

FOR BETTER SIGHT . . .

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ALLIED VICTORY EXPECTED SOON IN NARVIK AREA

Nazis Say Landing Was Only A Blind

NOW CONSOLIDATED IN THE SOUTH

British Forced To Withdraw From Dombaas

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LONDON, May 1.

Swedish sources predict that Narvik will fall to the Allies within a week, but the Allies are not making any such definite promises. German sympathisers in Sweden are suggesting that the German forces at Narvik have fulfilled their purpose, which is claimed to have been to distract the Allies while other positions were consolidated in southern Norway. The Germans have apparently evacuated Tromsø, on an island north of Narvik.

The Stockholm "Dagens Nyheter" says that the Allies have also driven the Germans from Gratangen, mid-way between Tromsø and Narvik, inflicting heavy losses.

Allied planes have damaged a large number of German 'planes at Narvik.

Refugees reaching Sweden say that the German commander at Narvik slipped away. The remaining Germans are under the command of subalterns; provisions are running low.

Following a tactical withdrawal of British troops in the Dombaas area, in central Norway, between Oslo and Trondheim, and German occupation of the railway line between those two towns, the British have taken up new positions at Brennhaug, 12 miles southward of Dombaas.

"The Times" says: "The serious nature of the Norwegian news is undeniable. It cannot be disguised that British communications with Andalsnes (half-way between Bergen and Trondheim) are likely to become difficult." (Andalsnes is on the coast south of Trondheim and is connected by railway with Dombaas.)

"Aftonbladet's" correspondent on the Swedish frontier declares that an Allied plan has been completed for the encirclement of German positions at Narvik. The Germans are reported to have withdrawn from the heights near the town and are now entrenched on the shore. British warships are reported to have silenced all the heavier German guns.

The German news agency claims that the Germans are strongly resisting every British attempt to capture Narvik. Outside the main area of conflict, the Germans, according to reports, reached Gudvangen, on an arm of Sogne Fiord.

Crisis Near
Events in Norway are rapidly approaching a crucial point which will vitally affect not only the future course of the campaign in the strategically important Trondheim area, but also the occupation of Norwegian territories, stated an earlier cable. The tide of battle at present is favouring the Germans in Central Norway.

Whereas the latest British War Office communiqué does not take the official story of the fateful fighting in the Dombaas area past Sunday night's tactical withdrawal, the German High Command claims important successes in yesterday's fighting, including the occupation of Dombaas and Opdal, farther north on the railway between Dombaas and Støren, resulting in "German control of the main Oslo-Trondheim railway."

Støren Occupied
This implies confirmation of Swedish reports that the Germans have occupied the key town of Støren, a rail junction about 30 miles south of Trondheim.

According to a special German night communiqué, the forces which occupied Opdal came from Trondheim, while troops moving up Gubrandsdal Valley from Otta entered Dombaas at mid-day on Tuesday.

The High Command earlier claimed that forces coming from the north and south via Tonsæet had made contact on the railway southward of Støren.

Tanks and Planes
Yesterday's British War Office communiqué states: "In Gubrandsdal Valley on Sunday, the enemy attacked, strongly supported by tanks and low-flying aircraft. We repulsed all attacks. The enemy suffered heavy losses, including three medium tanks."
"During the night, our troops made a short withdrawal to a position covering the rail junction of Dombaas."

"Enemy air attacks on Andalsnes and Molde, Allied landing-places on Romsdal Fiord, west of Dombaas, continued throughout the day."
"The situation at Namsos, north of Trondheim, and at Narvik in the far north, is unchanged."

It is officially claimed in Berlin that German troops have captured Dombaas and Opdal. Opdal is mid-way between Dombaas and Støren, a rail junction farther north.
An earlier communiqué stated that a Norwegian infantry force comprising 2500 men had surrendered north-west of Lillehammer, some 50 miles north of Dombaas. German forces, it added, continued to advance along all roads towards Trondheim and Dombaas, repulsing an enemy wherever they came in contact, and establishing contact between Oslo and Trondheim.

NAZI GAINS SECURED AT HIGH COST

AIR MASTERY THEIR BIG ASSET

NORWEGIAN MOVES

Britain Confident Of Eventual Victory

British Official Wireless. (Received May 1, 7.45 p.m.) RUGBY, May 1.

The latest declaration of the Norwegian Government is welcomed in London. When the Norwegian Government affirms: "We consider freedom so valuable that we prefer to endure war rather than surrender," they speak a language which is well understood by the Allied peoples, and the Norwegian Government's assertion that Norway did not want war, had attacked no one, and will fight on for freedom and that the war will last until Norway is again free, is felt to be worthy of the spirit of the brave people to whose aid the Allies have come without hesitation or reserve.

The difficulties facing the Allies in going to the assistance of the Norwegians—in view of the advantages gained for Germany by means of the Nazi technique of a sudden attack treacherously planned and prepared in advance—were never underrated here.

Arduous Effort
The experience of the first three weeks has provided no reason for a revising of the opinion that an arduous and prolonged effort will be called for from the Allies and Norway.

Having obtained temporary local mastery in the air by the seizure of air bases in Norway, the Germans are in a position to hamper military action so as to render unlikely any easy early or spectacular success for the Allies on land, but that fact does not affect the validity of the original judgment of British observers, according to which Hitler's decision to attack Norway was a major blunder prompted by anxiety to seek a decision quickly at whatever cost.

Nazi Fleet Losses
To get a footing in Norway the Nazis had to sacrifice one-third of the German Fleet; they had to expose Germany to serious and continuing losses in men, shipping and material. The advantage gained locally in the air is only maintained at great cost in petrol.

Miners Advised To Return

AUSTRALIAN STRIKE

A Decision Expected To-day

FREE LABOUR POSSIBLE

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The Federal Labour Leader (Mr. J. Curtin) to-day conferred with coalmine union leaders who are returning to Sydney for their meeting to-morrow. He strongly urged them to induce the miners to return to work as an essential condition of the miners' executive before the Arbitration Court.

The Prime Minister later told the House of Representatives that the Government would wait until to-morrow afternoon for the decision of the miners' executive before introducing regulations to reopen the coalmines with free labour.

Unwilling Helper Of Nazis

U.S. GOODS SEIZED

Arms And Trucks At Bergen

USE AGAINST ALLIES

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It is learned on unimpeachable authority that the Germans seized sizeable stocks of American military supplies en route to Sweden and Finland and may be using them against the Allies in Norway, says the Washington correspondent of the "New York Times."

The seizure included 500 Thompson sub-machine guns and several million rounds of ammunition intended for Sweden and 400 Ford trucks for Finland. All these were at Bergen when the Nazi invaders took over.

TALK OF EVACUATION OF NORWAY DEPLORED

Liberal Leader Asks For Swift Counter-Stroke To Nazi Successes

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The Liberal leader (Sir Archibald Sinclair), in a speech deplored the defeatist attitude of some British people and asked the reason for apparently inspired articles suggesting evacuation. He expressed the opinion that the evacuation of southern and central Norway would only be justifiable if the military situation was beyond repair.

"The country is entitled to know whether the troops sent were highly trained regulars, with experienced officers and adequate equipment," he said. "If they were, why was the British counter-stroke so slow in coming?"

"The British will not complain if the Government moves stealthily and strikes Germany without warning," he added, and asked: "Is it true that, while Mr. Chamberlain was warning Sweden and Norway of approaching danger, he was ordering the dispersal of the force ready for Finland?"
"The false prophecies that 'Hitler has missed the bus,' 'we have turned the corner,' 'we are now ten times more confident than six months ago,' remind me of the prophecy: 'Munich meant peace in our time.'"



WITH THE SEA AS HIS BACKGROUND—His Majesty the King before being piped aboard one of his warships.

TRENCH WARFARE DREADED BY THE NAZIS IN NORWAY

Fear That Protracted Fighting Would Spell Disaster

COST IS ALREADY GREAT

British Official Wireless. (Received May 1, 7.45 p.m.) RUGBY, May 1.

It is learned from an excellent source in Berlin that the German High Command is feeling increasing anxiety that the war in Norway will develop into trench warfare, and the commanders there have been ordered to do all in their power to prevent this.

The message refers to the prevalent opinion among neutral observers that a protracted war in Norway would seriously upset the plans of the German military authorities.

Whether this news report is well founded or not, informed opinion in Britain is satisfied that when the final reckoning can be made in respect of Hitler's Norwegian adventure it will be found to have been so much more costly to Germany and to have brought her so little advantage that it may well prove to have subjected her limited resources to an excessive strain.

Emphasis is given to this opinion by an Admiralty announcement this morning that three German transport and supply ships have been sunk since April 8. The total is brought up to 28, in addition to the Maine, which was scuttled. Another ship was set on fire and 10 more transports and supply ships set on fire and probably sunk. A further 10 German transports and supply ships have been hit by torpedoes and probably sunk, and the German expeditionary force also suffered losses due to mines.

The German losses of men have been very heavy if those lost with transports are included. The German invasion was cleverly planned and, capably executed as it was, nevertheless it was based on the expectation that Norwegian resistance would not be met or would quickly collapse. It has proved quite otherwise, and the German Military Command is faced with a continuing liability involving the defending at heavy expenditure in men and material of positions far from the home bases and with lines of communication threatened by the Allied command of the sea and by Allied air action.

DISPUTE ON MATSON LINER

Crew Removed U.S. SHIP MANNED BY BRITISH

Trouble Over Wages

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According to the local charterers of the vessel, the British authorities removed about 25 American members of the crew from the Matson steamer Rewa at Port Said, and they are now on their way to the United States. The vessel is in the charge of a British and native crew.

The Matson Line understand that the intervention was due to a wages dispute, also that the American Consulate is sending the crew home.

The Matson Line later announced that 21 seamen had been interned at Port Said after refusal to obey the captain. All were paid off, after which 17 were ordered to be deported to the United States. Four have been placed in a detention home, where they are carrying on a hunger strike.

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC FUND

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, May 1. It is announced that in total cash received, the National Patriotic Fund has reached the £100,000 mark.

Million Dollars For Capture Of Hitler

Carnegie Institute Sponsors Suggestion In Good Faith

Cash Reward

Hope Of Averting Disastrous Warfare In The West

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The "New York Times" features a letter from Mr. Samuel Harden Church, president of the Carnegie Institute, offering on behalf of a group of Pittsburgh residents "one million dollars as a cash reward to the person or group who will deliver Adolf Hitler alive, unwounded and unharmed, into the custody of the League of Nations for trial before a High Court of Justice for his crimes against the peace and dignity of the world."

The letter is printed without comment on the editorial page of the "Times."

Good For One Month
Mr. Church stipulates that the offer is good for only one month of May.

Interviewed, Mr. Church explained that the limitation was imposed to ensure that reward-seekers would act quickly. The decision, he added, was taken by 50 members of the Duquesne Club, including women, after they became convinced by private advices from Europe that Hitler was determined to strike on the Western Front, even though it might cost the lives of half a million Germans.

Mr. Church emphasised that the proposal was made in good faith. "I see no objection to making this offer as president of the Carnegie Institute," he stated. "It chimes perfectly with Andrew Carnegie's ideals. What a fine thing if a Society of Nations such as Carnegie believed in should be started by the impetus from the arrest of Hitler."

NEW TACTICS DEVELOPED IN AIR WAR

BEST USED AS ADJUNCT TO OTHER FORCES

British Official Wireless. (Received May 1, 7.55 p.m.) RUGBY, May 1.

Some students of aerial warfare regard the development of the war as showing that air forces can be more usefully employed as an adjunct to land and sea forces rather than as an independent arm, and point out that both in the Polish campaign by the German High Command and now in Norway, by the Allied Command as well as the German, it has shown its highest effectiveness when so used.

They point out that where manoeuvring is still possible—"a war of movement"—much is gained by aerial attack on lines of communication and facilities such as bases, which in such circumstances must be restricted. If, however, the war becomes one of strong defensive positions occupied by opposing forces, as on the Western Front, bombing attacks on military objectives behind the enemy lines, when dissociated from land attack, merely represents a dissipation of effort.

No Civilians Killed
The Allied bombing attacks in Norway and Denmark have been confined to military objectives within the sphere of actual operation.

It is pointed out that this is in fact as well as in theory, as there has been no confirmed report of any civilian having been killed as a result of the Allied raids, although they have been intense.

These attacks, it is emphasised, have been an essential element of the joint land, sea and air campaign being directed towards carefully chosen objectives and a part of the general tactical plan.

Nazi Bomber Crashes In Essex

FIVE KILLED: 90 INJURED

Whole Town Rocked By Explosion

FIFTY HOUSES DAMAGED

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The Air Ministry reports that enemy aeroplanes approached the east coast at several points late last night. The British anti-aircraft guns went into action and one enemy plane crashed in flames on a coastal town in Essex and houses in the vicinity were damaged.

A later message states that a Heinkel bomber crashed and five occupants were killed. The Heinkel, which is believed to have been laying mines, was first heard flying low off Clacton. Apparently it was hit by anti-aircraft guns and sought a landing place. It burst into flames after landing and then a terrific explosion, which was heard over a radius of 20 miles, occurred, wrecking and setting on fire seven houses and burying many of the occupants.

The "Daily Mail" says that there were at least 100 casualties.

A later message says that the Heinkel crashed at the popular seaside resort of Clacton-on-Sea. Five, including four of the German crew, were killed, and 90 injured, of whom 49 are in hospital. Other bodies are possibly under the wreckage.

About 50 houses were damaged and two houses and a bungalow were completely destroyed. The Heinkel ploughed through the roofs of six buildings before burying itself deep in the courtyard of a block of flats.

The terrific explosion which followed rocked the whole town, and streets for hundreds of yards were littered with bricks and tiles. The total damage is estimated at £100,000.

Fire-fighting and ambulance squads were following the course of the plane when it was seeking a forced landing, and finally came down with its load of explosives.

R.A.F. Patrols
During the last 24 hours, formations of Royal Air Force Coastal Command aircraft on patrol along the Norwegian coast have had a series of encounters with enemy bombers.

One small flight of Blenheims over Andalsnes, south of Trondheim, gave chase to a Junkers 88, which took refuge in a cloud.

Avoiding action of this kind was also resorted to by Heinkel III's which the Blenheims intercepted and attacked from astern.

The Blenheims next observed a Messerschmitt 110 climbing out of the clouds. The Nazi fighter had a rough encounter, and was last seen spiralling down in distress.

Two other aircraft saw a Heinkel III flying dead across their tracks. They pursued it for 10 minutes with sustained fire. This Heinkel also flew into a cloud and could not be found again.

On entering a flog farther south, Coastal Command aircraft met another Junkers 88, which turned and escaped into the clouds.

Sweden Bars Visits By Foreigners

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A decree bars foreigners from further districts in Sweden. Five German bombers, northward bound, flew over Swedish territory to-day, but turned back to Norway when anti-aircraft guns went into action.

ITALIAN THREAT TO YUGOSLAVIA

Belgrade Alarmed

MILITARY TRAFFIC NEAR BORDER

Tanks Moving Up

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The correspondent of the Associated Press of Great Britain at Zagreb says that Yugoslavia is alarmed at reports of intensive Italian military activity near the Yugoslav frontier. The virtual suspension of German coal trains to Italy is attributed to heavy military traffic on Italian lines leading to the Yugoslav border.

Railway workers returning from Italy report seeing a trainload of tanks moving up. It is also reported that new air-raid precautions shelters are being constructed in the Italian cities of Fiume and Trieste, at the head of the Adriatic near the Yugoslav border, where the population are nervous.

The Yugoslav authorities have expelled several hundred more German tourists. German concentrations are reported near the frontier. Slovakia Warned

The Hungarian Foreign Minister (Count Csaky), has strongly warned Slovakia against persecuting the Hungarian minority of 160,000 people.

"Slovakia," he said, "should not attempt to play off Germany against Hungary, because Hungary trusts the stability of Hungaro-German friendship."

"All must recognise that Hungary will act if and when it is advisable, and not under provocation. Slovakia must understand," declared Count Csaky, "we shall defend the rights of Hungarians."

Slovak diplomats described Count Csaky's warning as nonsense. They insisted that the Germans would support Slovakia, denied maltreatment of Hungarians, and compared it with the treatment of Slovaks living in Hungary.

NAVAL BATTLE IN THE SKAGERRAK

Seven Destroyers And Five Merchantmen Involved

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Newspaper dispatches report a naval battle in the Skagerrak near Skagen. Seven destroyers and five merchantmen were involved.

Berlin officials boasted to-day that the German air force and naval patrols are daily and nightly keeping intact the lifeline of 60,000 German troops in Norway.

It is claimed that the Allied warships have not broken through the Skagerrak. Officials admitted the loss of 11 "comparatively small transports and supply ships."

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PROGRAMME

CLASS I—Short head and yard. Open. Time, 15 minutes. First Prize, £5; Second Prize, £4; Third Prize, £2; Fourth Prize, £1.

CLASS IA—Maiden dogs

CLASS IA—Maiden dogs. Open to dogs that have never won a heading event of any kind at time of starting. First Prize, £5; Second Prize, £4; Third Prize, £2; Fourth Prize, £1.

CLASS IIA—Maiden dogs

CLASS IIA—Maiden dogs. First Prize, £5; Second Prize, £4; Third Prize, £2; Fourth Prize, £1.

CLASS IIB—Open huntaway

CLASS IIB—Open huntaway. About a quarter of a mile through three sets of flags, to the satisfaction of the Judge. Time, 15 minutes. First Prize, £5; Second Prize, £4; Third Prize, £2; Fourth Prize, £1.

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PROGRAMME

CLASS I.—Open Long Head and drive round in ring and back about 600 yards. Time, 12 minutes. First prize £6, 2nd £3, 3rd £1, 4th 10/-.

CLASS IA—Run in conjunction with Class I.

CLASS II.—Open Short Head, drive and yard. Distance, 500 yards. Time, 10 minutes. First prize £5, 2nd £3, 3rd £1, 4th 10/-.

CLASS IIA—Run in conjunction with Class II.

CLASS III.—Open Huntaway, between three sets of flags. Distance, 400 yards. Time, 10 minutes. First prize £6, 2nd £3, 3rd £1, 4th 10/-.

ALL ENTRIES close APRIL 20th and places for runs drawn, late entries 1/4 extra.

CHALLENGE CUPS

Challenge Cup, value £10/10/-, to be awarded winner of Class I. J. Turley's Challenge Cup, value £10/10/-, to winner of Class II.

WHYTE'S CUP

Whyte's Cup, value £15/15/-, to be awarded to man who has not won more than two first prizes in any Open Class with same dog scoring most points in Classes I. and II.

MATHESONS MEMORIAL CUP

Mathesons Memorial Cup for local competitor scoring most points in Classes I.

Hunting Season Opened

DANNEVIRKE CLUB Two Keen Runs And A Kill. The Takapau members of the Dannevirke Hunt Club held their opening meet of the season on Saturday.

The hunt opened with a brisk run up from the river and over the flats and ended at the road where the hounds were checked. After this the hares were scarce, but at the end of the day a hare, started on Mr Douglas's property, ran round the far end of the farm and after a fast and exciting run was killed somewhere near the road.

The mounted followers were: Mr G. Hobson (Master), Mr G. Mattson (Huntsman), Messrs Holden and M. Hobson (Whips), Mrs J. Ormond, Mrs J. Herrick, Misses A. McCay, J. and R. Dampney, J. Brinson, P. Fullarton, G. Kennedy, M. Mathews, Messrs D. Holden, C. Dampney, W. Hobson and W. Craig.

Those following in cars included Mrs P. Wall, Mrs Mrs H. Smith, Mr and Mrs J. Riddell, Mrs Simpson, Mr B. McEwen, Mrs Dampney, Mr and Mrs Giblin, Mrs L. Manson, and Mr W. Smith.

Otane Rainfall Figures

The following figures regarding the rainfall for the Otane district, as supplied by Mr A. E. Black, Te Kura, are as follows: Rainfall for April, 1940, 2.52 inches; for same month, 1939, 1.57 inches; total to date, 1940, 8.29 inches; for same period, 1939, 3.22 inches. Rain fell in measurable quantities on 13 days last month, the greatest amount being 62 points on April 21.

TENDERS

MAHORA SCHOOL GROUND IMPROVEMENTS

TENDERS for the above, closing with the Secretary, Public Works Tenders Board, Wellington, will be received up till 4 p.m. on Tuesday, 7th May, 1940.

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Clay Pigeon Shoot

ROD AND GUN CLUB Two Youths Perform Well. DETAILED RESULTS. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIROA.

A friendly clay-pigeon shoot was held under the auspices of the Wairoa Rod and Gun Club on Sunday on Mr J. Bretherton's property. About thirty shooters were present and good scores were recorded despite the high wind and bad light.

The club and the shooters appreciated the supplying of afternoon tea by Mrs Bretherton. The result, were as follows: Open shoot: Theo. Stewart 1. Open handicap: T. Stewart and J. Bretherton 1. M. Gemmill and R. Sturm 2.

SCHOOL ELECTION AT HAVELOCK NORTH

In a report of the schools householders' elections, published in the "Daily Mail" on Tuesday morning, it was stated that no election was necessary at Havelock North School. This was because an election was held, and the following were appointed: Messrs J. D. Heenan (chairman), C. Crawford (secretary), E. F. Leicester, H. Hay, C. Panckhurst, A. Jack, D. Donkin, B. Farquharson, J. W. Jones.

WAIPUKURAU GOLF DRAW ANNOUNCED FOR SATURDAY

The match played on the Waipukurau Club's links on Saturday for the president's trophy was won by J. C. Windle with a score of 3 up.

STABLEFORD BOGEY

"Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIPUKURAU. The club played on the Waipukurau Club's links on Saturday for the president's trophy was won by J. C. Windle with a score of 3 up.

WAIPUKURAU GOLF DRAW ANNOUNCED FOR SATURDAY

The following cards were received: J. C. Windle, 3 up. J. Tarrant, 1 up. N. Bird, all square. No. 1 tee: L. A. Reid v. G. G. Speedy, P. L. Peacock v. C. C. Webb, C. Riddell v. H. Coats, S. I. Peacock v. V. Stratford, G. E. Wilson v. L. Peacock, A. Rathbone v. W. J. Rickett, Tarrant v. C. H. Plimmer, D. Taylor v. C. A. Rickett, V. Bradley v. F. A. G. Dunn, C. R. Inglis v. J. Buchanan, J. L. Brathwaite v. W. Matthews, G. Bryce v. C. Carlson, D. L. Leadley v. C. Cassidy, N. Jamieson v. J. Erwin, R. Bird v. A. J. Barnaby, C. J. Hay v. R. McLean, I. W. Moss v. F. Hewitt, A. E. Moss v. H. Roach, C. Biles v. E. Stiles, R. Clark v. J. L. Hunter, L. Reynolds v. S. A. Train, J. G. Stewart v. R. Allen, H. Butler v. E. C. Hurdfield, A. M. White v. J. C. Mills.

HASTINGS WEATHER IN APRIL

Rain Fell On Thirteen Days. The following is a summary of the weather in Hastings during April, as supplied by the official observation officer, Mr. H. Nelson Fowler:

SCHOOL COMMITTEE AT TURIROA

New Members. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT ON WORK. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIROA.

A large number of parents and householders met on Monday evening for the purpose of electing a committee for the ensuing two years. Mr M. Edwards (chairman) reported on the work of the committee and the improvements carried out during the past two years. He congratulated the staff and the children on the work done and thanked the parents for their co-operation.

NEW EQUIPMENT AT WAIKAWA

DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL REPORT. HEALTHY FINANCE. New Committee Elected. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIKAWA.

There was not a large attendance at the biennial meeting of parents and householders held in the Waikawa District High School on Monday evening for the purpose of electing the new committee. Mr C. H. Crichtley was in the chair.

PROGRAMMES ON THE AIR

IYA Auckland. 7.0 a.m.: Daventry news, 7.10: Breakfast session, 7.30: Weather report, 9.0: Daventry news, 10.0: Devotional service, 10.15: Recordings, 11.0: Talk by "Lorraine", 11.10: Recordings, 12.0: Daventry news, lunch music, 1.30: Daventry news, 2.0 p.m.: Recordings, 2.30: Classical hour, 3.15: Sports results, 3.30: Daventry news, 3.45: Light music, 4.0: Sports results, 5.0: Children's session, 5.45: Daventry news; dinner music, 6.55: Daventry report, 7.0: News, 7.30: Winter Course talk, by Rev. A. B. Chappell, "Our Early Colonists", Chalmers, C., 8.15: "Wandering with the West Wind", 8.45: "The Fourth Form at St. Peter's", 9.0: News, 9.15: Weather report and station notices, 9.25: Programme of military and brass band music with interludes by "Dad and Dave" and Peter Dawson, 10.0: Dance music by bands of Richard Himber, Larry Reid and Artie Shaw with interludes by Frances Langford and Vera Lynn, 11.0: Daventry news.

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NEW EQUIPMENT AT WAIKAWA

DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL REPORT. HEALTHY FINANCE. New Committee Elected. "Daily Mail" Special Service. WAIKAWA.

There was not a large attendance at the biennial meeting of parents and householders held in the Waikawa District High School on Monday evening for the purpose of electing the new committee. Mr C. H. Crichtley was in the chair.

The balance sheet disclosed that there was a credit balance of £53 in the general account and a credit of £12 in the Dental Clinic account, which is kept separate for convenience.

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"INGRAMS OF ARABIA"

HUSBAND AND WIFE SHARE WORK. A NEW POST. Remarkable Knowledge Of Arabs. "Ingrams of Arabia" has been given a new post, it was announced in London recently. Which means that his wife has been given a new post, too. She has shared his work, his knowledge and his reputation. She is not merely the wife of Mr William Harold Ingrams, C.M.G., O.B.E., British Colonial Administrator, but Mrs "Ingrams of Arabia".

Mr Ingrams is to change from being British Resident Adviser to the Sultan of Mukalla, in the Hadramaut, Southern Arabia, to being Chief Secretary, Aden, farther south. His wife goes with him. She is 34 years old; he is 43, and is reputed to know more of the Arabs than any Briton since Colonel T. E. Lawrence.

Adviser to Sultan

For three years as adviser to the Quaiti Sultan of Mukalla and the Kathiri Sultan of Seyun, and in political charge of three other sultanates, Mr Ingrams has been powerful in the Hadramaut. Biblical kingdom of the Queen of Sheba. For their work in the Hadramaut and for his wife were last year awarded the T. E. Lawrence gold medal of the Central Asian Society. She and her husband watched the servant in the unknown hinterland of the Hadramaut. They travelled on camels, dressed as Arabs, where no Europeans had travelled before, and found it to be a wild land of eternal wars, gangsterdom and blood feuds.

Fair-Haired Englishman

This six-foot-tall, fair-haired, pale blue-eyed Englishman and his wife brought "Ingrams's Peace" to the 300,000 warring Bedouins of the interior. Sometimes his wife went touring alone. Once she took details personally of 32 separate local all-fighting in a single district. Once a chieftain talked to her from a second-storey window, being afraid to come down because he was at war with all his neighbours. She and her husband watched battles going on from their hosts' drawing room windows. They carried no weapons, but took a draft of a truce to each one of the hostile tribes.

Wear Arab Dress

At Mukalla, Mr Ingrams and his wife wear Arab dress, touch no alcohol, and observe Arab customs out of respect for the natives. They insist on other Europeans at the Residency doing the same. Tennis and other European games are banned from the Residency grounds. The post of chief secretary, Aden, which Mr Ingrams is to take up, is being created to take the place of those of political secretary and civil secretary on the vacation of these posts by their present holders, Lieutenant-Colonel Lake, who is retiring, and Major Sinclair, who is returning to the Indian Government service.</

HASTINGS THEATRES

COZY FINALLY TO-DAY 2 p.m. - 7.45 p.m. EDWARD G. ROBINSON With RUTH HUSSEY, GENE LOCKHART IN AN AMAZING DRAMA OF A MAN'S REVENGE. BLACKMAIL (Recommended by the Censor for Adults.) TO-MORROW - 2 p.m. and 7.45 p.m. KAY FRANCIS, WILLIAM GARGAN, VICTORY JOEY, MAXIE ROSEBLOOM in "WOMEN IN THE WIND" ALAN BAXTER, JACQUELINE WELLS, GORDON OLIVER in "MY SON IS A CRIMINAL" (Both Recommended by the Censor for Adults.)

NEXT SATURDAY "RULERS OF THE SEA" (Approved for Universal Exhibition.) NOW SHOWING DAILY, 2.15 p.m. & 8 p.m. Centrally Heated Plans at Sutcliffe's—Phone 2822. EXCITING ROMANTIC COMEDY ENTERTAINMENT—Not since "IT HAPPENED ONE NIGHT" has there been such fun on the screen! Two swell stars in up-to-the-minute romance, fast and furious and very, very gay! Additional—Pete Smith Specialty—Passing Parade Novelty—Fitzpatrick Colour Travel—Overseas News and Circus Review. ★ CLAUDETTE COLBERT ★ JAMES STEWART — in ★ IT'S A WONDERFUL WORLD with Guy Kibbee — Nat Pendleton Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer (Recommended by the Censor for Adults.)

DEAF AIDS LAST DAY At 2.15 and 8 p.m. Amalgamated Theatres Ltd. Hastings' Leading Theatre Plans at Theatre. Phone 2674. THE RAINS CAME by LOUIS BROMFIELD A 20th Century-Fox picture starring MYRNA LOY, TYRONE POWER, GEORGE BRENT TO-MORROW ADVENTURE... exciting and exhilarating when Merle inherits a vast fortune. ROMANCE... when Europe's impeccable noblemen try to teach her how to spend it. FUN... fast and furious when 18 million pounds draw the world's greatest team of gold digging gigolos. Don't Miss It! It starts with a chuckle and ends with a yell! ALEXANDER KORDA PRESENTS IN GLORIOUS TECHNICOLOR! MERLE OBERON Over the Moon REX HARRISON URSULA JEANS (Both Recommended by the Censor for Adults.)

A Really Outstanding "GUEST SEASON" Double! MUNICIPAL PICTURES L. D. CIRCLE 9d. ALL STALLS 9d. Finally To-night, 7.45 (The Family House For Value) Finally To-night, 7.45 An intriguing drama, which provides you with plenty of thrills and laughs — with this really outstanding cast— LORETTA YOUNG, RICHARD GREENE, GEORGE SANDERS, DAVID NIVEN, C. ABBREY SMITH—in "FOUR MEN AND A PRAYER" A whirlwind of action and melodrama — against the colourful background of old California. Harold Bell Wright's fast-moving, thrill-packed story. Starring — RICARDO CORTÉZ, MARGHERITE WEAVER, KATHERINE DE MILLE "THE CALIFORNIAN" (Both Recommended by the Censor for Adults.)

"FOUR MEN AND A PRAYER" none, to save his friends and neighbours who have been terrorised by usurping adventurers. The transition of the popular story, "Four Men and a Prayer," read by millions in book form or magazine serial, will provide the associate film. Of primary interest is the fact that the film has not deviated from the original plot. Beautiful, ray Loretta Young, in practically the only feminine role, is the girl whose love for one of the brothers serves as a shining beacon through clouds of intrigue and even mistrust of her. Her romantic interest is for Richard Greene. Greene, however, along with George Sanders, David Niven and William Henry, are the four men who forsake everything in their careers to track down around the world the menace which cashed their beloved father, C. Aubrey Smith, out of the army in disgrace and then brought death to a great soldier. The chukor (Indian hill partridge), which were released some time ago by the Acclimatisation Society in Canterbury, are reported to be spreading fast in the high country districts in Marlborough. They have been seen on the Molesworth and Gladstone Stations. The Society's scheme promises to be of interest to other districts, as the birds are evidently doing well.

Two GOOD FILMS ON LIFE "My Son Is a Criminal," "Women In The Wind" The thrills, romances, sorrows and joys of these intrepid girls who have made flying in their careers are graphically related in "Women in the Wind," the Warner Bros. picture featuring Kay Francis and William Gargan, which opens to-morrow at the Cozy Theatre, Hastings. Aside from its direct interest in the lives of women fliers, the new Warner picture takes advantage of the popular interest in the most sensational actual happenings in the recent annals of aviation by incorporating somewhat similar incidents in the screen story written by Lee Katz and Albert DeMond. Injected into a plot which was based on a novel by Francis Walton, these incidents give a fresh and contemporaneous flavour to the production. The story is concerned with the winning of a transcontinental air derby for women by Kay Francis, portraying a girl who had retired from flying in order to devote her life to the care of her crippled brother and then entered the derby only to get the first prize money of £3000 and thus retain the services of a high-priced specialist to cure her brother's paralysis. Columbia's "My Son is a Criminal," heralded as one of the most human and dramatic gangster films ever to reach the screen, is the associate feature with a cast which includes Alan Baxter, Jacqueline Wells, Gordon Oliver and Willard Robertson. Said to be one of the most "different" of recent crime stories, the new film has been hailed especially for its final thrill-packed scenes. Robertson is seen as a retired chief of police who vainly hopes that his son will also join the force. But the boy, played by Alan Baxter, pretends absorption in the garage he owns, although he actually is the "brains" of a vicious racket mob. Current Attraction. Stark drama at a fast pace through Edward G. Robinson's first great sympathetic role, as vivid as any more happily cast than has ever done, makes a noteworthy contribution to film entertainment at the Cozy Theatre, Hastings, where "Blackmail" will be shown finally to-day.

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Regent A NEW MARLENE DIETRICH "Destry Rides Again" Is Great Entertainment A new Marlene Dietrich, vastly improved and bearing little resemblance to her previous appearances except in glamorous beauty, returns to the screen in Universal's "Destry Rides Again," which opens to-morrow at the Regent Theatre, Napier. Dietrich's almost startling transformation features a picture notable in many other respects, chief among these being the presence of James Stewart, one of the screen's foremost male stars, who plays the title role opposite Marlene. Together they head what is probably the greatest supporting cast ever assembled for a Western epic type of picture. Such prominent favourites as Mischka Auer, Charles Winninger, Brian Donlevy, Irene Hervey, Una Merkel, Warren Hymer, Allen Jenkins, Samuel S. Hinds, Billy Gilbert and many others are included in the list of players. Marlene sings to the cowboys and miners such tunes as "Little Joe," "You've Got That Look" and "The Boys in the Back Room." She cheerfully convalesces at crooked card games, dances the Virginia reel and makes violent love to Stewart, and climaxes it all by a fist-fight with Una Merkel. The rough-and-tumble conflict is undoubtedly the greatest feminine fist-fight ever put on the screen, and is destined to rank as the buskiest counterpoint of the great fight in "The Spoilers." The scene near the end of the picture in which hundreds of the women in the town, armed with rolling pins, wreck the Last Chance Saloon is another highlight scene in a story that has excitement from start to finish. Stewart's work in "Mr Smith Goes to Washington" is equalled if not surpassed by his performance in "Destry Rides Again." Current Production Realism in motion pictures is a quality very much to be desired in the opinion of Will Fyffe, the great Scottish character actor who is making his American debut in a starring role as an engineer in Frank Lloyd's production, "Rulers of the Sea," a story of the triumph of steam over sail which will be screened finally to-day at the Regent Theatre, Napier, and Margaret Lockwood co-starred with Fyffe. At least, it's a bonus to know when it doesn't cause too much discomfort, according to Will.

Mayfair "ALL AMERICAN SWEETHEART" "Penitentiary" Is Also Showing Grim in implications, but unfolding a poignant romance of young love on a prison threshold, the tense dynamic drama, "Penitentiary," now showing at the Mayfair Theatre, Napier. Jean Parker, John Howard and Walter Connolly are featured in this Columbia picture. Here is one drama of the prison world that does not lean on the usual goal break for thrills. It is the story of a different sort of goal-break — a psychological one. "Penitentiary" shows the escape from moral disintegration of a young prisoner undergoing a severe punishment for an accidental crime. Not only convicts, but a girl and the warden himself are accomplices to the "escape." Campus fun, thrills, romance and a story with a new and novel twist, "All American Sweetheart," the associate feature, provides 60 minutes of excellent entertainment. Fresh, new faces on the screen, thrilling and picturesque crew races and intriguing music, contribute to make this one of the outstanding pictures of the year. Depicting a maximum of the dash, colour and thrill of modern day college life, it has a large cast, including Patricia Farr, Scott Colton, Joe Twerp, Jimmy Eagles and Gene Morgan. Magnificent, awe-inspiring, amazingly impressive and eye-dazzling! These words best describe "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" which opens at the State Theatre, Napier, to-morrow. A remarkable and convincing achievement in every department from basic idea to actual performance, "The Hunchback" can safely be hailed as the most spectacular motion picture Hollywood has produced in the last decade. Vastly superior in every respect to past efforts to interpret the spacious and melodramatic Victor Hugo thriller, the current version is a personal triumph for Charles Laughton, whose characterisation of the crippled cathedral belfringer is without question his crowning contribution to the screen. Equally notable in his superb support, including a host of stage and screen celebrities—Sir Cedric Hardwicke, Thomas Mitchell, Maureen O'Hara, Edmund O'Brien, Alan Marshall, Walter Hampden and Katharine Alexander. The plot dwells on Quasimodo, the caretaker of the bells of Notre Dame. He falls hopelessly in love with a gypsy charmer, Esmeralda, whose exotic dancing at the annual Feast of Fools at the same time arouses the evil passions of the King's High Justice, Frolo. The nobleman, repulsed, slays one of her admirers, after which he has her accused of the murder and convicted. How Quasimodo saves Esmeralda at the cost of his own life when the villainous nobleman tries to carry her off, makes for a gripping climax rarely equalled in drama, surprises and thrilling moments. Thanks to the mammoth re-creations of such historic Parisian landmarks as the cathedral of Notre Dame, the Palais de Justice, Sainte Chapelle and the Court of Miracles, and thanks to the record number of atmosphere players—3500—which people the massive settings, the pageantry and spirit and colour that were the Paris of King Louis

Soccer COMMENCES ON SATURDAY Senior And Junior Grade Fixtures The following are the fixtures in the senior and junior grade competition games of the Hawke's Bay Football Association to commence on Saturday on Nelson Park (Napier): Senior. (2.30 p.m. sharp). H.S.O.B. v. Magpies, No. 1 ground (nearest stand). Referee: Mr J. Loutian. Juniors. (1.30 p.m. sharp). H.S.O.B. v. United, No. 2 ground. Referee: Mr J. Stickland. High School v. Magpies, No. 2 ground. Referee: Mr B. Christie. All school boys desirous of playing are to be at Marewa Park at 9.30 a.m. for grading purposes, friendly games and formation of teams. Mr C. Nicholson, Mr Goodall and Mr G. B. Young will be in charge. Teams Selected. The following are the H.S.O.B. teams for Saturday: Seniors play Rangers: B. Christie, A. Macdonald, E. Rippon, J. Reddell, A. McLean, E. Stead, P. Collins, A. Gibson, B. Campbell, T. Hopkins, C. McMillan. Juniors to play High School, 1.30 p.m. at Marewa Park. P. Plowman, Boyce, Hickey, McLeod, Scott, Millett, Jones, McMillan, Fraser, Downes and Wilkie.

Current Attraction. Darryl F. Zanuck's magnificent and faithful production of "The Rains Came," the great Louis Bromfield novel, will be presented at the State Theatre, Hastings, finally to-day. Myrna Loy, Tyrone Power and George Brent are the leading players of a brilliant cast. grand tour of Europe's scenic resorts, in its natural colour. The picture is released by United Artists.

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State KEEN INTEREST IN VAUDEVILLE Will Mahoney's Latest Revue Coming Preliminary inquiries at the booking office indicate the exceptional interest taken in the forthcoming attraction at the Municipal Theatre, Napier, Will Mahoney, the noted comedian and a company of international vaudeville favorites, to-morrow. Mr Mahoney was in New Zealand about eighteen months ago, when he made a most favourable impression with his versatile talents as a comedian and his wide ability as a popular entertainer. Since that time he has been fulfilling engagements at the Tivoli Theatres in Australia, where he has established himself as a prime favourite and has gained undisputed sway with enthusiastic crowds. The fun is fast and furious when Will Mahoney holds the stage, for he has a style of humour that is particularly pleasing. Vaudeville at its best marks the whole entertainment, and patrons will thoroughly enjoy the wide variety of items, all of which are provided by artists who have gained renown in the metropolitan centres abroad. There is something in the programme to appeal to all tastes—singing and harmony, thrills and novelty, which, of course, is the secret of popular vaudeville. Among the performers are Evie Hayes, Johnny Hyman, Bob Geraghty, the Melodians, the Four Florays, the Lampinis, John Dobbie, the Ritchies, Margaret Kelly, the ballet, and Captain Cusko's Animal Circus. The show opens next Saturday evening at Napier and the box plan is at Fairclough's. The company will also be playing for the night at the Municipal Theatre, Hastings, Monday eve, box plan at Leon Falls. XI are vividly and realistically captured. Current Attraction. The power of one of to-day's great novelists finds its full scope on the screen in Darryl F. Zanuck's production of "The Rains Came," the sensational best-seller by Louis Bromfield, now showing at the State Theatre, Napier, with Myrna Loy, Tyrone Power and George Brent sharing stellar honours.

GOOD YEAR'S WORK ACCOMPLISHED

W.D.F.U. PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE ANNUAL MEETING

Representative Gathering In Hastings

Mrs E. Honeybun presided over a good representative gathering at the quarterly meeting of the Northern Hawke's Bay provincial executive of the Women's Division of the Farmers' Union.

A suggestion that the Hastings area branches make themselves responsible for a jam and fruit stall at the Red Cross Shop on May 17 was put to the vote and carried.

The House-keeping secretary's report, read by Mrs John Joll, showed much work done, but a greater demand for house-keepers than could be supplied.

Increased Membership The secretary's annual report showed a busy year with much accomplished, but smaller attendances due to petrol restrictions.

Branch reports were read by their respective representatives showing a varying degree of activity, several of the larger branches having a splendid amount of good work.

President, Mrs E. Honeybun. Vice-presidents, Mrs. Holden (Mangateretere), Mrs. Talbot (Mangatahi), and Miss Beachen (Waipukurau).

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Rosina Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wall, Bridge Pa, to John Clarence, second son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Brooker, Paki Paki.

Waihau Branch Of W.D.F.U.

ANNUAL MEETING A Successful Year's Activities Reported

OFFICERS ELECTED

The annual meeting of the Waihau branch of the Women's Division of the Farmers' Union was held at Mrs H. Maulder's home.

In her annual report the retiring president, Mrs W. W. Sherratt, thanked members for their hearty support and felt that the branch was to be congratulated on the success of its activities during the past year.

Mrs W. H. Hartree was elected president for the ensuing year. Mrs W. B. Perry was re-elected secretary.

The golden thread talk on famous women was given by the newly-elected president, who spoke on the life and work of Elizabeth Blake, well, the first woman doctor.

Gifts of parcels of bulbs by Miss Dunninge for their gardens were appreciated by members.

Studio Evening

Napier Repertory Players

A most successful studio evening was held on Tuesday by the Napier Repertory players.

These evenings are becoming more and more popular and the programme, arranged by Miss Kathleen Price, was an excellent one and well welcomed by the audience.

Among those present were Mr and Mrs K. O'Halloran, Mr and Mrs S. P. Spiller, Mr and Mrs T. V. Cook, Mr and Mrs B. Bennett, Mr and Mrs Fenton, Mesdames A. Hansen and Sowter, Misses Z. Apperley, K. Price, O. Fish, Williams, Maciver, Taylor, N. McKain, G. Sprout, J. O'Halloran, G. Laurie, J. McCulloch, J. Gilbert, J. Munro, Messrs G. E. Tyler, G. Johanson, J. R. Fairclough, L. Bull, R. Fenton, E. Prentice, F. Uren, R. Falls, K. Apperley and L. Murphy.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTES DURING THE PAST MONTH

PUTORINO

The April meeting of the Putorino Women's Institute was held in the hall on Thursday, when Mrs. Porter presided over an attendance of 10 members.

Mrs. Fleming gave an interesting report on the recent federation meeting and was accorded a hearty vote of thanks.

Mrs. R. Lange gave a talk on knitting socks and members received some useful hints.

Mrs. R. Lange gave a demonstration on pruning roses and explained how one could produce a goodly shaped rose tree.

A letter of thanks was received for parcels sent for the soldiers. Competitions resulted as follows: Bowl of chrysanthemums, arranged with autumn tinted foliage; Mrs. Sowerby and Miss J. Mabey 1 equal.

Best vegetable: Mrs. R. Lange. Hostess for the afternoon was Mrs. T. MacMillan.

TUAI

At the Tuai Women's Institute meeting held in the hall on Wednesday, Mrs. Godman presided over a good attendance, there being four visitors present and one new member.

It was decided that instead of popular voting by members for handwork, that judges be appointed, these being Mrs. C. Miller and Mrs. Frame.

The institute have, up to date, sent away four parcels for the soldiers. A box lecture, "Beauty and the Home," was given by Mrs. Nicol.

It was decided that a delegate be sent to the conference to be held in July in Wellington, Mrs. Munro being chosen.

There were a number of entries in the competitions, the results being: Peg bag handwork: Mrs. Munro 1, Mrs. McLeod 2, Mrs. C. Dawson 3.

Shoulder spray: Mrs. Nicol 1, Mrs. Stoupe 2. Cooking, wholemeal scones: Mrs. Munro 1, Mrs. Rosenberg 2.

The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

WAIPAWA

There was an excellent attendance of members at the April meeting of the Waipawa Women's Institute presided over by Miss A. Bibby.

The meeting opened with the singing of the hymn, after which the minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and the financial statement adopted.

Correspondence relating to the annual S. H. B. Federation meeting held at Waipukurau on April 16, was received. The following delegates were appointed: Mesdames Towers and Grenside. Advice was also received that the biennial conference would be held in Wellington in July, Mrs Strang being appointed as delegate.

It was decided to hold a cake shop on April 23 to raise moneys for the conference pool.

Miss Jull gave a most interesting address on her trip to England, making feeling reference to the days of strain and stress there and in Europe before war was declared, the preparations for defence, for the evacuation of children, and everywhere preparation of the great machinery of war.

A demonstration of pastry making was given by Mrs Jackson, during which the methods of making small goods, savouries, etc., were shown.

MAH JONG AND BRIDGE DRIVE

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LARGE GATHERING

A very successful afternoon of bridge and mah jong, given by Mrs N. Sutherland, Napier, in aid of funds for the Red Cross Society, was held in the lounge of the Masonic Hotel, yesterday.

The tea was provided by Mrs Sutherland and was an attractive frock of Burgandy marocain, the bodice being inset with panels of champagne coloured lace.

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WEDDING OF WIDE INTEREST AT WAIPAWA

Knoblock—Atwood

PETUNIA WOOL FROCK WORN

St. John's Presbyterian Church, Waipawa, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Tuesday evening, and one of considerable interest in Central Hawke's Bay, when Jean Pearson, elder daughter of Mrs. R. H. Atwood, of Northcote, Auckland, and the late Captain G. A. Atwood, R.N., was married to John Selwyn, third son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Knoblock, Waipawa.

The bride, who was escorted by Mr. E. J. Watts, wore a beautiful petunia coloured wool frock with a fully flared skirt, and smartly trimmed with aid in a deeper toning.

The bridesmaid, Miss Elspeth Stevenson (Waipukurau) wore a smart black wool two-piece suit with black velvet poppies appliqued on the coat, and accessories to tone.

The duties of best man were carried out by Mr. R. E. Knobloch, brother of the bridegroom.

A reception was later held at the Empire Hotel, where the guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Knobloch. Mrs. Knobloch wore a charming wine-coloured coat and hat with navy accessories.

When the happy couple left for the north the bride was wearing a petrel blue model frock with hat and coat to tone. Their future home will be in Waipukurau.

Gift Afternoon In Napier

MISS T. EXETER

A Jolly Pre-Nuptial Party Given

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BRIDGE PARTY AT WAIPUKURAU

Funds Raised For St. Mary's Ladies' Guild

Over fifty people attended a bridge party held at the home of Mr and Mrs Cordery, Waipukurau, to raise funds for St. Mary's Ladies' Guild. A satisfactory sum resulted.

There were thirteen tables of bridge players, while other enthusiasts played "500." Mrs P. Mason was top scorer in the bridge, while Mr J. G. Clarkson headed the men.

Mrs D. W. Clark, presided the consolation prize and Mrs C. J. Hay won a hidden number competition. In the "500" games, Mrs J. L. Ledgerwood was the successful player.

Before dispersing, the Rev. Canon C. McInnes-Jones, Mr and Mrs Cordery for loaning their home for the event. He also expressed thanks to all who assisted towards the evening's success.

Five o'Clock Gossip

Miss S. Bilton, Auckland, is visiting Napier.

Mrs J. Poole is a Dunedin visitor to Napier.

Mrs J. D. S. Heaton and Miss N. Heaton, Hastings, have returned home after a visit to Christchurch.

Miss Edna Stevenson, Napier, is at present visiting Gisborne.

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Red Cross Affairs At Otane

OFFICERS ELECTED Strong Committees Set Up

ANNUAL REPORT

There was a fair attendance at the annual meeting of the Red Cross Society, Otane sub-branch, which was held in the library room, Mr R. H. White being chairman.

The election of officers resulted: Mr R. H. Tod, patron; Mr R. H. White, chairman; Mrs R. H. White, president; Mrs J. Macdougall, hon. secretary and treasurer (all re-elected); Mr W. P. Turner, auditor.

A large number of vice-presidents was elected, and a strong committee, consisting of all present, was formed.

The following special sub-committee of last year will again act this year: Finance, Messrs White, W. Tod, Black; entertainment, Mrs G. Collins (convener), Mesdames J. Tod, Crawley, Joyce, Mr Joyce; sewing, Mrs E. Stafford (convener), Mesdames Thomas and A. V. Collins.

An executive committee for the joint St. John and Red Cross appeal was set up, and collectors arranged. Suggestions regarding the appeal were discussed and Mr W. Tod was appointed to organise a stock drive. Mr G. Lange's offer to act as local secretary for the appeal, was accepted.

In the annual report it was stated that the Otane Red Cross, so far, had sent 72 pairs of socks, four scarves, 12 pair mittens, and 19 balaclavas; to Napier, 15 hospital shirts and 15 hospital capes; to the Finnish relief, 45 children's garments for ages 4 to 6.

JOLLY BRIDGE PARTY HELD AT OTANE

Red Cross Funds Augmented

A very successful bridge party was held at "Braehead," Otane, in aid of the Red Cross, players from all parts of the district being present. Eighteen gave the room a cosy appearance, and the bowls of chrysanthemums in autumn shades which decorated the rooms were much admired.

A tasty savoury supper was served at the conclusion of play. As a result of the evening a very satisfactory amount will be handed to the Red Cross.

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May 1, Wed. 0.00 0.41 6.42 7.02
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May 5, Mon. 3.14 3.26 9.32 9.57
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May 7, Tue. 4.37 5.00 11.07 11.32
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May 9, Thu. 6.27 6.47 12.20 12.38
May 10, Fri. 7.20 7.37 1.08 1.27

PHASES OF THE MOON
New moon, Tuesday, May 7.
First quarter, Wednesday, May 15.
Full moon, Wednesday, May 22.
Last quarter, Wednesday, May 29.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS
PAKURA, from Tokomaru Bay, to-day
Gisborne, from Gisborne and Grey-
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Kopara, from Auckland, via Gisborne,
May 6.
Wainui, from Lyttelton and Well-
ington, via Gisborne, May 7.

COASTWISE TRADE
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Other overseas vessels (Richardson
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GENERAL
Mariposa, o.e.v., 19,000 tons (Matson
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Suva. She is due at Auckland on May
10, sailing the same night for Sydney.

MAIL NOTICES

OUTWARD OVERSEAS MAILS
MONDAY, MAY 6th.
Australian States and countries via
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INLAND MAILS.
Napier, 6 a.m., 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 6
p.m.
Gisborne District, 4 p.m.
Wairoa, 6.30 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Auckland, Main Trunk and Waikato
Districts, 8.5 a.m. and (letters only)
4 p.m. Saturday only, 1.15 p.m. (letters
only).

Manawatu, Wairarapa, Dannevirke
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p.m., and Monday to Friday, letters
only, 9 p.m.
Wellington, 8.5 a.m., 4 p.m. Monday
to Friday (letters only) 6 p.m. Satur-
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Waipawa, Waipukurau and south
of Waipukurau, 8.5 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Poukawa, Paki Paki and Pukehou,
6.30 p.m.
Opapa and Otaki, 6.30 a.m. and 4
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AIR MAIL INLAND.
Blenheim, Nelson, Westport, Grey-
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THURSDAY, May 2, 1940.

THE SPREADING BLOT

Although in the ultimate a really victorious war might bring the lasting peace which all desire, war in its actual process brings more war. History has not only repeated itself in the case of the present struggle, which began in a comparatively small way in proportion to its present ramifications, but has exhibited a situation hitherto unparalleled so far as the gigantic proportions of the conflict are concerned. That countries like Finland, Denmark, and Norway should be embroiled in a European struggle is something that not even the most confident prophet of international movements could have foreseen.

And now the war blot seems to be seeping and creeping on its way to include Italy, where the situation as between belligerence and neutrality is touch and go. Mussolini's opinion has never been in doubt, and his official paper has made it clear that Italy and Germany will naturally march together. The dictatorially controlled Press campaign in Italy has been bitterly opposed to Great Britain and France, although the Vatican Press has leaned heavily to the side of neutrality. However, the truth now seems to be that the Italian dictator will risk internal dissension so as to give vent to his ambitions. There may be a good deal of trouble in his country before he goes to war, or if he does, and in the meantime Great Britain, because of and in answer to the vitriolic attacks in Italian newspapers, has diverted all shipping from the Mediterranean to the Cape route.

One almost visualises the war blot spreading yet a little nearer to Rome and therefore to the Balkans, and therefore to Russia, with Japan in the offing wearing an Oriental smile and waiting to pounce on any chance that emerges from the complicated tangle of cross-purposes.

Again, if Germany can persuade Sweden to come under the shadow of the swastika for so-called protection, the blot will spread still farther over the European landscape, and the Allies, with Norway, will have a long and practically defenceless frontier to defend. It has to be realised that this is one of the dangerous possibilities facing those who are fighting the Nazi menace.

Yet again, Yugoslavia is strung to the highest pitch of tension on her frontiers, and no one can foretell what may yet happen in that part of the Continent which has truly been called "the cockpit of Europe."

Russia remains the enigma. Linked in the unholy alliance with Germany, she too is waiting her chance to make advantage for herself.

At the moment the critical aspect of the war relates to the fighting in Norway. It will make all the difference to its direction whether the Germans are ousted from that country or not. All the signs are that such a consummation, devoutly to be wished, will not be realised without a hard and bitter struggle. Current news reveals the fact that much will yet be demanded of the Allied forces before Norway can be cleared of its invaders. It is inevitable that setbacks should occur in the course of such a campaign in a difficult and tortuous terrain, where climatic conditions are such that all kinds of improvisations have to be made to meet the exigencies of each situation.

But while the British Navy holds command of the North Sea there is little cause for fear. So far as Norway is concerned, the Allies started somewhere behind scratch, and the German programme has by no means gone according to plan. When the Germans themselves pay tribute to the British "resistance" there must be something to it. When that resistance reaches its full strength there may be more to it still, and the way will then be clearer to deal with the main aim of the Allies, which is to destroy Nazism.

Personal

The Hon. W. E. Barnard left Napier yesterday for Wellington, where he addressed a meeting last night on the aims of the Democratic Labour Party. Mr. Barnard expects to return to Napier tomorrow, but will leave again early next week for Auckland to address a similar meeting there.

Mr. G. A. Maddison, Mayor of Hastings, left yesterday for Wellington, where he will attend a meeting of the New Zealand Rugby Football Council.

Mr. F. Maurice Clarke has been appointed general manager of Union Airways of New Zealand, Ltd.

Mr. J. N. Greenland has been appointed to a seat on the board of directors of Union Airways of New Zealand, Ltd.

Mr. E. G. Goodwin, district superintendent of the Horticultural Division, left yesterday for Hastings, where he will attend a meeting of the Horticultural Club at Palmerston North yesterday.

Mr. R. H. Clark, who has been with the Wheat Purchase Board and the Wheat Committee for the last seven years, has been appointed secretary-accountant to the Co-operative Dairy Co. of Otago, Ltd., Dunedin.

Mr. A. I. Murray, apprentice instruction officer for the New Zealand Railways at Wellington, has been transferred to Dunedin as technical costing officer at the Hillside railway workshops.

Sir Louis Barnett, Otago district surgeon of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, has been appointed surgeon-in-chief for the Dominion in succession to Dr. C. D. Henry, who has resigned because of ill-health and has been transferred to the reserve.

The Rev. W. T. Drake and Mrs. Drake, Hastings, returned from Christchurch yesterday. Mr. Drake is the Grand Chaplain of Freemasons of New Zealand, and he has been attending a jubilee gathering of Freemasons in Christchurch.

Mr. W. D. Allen, the son of a former headmaster of Wanganui Collegiate School, has been appointed to the rank of Second Secretary in the Diplomatic Service, and is serving on the staff of the British Embassy in China. He is one of the two New Zealanders in the British Diplomatic Service, the other being a son of Mr. N. S. Falla, chairman of directors of the Union Steam Ship Co., and an old boy of Christ's College.

Pilot-Officer E. W. Barnett, who is now serving with the New Zealand Air Force at New Plymouth, is also chairman of the Manawatu Young Farmers' Club district committee, and he presided at the annual meeting of delegates in Palmerston North. Congratulations to Mr. Barnett on offering his services to the country were extended by the patron, Mr. H. J. Lancaster.

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Mr. J. P. Farrell, Hastings, has enlisted for service with the Special Force, and left yesterday for Trentham camp, to enter the Central District School of Instruction. Messrs V. Hill and R. Hill, Fernhill, also left Hastings to enter the school.

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Mr. F. Keeley, New Zealand's Publicity Manager for RKO Radio Pictures, is at present on a business visit to Napier.

AT THE HOTELS

Mr. and Mrs. H. Stenberg, Mr. A. Turner (Christchurch), Mr. and Mrs. W. Hoggan (Pahiatua), Mr. T. Williamson (Hamilton), Mrs. Colquhain, Mrs. Wilson (Masterton), Mr. W. Gibbs (Dunedin), Mr. A. Kennedy (Palmerston North), Miss M. Hammond (Hutt), Mr. and Mrs. P. Biggar (Wellington), Miss Maltankar (Auckland), Mr. H. Smith (Dannevirke) are at the Carlton Club Hotel, Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Armstrong, Miss A. Armstrong (Taupo), Mrs. Wellborne, Misses Wellborne (Masterton), Mr. L. Taylor, Mr. J. D. Albee (Christchurch), Mr. J. E. Carter (Auckland), Mr. J. R. May (Dunedin), Miss L. W. Martin (Christchurch), Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Walters (Oamaru) are at the Pacific Hotel, Hastings.

Mrs. G. Hansell (Palmerston North), Mrs. St. Hill-Warren, Master St. Hill-Warren (Waipukurau), Mr. F. H. Dickinson, Mr. A. C. Baird, Mr. H. E. Colquhain, Mr. J. Buchanan, Mr. A. J. Mullins (Wellington), Mr. D. M. Anderson, Mr. B. G. Goodwin (Palmerston North), Mr. G. F. O'Rourke (Pahiatua), Mr. G. Henderson (Christchurch), Mr. H. N. Raine, Mr. W. C. Brotherhood (Auckland) are at the Grand Hotel, Hastings.

Mr. P. Mulhane, Mr. W. Luke, Miss M. McKeown, Mr. J. H. M. Ivor, Mr. W. W. Allan, Mr. C. H. Mitchell, Mr. H. Treynaud (Wellington), Mrs. I. Poole (Dunedin), Mr. and Mrs. Percy Stainton (New Plymouth), Dr. Duncan Cook, Mr. J. H. Cowdry, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Armstrong (Palmerston North) are at the Masonic Hotel, Napier.

Mr. A. A. Ansell, Mr. F. G. Stafford, Mrs. H. Young, Mr. Minabe, Mr. O. Kojura, Mr. T. Banito, Mr. Y. Yono, Mr. J. Lockwood (Wellington), Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Bedford, Mr. C. S. Conyngnam, Mr. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. English (Auckland), Mr. H. E. Dillards (Jawa), Mr. H. N. Raine, Mr. R. Smith (Canberra), Mr. G. Harkness (Featherston), are at the Hotel Central, Napier.

Mr. W. D. Morley (Gisborne), Mr. E. G. Daniels, Mr. R. Sherbrook, Mr. M. Upton, Mr. R. L. Prebble (Napier), Mr. T. M. McGarry (Tuai), Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Massey (Auckland), Mr. A. Hosking (Kotemaori), Mr. G. M. Long (Hastings), Mr. J. Chisholm (Palmerston North) are staying at the Clyde Hotel.

Mr. Greig (Waikaremoana), Mr. Klee, Mr. E. C. Russell, Mr. G. H. Russell (Napier), Mr. Neipper (Wellington), Mr. D. H. Hastings (Hastings), Mr. J. Morgan (Wanganui), Mrs. Morris (Gisborne), Mrs. and Miss Stitchbury (Wellington), Mrs. Ferguson (Russell), are staying at the Wairoa Hotel.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

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

The Price Of Freedom

Sir,—People are being drugged with propaganda. We are fighting Nazism to-day. Let us keep alert. Truth and freedom are at stake. Nazism is blind obedience to an outer authority. The price we pay is emotional damping leading to the explosion of war. It is against Nature, against truth. Human nature cannot work that way. It becomes thwarted and twisted. It is folly and sheer race suicide to allow it to creep into our midst.

We are a democracy and we must live as one or we deserve to perish. What gave the Nazi octopus its initial hold? Fear, in the individual or just indifference. We must wake up and live. Nazism is not a personal thing confined to Germany, though there we see it in its uttermost reality. It is a philosophy of living which a confused humanity takes refuge in. Some one in authority does the thinking and the rest obey.

It is fear motivated and quickly gathers momentum. But it is false. To fight it we must become true democrats, alert for each sign of external dictatorship; living from the true authority within us and thus realising for ourselves and our nation our Christian destiny.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Napier Vital Statistics

Thirteen deaths were recorded in Napier last month (14 in April, 1939), 18 marriages (21), and 36 births (34).

More Bankruptcies

Five petitions in bankruptcy were filed at the Napier Courthouse during April, as compared with three in April, 1939.

Building Figures

Building permits totalling £4971 were issued at Napier last month, as compared with £2233 of the previous month. The permits were: New dwellings, £1140, £1700, £1000; alterations to dwellings, £71, £30, £300; alterations to business premises, £400, £330.

Snow in Hawke's Bay

Heavy falls of snow in the Kereru district are largely responsible for the low temperatures prevailing in Hawke's Bay. Autumn growth in Kereru has been exceptionally light this year, and an early and severe winter may prove serious for farmers of that district.

War Relief Association

Thirty-three applications by returned soldiers or dependants of returned men for assistance were dealt with at the April meeting of the Hawke's Bay War Relief Association. Assistance was granted in various ways, including grants amounting to £24 1/3. In April grants made by the association amounted to £86 13/2, loans £24 9/4, and £63 15/- in repayments was received.

To-day's Diary

HASTINGS
Hastings Citizens' Band's annual meeting, Band Room, 8 p.m.
The Theatres:
"The Rains Came," State, 2.15 and 8 p.m.
"It's a Wonderful World," Regent, 2.15 and 8 p.m.
"Blackmail," Cosy, 2 and 8 p.m.
"Four Men and a Prayer" and "The Californian," Municipal, 7.45 p.m.

NAPIER

The Theatres:
"The Rains Came," State, 2.15 and 8 p.m.
"Rulers of the Sea," Regent, 2 and 8 p.m.
"All American Sweetheart" and "Pentecost," Mayfair, 2 and 7.45 p.m.

The Breakfast Table

"When I look at one of your paintings, I stand and wonder—"
"How I do it?"
"No—why you do it."

"So Colonel Briggs has just been appointed governor of the prison."
"Now how does one get those posts? Does one have to know somebody or does one just work up from a convict?"

When she saw him again two years later, she scarcely recognised him. He was a hanged man.
From a Novelette.
No wonder she noticed a difference.

HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

"DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS FOR FAIR TO FINE WEATHER.
The "Daily Mail's" special forecast for Hawke's Bay is as follows:
Winds: Light to moderate and variable.
Weather: Fair to fine and rather mild.
Sea: Slight.

Hastings Weather

Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5 p.m. at the Hastings Magnetic Observatory, Cornwall Park, were as follows:—
Dry bulb temp. 54.0deg.
Wet bulb temp. 52.0deg.
Maximum temp. 66.0deg.
Minimum temp. 33.0deg.
Grass 37.0deg.
1ft. underground 49.0deg.
Wind N.E. 2.
Cloud 4.
Rain for month Nil

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. 48.0deg.
Wet bulb temp. 42.0deg.
Maximum temp. 58.0deg.
Minimum temp. 37.5deg.
1ft. underground 53.8deg.
3ft. underground 61.2deg.
Rain Nil
Grass 31.0deg.
1ft. underground 5.5hrs.
Cloud 2.
Humidity 56 p.e.
Visibility 6.
Wind Nil

The Peoples' Movement Makes Its Debut

MR A. E. DAVY ORGANISER Inaugural Meeting Held In Wellington

MIDDLE WAY OUTLINED

By Telegraph—Press Association
CHRISTCHURCH, April 30.
Mr A. E. Davy, formerly organiser for the Reform, United, and Democrat political parties, has been appointed an organiser for the Peoples' Movement, the new political party which has had its genesis in Wellington.

Confirming the appointment when questioned by telephone last night, Mr Toop said: "Mr Davy has been appointed outside organiser. That is all. He has been with us only very recently."

Mr Davy, who was an organiser for the Reform Party before he linked up with the United Party, first became prominent in 1930, when he was chairman of the executive of the United Party.

Declaring that the movement was not satisfied with the record of the Government or the National Party, because of its Socialistic trend, the Dominion president of the Peoples' Movement, Mr E. R. Toop, Wellington, in an address to supporters in the Town Hall, Wellington, last night announced that if there was no alteration in personnel, constitution and policy of the existing parties, the movement would not hesitate to place its whole organisation and candidates into the political arena to oppose them.

Admittance to the Town Hall was by ticket, and there was an attendance of approximately 3000. Mr R. Gapes, Wellington, presided. In addition to Mr Toop, the speakers were: Mr H. E. Blyde, Taranaki Farmers' Union, who, however, emphasised that he was present purely as "Harry Blyde, dairy farmer"; and Mrs J. B. Campbell, Hawke's Bay. At the close a motion thanking the speakers and expressing determination to support the movement in its stand for democratic and common sense government was carried, there being a few dissentients.

Constructive Object.
"Before I conclude, I think you will see that this meeting to-night is not to give 'hell' to anybody, but by constructive and commonsense approach to our problems to save us from the hell of bureaucratic Socialism and the suffering that it will entail," Mr Toop said.

"In determining our further action in relation to the war situation, we considered it more than necessary to continue toward a line of action that would maintain for us the most things we hold dear and give to the community opportunity to have a high standard of living without the socialistic necessity of sacrificing the personal liberties and freedom which have been handed down to us of Magna Carta. Who will talk to us of the inevitability of Socialism when the history of the ages show us only too well that Socialism is no new idea? It has been tried again and again, and the nations that tried it have decayed and gone, as every nation must go which follows the disintegrating and materialistic aims of Socialism.

Individual Rights.
"We are not satisfied with the Socialist record of either the Government or the National Party," Mr Toop continued. "We will support a party that will conform to British democratic principles which conserve our individual liberty and a party that will place a policy of being implemented before the electors, and a party that will legislate in the interests of the people. If there is no alteration in personnel, constitution, and policy of the existing parties, we will not hesitate to place our whole organisation and candidates into the political arena to oppose them."

Not Allied
"A majority of the electors of New Zealand are not definitely allied to any particular party. They are swayed at election time by (1) The conditions in the country, (2) The candidate's qualifications, (3) The policies put forward. It is this huge body of electors who tell the story for victory or defeat at elections. There are thousands of dissatisfied National supporters to-day. They cannot vote Labour, but they would vote for a middle party. There are thousands of dissatisfied Labour supporters. They will not vote National, but they will vote for a middle party. Because this is true, elections will have a greater chance of success than either of the present parties. The selfishness of those who try to frighten the electors with the split-vote bogey is beyond belief."

"We must have a buffer party between the two extremes. It is within your province to say whether this buffer party is to be Mr Lee's party or a safe, sane and commonsense middle party."

"Taxation, as you well know, has reached the highest point in our history," Mr Toop said. "Debt is mounting similarly. The war, of course, will in part be paid by the cause of still further burdens on the people, but surely you must agree that the pre-war basis of taxation and debt was already in excess of what should be within reasonable capacity to pay. Let no one be under any misapprehension as to who pays. One man might write a cheque and think he pays, but in truth the people pay. The Government knows this. It knows

BRITISH SHIPS MUST TRAVEL VIA CAPE

THE MEDITERRANEAN BARRED

LONDON DECISION

Italy's Attitude Not Conciliatory

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(Received May 1, 11.45 a.m.)
LONDON, April 30.
The Government, as a precautionary measure, is diverting British shipping from the Mediterranean.

The Associated Press of Great Britain learns on most reliable authority that the precautions have been taken because of the character of pronouncements by responsible Italians, and also because of the attitude of the Italian Press.

Britain does not want to continue the precautions longer than is necessary. The Mediterranean precautions mean that British merchantmen will use the Cape route.

The announcement is regarded as a striking reply to Italy's anti-British propaganda. It would be unwise to attribute to the British precautions concerning Mediterranean shipping a significance greater than the nature of the measures and an authoritative explanation which has been given would warrant, states a British Official Wireless message.

It has been made clear that pronouncements by Italians in responsible positions and the attitude of the Italian Press have been recently of such a character as to render the precautions inevitable, but that they will not be continued any longer than is necessary.

Obvious Choice
The recent manifestations of Italian feeling had obviously left the British authorities with little choice but to adopt safeguards dictated by normal prudence, but the decision equally obviously reflects no change in the attitude of London either to Italy or to those many questions regarding which the common interests of Italy and Britain have been shown so often to be capable of harmonious regulation while goodwill obtains on both sides.

Nor is there any recent development in the international situation which, so far as can be discerned from London, should effect the Italian attitude or alter those fundamental considerations arising from Italy's natural and secular national interest which would seem to change the Mussolini's policy of non-belligerence.

There exists, therefore, a very lively hope among observers in London that the circumstances which necessitated the present precautions will prove of quite a temporary character. So long as realisation of that hope is delayed, the precautions now in operation will allow more free and unhampered action in other activities should the necessity unfortunately arise.

THE DEMOCRATIC LABOUR PARTY

MEETING HELD IN WELLINGTON BRANCH FORMED

By Telegraph—Press Association.
WELLINGTON, May 1.
A public meeting of more than 500 people which crowded out the concert chamber of the Wellington Town Hall this evening and listened to addresses by the Speaker of the House of Representatives (the Hon. W. E. Barnard) and the member for Grey Lynn (Mr J. A. Lee) resolved practically unanimously to endorse the aims and objects of the speakers, forming itself into the Wellington branch of the Democratic Labour Party and sent fraternal greetings to the Grey Lynn and Napier branches of the party.

About six hands were raised against the motion. Mr P. Connors presided. Other speakers were Mr Lee, Mr A. H. Carman, for six years president of the Tawa Flat branch of the Labour Party and Mr A. E. Yaxley.

The meeting also elected a provisional Wellington executive and passed a motion practically unanimously deploring the attitude of the Government of "public works" (the Hon. R. Semple) in sacking a man in South Island because he viewed things political differently from the Minister.

Mr Lee and Mr Barnard were given a very friendly and encouraging reception and were accorded musical honours.

LEVY FOR LABOUR DAILY

WATERSIDERS WHO DID NOT PAY
Action has been taken by the Wellington branch of the New Zealand Watersiders' Union against members who failed to pay the levy of 12 shillings daily.



A SMILE FOR EVERYONE—Her Majesty the Queen broadcasts good humour as she chats with some of the officers of the British Navy.

MR SEMPLE'S ACTION IS OFFICIALLY VINDICATED

Documentary Evidence Relating To The Conditions At Haast Pass

By Telegraph—Press Association
WELLINGTON, May 1.

Endorsement of the action of the Minister of Public Works (the Hon. R. Semple) in dismissing one of the men on the Haast Pass job is forthcoming from the national president of the New Zealand Workers' Union (Mr R. Eddy) and the national secretary (Mr Arthur Cook) in a letter to the Minister.

The letter states that, having previously received the Minister's assurance that no workman would be sacked on account of holding different political opinions from those of the Minister, the writers had availed themselves of Mr Semple's invitation to peruse the documentary evidence held by him and which, he stated, had justified him in taking the action he did at Haast Pass.

The writers expressed amazement at the contents of the document held by the Minister, and admitted that Mr Semple had sufficient evidence justifying him in taking the action he did.

The evidence disclosed, states the letter, that more time was spent by certain individuals on propaganda of a disruptive kind than on work. Under the circumstances, no self-respecting Minister of the Crown could justify the continuation of conditions that must ultimately have led to such waste of public money as would amount to a public scandal.

The fact that the Minister's action had received the endorsement of practically the whole of the men on the job showed that they were heartily sick of the whole affair and had welcomed a clean-up.

No Nordon Cup GETTING UP TO SECOND GEAR

HOCKEY SUSPENDED AUCLAND TRAMS FASTER BUT STILL SLOW

Competition Matches To Be Held DOMINION OFFICIALS Citizens Object To Tactics

By Telegraph—Press Association.
CHRISTCHURCH, May 1.
The inter-provincial hockey matches for the New Zealand Championship Shield and the Nordon Cup will not be played this season, according to a decision reached at the annual meeting of the New Zealand hockey association.

The association decided also to express its wish that all other competition matches should be held. The election of the principal officers resulted as follows:

Trans On Fire
An interesting sidelight is that, according to a statement made by the manager of the Transport Board (Mr Ford) seven trams caught fire yesterday due to slow running and the control levers being allowed to remain too long on the resistance notches.

ORANGE SHORTAGE AT AN END

LARGE SHIPMENT ARRIVES 29,000 CASES Landed In Good Condition

An Apple To Keep The Doctor Away

Freak Growth In A Hastings Orchard Bud Mutation

The "Believe It Or Not" Species Discovered

This is the season when orchardists and graders handle large apples, smut apples, juicy and insipid apples, sweet apples and a variety of other sorts. But the apple brought into the "Daily Mail" office at Hastings yesterday was probably the rarest apple and the one with the most interesting development of any handled at Hastings this year.

At least, that was the conclusion arrived at by a prominent packer at Hastings, whose 25 years association with the fruit industry led him to say convincingly: "I have handled millions and millions of apples, but this is by far the biggest freak of the lot."

It was an infinitely queer-looking apple, withered and deformed. Its general appearance was forlorn, as if it resented Mother Nature having brought it to fruition at all. Although irregular in shape, its circumference was about six inches. Yet its skin was not coarse, nor was it anaemic.

Since the scales of the bud from which the freak developed are plainly visible, it is assumed that it was an instance of bud mutation, whereby the fruit was formed prematurely. A growth of more than eight leaves surrounded the flesh.

It is believed that the variety was a Cox's Orange Pippin, but this could not be ascertained yesterday, nor could a satisfactory biological explanation be given.

Gisborne Apple Crops NONE FOR EXPORT

Shortage Of Supplies In District EFFECTS OF HAIL

The Gisborne district will not be participating in any apple export to the United Kingdom this season, according to a statement made by the manager of the Transport Board (Mr Ford) seven trams caught fire yesterday due to slow running and the control levers being allowed to remain too long on the resistance notches.

In one case the fire brigade had to be called out.

SIX CONTENDERS FOR SEAT

THE AUCLAND WEST BY-ELECTION Nationalists Will Not Take Part

By Telegraph—Press Association.
AUCLAND, May 1.
Nominations closed at noon for the Auckland West seat with six candidates. They are:—
Mr Peter Carr, tramway motor-man, Official Labour.
Mr William Henry Fortune, company manager, Independent.
Mr Joseph Bond Kennedy, farmer, New Zealand Liberal Party.
Mr Clement Gordon Watson, journalist, Communist.
Mr Lawrence Pickles, company director, Socialist.
Mr Enoch Naden, barman, Independent.

The date of the poll is May 18. The following statement has been issued by the headquarters of the National Party at Wellington:—"After full consideration of the various factors involved, it has been decided that the New Zealand National Party will not contest the Auckland West by-election caused by the death of Mr Savage."

A SENSATIONAL TURN TO THE WAIKINO TRAGEDY

A Young Single Man Arrested On A Charge Of Murder

By Telegraph—Press Association
AUCKLAND, May 1.

The Waikino tragedy took a sensational turn at Waikino to-night when the Commissioner of Police announced the arrest of Douglas Herbert Cartman, aged 22, a single man, on the charge of murdering Alice Elizabeth Hamilton at Waikino on April 2.

The accused was employed as a trucker at the Martha gold mine and was arrested by Detective-Sergeants Thompson and Walsh at nine o'clock.

Cartman will be brought before Justices of the Peace at the local police court to-morrow morning and the police will ask for a remand for him to appear at Auckland in the near future.

For several days the investigation has been conducted under the direct supervision of the Commissioner, and to-day Superintendent Cummings, of Auckland, was here to assist. Although Superintendent Cummings had not previously appeared on the scene, he had taken an active interest in the proceedings and had made a series of valuable suggestions.

It is understood that the police recently found an old motor-car with a damaged headlamp and a tiny piece of flesh and hair adhering to the underneath part of the chassis. The car was in a garage and the police took possession of it.

RUGBY GAMES ENEMY ADVANCES CURTAILED

BIG MATCHES WILL NOT BE PLAYED BRITISH FIGHTING IN NORWAY

By Telegraph—Press Association.
WELLINGTON, May 1.
The Council of the New Zealand Rugby Union has to-night unanimously decided to recommend to the annual meeting of delegates to-morrow that no international, Ranfurly Shield or Prince of Wales Cup matches shall be played during the war.

It was also decided to recommend that no organised teams be undertaken, that representatives matches be confined to week-ends, and holiday games and that the annual inter-island match be postponed during the war.

The chairman (Mr S. S. Dean) reported that he had interviewed the Minister of Supply (the Hon. D. G. Sullivan) and the Commissioner of Transport (Mr Laurensen) who had assured him that petrol would be available to convey Rugby players to matches so long as its distribution was under control and was not abused.

Petrol.
Rugby unions, said Mr Dean, could get all the petrol they wanted to matches so long as they appointed a reputable person in the district to safeguard the department and the union.

Where transport services are available footballers would have to travel by them. It was agreed to extend the rate of interest on loans to unions to 2½ per cent. for the duration of the war.

Mr E. McKenzie, sole selector for the New Zealand Union, reported that no good purpose was served by continuing to hold the minor unions' inter-island match, and it was decided to drop the fixture.

Loan And Gift GRAND LODGE

£10,000 For Duration And Six Months

By Telegraph—Press Association.
CHRISTCHURCH, May 1.
The board of general purposes of the Masonic Grand Lodge of New Zealand, its chief administrative body, resolved at a meeting held yesterday to recommend to the Grand Lodge that an interest-free loan of £10,000 be made to the Government for the period of the duration of the war and six months after.

The board further resolved upon a gift of £5000 to the National Patriotic Fund, its chief administrative body, resolved at a meeting held yesterday to recommend to the Grand Lodge that an interest-free loan of £10,000 be made to the Government for the period of the duration of the war and six months after.

When it was announced some months ago that war exigencies would result in few apples being sent overseas, a campaign for increased consumption on the local market was launched. As a result, it has been possible to keep stocks moving since picking began, and it will now be no easy task for the Marketing Department to secure sufficient fruit at short notice to make full use of the shipping space that has unexpectedly been allocated by the British Government.

The position in Gisborne is that, following the disastrous hail storm on Boxing Day, the district's crop is barely sufficient for local requirements and already supplies of both apples and pears have been brought from outside centres. In addition to that the policy appears to be that preference for exports is given to those centres which are nearest to the main ports.

COMFORTS FOR THE TROOPS
An Enormous Mail Dispatched

By Telegraph—Press Association.
WELLINGTON, May 1.
More than 800 cases were needed to pack approximately 6500 parcels received as a result of the National Patriotic Fund Board's scheme to give parcels of comforts as gifts from the people of New Zealand to the men of the First Echelon, N.Z.E.F., in Egypt.

ELDERLY FARMER KILLED
Unusual Accident At Timaru

By Telegraph—Press Association.
TIMARU, May 1.
As a result of being run over by a tractor, an elderly retired farmer, David James Young, residing at Colombo Street, Christchurch, died in hospital at Timaru to-day.

Young, who was visiting his son-in-law, H. Talbot, at Rangitira Valley, went to assist Talbot, who was pinned against a shed when a tractor moved backwards on starting, apparently having been left in gear. Talbot got clear and reached the gears ahead of Young, who, leaning over the machine, apparently put the rear forward instead of into neutral, and Young was dragged over the machine passing over him. He was sent to hospital, where he died early this morning.

THE NEW ZEALAND ANTHEM
Bracken's Song Bought By Government

By Telegraph—Press Association.
WELLINGTON, May 1.
The Government has purchased from Messrs. Charles Begg and Co. Ltd., Dunedin, the copyright, performing rights, and similar rights of the words and music of Thomas Bracken's song "God Defend New Zealand."

The Minister of Internal Affairs (the Hon. W. Parry) stated to-day that a decision had been reached to purchase the existing rights of the song, which had come to be regarded as the national song of the people of the Dominion.

In order to remove any restrictions which might be imposed on its use by the copyright and performing rights being in private ownership, the machine passing over him, the Minister stated, had been made for distribution throughout the country.

THE PARTY ENDS—IN COURT

Convictions Entered On All Charges

SHORT PRISON SENTENCE

Story Of Hula Dance In A Napier Street

SEQUEL TO BOTTLE PARTY

Considerable public interest was shown when the hearing was resumed in the Napier Magistrate's Court yesterday morning of the charges against Patrick John Downey, a 21-year-old labourer, of Napier.

Downey was charged with using obscene language, being intoxicated in charge of a car, and common assault. Mr J. Miller, S.M., presided, Senior-Sergeant P. C. Felton conducted the prosecution, and Mr C. W. Nash represented the defendant.

Further evidence for the defence was called during the morning, the witnesses being male members of the party. In the course of cross-examination there were some lively exchanges between the witnesses and Senior-Sergeant Felton. Expressing his disbelief of much of the evidence called by the defence, the Magistrate entered convictions on all charges and imposed sentence as follows:—

Assault charge, one month's imprisonment; intoxication in charge of a car, seven days' imprisonment, with cancellation of defendant's driving licence for one year; obscene language charge, admitted to probation for one year, and ordered to take out a prohibition order; sentences to be cumulative.

The first witness called yesterday was Alan Nash, who said that he had known Downey for six months. He went in Downey's car to Whakatu, where they collected the Buckley brothers. While they were waiting she discovered that the girls had disappeared.

Witness went to look for them with the others in Downey's car, and found them near the Whakatu turn-off.

Witness would not have objected to paying bus fares for both girls to return home. At Hastings the girls were asked if they would drink beer, and they said they preferred wine. Witness knew the others were getting liquor at Hastings, but he did not know how much.

The girls had ample time to leave the car at Havelock North if they had so desired, but witness would not have stopped them. The second girl tried to jump out on the way to Undercliff, but witness pulled her back. She asked if she could rely on him for protection necessary and witness said she could.

Up till then nothing had occurred which might have given the girl cause for alarm, and Downey had not acted in any way offensively. The girl had changed cars at Whakatu, but witness thought that because Downey's car was overcrowded. The first girl had some wine at Undercliff and the second girl had a fair amount. She did not drink any beer.

"Some Drinks." Witness had some drinks, but did not see Downey have any. In his opinion Downey probably had some, but he had not seen him drink any. He had often been out with Downey, but had found it difficult to persuade him to have anything to drink.

Witness took the second girl for a walk. They went about a quarter of an hour, and were away 15 or 20 minutes. The girl seemed to be clinging to him, and for some time did not mix with the party.

Witness later heard his name called, and went in the direction of the voice. Seeing Downey and the second girl lying down on the side of the track he spoke to them, when they both got up and walked back to the crowd. He and Downey then started arguing.

To Mr Nash: His first feeling on seeing the two was that he was intruding. He saw nothing to give him any cause for concern, the girl appearing normal and making no complaint to him.

He had since seen the girl and asked her if she thought Downey really intended to interfere with her. She replied that she did not think so, but he had had too much to drink.

The Magistrate interposed and said that the girl had not been questioned on this conversation in the course of her evidence.

Witness continued that it would have been possible but not probable that Downey had carried the girl so far as that. If there had been any struggling she would probably have called out earlier.

How Many Drinks. The Magistrate: How much drink had you had up till then?—Not enough to affect me in any way. Did you take any steps to stop the girl from drinking?—No. Did you use any?—Yes.

You knew there were campers there?—I knew they were not far away. Showed the language stated by the girl to have been used towards himself, witness said he had not heard it.

The Magistrate: Then the three witnesses are telling lies?—I can only say that I did not hear it. Downey was not in the habit of using bad language.

Downey was in a fit state to drive a car when he left, the witness continued. Cross-examined by Senior-Sergeant Felton, witness said he did not know the second girl prior to this incident, but had been with her on three or four occasions since. She seemed a truthful, decent girl.

Did you contribute towards the payment for the liquor?—No. I was not there at the time. After the girl had tried to jump out why did you not take steps to let her go?—She agreed to go on under my protection.

Then she was definitely afraid of something?—She seemed to be. Would you be surprised to know that the campers noticed no signs of liquor on the girl?—Yes.

DEPARTURE FOR TRENTHAM

N.C.O.'S FROM THE PROVINCE LEFT YESTERDAY

Advanced Training Company

A number of n.c.o.'s from the No. 7 Military District left yesterday to join the Advanced Training Company at Trentham. They were as follows:

- Napier.**
 - I. Mc G. LOGAN.
 - R. F. LOGAN.
 - G. MOLLETT.
 - A. W. SINCLAIR.
- Hastings.**
 - D. G. CHAMBERS.
 - D. G. COLDWELL.
 - J. F. FARRELL.
 - K. R. HILL.
 - V. D. HILL.
 - A. C. TAIT.
- Waipukurau.**
 - A. F. MCKENZIE.
 - P. W. ROBERTSTRAW.
- Dannevirke.**
 - N. A. FRYER.
 - W. T. KERR.
- Gisborne.**
 - F. B. FORGE.
 - N. R. MARTIN.
 - D. J. MAXWELL.
 - K. R. RUTLEDGE.
 - C. F. WHITTY.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE AND RED CROSS

Appeal For Funds

EFFORT BEGUN IN WAIROA

Plans Outlined

"Daily Mail" Special Service. A committee, formed jointly of the Red Cross Society and the St. John Ambulance Association, met on Tuesday to discuss ways and means of raising funds in the forthcoming appeal.

The committee is Mr H. L. Harker (chairman), Mr R. Peel (secretary), Mr H. O'Loughlin (treasurer), Mrs Nolan, Mrs Packwood and Mr L. Manning.

The activities will include calls on residents in country districts, a house-to-house canvass, a street day, and a bottle drive.

The chairman stated that the amount aimed at for the Dominion was £250,000 and he was quite confident that the people of Wairoa will do their bit.

Prospects for the shooting season in Hawke's Bay this year are considered particularly bright, and given suitable weather for the opening day, Saturday, May 4, some good sport should result.

The Hawke's Bay Acclimatisation Society's ranger (Mr F. D. Robson) has taken careful note of the quantities of game during his rounds of the district and yesterday expressed himself as optimistic regarding the possibilities for the coming season.

He stated that there were plenty of ducks and swans about, while pheasants had bred freely and were not so numerous on the river banks in the province.

Despite all efforts on the part of sportsmen the Ahuriri Lagoon is still closed to all shooters.

NAPIER BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Fixtures And Referees For Saturday

The Napier Basketball Association's fixtures for Saturday have been set down as follows:

- Senior A.**
 - Ex-High 1 v. High School A, court 1, 2.45 p.m. (A. Nicholson).
 - C.O.G. 1 v. Hukareere 1, court 1, 2.45 p.m. (N. Stranbeck).
- Senior B.**
 - C.O.G. 2 v. Ex-High 3, court 2, 2 p.m. (L. Haua).
 - Ex-High 2 v. Woolworths, court 3, 2 p.m. (V. L. Martin).
 - High School B v. Harris 1, court 2, 2.45 p.m. (C. Hill).
 - St. Mary's 1 v. Hukareere 2, court 1, 3.30 p.m. (E. Mahoney).
- Second Grade.**
 - St. Mary's 2 v. Y.W.C.A., court 4, 2 p.m. (E. Martin).
 - Harris 2 v. Trinity, court 3, 2.45 p.m. (V. L. Martin).
 - C.O.G. 3 v. Meanece, court 4, 2.45 p.m. (R. Bennie).
 - Ex-High 4 v. Rovers 2, court 2, 3.30 p.m. (K. Spiller).
 - Post Office v. Glen-Elg, court 3, 3.30 p.m. (W. Lawrie).
 - Rovers 1 a bye.

Havelock North Golf

SATURDAY'S PLAY

First Qualifying Round Of Club's Championship DRAW ANNOUNCED

The first qualifying round of the Havelock North Golf Club's championship will be played on Saturday, starting at 12.45 p.m.

The following is the draw: J. Hawley and E. C. Bridge, G. Small and P. Cleary, J. Agnew and E. Haggerty, T. Proffit and D. Agnew, R. Cook and A. Fulford, G. Campbell and H. H. Norwell, H. G. Carr and H. T. Cooper, D. Gilbertson and H. Benjamin, R. Keys and J. Hill, G. McCutcheon and E. Marshall, W. T. Chaplin and H. R. von Dadelzen, C. K. Joblin and S. Waymouth, C. Clark and J. S. Joll, H. K. Bayliss and F. C. Wilkinson, J. Rodgers and M. von Dadelzen, S. Dixon and R. Estabrook, R. Douglas and N. Cook, L. R. Hill and A. D. Syme, J. M. Joll and R. Petch, S. Estabrook and J. Glenn, P. Wake and B. Buckley.

Any member not drawn can arrange his partner at the club house.

Bogey Match At Hastings

GOLF FIXTURE

Patriotic Fund Will Benefit

SATURDAY'S DRAW

All entrance fees from the bogey match to be played on the Hastings Golf Club links on Saturday will be allocated to the National Patriotic Fund. The following is the draw:

- T. Garrud and C. M. Campbell.
- A. J. Munn and J. G. Cashmore.
- R. Vestly and D. G. Sutherland.
- P. E. Clifton and J. H. Jeffery.
- B. W. Boys and G. M. S. Kelly.
- W. Mathews and A. D. Murphy.
- R. C. Wilson and E. D. Anderson.
- W. J. White and M. Waterworth.
- W. N. Grieve and V. Little.
- W. J. Crear and J. Trehey.
- G. O. Craike and C. L. Vidal.
- F. M. G. F. and J. H. Flower.
- Geo. Murriff and E. T. Gifford.
- J. W. Jones and R. McIntyre.
- W. H. Wood and J. Vesty.
- H. Elliott and E. E. Rixon.
- S. I. Jones and E. L. Macdonald.
- J. Fisher and H. W. Blackmore.
- R. P. Hanrahan and C. S. Gibbs.
- John Lyons and F. S. Candy.
- R. Wall and B. J. Cato.
- W. T. Harvey and A. F. Redgrave.
- R. D. Brown and H. G. Harvey.
- C. G. Wilkinson and R. T. Barron.
- A. E. Palmer and R. M. Egan.
- S. B. Budd and D. M. McIntosh.
- H. de Denne and L. Hume.
- C. O. Carroll and J. H. Flower.
- G. Wall and J. W. Drury.
- H. B. McLeod and W. B. Nicoll.
- G. W. Estabrook and G. E. Grierson.
- D. M. Syme and L. Breakwell.
- H. B. Knight and J. A. Farquharson.
- F. E. Nutter and E. L. Commin.
- C. H. Slater and O. Clarkson.
- W. Helean and R. H. Under.
- C. T. Burke and J. W. Palmer.
- Johnston and J. H. Chamberlain.
- A. W. Meikle and H. J. Grieve.
- M. R. G. Matheson and J. J. Hall.
- E. J. W. Hallett and A. D. Gillies.
- G. G. Gaffney and J. H. Roach.
- A. K. Bolton and W. B. Cowan.
- L. A. Denton and H. R. Bannister.
- S. Stead and T. Blummont.
- A. Katranski and A. E. O'Meara.
- G. Rusch and B. Murphy.
- The entrance fee will be 2/- for each player.

NAPIER GOLF CLUB'S MATCHES

Saturday's Play

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS

Donnelly Cup

The second qualifying round of the Donnelly Cup of the Napier Golf Club will be played at the Waiohiki links on Saturday. In conjunction with this round, the first of three qualifying rounds for the club, intermediate and junior championships will also be played.

The draw is as follows:— W. H. Henderson v. G. L. Wood. J. Fenwick v. T. C. Lawlor.

A. L. Beswick v. H. D. Cooper. M. Spence v. R. M. Rickard. W. N. J. Mackay v. F. G. Smith. G. H. McLeay v. H. Steele. G. H. Menzies v. N. M. Campbell. C. K. Taylor v. W. Fisher.

P. Tonkin v. F. N. Clark, the F. C. Clark v. H. S. Ellis. R. C. Hunt v. B. M. Bennett. J. A. Logan v. E. A. Gardner. A. S. Bennett v. I. R. Gordon. J. F. Logan v. R. Rols.

W. G. Hay v. D. J. Bull. H. E. Edgeley v. L. S. McClurg. D. T. Sinclair v. S. A. Bradshaw. A. Dinneen v. C. H. Rathbone. F. Swan v. H. B. Elliott. J. H. Smith v. I. B. Logan. J. Clark v. F. H. Payne. E. S. Burritt v. F. Fulton. E. M. Metcalfe v. G. F. Gardiner. H. Brown v. J. Simpson. G. Thompson v. H. G. Davies. F. C. Fryer v. J. W. Mapu. H. H. Wylie v. A. A. Sinclair. H. E. Cross v. A. C. Barlow. A. E. Lawry v. A. D. Morris. H. B. Bisset v. E. Elliott. C. S. Geddis v. A. Kawhe. J. Woon v. C. V. Marshall. R. T. St. Lawrence v. E. Williams. J. J. Templeton v. E. J. Phillips. T. Gilray v. C. Atkinson. H. Brown v. J. Simpson. J. Humphries v. W. B. Hobbs. R. L. Badley v. R. W. Dalgleish. G. Canning v. A. McLachlan. G. Griffiths v. R. J. Pattison. E. Raven v. J. W. White. W. A. Leckie v. J. D. McVay. D. R. Murray v. J. R. Falls. A. McClurg v. H. C. Chambers. L. C. Rols v. S. V. Ayling. A. M. Retemeyer v. J. B. Brocklehurst.

H. Wylie v. A. T. Spain. **MARAENUI CLUB** The following is the Maraeuui Golf Club's draw for a bogey match to be played on Saturday afternoon. The first eight pairs on the list are requested to play in connection with the first-round matches for the McClurg Cup competition:— M. Hannan v. B. Dinneen. F. G. Elsmore v. G. Snaddon. H. J. Templeton v. E. Matthewson. A. H. Bisset v. G. S. Gelling. H. B. Latham v. F. W. Browne. P. R. Waters v. M. A. MacKenzie. R. Duthie v. S. Stokes. R. H. Long v. G. O. Wake. E. Hall v. P. K. Peters. J. N. Mitchell v. T. J. Simmonds. J. A. M. Stevens v. C. Brent. A. W. Gunson v. G. Krebs. J. Durie v. W. T. Dobson. J. G. Phillipson v. A. Bisset. J. W. Wray v. J. K. Moroney. C. E. W. Wacher v. J. A. McClean. E. K. Lomas v. W. J. Turpinney. R. C. Docherty v. J. Ritchie. E. Reilly v. W. Somerset Smith. H. R. Horsnell v. C. D. Anderson. A. Champion v. F. J. Faram. K. O'Halloran v. W. McErlach. N. R. Rols v. D. Gordon. H. A. Leckie v. J. D. McVay. R. Longney v. E. H. Carew. H. R. Gasson v. G. W. S. Wood. F. Mangleson v. D. McErlach. K. McLennan v. C. D. Cox. J. Pegram v. C. E. Davies. H. A. Leckie v. J. D. McVay. H. L. Goodger v. S. Northie. M. D. Jenkins v. G. T. Austin. F. J. Bowler v. C. C. Breen. C. Mangleson v. J. P. Johnston. H. Wylie v. S. Taylor. C. W. Harris v. J. Harris. H. J. Swindell v. W. Grant.

SUDDEN DEATH LAST NIGHT

MR. G. S. LUTTRELL, HASTINGS

POPULAR FIGURE

Prominently Associated With The Turf

The death occurred suddenly last night of Mr. George S. Luttrell, licensee of the Carlton Club Hotel, Hastings, at the age of 54 years. Closely associated with the Turf for a number of years, Mr. Luttrell was possibly one of Hastings' best-known sporting figures. He took a close interest in all sports, and several clubs will be the poorer by his passing.

Born in Tasmania, Mr. Luttrell came to New Zealand about 30 years ago, and began business as a



The Late Mr G. S. LUTTRELL.

building contractor in partnership with a Mr. Duncan at Hastings. After about 14 years he went to Sydney, and returned to Hastings about 12 years ago.

Mr. Luttrell was the successful owner of several racehorses, and there were few racing meetings in the district in recent years that he did not attend. In partnership with Mr. C. H. Slater he successfully raced Tygrina, and later was in partnership with Mr. J. M. Cameron with Chant Royal. In recent years Mr. Luttrell raced Hastings West and Golden Melody, and the steeple chaser Iddo.

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Light Rainfall During April

WEATHER IN NAPIER

Cold Spell At End Of Month

FROSTS RECORDED

Napier's rainfall during April was only 2.75 inches, as against 5.49 inches for the corresponding month last year. The heaviest fall was on the 12th, when .95 inches were recorded.

The highest maximum temperature was 81.0 degrees, recorded on April 1, and the lowest minimum temperature was 35.2 degrees, recorded on the 30th. The average maximum temperature was 63.1 degrees, and the average minimum 43.6 degrees.

Sunshine was recorded on 29 days of last month, the average duration being 4.6 hours per day. There was a total of 138.1 hours of sunshine recorded for the month.

There were three frosts—one of two degrees on the 24th, one of one degree on the 25th, and one of 1.2 degrees on the 30th.

Modern Beauty Salon

OPENING AT NAPIER

Important Event For Women

LATEST OF TYPE

Some Interesting Features

Of vital interest to the women of Hawke's Bay is the opening of a new and up-to-date beauty salon in the Masonic Building, Napier. This modern beauty salon is under the personal supervision of Mrs M. E. Clark, and will be known as the El Freda Beauty Salon.

Mrs Clark, who is already well known to the ladies of Napier, assures her clients of expert and courteous attention at all times.

BASKETBALL OPENING AT HASTINGS

The following players are asked to be present at the opening basketball tournament at Ebbett Park on Saturday at 1.40 p.m. Those desirous of playing and whose names do not appear on this list, or any member who is unable to play, is asked to ring the club captain (2057).

Senior A: Attacks, M. Lorrigan, M. McAleese, G. Symes; centres, P. Goldstone, M. Thomson, M. Tritt; defence, B. Thompson, N. Emmerson, L. Thompson.

MOTOR RE-LICENSING NEXT WEEK

New Issue Of Petrol Coupons With Plates

FOUR DENOMINATIONS

Because of the difficulty in obtaining supplies of insurance forms, petrol coupons, and number-plates, re-licensing of motor vehicles in Hawke's Bay will not begin until next Monday, May 6. Post Office officials request motorists not to make applications before that date. Because of the delay, the re-licensing period is restricted to three weeks, and for that reason motorists are requested to make their applications as early as possible.

With the issue of new number plates, all petrol coupons after May become obsolete, and will be of no further use for procuring supplies. A new issue of coupons is to be made with the number plates. These will be in four colours, for motor-cycles, and for motor-cars of various horse-power ratings.

The new petrol coupons will be as follows:— One gallon (violet background) for motor-cycles. Two gallons (red background) for private cars of less than 9.5 horse-power. Three gallons (yellow background) for private cars of between 9.5 and 14.5 horse-power. Four gallons (green background) for cars of more than 14.5 horse-power. The quantity of petrol available in these classes is three gallons, six gallons, nine gallons and 12 gallons a month.

The coupons will be issued upon payment of licensing fees, and the official receipt for the fees paid will be marked to indicate the denominations of coupons which have been issued at the time of re-licensing.

The issue of coupons is being restricted for 1940-41 solely to owners of private cars and motor-cycles. The term private car will cover all cars other than taxicabs, service cars, contract motor vehicles (V plates), rental cars and private hire cars. For private trucks owners will have to apply for licences.

The white and salmon sets now on issue will become obsolete at the end of May, after which they should be destroyed. Coupons from 27 to 30 inclusive will be available for use during May. Owners are also requested to return to the district in recent years that he did not attend. In partnership with Mr. C. H. Slater he successfully raced Tygrina, and later was in partnership with Mr. J. M. Cameron with Chant Royal. In recent years Mr. Luttrell raced Hastings West and Golden Melody, and the steeple chaser Iddo.

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Fencing Sport At Hastings

ANNUAL APPEAL FOR FUNDS

Hawke's Bay Home

A VERY WORTHY OBJECT Support Necessary

To-morrow and Saturday the energetic and willing workers will be doing their best to assist to make the annual appeal for the Hawke's Bay Children's Home the success it should achieve. The call to assist by donations this extremely valuable social work is one which invariably finds a ready response in the hearts of all people of Hawke's Bay, and this response is translated into practical assistance by the generous action of placing a donation in the collector's box.

The appeal is being held at a later date this year as the trustees did not want to compete with other and patriotic appeals. The delay has been somewhat unfortunate, as it has depleted the whole of the year's income, and the Children's Home to-day is unable to meet its accounts as they become due.

It must be borne in mind that up to £1000 is usually collected by the appeal made at the end of March each year, and this sum forms the foundation of the income, and, together with the Government subsidy, which is paid on the basis of voluntary donations received, represents a substantial portion of the total income.

The trustees' sources of income are: (1) Donations and subscriptions; (2) Government subsidy, and (3) income from endowment fund investments. Unless the income from donations and subscriptions is maintained, the Government subsidy is smaller, so that it is a matter of first importance to keep up the income from the annual appeal.

In the past 45 years these appeals have not been held in vain, and it is confidently predicted that in spite of the many other calls on their purses the people of this district will rally to the trustees in a generous manner as heretofore. It will not be possible to make a personal call on all residents, but those who do not receive a collector's visit can forward their donation to the office and it will be acknowledged promptly by the treasurer, whose address is P.O. box 145, or Church Lane, Napier.

Memoranda

The Hastings Sub-Centre of the New Zealand Red Cross Society will open its first-aid class in the Red Cross rooms, Heretaunga Street, this evening, starting at 7.30. Dr R. Cashmore will give the first of a series of nine lectures.

In an effort to raise funds for the Hawke's Bay Children's Homes a shop day and street collection will be held to-morrow in Hastings. A sale of goods will be held in a shop tent by Phillips, near the City Theatre, Hastings.

LATE ADVERTISEMENTS

LUTTRELL.—On May 1st, 1940, at Hastings (Suddenly), George S. Luttrell, a dearly beloved husband of Eunice Luttrell; in his 55th year. Funeral notice later. S. T. TONG & SONS, Funeral Directors, Hastings.

Easy Money Made By Wild Talk OUT OF HACK CLASS Twice Placed In Wrong Grade NOT ENTITLED TO £115

(By Moturoa.) Wild Talk, who carries the colours of the late Sir Charles Clifford, and who won the Timaru Cup so convincingly last week, is probably the best mare to come from the Stonyhurst Stud since Fast Passage. This four-year-old mare has not done a deal of racing, but her form has been impressive to date and it would not surprise in the least to see her go on to still greater successes.

Wild Talk did not race until the end of her two-year-old career and sharpened up by an outing at the Westport meeting held at Riccarton, she won the Maiden Stakes at the Christchurch Hunt meeting in effortless fashion, following this up with a further success in the Cashmere Plate at the Grand National meeting.

The following autumn the Riccarton filly won the Silverstream Handicap at Trentham and, as that stake was worth £245 to the winner, it brought her first-prize stakes up to £505 and put her out of hacks. Her connections must have made a miscalculation, however, for after running fourth in the Champion Hack Plate at the same meeting at Trentham, she continued the Autumn Plate (hack conditions), the Woburn Hack Handicap and the Petone Hack Handicap. Place-money in the Autumn Plate and the Champion Hack amounted to £115, and she does not seem to have been entitled to these stakes.

This season, however, she has raced only in open company, notching successes in the Cressy and Sockburn Handicaps at Riccarton, and in the Timaru Cup. In her other three starts she was fourth in the C.J.C. Epsom Handicap, close up in the Thompson Handicap, and badly left in the Templeton Handicap at Riccarton.

Bred On Classic Lines Wild Talk is a bay filly by Winning Hit (Autumnus) - Winning Way, by Annie Chiel, from Babel, by the Ace (a son of Bayardo) from the Scrimmage (dam of Fracas, Bun Flight and Trench Fight), by Antagonist from Mad Whirl, by Trenton from Azalea, the imported Galliard mare who was the ancestress of Wild Chase, Masterpiece, Royal Stag, Brown Owl, Court Martial and other classic winners.

Wild Talk's record to date is as follows: At Two Years 1st Maiden Stakes, Christchurch Hunt 85 Once unplaced. At Three Years 1st Cashmere Plate, Riccarton 175 2nd Kelburn Hack, Trentham 60 2nd Middle Park Plate, Riccarton 60 1st Silverstream Hack, Trentham 245 2nd Autumn Plate, Riccarton 80 3rd Petone Hack, Riccarton 35 Four times unplaced. At Four Years 1st Cressy Handicap, Riccarton 245 3rd Hunt Handicap, Trentham 45 1st Sockburn Handicap, Riccarton 350 1st Timaru Cup 210 Three times unplaced. Grand total: 19 starts, 6 firsts, 3 seconds, 2 thirds. Stakes won, £1590.

However, of this amount, £115 will presumably be returned and split up among the owners of Girondo, Wake and Le Toquet, who were behind her in the Autumn Plate and Petone Handicap.

ALL EYES FOCUS ON HAWERA TO-DAY Opening Of Winter Racing CLARION CALL HAS THE RIGHT CREDENTIALS

Classform And Sleeveless Well (By MOTUROA.)

The Egmont Racing Club's winter meeting, which opens at Hawera to-day, will claim the attention of the racing fraternity throughout the Dominion, as it marks the official opening of the winter season, and the gathering is likely to shed much light on the big jumping events to be decided at Ellerslie, Trentham, and Riccarton in the course of the next few months.

Hawke's Bay horses are freely engaged at the meeting and they will increase the local interest in the fixture, especially as it looks as if the provincial representatives will give a good account of themselves.

Judging by the smart times recorded in the gallops at Hawera on Tuesday morning, the track should be found in wonderful order and indications are that the weather will remain fine. Win-and-place betting will be in operation at the meeting.

Endorsement pleased in winning at Hastings and should manage the extra distance, but she is badly treated in comparison with Sleeveless, who has done well in the best sprint company. Sleeveless has been working in improved fashion since the Manawatu autumn meeting and she promises to be just about at her best to-day, so what Lexden looked to be a very plucky runner at Hastings and is due for a winning break, while Kaiwaka's great finishing effort to dead heat at Waverley on Saturday must be carefully considered. Red Cat, Gold Dale, Rehearsal (who will get better at Hawera than he did at Waverley), Rollicker, Gay Seton and Verey Lights are possibilities at the weights, but, in the most open race of the day, the issue may be fought out by SLEEVELESS ENDORSEMENT REHEARSAL

Then comes the 145-EGMONT STEEPLECHASE, Of £400, about 24 miles. Clarion Call 11 10 Lady Stella 9 5 En Tour 10 8 Brigadore 9 3 Red Sun 10 3 One Whetu 9 0 Bryce Street 10 1 Lustral 9 0 Employment 9 12 Lactose 9 0 Disturbed 9 9

This race was fully discussed in the "Daily Mail" yesterday and there has been little to alter opinions expressed then. Clarion Call school impressively over the big fences at Hawera on Monday and again on Tuesday, and he left the impression that he was thoroughly attuned for his task.

En Tour, who won well at Waverley, also schooled like an improved horse, and One Whetu and Brigadore impressed by their efforts for novices at steeplechasing. Disturbed jumped well on Tuesday morning and the well-seasoned Lady Stella gave a very sound display.

Bryce Street, who pulled up lame on Saturday, and Flashlight, who badly cut a tendon on Tuesday, are doubtful starters, but Employment, who has been showing such good form as a hurdler lately, is likely to be troublesome. Lactose should be the pick of the others, but it is hard to go past

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Majority has a big weight and he may be all the better for a race, while Footlose would have to improve a lot on the form he showed at Hastings. Alunga is very well just now and can run out a solid seven furlongs, while Notium is also good over this distance.

CLASSFORM HAS THE CREDENTIALS

NOTHING has better credentials in the McRae Cup at Hawera to-day than the Awapuni filly Classform, whose six furlongs under restraint at Awapuni on Tuesday morning suggested that she had trained on nicely since the Manawatu autumn meeting. Nothing has performed more consistently flying season than the daughter of Inflation and Spearform, who looked a good thing beaten in both Oaks contests. As well, she was "pipped on the post" by Yogi in the Nolan Handicap at Ellerslie at Easter. Then she came on to win the King George Handicap with 7.9 and the Tamatee Handicap with 8.8 at the Manawatu meeting, both successes being achieved with ease. To-morrow she has only 5lbs more to carry and the class looks no stronger.—"Moturoa."

spring, but she won a double at New Plymouth impressively. Counter would be better suited by the longer race, but Tuatara ran a great race at the Manawatu meeting and will be more forward now. Flying season than the daughter of Inflation and Spearform, who looked a good thing beaten in both Oaks contests. As well, she was "pipped on the post" by Yogi in the Nolan Handicap at Ellerslie at Easter. Then she came on to win the King George Handicap with 7.9 and the Tamatee Handicap with 8.8 at the Manawatu meeting, both successes being achieved with ease. To-morrow she has only 5lbs more to carry and the class looks no stronger.—"Moturoa."

TAUTARA, ZEST, HUMA-SONG. The big flat race is the 5.05-McRAE CUP, Of £400, 13 miles. Amigo 9 3 Winsome Lu 7 0 Classform 8 13 Fiancee 7 0 Notium 8 3 Tahurangi 7 0 Homly 7 10 Blue Tiger 7 0 Galteore 7 10 Gally 7 0 Tidewater 7 10 Rollicker 7 0 Mataroa 7 6 Dark Eagle 7 0 Hunting Cat 7 3

Amigo, who won the Feilding Cup at Easter, was unlucky in the running at Waverley and should go better on this bigger track. Classform won her double at the Manawatu meeting most impressively and there is no doubt that she has come to the top of her form. She is not overburdened with weight, either.

Notium does not appeal as much as Homly, who likes the Hawera track. The firm track will suit Galteore, but Tidewater would be better favoured in the mud. Hunting Cat is not without chances, but Mataroa won so well at Waverley that he will again have to be respected.

Winsome Lu is back to her best and her last finish at Waverley brings her before notice. She looks the pick of those on the minimum, though Gally and Dark Eagle are possibilities. However, backers will show their preference for the scrip of

CLASSFORM, MATAROA, WINSOME LU. 3.45-TAWHITI HACK HANDICAP, Of £175, 7 furlongs. Minority 9 4 Vitement 7 9 Dynasty 8 13 Young Charles 7 9 Colossal Chief 8 11 Galla Lass 7 9 Hunto 8 6 Flamburge 7 7 Kileash 8 6 Raldora 7 7 Rualiti 8 6 Resingard 7 7 Plastre 8 4 City Song 7 7 Kilmotore 8 0 Leighton Red 7 7 Veldette 7 13 Ripple 7 7 Davila 7 13 Ripple 7 7 Fibert 7 11 Golden Orchid 7 7 Sieglinde 7 10

Minority has a big weight, but he is good and he will have a big following if started in preference to his stablemate, Davila. The latter has won at her last two starts and is a really smart galloper. She will be nearly favourite if started. Dynasty should be held safe by Colossal Chief, who has not been penalised for his win at Waverley. Hunto ran good races at Ellerslie and Avondale, and can run a solid seven.

Plastre and Kilmotore will also find a big following. The distance is a bit short for Fibert, but Vitement, Veldette (if reserved), Flamburge, Young Charles and City Song are possibilities at the weights. It would not surprise to see the issue fought out by

HUNTO, JOHNSON'S ELECT, YOUNG CHARLES. Shani has made steady progress since she ran her close third to Dainty Dell at Hastings and Jim Price will have this Hunting Song make in great fetters for the Poverty Bay meeting. Shani's prospects will be enhanced by a soft track as she is a noted mudlark.

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NO GROUNDS FOR REPORT OF BIG OFFER FOR YOGI

THE report that an offer of 4000gs. had been made and refused for Yogi turns out to be a pure figment of imagination, and the three-year-old's trainer, Sid Reid, informed the "Daily Mail" yesterday the assertion that Mr Frank Ormond had stated that 10,000gs. would not buy Yogi was ridiculous.

A well-known Sydney owner had made some inquiries about Yogi and would have considered making a purchase—at a price. The matter, however, went no further. Yogi is still being stabled and is under treatment at Sid Reid's training establishment, but he is to be given a good rest before commencing a preparation for the spring meetings. No definite arrangements have been made concerning the itinerary of this promising young horse, but, provided he makes the expected progress in the next few months, it is likely that he will be prepared for the big spring handicaps. It is even possible that he will be entered for the Melbourne Cup, but such a venture is still very much "in the air," as Mr Ormond does not intend to bustle this young horse, who is still rather much on the leg.—"MOTUROA."

RACE BOY KILLED AT AWAPUNI Promising Hurdler Breaks Leg

(By MOTUROA.) The promising hurdler Race Boy, who was to have raced at the Egmont Racing Club's meeting this week, broke a leg at Awapuni on Tuesday morning and had to be destroyed. It transpires that Race Boy was being schooled and, though he safely negotiated the first fence, he was found to be unwell and was pulled up. Apparently the leg had been broken as he landed over the hurdle.

Race Boy, who had not been long under Doc Knapp's charge at Awapuni, showed promising form as a hurdler at the Egmont summer meeting when he ran two good thirds. Subsequently he ran third at the Ohinemuri meeting and at Easter he was third to Baldrick and Aintree at Ellerslie, finishing ahead of All Irish and Midland.

A seven-year-old gelding, Race Boy was by the Martian horse, Raceful from Cochineal, by All Red from Peroneal, by Achilles from Prelude, who raced back to the unnumbered Rosebud. From this family came those good class winners by the Martian horse, Raceful, Raceful from Cochineal, by All Red from Peroneal, by Achilles from Prelude, who raced back to the unnumbered Rosebud. From this family came those good class winners by the Martian horse, Raceful, Raceful from Cochineal, by All Red from Peroneal, by Achilles from Prelude, who raced back to the unnumbered Rosebud.

Race Boy was raced in partnership by Messrs. A. S. D'Arth and R. Richardson, the latter being formerly the owner of Tangled.

WINTER MEETING AT GISBORNE WEIGHTS FRAMED

GAY MIMIC TOPS LIST IN WINTER OATS

"Daily Mail" Special Service. GISBORNE, May 1. The following weights have been declared by Mr. A. Tuckwell for the first day of the Poverty Bay Turf Club's winter meeting at Gisborne on May 11: GISBORNE HURDLES, Of £100, 13 miles. De Friend 12 13 Red Cuckade 9 0 Small Boy 12 5 Cartoonist 9 0 Lovell 9 12 Red Hunting 9 0 Anini 9 11 Etruscan 9 0 Jazz King 3 7

MAIDEN RACE, Of £75, 5 furlongs. Queen Ida 8 0 Silvery Moon 8 0 Kalesbridge 8 0 Black Out 8 0 Aberdey 8 0 Royal Wave 8 0 Dusky Morn 8 0 Miss Dawn 8 0 Visibility 8 0 Centennial 8 0 Skive 8 0 Etruscan 8 0 Cardiacine 8 0 No Wonder 8 0 Kinnett 8 0 Rich Blood 8 0 Tangiere 8 0 Archange 8 0 Walmatara 8 0

JACK H. CUP, Of £100, 1 mile. Queen's Dream 9 0 Shani 7 3 Mendelssohn 7 13 Kintyre 7 12 Silver Bar 7 0 Lovell 7 9 Kinclear 7 0 Gay Laura 7 3

TE HAPARA HACK STEEPLES, Of £120, 24 miles. Good Hunting 10 0 Anini 9 5 Kikiroki 9 12 Cartoonist 9 0 Makor 9 9 Etruscan 9 0 Jazz King 9 5

HACK FLAT HANDICAP, Of £95, 6 furlongs. Chandlery 9 0 Jungle King 8 2 Smiling 8 12 Red Hunting 8 2 Personal 8 11 Red Frost 7 13 Fleuteous 8 11 Black Frost 7 13 Lutch Ace 8 10 Kinclear 7 13 Modern Way 8 5 Whitt 7 13 Gay Laura 8 3 Kinclear 7 13 Royal Spades 8 3 Show Day 7 12 Vascones 8 2

WINTER OATS HANDICAP, Of £115, 13 miles. Gay Mimic 9 0 Diana Tetric 7 7 Small Boy 8 10 Hunting 7 0 Skyway 8 4 Royal 7 0 Native Song 7 13 Mendelssohn 7 0

RALLY HACK HANDICAP, Of £95, 6 furlongs. Chandlery 9 0 Vascones 8 2 Fleuteous 8 11 Jungle King 8 2 Dutch Ace 8 10 Red Cuckade 8 2 Native Chief 8 9 Silver Bar 8 1 Modern Way 8 5 Red Hunting 8 1 Gay Laura 8 3 Black Frost 7 13 Royal Spades 8 3 Kinclear 7 13 Shani 8 3 Queen Ida 7 13 Tide 8 3 Show Day 7 12

HAWKE'S BAY HORSES AT OTAKI Nominations For Next Week The following are the nominations for the Otaki Racing Club's winter meeting on May 11: TARARUA HURDLES, Of £130; 13 miles.—El Meynell, Kaiwaka, Good Sun, Colibri, King Meslor, Peateore, Dunganvan, Sanguine King, Baron, Oliver, Red Aurora's Love, Silent Acre, Rustem, Tolaga, Lady Chat, Solaria.

HIA HANICAP, Of £200; 7 furlongs.—Gold Bull, Dehban, waka, Alunga, Sporting Gift, Colfort, Quadrone, Sleeveless, Gay Chou, Dick, Liane, Dur Maurier, Solaria, Master Cyclion.

RAUKAWA HANDICAP, Of £300; 13 miles.—Galteore, Tidewater, Flight, Hunto, Young Charles, Star Liane, Regicide, Mataroa, Stella Lux, KUKU MAIDEN RACE, Of £100; 6 furlongs.—Cherry Hunter, Black Out, Clippet, Hind, Dunge, King, Equity, Miss Weriko, Batsham, Vivid

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HARRISON.—On April 30th, 1940, at Napier, Arthur Thomas Harrison, of Ferry Road, Clive, H.B.; aged 78 years.
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NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to Section 175 (4) of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933, the Municipal of RIVERSIDE ROAD, between Victoria Street and Albert Street is stopped to all vehicular traffic until further notice during sewer construction work.
NOEL C. HARDING,
Town Clerk.

HAWKES BAY CHILDREN'S HOMES.
THE ANNUAL APPEAL of the Hawke's Bay Branch of the Children's Homes Society is now being made. A Shop Day and Street Collection will be held on May 3rd. The Shop, which is being held by Mr. Phillips, is near the 'Cosy Theatre'. All willing to contribute 'Jumble', 'Sweets', 'Flowers' and 'Produce' of any kind are asked to 'phone 3204.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—In the Supreme Court of New Zealand,
NOTICE is hereby given that REX PAUVIER, of HASTINGS, LABOURER, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors to be held at the Courthouse at Hastings, on Monday, the 14th day of May 1940, at 2.15 o'clock p.m.
Dated at Napier this 29th day of April, 1940.
W. HARTE,
Official Assignee.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PUBLICAN'S LICENCE.
I, WILLIAM PADDON SNELL, of the above name, hereby give notice that I desire to obtain, and will at the next Annual Licensing Meeting to be held at Napier on 5th day of June, 1940, apply for a Certificate authorising the issue of a Publican's Licence for the house and premises, situate at Napier and known as the Provincial Hotel, containing 13 rooms exclusive of those required for the use of the family.
Dated at Napier this 10th day of April, 1940.
W. P. SNELL,
Applicant.

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(Affiliated with the North Island Sheep Dog Trial Association.)
51st ANNUAL MEETING
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PORANGAHAU
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TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW,
MAY 2nd and 3rd.
On grounds led by Messrs Board and Thomas (adj. Union Bank Buildings).
TRIALS START AT 8 a.m.
Patron: T. P. Hunter, Esq., President; E. J. White, Esq., Judge; A. G. Stead, Esq., Hastings.
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WANTED: Good, strong, willing boy to learn trade. Apply Dobson, & McAuslan, Ltd., Dickens Street, Napier.

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