's Travels," and the effect obtained in that manner was that of a noisy, over officious, busybody. Since that was exactly the effect desired, Mr Colvig and everybody else felt happy.

Partly through the successful manipulations which the director and his sound crew did with Pinto's voice, it happens that Gabby, the town crier, emerges from the seven reels of "Gulliver's Travels" with as much acclaim as "Dopey" unexpectedly gathered during the release of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs." Gabby "steals" the "Gulliver" picture.

"Pinocchio" From Disney

A little less than two years ago Walt Disney and his staff were in the throes of completing their first feature length production, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs." A glimpse of early rushes had convinced the Disney organization that feature length pictures for them was beyond the experimental stage, an actuality, and immediately ideas for the second Disney feature poured in. An overwhelming number of people throughout the country suggested Gollod's famous story of "PINOCCHIO."

For the benefit of those who were not introduced to the delights of "Pinocchio," suffice it to say that the story concerns an old wood-carver named Geppetto, who creates a little puppet boy of pine. Because the kindly old man loves children, and has never had any of his own, the Blue Fairy brings the marionette to life to be a son to him.

The Fairy tells Pinocchio, however, that he cannot become a real boy until he has proved himself in the greatest entertainment treat to come to the screen for many a day. Great stars of to-day and personalities of yesterday tell the heart-warming story of the men and women who conquered the entertainment world in this 20th Century-Fox production.

THE SELECTION OF A "CAPRA CAST"

Scarcely an actor in the cinema world was not hoping to be included in the group Frank Capra would select for "MR SMITH GOES TO WASHINGTON," the comedy drama produced on a lavish scale at Columbia Studios.

Capra, also aware of the magnitude of the new picture, weighed his decisions with care. The romantic co-starring roles were allotted Jean Arthur and James Stewart. This pair had scored a triumph in "You Can't Take It With You," the Capra picture which the Academy deemed the best directed and best film production of the 1938-39 season. Miss Arthur had also appeared under the director's guidance in "Mr Deeds Goes to Town."

Another member of the "You Can't Take It With You" company to be entrusted with an important characterisation in the new work was Edward Arnold. Capra delved into past performances and chose Guy Kibbee, who had been a member of the "Lady For a Day" company, for an important role in his new film.

"Pinocchio" From Disney

A little less than two years ago Walt Disney and his staff were in the throes of completing their first feature length production, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs." A glimpse of early rushes had convinced the Disney organization that feature length pictures for them was beyond the experimental stage, an actuality, and immediately ideas for the second Disney feature poured in. An overwhelming number of people throughout the country suggested Gollod's famous story of "PINOCCHIO."

For the benefit of those who were not introduced to the delights of "Pinocchio," suffice it to say that the story concerns an old wood-carver named Geppetto, who creates a little puppet boy of pine. Because the kindly old man loves children, and has never had any of his own, the Blue Fairy brings the marionette to life to be a son to him.

The Fairy tells Pinocchio, however, that he cannot become a real boy until he has proved himself in the greatest entertainment treat to come to the screen for many a day. Great stars of to-day and personalities of yesterday tell the heart-warming story of the men and women who conquered the entertainment world in this 20th Century-Fox production.



Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy, co-stars of many a comedy success, are together again in "Flying Deuces," which will open in Hastings at the State Theatre next Friday.

Comment On The Films

The method by which the United States trains its Air Force pilots is graphically portrayed in "TWENTY THOUSAND MEN A YEAR," an action drama starring Randolph Scott and Preston Foster.

George Formby, who has sampled a variety of occupations in the course of his screen career, has the role of a jockey in his latest success, "COME ON, GEORGE," an hilarious comedy of the race-track.

Laurel and Hardy join the Foreign Legion in their comedy hit, "THE FLYING DEUCES." One of the best scenes in the picture occurs when, as novice pilots, they take an aero plane into the air to escape from their pursuers.

Sonia Henie is teamed with Tyrone Power in "SECOND FIDDLE," said to be one of the best skating pictures the young actress has yet made.

Gene Autry, the singing cowboy, gives another fine portrayal in his latest picture, "THE YODELIN' KID FROM PINE RIDGE," in which he settles a long-standing cattle war. Comedy is supplied by Smiley Burnette.

Drama and suspense are contained in "TROPIC FURY," a story of romance and intrigue in the Amazon rubber camps. Richard Arlen has the part of a young expert who goes into this seething cauldron.

An exciting, thrill-packed story of the Old West, "RIDE 'EM, COWBOY," stars the idol of the younger generation, Buck Jones, in what is perhaps his most gripping picture.

Sparkling and modern in its theme and treatment, "THE HOUSEKEEPER'S DAUGHTER" casts Joan Bennett in the title role of a gay mystery adventure. The latest issue of "THE MARCH OF TIME" is to be screened on the same programme.

One of Edgar Wallace's most popular characters, "Mr. Reeder," the quiet old gentleman who is one of the most feared of Scotland Yard detectives, is brought to life by Will Fyffe in "THE MIND OF MR. REEDER."

George Formby is a lad with an ambition to become a jockey in his latest comedy, "COME ON, GEORGE." When he meets a horse with a reputation as a killer the results are hilarious.

The fabulous exploits of a fearless marshal who tamed the wildest city of the old West are the thrilling material for the story of "FRONTIER MARSHAL," featuring Randolph Scott and Nancy Kelly.

"HELL'S KITCHEN" offers the "Dead End Kids" in a gripping, vital drama of life in the back streets of a big city.

Plunket Society Meets

WAIPAWA BRANCH

Acknowledgment Of Donations

RESIGNATION MADE

At the monthly meeting of the Waipawa branch of the Plunket Society there were present Mesdames Furringer, H. Bryant, V. Douglas, E. J. Watts, F. Eagle, D. Y. Allen, and the secretary, Mrs Gandy.

Nurse V. Signal's resignation was received with regret.

Subscriptions and donations had been received from the following since the last meeting: Subscriptions: Mesdames Gray, Grant, Knobloch, F. W. Robertson, J. Logan, Hall, F. Mitchell, G. V. Maulder, Mudgey, D. H. Edwards and Miss Jull. Donations were as follows: Mrs D. McHardy £2/2/-, Mr and Mrs F. Eagle £1/1/-, Mr Edward Bibby £1, Mrs Nahn £5.

Farewell Dance At Tutira

PRESENTATIONS MADE

Local Soldiers The Guests-Of-Honour

On Wednesday night the settlers of Tutira and the surrounding districts gathered at a dance in the Tutira Hall, to bid farewell to Privates D. Heays, S. Waaka, G. Bartholomew, and R. Withers, the former two on leave and the latter leaving to join the Third Echelon.

Mr J. Winter, in making the presentation of a watch to each member, paid tribute to the active interest they had taken in the sporting life of the community and said the district was proud to have such fine men.

The fact that the gathering was one of the largest ever assembled in Tutira Hall showed, he said, the respect and esteem in which the people of the district held these young men, and he extended the best wishes of all.

During the evening the following gave items: Miss Montath, two songs; Miss Spence, Highland Fling, Irish Jig, Sailor's Hornpipe; Miss Stewart, Highland Fling.

An excellent supper was served under the management of Mrs Young and a willing band of helpers, while the duties of M.C. were capably handled by Mr D. Riddell. The evening closed in dancing to music by the Buffs orchestra.

Hastings Branch Of W.D.F.U.

BANDAGES ROLLED

Interesting Talk At Monthly Meeting

A very satisfactory number of bandages for the Red Cross were rolled by members during the March meeting of the Hastings branch of the W.D.F.U. on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. E. Honeybun presided over a good attendance and, after the opening creed, thanked all those members who had helped with the recent horticultural show in Hastings and also with the shop for the soldiers' correspondence, and a report of the past month's activities was read by Mrs. Doak, secretary. It was announced that next month's meeting will be an annual one, to which every member is urged to attend, and is to be preceded by a short general meeting at 2 p.m., which will be the opening time for the meetings for the winter months.

It was decided to keep a record of the work done by the branch for the Red Cross, and seven balladinas knitted by Mrs. E. Field were handed in, as well as several pairs of socks by her and other members.

After tea, Mrs. J. B. Pickering spoke for a few minutes regarding muslin vests for the men when in the tropics, and announced that a standard pattern of a vest would be left in the room for members' use.

Mrs. Hicks was the speaker for the afternoon and gave her impressions of the Exhibition and a description of her work as a floral demonstrator in the Women's Court. Here she had a stall where she demonstrated the making of presentation floral boxes, wreaths, bouquets and a great variety of floral decorative work. Mrs. Hicks was warmly thanked for her talk.

The best bloom competition resulted: Mrs. Elliott 1, Mrs. Fulford 2 and 3.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEES ELECTED

Patriotic Workers At Waipawa

"Daily Mail" Special Service

The Mayor of Waipawa, Mr F. Eagle, presided over an excellent attendance of women on Thursday for the purpose of selecting two committees to act in conjunction with the Waipawa Patriotic Committee.

The committees were elected as follows:

Committee to assist R.S.A.: Decorations, Mrs F. Eagle and Miss C. Jull; supper, Mesdames V. Towers, J. Riddles, A. Collins, Nunn, C. W. Doughty, F. C. Dickinson and H. Hawke; knitting, sewing and gift parcels committee, Mesdames T. S. Norris (chair), F. Eagle, S. W. Strang, V. E. Douglas and E. C. Little.

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 New moon, 2.33 p.m., Sat., March 9.
 First quarter, 3.35 p.m., Sun., March 17.
 Full moon, 7.43 a.m., Sun., March 24.
 Last quarter, 4.30 a.m., Sun., March 31.

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 Mar. 24, Sun. 5.14 5.42 11.37 0.12

VESSLS AT BREAKWATER
 Kopara, ex Portland and Auckland.
VESSLS AT INNER HARBOUR
 Kiritona, at Jull Wharf.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS
 Breakwater
 Kopara, ex Portland and Auckland, yesterday morning.
 Pakura, ex Wellington and Gisborne, to-day.

COASTAL SHIPPING AT NAPIER
 Kaimiro, 2562 tons (Union S.S. Co.), A. M. Lucas, master, after discharging coal, left here at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon for Auckland.
 Kopara, m.v., 138 tons (Richardson and Co.), lighting.
 Koutunui, m.v., 173 tons (Richardson and Co.), at Tokomaru Bay, late on Tuesday night.
 Koutunui, ex Tokomaru Bay, late on Tuesday night.

GENERAL
 Mariposa, o.e.v., 2200 tons (Matson Line) (Murray Roberts, Napier agents), en route from Auckland for Los Angeles and San Francisco, via Suva, Pago Pago and Honolulu, will leave at Auckland on Thursday and at San Francisco yesterday or to-day, and is expected to leave here on Tuesday, March 26, and is due at Auckland on April 12.

MAIL NOTICES

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 THURSDAY, MARCH 28th.
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Hawke's Bay Daily Mail
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SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1940.
A RECURRENT APPEAL

If we were to be told this morning that during one week-end 13 New Zealanders had been killed and 216 wounded as the result of a military engagement, there would be streaming headlines to announce the fact. Yet that is precisely the number of people done to death and injured during the last Easter holidays. These are the totals of the road casualties.

Now that the present Easter traffic is at its peak, it is timely to bring these facts forward. According to the Minister of Transport, 6000 people in this Dominion suffered as a result of road accidents last year, of whom 250 lost their lives. Mr Semple also wisely pointed out that there is nothing inevitable about road accidents. Given courtesy, sobriety, and ordinary attention to the decencies of the highway code, they are the most preventable of all kinds of accidents or fatalities. Yet the score of casualties, despite the best efforts to the contrary, reveals a total that is still high enough to be alarming.

In the case of this particular question, not all the legislative enactments in the world are sufficient to combat the menace if the active, zealous, and sincere co-operation of the motoring public is wanting. The most insidious and vicious enemy of the safety campaigns which are ceaselessly being waged in the country is the lackadaisical, take-it-for-granted attitude of some motorists that such appeals do not really refer to them. They agree thoroughly with the sentiments expressed, but when they have folded up and put away their newspapers and climbed in behind the wheel, they are in a different world. Accidents, they suppose, may happen to the other fellow, but never to them. And so familiarity with road rules breeds accidents.

These annual Easter, Christmas, and other holiday appeals should not, in point of fact, have to be made. Petrol restrictions or no, experienced motorists know full well that traffic on the roads will be heavier than usual at such a season and that it is just at such times that greater care is required. The temptation on a busy road is for the good driver to allow his natural patience to be irritated by careless driving on the part of others, so that carelessness is met by resentment, which itself results in further carelessness and the greater possibility of accident.

It is to be remembered also that during the present Easter season there are many cars on the highways with which their drivers are not too familiar. Returns from advertisements have shown a great demand for the lighter types of cars which have been chosen for petrol-saving purposes to take the places of the heavier vehicles.

For the rest, the basic principles of road safety may once more be enunciated. They follow an old, familiar pattern, but they will remain true when those who disregard them are dead. The repetitive chorus of the road safety anthem may be set out as follows:—There is a car around every blind corner. The "other fellow" can always be depended upon to do the wrong thing. If the approaching car's dust annoys you, you are making some dust yourself and should act accordingly. The splash nuisance should be avoided. It saves tempers and cleaning time.

The crest of a hill is the same as a sharp corner ("only wogser," as the Irishman added). Slow driving can be as dangerous as fast driving. The "golden mean" is the rule. Do for the other driver what you would wish him to do for you. All pedestrians are blind and deaf. When in doubt, give way, whatever the notice-board says. You may be dead right, but just as dead afterwards as though you had been dead wrong. It is the deadness that matters for statistical and other purposes, and not the theoretical rightness or wrongness.

To sum up: Take no risks, and you will be safe.

Personal LETTERS to the EDITOR

An Explanation

Sir,—The executive of the New Zealand Society of Accountants has carefully considered the widely published comments of the Hon. W. Nash on the published report of Mr. C. R. Richardson's paper, delivered at the Accountants' Convention, and has come to the conclusion that the Minister's criticism is not justified by the facts.

In fairness to Mr. Richardson and to the society, I am asked by the executive to request you to publish the enclosed brief statement which gives a correct view of the case.

The executive of the New Zealand Society of Accountants has considered the article by the Hon. Walter Nash, Minister of Finance, on the paper delivered by Mr. C. R. Richardson, A.P.A.N.Z., to members of the society at the recent convention. The society has no wish to enter a discussion on tax anomalies. The Minister stated, however, that the paper emanated from the society,

and his article unfortunately imputes unfair criticism and lack of knowledge on the part of Mr. Richardson. The circumstances are that Mr. Richardson, a highly respected and capable member of the society, was asked to prepare a paper for the convention on "Some aspects of the existing Income Tax Law in New Zealand."

In his paper he dealt with the existing tax law and elaborated on the paper where necessary by explaining the amendments which would come into operation next year. Unfortunately neither the added comment of Mr. Richardson nor the discussion which ensued were fully reported; otherwise it is felt that the Minister, like those who were privileged to hear the lecture, would have admired the way Mr. Richardson handled a difficult subject, and recognised that the respect in which he enjoys as a taxation consultant are fully justified.—I am, etc.,
 D. G. JOHNSTON,
 Secretary, N.Z. Society of Accountants.

Interrupted Honeymoon
 The lengthy earthquake felt in Hawke's Bay in the early hours of Wednesday morning provided a startling reception for a recently married couple who were staying at a Hastings hotel in the course of their honeymoon. They had arranged to go to the hotel on the previous night. When the earthquake occurred they arose, hurriedly packed, and drove south in their car, only a few minutes elapsing between the last tremor and the whine of the car engine as they disappeared over the borough boundary.

Napier Easter Competitions
 A real holiday programme will be presented in the Municipal Theatre, Napier, to-night, when the annual Easter Festival of the Napier Competitions Society will continue. The items include operatic dances, ladies' operatic solos, character recitals for people under 16 years, songs in costume, skipping dances, song and dance, ladies' recitals, national songs and the ever-popular tap troupes. The competitions will continue each day and night until Wednesday. Admission charges are: Day sessions, 1/4, evening sessions, 2/-, and 1/- for adults, children half-price. Season tickets entitling the holder to admission to all sessions, including the demonstration concert, are on sale at the theatre.

At The Hotels
 Mr and Mrs A. J. Wilcox, Mr and Mrs D. Dyer, Mr and Mrs D. Dyer (Wellington), Mr Maloney, Mr T. Downey (Trentham), Mr L. Meads, Mr Soler (Bulls), Mr Hodgson (Levin), Mr McCarthy, Mr and Mrs F. (Fukuhu), Mr D. Molloy (Waipawa), Mr and Mrs English (Hamilton), Mr and Mrs A. Lockett (Wanganui), Mr A. Johnson (Waiparapa), Mrs Brock (Hawera), Mr Benton, Mr L. Feast (Masterton), are at the Albert Hotel, Hastings.

Mr and Mrs H. Rhodes, Miss Rhodes (Masterton), Mr and Mrs H. Morrison (Auckland), Mr and Mrs B. Benter (Christchurch), Mr and Mrs T. Keesburg (Christchurch), Mr and Mrs M. Hauseman (Fielding), Miss K. Tonkin (Dannevirke), Mr and Mrs L. W. Logan (Eltham), Mr D. Todd, Mr G. D. Todd (Foxton), Mr T. Roulton (Hamilton), Mr E. Staind, Mr W. Estcourt (Levin), Mr M. Lee (Gisborne), Mr E. Grey (Wairoa), Mr A. Morris, Mr and Mrs C. Calder (New Plymouth), Mr J. Beal, Mr I. Beal (Whakatane), Mr A. Shannon, Mr and Mrs C. McKechnie (Wanganui), Mr and Mrs H. Boyd (Timaru), Mr F. Alfred, Mr T. Dennis (New Plymouth), Mr J. R. Reid, Mr F. Douglas (Taihape), Mr P. Thompson (Napier), Mr A. Percy, Mr H. Allen (Tauranga), Mrs G. Johnson (Martinsborough), are at the Carlton Club Hotel (Hastings).

Original Entertainment
 An element of originality was introduced into the entertainment of a Hastings theatre on Thursday night when an outburst of snoring from a presumably exhausted member of the audience threatened conflict with, and even conquest over, the reproduction of the sound track. An attendant quickly rose to the occasion and woke the slumbering member. A few moments later and the snoring rang out again. This time an indignant patron jolted the offender to his senses. In the second half, however, Morpheus again claimed his easy victim. This was the climax and the end. A male attendant dragged the sleeper from his seat out of the theatre, his steady snoring vying now with the chinking of coins which fell from his pockets on his unconscious journey.

Bankrupt's Statement
 In a statement to a meeting of creditors over which the Official Assignee (Mr W. Harte) presided, Eric Leslie, a bankrupt labourer of Port Ahuriri, stated that he attributed his failure to a bicycle business which he had conducted in Masterton. He had put the sum of £250 into the business. This had been lost, and further debts had been contracted. Bankrupt said that his failure was caused by giving too much credit and failing to collect moneys owing. At the present time, he added, he had about £30 outstanding. The deficiency in the estate amounted to £213/19/6.

To-day's Diary

NAPIER
 Grand Rodeo, McLean Park, 2 p.m.
 Music Festival, Municipal Theatre
 Greyhound racing, League Park, 7.30 p.m.

The Theatres:
 "The Under-Pup," Regent, 2 and 8 p.m.
 "My Old Kentucky Home" and "Star of the Circus," Mayfair, 2 and 7.45 p.m.
 "Eternally Yours," State, 2.15 and 8 p.m.

HASTINGS
 Hastings Lawn Tennis Club's Easter Tournament, Whitehead Road Courts, 9 a.m.
 St. Joseph's Tennis Club's Special Easter Dance, Assembly Hall, 8 p.m.

The Theatres:
 "Come On, George," Regent, 2.15, 5 and 8 p.m.
 "The Housekeeper's Daughter," State, 2.15, 5 and 8 p.m.
 "Great Gull" and "The Witness Vanishes," Cosy, 2 and 7.45 p.m.
 "Behind Prison Gates" and "The Fighting Gringo," Municipal, 7.45 p.m.

The Breakfast Table

Lover (elooping): How much is the fare?
 Taxi Driver: That's all right, sir. The young lady's father settled all that.

"Are you the boiled cod, sir?" asked the dilatory waiter.
 "No," replied the weary customer. "I'm just a lonely sole with an empty plate and a wan to fillet."

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 "Let me see—I am not going far. Put me in a quart of petrol and a half-pint of oil."
 "And shall I breathe some air into the tyres, sir?"

Parker's have just entered into an agreement with a highly experienced English clothing manufacturer, now operating in New Zealand, to make up, on the very latest English lines, a wonderful range of cloths, especially imported from Home.

"DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS COOL WEATHER AND SHOWERS.

Winds: Moderate southerly.
 Weather: Some scattered showers, but improving. Cool temperatures.
 Seas: Moderate.

Napier Weather

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

Dry bulb temp.	54.8deg.
Wet bulb temp.	52.0deg.
Maximum temp.	71.0deg.
Minimum temp.	54.2deg.
1ft. underground	67.0deg.
3ft. underground	68.0deg.
Rain	Trace
Grass	42.2deg.
Wind	S.W.4
Cloud	6
Visibility	6
Sun	6.5hrs.
Humidity	87 p.c.

Hastings Weather

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

Dry bulb temp.	65.0deg.
Wet bulb temp.	59.0deg.
Maximum temp.	69.0deg.
Minimum temp.	54.2deg.
Grass	45.2deg.
1ft. underground	66.0deg.
Cloud	8
Wind	S.W.4
Rain	0.7in

Dominion Forecast

General situation: Yesterday's depression has moved off to the south-east and an anti-cyclone now extends from Australia across the Tasman to New Zealand. The highest pressures are still, however, well to the west.

Forecast:—
 Winds: Moderate to strong south-west to southerly prevailing, decreasing gradually in force later, becoming variable over the South Island.

Seas (New Zealand waters): Moderate north of Castlepoint and in the far south, elsewhere rather rough to rough, but decreasing.

Eastern Tasm.: Fresh south to west winds, rather rough seas, but wind and sea decreasing gradually.

Weather: Cool and changeable, with isolated showers, but improving. Some frosts probable to-night in the South Island. Present indications are for an improvement to be maintained over most of the Easter period.

Gems of Thought

Build to-day, then, strong and sure,
 With a firm and ample base;
 And ascending and secure
 Shall to-morrow find its place.
 —Longfellow

Patriotic Concert

A cheque for £100 for his fund has been received by the Mayor of Hastings (Mr G. A. Maddison) from the Hastings Orphans' Club as a progress payment from the profits of their patriotic concert.

SMART TRAVEL REQUISITES

Suit Cases
 In Tan or Blue. Nickel locks and vulcanised corners. Metal handle; 20in. to 28in.

Prices—
 5/11, 6/6, 6/11, 7/6 & 7/11

Suit Cases
 With two strong leather straps. Blue or Tan; 22in. to 28in.

Prices—
 19/6, 21/-, 22/6 & 25/6

Suit Cases
 Nickel plated locks. Heavy fibre. Eight reinforced corners; 22in. to 28in.

Prices 13/6, 14/6, 15/6, 16/6

Grained Fibre Bound Case
 Two steel hoops. Blue or Brown. Nickel plated bumpers. Metal handle; 27in. and 28in.

Prices 15/6, 16/6, 17/6

Large Size Case
 Three buttons. Steel frame on body. Two nickel safety locks; four steel hinges; 28in. and 30in.

Prices 29/6 and 32/6

Travel Rugs
 Large range of New Zealand's best woolen makes. Latest designs.

Prices 32/6, 39/6, 45/6, 55/6, 63/-, 69/6, 75/-, 87/6, 96/- to £6 12/6

WESTERMAN'S
 famous for low prices



Easter Festival Opens At Napier

HIGH STANDARD SET

Elocution, Singing And Dancing Competitions

COMMENTS BY JUDGES

The Napier Competitions Society's Easter festival was opened on Thursday evening and will continue for a week.

In spite of travel difficulties, entries are well up to the figures of other years and competitors are drawn from almost every part of the North Island.

The competitions are being continued in three halls—the Municipal Theatre, Trinity Hall, and Foresters' Hall—with morning, afternoon, and evening sessions.

The judges are—Vocal and instrumental, Mr Albert Bryant (Auckland); dancing, Miss Bettina Edwards; elocution, Miss Gladys Gamman. Mr S. P. Spiller is the energetic secretary.

Commenting on the work so far presented, Mr Bryant said last night that the most common defect in the singing was faulty intonation, a number of competitors losing heavily through not keeping exactly in tune.

Miss Gamman expressed the opinion that the standard of elocution had been very high. She particularly congratulated Miss Cavell Trask, Napier, and Miss Naida Cameron, Hastings, who scored first equal in the recitation for girls 12 and under 16 from among 15 competitors.

Detailed results are as follows:—

Results In Detail

Piano duet, under 14, own selection: Misses Barbara and Nancy New, Levin, "Dance by Moonlight," 803 points, 1; Misses Jean Davies and Margaret Peers, Hastings, "Pas des Fleurs," 65, 2.

Vocal solo, amateur, accompanied by self, own selection: Miss Joan Dave, Napier, "The Little Silver Ring," 102 points, 1; Mrs. R. T. Reid, Napier, "Indian Lullaby," 99, 2.

Song in costume, boy or girl under 12: Yvonne Ansin, Napier, "Our Flag," 122 points, 1; Aylene Boate, Hastings, "When Granny Wore Her Crinoline," 118, 2; Mamie Hickson, Hastings, h.c.

Duet in character, adults: Misses Nancy Gilroy and Stella Chambers, Napier, "Shepherds and Beau Brummage," 109 points, 1; Misses Jean Dave and Doris Douglas, Napier, "The Dream Minuet," 103, 2.

Humorous character sketch, women: Mrs. Irene Foster, Hastings, "Women's Rights," 102 points, 1; Miss Valerie McCombe, Hastings, "Mrs. Arris Flies To Paris," 2.

Vocal solo and accompaniment, open: Mrs. W. Clothier and Mrs. W. Roberts, Napier, "Eri Tu," 124 points, 1; Mrs. A. McGregor and Mr. McGregor, Napier, 116, 2; Mr. Max Blake and Miss Joan Dave, Napier, "Sunshine of Your Smile," h.c.

Vocal trio, women: Misses Nancy Gilroy, Stella Chambers and Joan Dave, Napier, "I Heard a Forest Praying," 118 points, 1; Misses Margaret Cushing, Ngaire Keen, and Doris Douglas, Napier, "The Lass With The Delicate Air," 117, 2.

Test recital, women: "The Song of the Little Hunter": Miss Gladys Tonkins, Wanganui, 85 points, 1; Miss Ruby Cheyne, Wellington, 83, 2.

Recital, men: "The Song of the Little Hunter": Mr. Norman Lee, Gisborne, 88 points, 1; Mr. Gordon Hooper, Wellington, "Old Ships," 87.

Recitation, boy or girl under 9: Brian Harris, Hastings, "The Night Wind," 1; Mary Buckingham, Hastings, "Apple Blossoms," 2; Naomi Estall, Wellington, and Mamie Hickson, Hastings, h.c.

Piano, under 14, Prelude No. 6 from Poetic Pictures (Harris): Margaret Tanner, Napier, 78 points, 1; Shirley Stephens, Napier, 76, 2.

Character recital, men: Mr. Colin Young, Wellington, "Quill," 113 points, 1; Mr. Norman Lee, Gisborne, "Fagan," 109, 2.

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Test recital, men: Mr. N. Lee, Gisborne, 88 points, 1; Mr. G. Hooper, Wellington, 87, 2.

Recitation, girl nine and under 12: Valerie Cleary, Hastings, 81 points, 1; Lynlee Waincoat, Lower Hutt, 79, 2; Gwen Dixon, Mangatere, June Pitches, Napier, Yvonne Ansin, Napier, h.c.

Vocal solo, girls 15 and 16: Shirley Wilson, Wellington, 100 points, 1; Nancy Gilroy, Napier, 99, 2.

Sacred solo, men: W. Clothier, Napier, 98 points, 1; Max Blake, Napier, 97, 2; W. Rawshorn, Norsewood, h.c.

Sacred solo, women: Sylvia Hillen, Napier, 101 points, 1; Meryl Daniels, Wellington, 95, 2.

Vocal solo, girls 14 and under: Renais Gage, Hastings, 100 points, 1; Tui Hickson, Hastings, 95, 2.

Piano duet, under 16: Olive Workman and Chrissie Neagle, Napier, 89 points, 1; Nola Briasco and Margaret Warren, Napier, 87, 2.

Champion piano, open, Brisbane rose bowl: Miss Frances Reverso Palmerston North, 78 points, 1; Rene Hassall, Paki Paki, 64, 2.

Recitation, girls 12 and under 16: Cavell Trask, Napier, and Naida Cameron, Hastings, 94 points, first, equal.

Song with obligato: Mr. W. Clothier and Miss S. Cody, Napier, 118 points, 1; Nancy Alexander, Napier, 116, 2.

Vocal duet, women or men: Misses Muriel Brille and Valerie Lewis, Napier, 110 points, 1; Misses E. Hawkins and E. Compton (Auckland), 109, 2.

The total to date is £1,357,297.

NAPIER S.P.C.A. REPORT

LITTLE DELIBERATE CRUELTY

SOCIETY'S WORK

Definite Improvement Noted

"It can be claimed that the work of this society has given a definite check to deliberate cruelty to animals in the province," states the annual report of the Hawke's Bay Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The annual meeting of the society, which was to have been held in Napier on Thursday afternoon, was postponed owing to the small attendance, and will now take place on April 26, at 7.30 p.m.

"Outside activities, the most important of our activities, have been well maintained, and all complaints of ill-treatment have received the prompt and effective attention of the inspector, Mr. W. A. Stephens," continues the report.

"Our experience to-day is that there is more cruelty as a result of ignorance as to the proper treatment of animals than occurs as a result of deliberate ill-treatment."

"I am afraid, however, it cannot be said that deliberate cruelty is non-existent, but I can confidently state that such cases are now more rare than was the experience some years ago. There is no immediate prospect, therefore, of considering the time has arrived when the activities of the society can be dispensed with, and I feel it my duty to emphasize the importance of members retaining their interest in the society and doing everything possible to interest others."

Credit Balance Shown. "The total receipts for the year were £76 7/6, and the expenditure £55 1/5. It is hoped the demands on the public in the way of patriotic funds and other activities will not have the effect of decreasing the income, as, although we are able to more than cover our expenditure for the year, we were fortunate in receiving a substantial payment from our sources."

Subscriptions coming in at the end of the year were carried forward to the current year and subscribers who thus paid will not be asked for a further subscription until next year. The society does not wish to obtain more income than is sufficient for current expenses and to carry out any extension of activities deemed necessary.

Prevention Aimed At. "The object of the society is to prevent cruelty rather than to punish persons guilty of cruelty. Prosecutions are necessary at times, but are taken only when there is evidence of deliberate cruelty causing suffering to animals. If this suffering can be prevented it is far more satisfactory to the society than undertaking court proceedings. The inspector directs his efforts to this end, and is at all times willing to assist owners of animals with advice so as to prevent unintentional cruelty."

Interest-Free Loans. TOTAL £1,357,297. Further Amounts Are Announced. THREE OF £5000.

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, March 23.

Further free-of-interest loans and donations announced include:—£5000 each from Davis Gelatine Ltd., Christchurch (duration and six months), Trustees of the New Plymouth Savings Bank (duration 12 months), Evans Atlas Roller Flour (duration and six months), £3000, Arthur Barnett, Ltd., Dunedin (duration and six months), £2500, Hallenstein Bros., Dunedin (duration and six months), £2000, Alex Harvey and Sons, Auckland (duration and six months), £1000 each, National Electrical and Engineering Co., Wellington (duration and six months); Alfred W. Haylock, Te Anau (duration); Palmerston North, Dunedin (duration and six months).

The total to date is £1,357,297.

CITRUS FRUIT PRICES

INTRODUCTION OF NEW SYSTEM

PER DOZEN

Statement By Minister Of Marketing

By Telegraph—Press Association, WELLINGTON, March 22.

In an interview to-day the Minister of Marketing (the Hon. W. Nash) dealt with the regulation of prices for citrus fruits.

"I will be pleased," said Mr. Nash, "that some months ago the Internal Marketing Division introduced a system of selling oranges and lemons at per dozen in order that fluctuations in the market prices (wholesale) would be more quickly reflected in retail figures."

The Minister said that an Order-in-Council made this week contained a supplementary clause which provided that citrus fruits sold retail (which includes oranges, lemons, mandarins and grapefruit) should be placarded, ticketed or labelled in such a manner as to show distinctly the details of the appropriate retail price per dozen and also show in the case of oranges particulars of count and in the case of lemons particulars of grade and count as marked on the case or other container in which oranges or lemons were delivered to retailers.

Method Confirmed. Now that the methods to be employed in the retailing of citrus fruits had been confirmed by Order-in-Council, it was pointed out that the Order-in-Council against retailers who were not complying with the law. For the convenience of those retailers who were desirous of arriving at correct selling prices under the scheme, the Internal Marketing Division has prepared a special prepared booklet or chart which will be available on application from recognised wholesale selling agents of the division.

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Dog Trials At Petane

CONCLUDING DAY

Successful Meeting Results

HIGH STANDARD

The Petane dog trials, held on Mr. F. Loppell's property, Bay View, concluded on Thursday. Favoured with fine weather, the meeting proved particularly successful.

Entries were at least as good numerically as last year, and the standard of work was very high. Mr. J. Thom acted as judge.

Concluding results are as follows: Class 2, long head: L. Loppell's Nala points, 1; G. Morrison's Dick, 42, 2; G. Morrison's Mack, 46, 3; K. Ruddenklaus's Bell, 45, 4.

Class 3, short head and yard, open: K. Ruddenklaus's Bell, 55 points, 1; D. Hitchcock's Jock, 54, 2; G. Morrison's Mack, 54, 3.

Class 4, maiden huntaway, run in conjunction with huntaway: E. Alloway's Don, 34 points, 1.

Class 5, maiden long head, run in conjunction with Class 4 and 5: D. Hitchcock's Jock, 43, points, 1; K. Hindman's Lad, 42, 2.

Class 6, maiden short head and yard, in conjunction with Class 3: D. Hitchcock's Jock, 43, points, 1; E. Smith's Lad, 51, 2; D. Bain's Scot, 50, 3.

Special Prizes. E. McDermott's trophy for best head and pull in Class 6: I. Hammond's Flo.

Mrs. E. D. and D. L. Holt's Cup for most points Classes 4 and 5: E. Alloway's Bright and Don, 72 points.

W. White's special cup for maiden scoring most points at meeting: I. Brown's Lace, 84 points.

W. Corbett's cup for open maiden huntaway: R. Richmond's Scot, 41 points.

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HONEY MARKETING METHODS

HAWKE'S BAY'S WAR EFFORT

Enlistments In Vicinity Of 3300

£6424 IS COLLECTED

What does Hawke's Bay's war effort represent? Interesting facts were learned by the "Daily Mail" as a result of an inquiry this week.

No actual detailed record of the total number of men from the various provinces in military service is kept by the authorities, and for this reason it is practically impossible to state accurately the number of Hawke's Bay men in service.

Financial (for patriotic purposes) .. £6424 Enlistments (all services) .. 3300

It should be remembered that the military district which includes Hawke's Bay also incorporates Masterton and Gisborne, centres outside the province.

A steady response is meeting the fighting services welfare appeal in all centres. From Napier, Hastings, and Waipukurau, totals amounting to approximately £4000 have been collected, while the Mayor's Fund at Hastings totals nearly £300.

Fighting services welfare appeal (Napier, Hastings, Waipukurau) .. 4030 Hastings Mayor's Fund .. 294 H.B. Provincial Patriotic Council's receipts .. 1900 Estimated other moneys for patriotic purposes .. 200

Total (approximate) .. £6424 The welfare appeal fund totals on Thursday were: Napier .. £1510 Hastings .. 1630 Waipukurau .. 890

District Contributions The various districts of the Provincial Patriotic Council have contributed as follows to the main fund: Napier Zone .. £589 Hastings Zone .. 653 Central H.B. Zone .. 351 Southern H.B. Zone .. 198

No money has so far been received from Waikato. Under the constitution of the council each zone retains 10 per cent. of its receipts to provide a fund for immediate needs, while the balance is contributed to the central provincial fund.

The balance sheet showed a satisfactory credit, the association being in a sound position. A Busy Season The fact that keen competition was witnessed in both senior and junior grades — the players showing marked improvement was noted in the report, which also set out that the resources of the senior teams were very strained during the 1939 season by the very many matches that were played in Napier by visiting teams, and also the necessity of having to travel to Gisborne on two occasions.

The following trophies were won during the last season: Senior: Johnson Shield, United; Fairclough and Atkinson Cups, H.S.O.B. Junior: Snaddon Cup, High School A; Burt Cup, H.S.O.B. Third grade: Jenkins Cup, Intermediate A; Hibbert Shield, Intermediate A and Port (joint holders). Fourth grade: Herbert Smith Trust Cup No. 1, Intermediate B. Fifth grade: Stickleland Cup, Hastings Street B and Nelson Park (joint holders).

The Webster Shield and North Island Challenge Shield were won by the Intermediate School, and a cup presented by the Hawke's Bay Football Association for house games in the Intermediate School is held by Totara House. A new trophy, the Smith Memorial Cup, has been donated.

Election of Officers Officers were elected as follows: Patron, Mr J. Fairclough; president, Mr J. Stickleland; vice-presidents, Messrs G. Hushner, H. F. Forster, T. W. Hercock, W. J. McGill, R. Boyd, T. Woods, G. A. Maddison, J. Snaddon, J. McKew, E. T. Rees, N. Solomon, B. Fuller, J. Theakstone and the Hon. W. E. Barnard, M.P., secretary, Mr C. S. Nicholson; assistant secretary, Mr G. Vannan; auditor, Mr G. Young; delegate to the New Zealand Association meetings, Mr L. Marchant; senior selector, Mr J. Latham; junior selector, Mr J. Vannan; primary schools' selector, Mr C. S. Nicholson.

Enlistments The military district which includes Hawke's Bay incorporates also Masterton and Gisborne. From this area since the outbreak of war 2767 men have enlisted for the special force. They are classed as follows: Fit .. 1897 Temporarily unfit .. 83 Permanently unfit .. 429 Reserved occupations .. 200 Sent to camp .. 1092 Balance available for posting .. 606 Home Defence: In camp .. 108 For posting .. 80

At the moment the home defence quota is filled, and enlistments for this service are temporarily unacceptable. A large number from the Hawke's Bay district are in the Air Force, but it is difficult to obtain an accurate figure. It is estimated that there are 150 Hawke's Bay men in this branch of the service.

On a popular basis, Hawke's Bay leads the Dominion for enlistments for the special force. For both the First and Second Echelons the province has been called upon to supply additional players to fill deficiencies in other districts' quotas.

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EXCELLENT START MADE WEATHER IDEAL Particulars of Scores And Draws

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Generous Help By Farmers

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Traffic by rail, it is expected, will easily constitute a record. Petrol restrictions have doubtless influenced a number of motorists in their decision to travel by train, while it is also probable that others have done so in order to avoid heavy road holiday traffic.

Officials at the Hastings railway station comment that there

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WIDESPREAD RACING FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS

Some Tracks May Be Soft REVIEWS OF MEETINGS HELD TO-DAY

Hawke's Bay Horses May Do Well (By MOTUROA).

The widespread Easter carnival of racing opens to-day and, while rain has been experienced in most districts, the weather promises to be reasonably good for the week-end. In the North Island to-day the galloping meetings open at Ellerslie, Feilding, and Tauherenikau. The South Island meetings will be held at Riverton, Tuapeka, and Westland. On Monday the Waipukurau Racing Club's autumn meeting will be held at Waipukurau, while the Auckland, Feilding, and Wairarapa meetings will be concluded. In the South Island the Canterbury Jockey Club's autumn meeting will open at Riccarton, while there will also be racing at Riverton, Kumara, and Beaumont.

EASTER HANDICAP AT ELLERSLIE

KATHBELLA ATTUNED FOR HER TASK

BLACK THREAD FIT Classform Favourite For The Oaks

(By MOTUROA).

There are fewer Hawke's Bay horses than usual at Ellerslie to-day, but the provincial representatives are good and they include the Easter Handicap favourite Kathbella; Charing Cross and Serenata in the G.N. Oaks and Begorrah in the Brighton Hurdles. To-day's programme opens with the PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP, Of £450; 11 miles. King Rey 9 3 Gamos 7 10 Royal 8 10 Mintlaw 7 7 Appellant 8 10 Racecamp 7 5 Kena 7 11 Pocket Venus 7 3 Hot Box 7 11 High Sea 7 0 King Rey won well at Te Rapa last month and is obviously right back to his best form. Royal Appellant is always hard to beat at Ellerslie.

Kena, the winner of the Rotorua Cup, will appreciate the easier track conditions. Hot Box should be held safe by Gamos, but the improving Mintlaw may be too smart for both of them. Racecamp and High Sea are possibilities at the weights, but form points to

MINTLAW KING REY ROYAL APPELLANT

GREAT NORTHERN OAKS, Of £500, 11 miles.

Classform 8 10 Pearl of Asia 8 10 Kileash 8 10 Millament 8 10 Our Jean 8 10 Charing Cross 8 10 Maneroo 8 10 Serenata 8 10 Greek Queen 8 10 Nyelia 8 10 Foxson 8 10 Foxmond 8 10 Hunting Bee 8 10 Wyndora 8 10

Classform, who was second in the New Zealand Oaks and in the Wanganui Cup, is the logical favourite. She won the Rangitikei Handicap at her last start and is in great order for this event. Our Jean won the Takapuna Cup and is a good filly, Kileash, Greek Queen and Foxson also have good form.

Pearl of Asia has been a little disappointing and so has Millament, but both should be improved by their races at Trentham. Charing Cross has been galloping well at Trentham, but Serenata has been showing better form. Foxmond will have some support, but the favourites should be

CLASSFORM OUR JEAN SERENATA

BRIGHTON HURDLES, Of £300; two miles.

Riotous 10 9 Knight of Australia 9 9 Full of 10 9 Forest Glow 9 6 General Ruse 10 7 Celtic Lad 9 2 Lapidarian 10 7 Tutor 9 0 Begorrah 10 3 King Musk 9 0 Lucidus 9 11 Sockettes 9 0 Ago 9 11

Riotous, who ran second in this race last year, has improved with his recent racing, but he will find it hard to concede 2lbs to Full of Scotch, whose success at Te Aroha suggests that he is right back to his best form again.

General Ruse stays on well and will be suited by the soft going, while Lapidarian has good winning form to his credit at Ellerslie. Begorrah jumped well the other morning, but he may be more at home over the steeplechase fences on Monday.

Lucidus and Ago will have support, but Knight of Australia is a good stayer, and he showed solid form at Auckland in January. Tutor, Celtic Lad and Forest Glow may have a chance at the weights, but form points to

FULL OF SCOTCH LAPIDARIAN BEGORRAH

EASTER HANDICAP, Of £1250; one mile.

Golden Sheila 9 3 Proud Fox 8 2 Beapartur 8 11 Browner 7 13 Suleiman 8 8 Orello 7 10 Kathbella 8 7 Lornaere 7 5 Arakau 8 4 Valmit 7 0 Rovevurs 8 4 Bachelor King 7 0 Beau Repaire 8 4 Te Kawiti 7 0 Black Thread 8 3 Sunola 7 0 Golden Sheila always races well at Ellerslie and must be given some consideration, though Beapartur, who won this race last year, appears to have benefited from his racing at Trentham.

Kathbella won the Thompson Handicap in a solid manner and, though the softer track conditions will not be in her favour, there is no doubt that Sid Reid has her in top form and it looks as if she will keep the 'Bay well in the limelight. Suleiman was fourth in this race last year, but his form this season has been below his best. The Arva-

The Feilding Cup Is Run To-day

AMIGO IS LIKELY

Saxon Tor Engaged In The Sprint

ANALYSIS OF FORM

By MOTUROA

Big fields are carded for most events at Feilding this week-end and the Hawke's Bay horses engaged look likely to give a good account of themselves. Galteemore (3 p.m. Wednesday) and Ruling Star (3 p.m. Wednesday) are the only scratchings so far announced, while the track is likely to be found fairly soft, though in reasonably good order if further rain does not fall. Single pool betting will be used and the meeting opens with the

KAWA KAWA HIGHWEIGHT, Of £150; 11 miles.

Prime 9 8 Quality 10 6 The Enos 9 3 Hunting 9 3 War Lay 10 4 Great Quox 9 2

Prime Quality ran badly at Woodville and will have to improve, but Hunting Lore is a very consistent galloper who will be hard to beat around these turns. War Lay is a possibility, while the improving Philbert ran a good second at Trentham. Haupongi may have some support, but form points strongly to

HUNTING LORE FILBERT

MAIDEN STAKES, Of £150; six furlongs.

Augment 9 8 Pitmark 9 8 Big Wave 9 8 Boniden 9 8 Colerica 9 8 Flying High 9 8 Sweet Anne 9 8 Goldburn 9 8 Te Oro 9 8 Great Fair 9 8 Hoai 9 8

The draw at the barrier will mean a lot in this race. Augment has reputation for speed, while Boniden is improving. Goldburn has run several good races this term, while Pitmark has been second three in his only start this season. His effort at Bulls was impressive. Hoapai and Sweet Anne are possibilities, but most faith is likely to be placed in

PITMARK GOLDBURN

FEILDING CUP, Of £615; 11 miles.

Amigo 8 9 Gay Mimic 7 7 Jack Tar 8 2 Lickem 7 5 Saxon Tor 8 2 Old Surrey 7 0 Lady Montana 8 1 Mataroa 7 0 Homly Sheila 7 12 Colonel Bogy 7 0 Dainty Sheila 7 10 Colossal Chief 7 0 Laughing 7 9

Amigo has yet to race past a mile, but there is no reason to believe that he will fail to do so, especially on this turning track, and with his substantial drop in the weights. Jack Tar is likely to improve on Trentham running, while Notium is racing well and must be considered. Lady Montana finished fourth at Trentham last Saturday and she may be coming back to form again. Homly Sheila ran well at Trentham and was fourth to Old Bill. However, a more consistent galloper is Dainty Sheila, who will not be inconvenienced by a soft track.

Laughing Lass should be all the better for her recent racing, while Gay Mimic is dropping in the weights again. However, he is also engaged at Tauherenikau. Lickem and Old Surrey should be held safe by Mataroa, who showed greatly improved form at Woodville. Colonel Bogy and Colossal Chief will be supported, but it would not surprise to see the favourites

AMIGO OR DAINTY SHEILA LADY MONTANA

MANGAONE HANDICAP, Of £200; six furlongs.

Amigo 8 9 Wings of 7 2 Gay Chou 8 11 Endorsement 7 0 Sir Crusoe 8 7 Sea Link 7 0 Rev. Ca 9 9

Kept for this race, Amigo would be one of the best backed horses, but Saxon Tor has been showing excellent form and has won on this track. Gay Chou may need a race, but Sir Crusoe won well at Trentham and is at the top of his form just now. Red Cat may be all the better for a race, but Wings of Song is a brilliant galloper who should go well under his light weight. Endorsement is working well, while Sea Link's recent form has been very solid. It looks as if the favourites will be

SAXON TOR SIR CRUSOE

ONEPUHI HACK, Of £200; seven furlongs.

Gaelic Song 9 2 Nelumbo 8 0 Chere Amie 8 12 Little Dorrit 7 13 Kilometre 8 8 Colibri 7 9 Chief Lord 8 8 Master Hector 7 7 Fletto 8 4 Myarion 7 7 Sieglinde 8 2 Selkirk 7 7 Kotua 8 1 City Song 7 7

Bracket: Vadano and Colibri. The distance may be a trifle short for Gaelic Song, but Ruatiti on the upgrade and should be nearly at his best to-day. Kilometre appeals more than Chere Amie, but Chief Lord also has to be considered. Kotua impressed at Bulls and should be better than Fletto or Sieglinde over the distance. Nelumbo might surprise, while City Song should be in the pick of the others. The favourites should be

RUATITI KOTUA

TAONU NURSERY, Of £200; five furlongs.

Ringling 8 13 Poutanua 7 4 Airflight 8 10 Salvation 7 2 Black Robe 8 4 Arabella 7 1 Harry Boy 7 10 Bonnie 7 0 Val Bay 7 6 Sunsy 7 0 Peata 7 3 All Quiet 7 0 O'Connell 7 4

Ringling has a big weight, but she is a smart filly and raced well here in the spring. Airflight will appreciate the distance, but Black Robe may be all the better for a race. Harry Boy won well at New Plymouth. Peata has shown useful form this season, while All Quiet should be

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If Hunter's Eve should strike the sting out of the going, she might prove troublesome to the open sprinters at the Wairarapa meeting. She has shown good form at Tauherenikau before.

LADY FURST READY FOR TAUHERENIKAU

HUI IS IN FORM Kinkajou Engaged In The Maiden

(By Moturoa)

The Wairarapa Racing Club's autumn meeting opens at Tauherenikau to-day and Hawke's Bay horses engaged promise to give a good account of themselves. The meeting opens with the MAIDEN PLATE, Of £125; 6 furlongs.

Balgowlah 8 7 Kinkajou 8 7 Batsman 8 7 Master Solway 8 7 Beagle 8 7 Barlato 8 7 Coronado 8 7 Rose Mimic 8 7 Dargain 8 7 Royal Portrait 7 7 Equly 8 7 St. Grace 8 7 Fivon 8 7 Vivid Flash 8 7 Golden Wattle 8 7

Balgowlah and Batsman have shown some form, while Beagle and Dargain will also find some support. Kinkajou has been working well at Hastings, while Master Solway has run several fair races lately. The favourites may be

KINKAJOU BALGOWLAH

MAIDEN HANDICAP, Of £150; six furlongs.

Dungarvan 9 2 Jeanne 7 7 Acrobat 8 3 Hunter's Eve 7 7 Fiancee 7 11

Dungarvan is on the upgrade, while Alunga has also run some good races lately. Fiancee has been racing well, while Jeanne is a winner on this track. If the going is as all easy Hunter's Eve will stand a really good chance around these bends. It looks as if the bulk of the money will be for

HUNTER'S EVE TUHITARATA HIGHWEIGHT HANDICAP, Of £140; nine furlongs and 80 yards.

Good Sun 9 12 Gay Fox 9 5 Acrobat 9 10 War Artist 9 0 Titter 9 10 War Cloud 9 0 Phil 9 7

The small field will suit Good Sun, but Acrobat may be smarter around the bends. Titter and Phil will not be neglected, while Gay Fox ran fairly well at Trentham. The best backed should be

TITTER GAY FOX

EASTER HANDICAP, Of £350; 11 miles.

Lady Furst 8 12 Galteemore 7 12 White Rajah 8 1 Dainty Sue 7 8 Gay Mimic 8 0 Trebor 7 8 Tooley Street 7 11

Lady Furst led for over a mile in the Autumn Handicap at Trentham on Saturday and that race is likely to improve her a lot. The short straight and the turns will assist the Greenmeadows mare and she promises to be very hard to beat.

White Rajah's two fine races at Trentham make him appear to be a good prospect, but Gay Mimic may find it hard to concede weight to Tooley Street. Galteemore is a decided prospect, while Trebor appears to be coming back to form. The finish may be disputed by

LADY FURST WHITE RAJAH

WAIARAPA NURSERY HANDICAP, Of £150; five furlongs.

Kentucky 8 13 Tane Pango 7 0 Kadina 7 11 Cicada 7 0 Triple Crown 7 8 Tractometer 7 0 Black Border 7 7 Yurilla 7 0 Courting 9 0 Wakaiahi 7 0 First Round 7 4 Hamish 7 0 Lady Garvagh 7 0

Kentucky raced well at Trentham where Kadina also showed a lot of pace. Triple Crown is also smart, while Courting has run several good races. Hamish is pacy, but the form horses appear to be

KADINA KENTUCKY

KAHUTARA HACK HANDICAP, Of £140; three furlongs.

Autolite 9 4 Kurrarawong 7 11 Pleintuous 8 10 Buccaneer 7 9 Acrobat 8 4 Newbury 7 9 Dainty Dell 8 0 Queen 7 9 Wakaiahi 7 7 Smart King 7 8 Counter 7 11

Autolite is a smart galloper and won here at New Year. Pleintuous has been showing good form, while Dainty Dell, Wakaiahi, Counter, Kurrarawong, Buccaneer and Newbury Queen may find some support. The favourites, however, should be

AUTOLITE DAINITY DELL QUEEN

MARTINBOROUGH HANDICAP, Of £175; one mile.

Tooley Street 8 6 Fiancee 7 9 Alunga 8 1 Rustem 7 9 Royal 8 12 Gagliano 7 9 Minstrel 7 12 Liane 7 7 Corroboree 7 9

Tooley Street would like to be given a great chance here, for he can run a good mile. Alunga is a possibility, but Royal Minstrel does not appear to be quite ready yet. Corroboree must be given a chance here, but Rustem nicely in at the weights, while Siglow is also a possibility. Form favours

TOOLEY STREET FERRY HACK HANDICAP, Of £125; seven furlongs.

Hui 8 10 Kintyre 7 8 Te Ore 8 6 Plastre 7 8 Titter 8 6 Gay Artist 7 7 Kehua 8 6

Hui appeared to be unlucky at Carterton and is well placed here. She should be a staunch favourite. Arbie is not without a chance, while there will be support for Te Ore, Kehua, Caution and Plastre. However, it is hard to go past

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ENDORSEMENT AGAIN WORKS WELL. HASTINGS GALLOPS. Trials For Waipukurau Easter Races

(By Moturoa) The plough was a little slower on Thursday morning than has been the case recently and this was reflected in the time recorded. The best gallop of the morning again went down to the credit of Endorsement, who is in good fettle for her engagements at Feilding to-day.

Tableau (B. Stowe) was shading away from Modern Way (B. Stove) in the concluding stages of their six furlongs in 1.18.1.5, the last half-mile in 52.1.5.

Golden Melody (Forsyth) ran his best gallop for some time when he slipped over his half-mile in 52.2.5, the last three in 38.4.5.

Halle Selassie (T. Winiata) showed his forward condition by running one round in 1.45. He had the outstanding length in front of Red Shoes (L. Deeley), with the Ring (L. Cullen) two lengths back. The last half-mile was run in 53.4.5.

Hunting Moments (M. Galvin) was travelling very easily alongside Lady Stella (Marsh) over a round in 1.48, and both could have improved on this time had they been required.

Endorsement (Cullen) jumped off at the five furlongs, cutting out her first two in 24.1.5. She was picked up from the top of the straight by Versatile (B. Stove), the two-year-old holding an advantage of a couple of lengths. Endorsement's time for the full distance was 1.32.5.

Kalika (G. Stowe) and Lindrum (Marsh) appeared to be going very well together to run their once round in 1.44.4.5, the last five furlongs in 1.17.1.5.

Traller (Mr. R. H. Liddle) ran his mile in 1.55, the last one round in 1.51. This was quite a fair effort as he was carrying 13.8.

Additional riding engagements made for the Waipukurau meeting on Monday are: Mr. E. W. Symes: Lad Stella. Mr. R. H. Liddle: Traller. Mr. L. Monte: Royal Pageant. H. J. Callahan: Black Out. L. S. Deeley: Halle Selassie, Red Shoes. Cullen: Dyne, Hunting Moments.

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Mr. R. Tapper, H.B. Organizer, will attend.
J. J. MILLAR, Secretary.

HASTINGS ZONE COMMITTEE.
H.B. PROVINCIAL PATRIOTIC COUNCIL.

ENTERTAINMENT OF SOLDIERS

Soldiers of the Second Echelon, both Maori and Pakeha, are invited to attend a Farewell Function when gift parcels will be presented at the MUNICIPAL THEATRE, HASTINGS, at 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, 26th MARCH
and afterwards, with their Partners, at a Dance at the Assembly Hall. Seats at the Theatre will be reserved in the Front Stalls for Soldiers and their two nearest relatives.

An invitation is extended to the public to attend a Farewell Function to the Hastings men of the Second Echelon at the

MUNICIPAL THEATRE,
at 8 p.m. on
TUESDAY, 26th MARCH.
G. A. MADDISON, Mayor.

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HAVELOCK NORTH,
EASTER MONDAY
Les Taker's Orchestra.
Free Bus Westernman's 8.15 p.m.
Subs. 2/6 and 2/-.

DENTAL CLINIC FEES.

THE COMMITTEE of the Hastings Dental Clinic wish to remind parents that the fees are now due and must be paid by the 31st inst., otherwise their children will not be eligible for treatment.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the HASTINGS RUGBY SUB-UNION will be held in the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOMS, Karamu Road, Hastings, on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, at 7.30 p.m.

TO DEERSTALKERS.

TRESPASSERS with Dog or Gun on undermentioned properties will be prosecuted—
TIMAHANGA BLOCK,
NAGAMATI BLOCK, TE KOA,
BLOCK, POHUKURA BLOCK,
OWHAKO STATION, INLAND PATEA DISTRICT.

FERNIE BROS. & ROBERTS.

COURT HERETAUNGA No. 6533.
ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

MEMBERS are notified that their Quarterly Meeting will be held this month on FRIDAY NEXT, 29th March, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

A. G. BOSHER, Secretary.

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ALL SOLDIERS AND THEIR PARTNERS INVITED.

ADMISSION: 2/6; Supper Extra.
Funds in Aid of Patriotic Fund.

N.R.C.
EASTER COMPETITION.
1st, 2455; 2nd, 1821; 3rd, 534;
4th, 178. Quilt, Mrs Lambert.

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EASTER MONDAY: The office will be OPEN until 10.30 a.m. for sales of papers and inquiries. RE-OPENING again at 5 p.m.

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EASTER SATURDAY: The office will CLOSE at 12 o'clock.

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THIS property consists of easy hills and about 130 acres of good flats, having two road frontages—one on to Main Puketapu Road the other on to Whararangi Road.
It is subdivided into 14 paddocks, watered by Springs and Windmills, the front block having a permanent swamp drain of never-failing water. Stock now pasturing on property: 1400 Sheep, of which 1100 are breeding ewes.
100 Cattle.
Buildings consist of 5-roomed dwelling with all necessary conveniences, electric range, water, heating, and lighting, and wool shed. 3-stand electric shearing plant.
Nearest town, Napier: 8 miles.
Nearest School: Puketapu: 1 1/2 miles.
Nearest dairy factory: 4 miles (Waiohiki).
For price, terms, and all further particulars apply to—
MESSRS DE PELICHER, McLEOD AND CO. LTD.,
H.B. FARMERS' CO-OP. ASSN. LTD.
Sole Agents.

SITUATIONS VACANT

WANTED after Easter: A Cook and Housemaid; three miles from Hastings, Ring Miss Syms, Phone 2361, Hastings.

WANTED: Experienced Single Shepherd, 3 good dogs. Apply with references, or name previous employer. H. W. Smith, Te Manuiri, Waipawa, phone 125 D.

WANTED: Capable Woman, widow preferred, for small shop in Napier district. Free house and suitable wages to right person. Apply, state age and references, to Box 54, Hastings.

WANTED.
EXPERIENCED SHORTHAND TYPISTE.
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Secretary,
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H.M. NAVAL BASE DEVONPORT, AUCKLAND.

APPLICATIONS are invited for appointment as civilian apprentices in the following trades (one in each trade):
Moulder, Sallmaker, Plumber, Boiler-maker, Shipwright, Electrician.

Applicants must be between the ages of 15 and 17 years, and must have reached a standard of Education equivalent to Proficiency Standard. Previous training in a Technical College will be considered when selecting applicants. Entries will be of an entirely civilian nature, no food, clothing or board being provided by the Navy Department.

For application forms and particulars of appointment, apply to—
The Captain Superintendent,
H.M. Naval Base, Auckland, N.I.

Applications for appointment must reach the Captain Superintendent, Auckland, not later than Friday, 12th April, 1940.

N. T. P. COOPER,
Naval Secretary.

Further classified advertisements appear on page 2.

AIR FORCE
ENTRANCE EXAM.

QUALIFY Early! The essential subjects are MATHEMATICS and PHYSICS (Electricity and Magnetism).

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ATTRACTIVE Modern Bungalow on sunny section handy to town. It is equipped with electricity throughout, while the grounds are laid out in concrete paths, fences and large garage. This home is exceptionally well-built, being constructed of heart timbers throughout.

PRICE £1300.

— Inquire now from —
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Land Agents, Opp. Post Office,
QUEEN STREET, HASTINGS.

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PRICE £850 COMPLETE, And Only £125 Deposit.

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Queen Street Land Agent, Hastings
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HERE'S A REAL SNIP.

4-Roomed Bungalow on west side with Govt. Mortgage.

Great Buying at £635.

8 Acres handy to Hastings with 7-Roomed Dwelling built of Kauri. Only £200 cash required over mortgage.

Exceptionally well built 4-roomed Bungalow, Brand new, Sunny Section. Only £850.

See "The Live Agent!"
F. C. WILKINSON,
Russell Street :: Hastings
(Opp. Govt. Bus Stand).

FOR SALE

FIVE-ROOMED DWELLING in good locality on West side. Solidly built and of good appearance.

GOING CHEAP.
Price: £735. Deposit: £35.
Balance as Rent.

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TREE RIPENED
COXES AND KIDDS' ORANGE,
Golden Queen and Black Boy Peaches,
Plums, Pears and Quinces.
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Iceland Poppies, Calendulas, Violas;
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