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Yugoslavs Will Defend Their Frontier
OPPOSITION TO GERMANS
Anti-Nazi Propaganda By Russia In Bulgaria

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LONDON, March 10.
A report that the German Minister at Athens called on the Greek Prime Minister (M. Korizis) and handed him what the Belgrade Radio described as "some proposals" provided an indication that the crisis in the Balkans is reaching the climax.

The song "Tipperary," which is widely regarded as the British national anthem, is constantly being sung or played in the Belgrade cabarets.
The Moscow radio is frequently repeating fierce attacks in Bulgarian against "Bulgaria's traitor King and Government."

APPEAL FOR EIRE BASES
IRISH AMERICANS' MESSAGE
FREEDOM'S SAKE
Fate Hangs On British Victory

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
NEW YORK, March 10.
A group of prominent Irish Americans has asked the Prime Minister of Eire (Mr. Eamon De Valera) to permit the British to use Eire's western ports to enable her to maintain "the lifeline of civilisation."

Chiang Appeals For Unity
CHINA'S WAR EFFORT
Communist Elected To Council
REMOVING FRICTION

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
CHUNGKING, March 10.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to-day appealed for national unity for the sake of victory over Japan.
The Council elected Mr Tung Pi-wu (Communist) as a member, although he was not present.

NO EXCHANGE OF NAVAL CRAFT
British Ambassador's Belief

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
WASHINGTON, March 10.
The British Ambassador (Lord Halifax) stated to-day that he considered it unlikely that now or in the future would Britain and the United States trade any naval craft.

NAVY AWAIT'S GERMANS
MISTRESS OF SEA AND AIR
GREECE HEARTENED

Admiral Interviewed At Athens
(United Press Association—Copyright.)
ATHENS, March 11.
"The Mediterranean sky will be swept clean of Germans as it was of Italians," said Admiral Cunningham in an interview with the special correspondent of the Athens newspaper "Ethnos."

RAIDER BLOWN TO PIECES
DIRECT HIT FROM DESTROYER
PORTSMOUTH RAID
Bombs Dropped For Six Hours

(By Radio)
LONDON, 11.0 a.m.
German bombers carried out a heavy raid on Portsmouth on Monday night. Bombs were first dropped soon after dark and the raid continued for six hours.

Destroyers For Britain
CANADA'S PLANS
Twenty Thousand Men At Shipyards

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
OTTAWA, March 10.
The Minister of National Defence (the Hon. C. D. Howe) announced to-day that Canada is ready to build destroyers for Britain. Experts are en route from England. Mr Howe said that the bottleneck was labour.

QUARRELS CAN BE AVOIDED
TRADE WILL FOLLOW FRIENDSHIP
JAPANESE SPEECH
Reassuring Words To Australia

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
BRISBANE, March 11.
The Japanese Minister on his arrival in Australia, said: "Friendship is of greater importance than mere trading relations. Let us establish friendship and trade relations which will be certain to follow."

RETURNED UNOPPOSED FOR HITCHIN
Newspaper Peer's Son In Parliament

British Official Wireless
RUGBY, March 10.
Captain Sir Seymour Berry, aged 31, the son and heir of Lord Camrose, proprietor of the "Daily Telegraph," was returned unopposed as National Conservative M.P. for Hitchin, Hertfordshire, at a by-election caused through the death on active service of Sir Arnold Wilson.

GERMANS WILL JOIN IN BATTLES IN ALBANIA
Unwelcome Help As Mussolini Hoped For Single-Handed Victory

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
NEW YORK, March 10.
The "New York Times" Washington correspondent says that information has been received that Germany is preparing to send an air force and other most modern equipment to Albania to reinforce the Italians and drive the Greeks from the country.

Italians At Keren Put Up Stiffest Fight Yet Made

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
CAIRO, March 10.
The next fortnight, it is believed, will show what further progress the British are able to make in Italian East Africa before the rains terminate large-scale military activity until the autumn.

Air reconnaissance shows that the Italians are withdrawing into the mountain fastnesses in the western half of Abyssinia. The two main gateways to the mountains are Jigjiga and Allista.
Meanwhile, the Italian forces around Keren are making the strongest resistance the Italians have yet offered on any front.

ITALIAN DEBACLE AHEAD
GREEK CAMPAIGN AT CLIMAX
HARRIED FORCES
Thousands Killed In The Retreat

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
LONDON, March 10.
"Italy's harried forces in central Albania are headed for the worst debacle since the outbreak of the Italian-Greek war," says the Athens correspondent of the "Daily Express."

Recruiting Drive In Australia
TWO HUNDRED A DAY
Single-Men Preference Abandoned
VICTORIAN SCHEME

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
MELBOURNE, March 11.
Plans for an immediate drive for recruits including hundreds of additional men a week from Victoria, for A.I.F. reinforcements were announced to-day in the Southern Command area.
The objective is 200 men a day. The men enlisted will be over and above the monthly quota of 1500 allocated to Victoria when general recruiting was resumed on February 24.

WORKERS REAFFIRM SOLIDARITY
Fight To A Finish
PRIME MINISTER UPHELD
Liberty Of The Nation

(Received March 11, 10.30 p.m.)
LONDON, March 10.
The "Daily Telegraph's" Athens correspondent says that Greece's internal solidarity was reaffirmed when delegations representing half a million workers declared their determination to fight to the end.

Petrol Ration Cut
AUSTRALIAN ORDERS
Applicable To April And May
QUARTER REDUCTION

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
MELBOURNE, March 11.
The petrol allowance for private motorists has been cut to approximately one-quarter—from 4000 to 3000 miles a year.

FIVE RAIDS MADE ON MALTA
Messerschmitts Attack Seaplane Base

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
VALETTA, March 10.
Malta was raided five times to-day, making eleven in two days and more than 400 in nine months.
Several Messerschmitts to-day machine-gunned the seaplane base.

"NAZIS WILL BE BEATEN"
AMERICAN'S DOUBTS REMOVED
RECENT VISIT
Nation Eager To Smash Invasion

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
NEW YORK, March 10.
Mr. Paul Tierney, war editor of the "New York Post," who recently visited Britain, in a front-page article to-day said: "I went to Britain fearing that Germany was on the verge of winning the war. I have just come back and I am certain that Germany will never win."

"I am confident, moreover, that Germany will be beaten decisively."
Mr. Tierney believes that the people of Britain will not crack. "The defences of Britain are strongly manned," he says, "and the people are eager for Hitler to attempt an invasion. Britain will not starve."

HEAVY SHIP LOSSES REVEALED
Twenty-eight Vessels In One Week

(By Radio)
LONDON, 1 a.m.
The shipping losses for the week ending March 3 were the third heaviest of the war.
British ships sunk numbered 20, totalling 148,000 tons.
Eight Allied vessels were also sunk and one neutral.

(The above news was received direct on a "Columbus" calibrated short-wave radio.)
Battalion Wiped Out.
It is now known that, in addition to recently announced casualties, the Seventh Battalion of Black-shirts was wiped out and its commanding officer taken prisoner.

Prisoners state that, when another officer who was an intimate friend of Mussolini was killed, a desperate fight was waged around the body until the Greeks finally drove off the Italians.
Documents found in this officer's pockets included a letter from Il Duce exhorting his friend to do his utmost to prevent a Greek advance.

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Women Answer The Call
WORK IN FACTORIES
Greater Output Of Munitions
FINE RESPONSE

(Received March 11, 7.35 p.m.)
RUGBY, March 10.
London evening newspapers report a wide response to the call from the Hon. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, for women to make munitions.
Women of all ages have applied at employment exchanges or by letter and telephone. Some were married with families and some had jobs they were willing to give up for war work.

HOARDING AND ILLICIT TRADING
Food Offences Frequent In Nazi-Occupied Countries

(British Official Wireless.)
RUGBY, March 10.
The latest information reaching official circles in London indicates an increasing tendency in the occupied territories to break the German official regulations despite the stringent penalties for hoarding imposed on producers and consumers.

Smuggling is frequent. Not merely food itself but food coupons are subject to theft, while food coupons are often forged. These are all punishable offences in every country under German rule.
Coupled sales, which can obviously only take place where certain goods are plentiful, are frequent in Germany but are rare in the occupied areas, where theft and coupon-forging are more common.

In the German countries Austria is the centre of illicit trading and members of the Nazi Party are among the worst offenders. In Denmark one hoarding case involved the cold storing of 50,000 kilos of butter and there have been numerous convictions for forgeries and thefts of coupons.
Overcharging in Holland recently resulted in the confiscation of two factories' entire stock of 170 tons of cocoa and an importer's stock of 400,000 kilos of coffee.

Offences in Belgium.
Notwithstanding the severe penalties the prosecutions for hoarding mounted steeply at the end of last year in Belgium. In August, 320 prosecutions occurred, involving 1000 kilos of goods; by November the number had risen to 7000, while in December the total was 8531, covering 10,001,530 kilos of foodstuffs.

Theft and forging of coupons have become increasingly common in occupied France and in one district 220,000 forged coupons were recently issued.
The severity of the measures taken to protect foodstuffs in Italy is indicated by the fact that the theft of staple foods has been punishable by the death penalty since December.

DOUBLED OUTPUT OF PILOTS
AIR TRAINING IN CANADA
HUSH-HUSH POLICY
Probably 10,000 Now Enrolled

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
LONDON, March 10.
"The Times" says that the number of graduates from the Empire air training scheme is most secret but 10,000 are estimated to be at present enrolled and from 15,000 to 20,000 more will be enrolled for aircrew duties this year.
The last training school is expected to open in July instead of September and thereafter a staff of 40,000 will be available and it is expected that the number of pilots trained in Canada will double the figure visualised a year ago.

MILLION AMERICANS IN THE ARMY

(United Press Association—Copyright.)
WASHINGTON, March 10.
The United States Army to-day exceeded 1,000,000 men for the first time since the World War.



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Apple time is here! Apples red and apples yellow, packed with delicious, health-giving juices that are so essential for every one. Crisp, juicy apples, sweet or tart, according to your taste. Apples are good for your teeth. Apples give energy. Eat apples every day, especially after meals—it's a delicious habit. Eat apple pies and apple puddings. Apples cannot be exported this year—so do your bit for National Health and National Service—BUY APPLES BY THE CASE—and eat plenty!
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HASTINGS THEATRES

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DEATH OF Wairoa Doctor Medical Superintendent At Hospital

HASTINGS CRICKET DRAW High School Winners In Junior A Grade

The death has occurred of Dr Robert Burns Grey, after an illness of some weeks. A week ago Dr Grey was reported to be recovering and on the road to regained health.

The following matches under the jurisdiction of the Hastings Cricket Sub-Association will be played on Saturday, March 15:-

Cosy

"THE GHOST COMES HOME" Comedy, With "Tarzan" Adventure

A grand cast of comedy stars is to be found in "The Ghost Comes Home" starring Frank Morgan and now at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings. Presumed lost at sea, Morgan turns up to find that he has been "dead" for so long that the family has spent the insurance money.

State "ONE CROWDED NIGHT" FINE STORY

Unusual Background For Adventure

The romantic screen drama, "One Crowded Night" now at the State Theatre, Hastings, presents an unusual and stirring tale of twelve thrilling hours in an auto camp on the Arizona desert.

The interweaving of the lives and hopes and objectives of these sixteen persons make up the plot complications of this unusual picture, with three separate romances carried through the story along with the threads of his drama.

Regent "UNTAMED" IS TENSE DRAMA

Production In Glorious Colour

Sinclair Lewis' famous story, "Mantrap" has been made into an exciting and intriguing picture under the title, "Untamed" co-starring Ray Milland, Patricia Morison and Akim Tamiroff.

NAPIER THEATRES

MAYFAIR Daily at 2 & 7.45 p.m. Plans at Theatre - Phone 3332.

STANLEY LUPINO "HOLD MY HAND" FRED EMNEY - SALLY GRAY

"THE ZERO HOUR" OTTO KRUGER - FRIEDA INESCOURT

There comes a "Zero Hour" in everyone's life - when a decision may mean life and happiness, or...

State Scoop! BAPTISM OF FIRE Sensationally Included in THE RAMPARTS WE WATCH

Regent DAILY at 2 & 8 p.m. Plans at Lockyer's - Phone 3029.

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"TEXAS RANGERS RIDE AGAIN" John Howard, Ellen Drew, Akim Tamiroff, May Robson

Last Club Night At Napier

SWIMMING RESULTS Cups Presented By Chairman FINAL SERIES

A good crowd witnessed the final night meeting of the Napier Swimming Club. The programme included the final series of races for the club spoons for the teams race and the final of the women's life-saving distances.

LOYAL HASTINGS LODGE Fortnightly Meeting Last Night

N.G. Bro. Edwards presided at the fortnightly meeting of the Loyal Hastings Lodge last evening.

The agenda for the district conference was discussed and it was decided that the delegates be given a free hand.

Miss R. King; Lowry Cup, Miss J. Wright. Intermediate Boys and Girls. Harvey Breaststroke Cup, A. Howse; K. Bryant Cup, Miss O. Workman; Stone Cup, Miss J. Redshaw.

HERETAUNGA CLUB CARNIVAL Season's Swimming Ends To-night

The final meeting of the season will be held by the Heretaunga Swimming Club at Maddison Baths this evening, when the 220yds. club championship and the Armstrong Cup will be contested.

Mayfair

STANLEY LUPINO IN "HOLD MY HAND" Otto Kruger In Human Drama, "Zero Hour"

The new Stanley Lupino film, "Hold My Hand," now showing at the Mayfair Theatre, Napier, is a true comedy in that it makes laughter out of trouble.

Investigating for himself, he finds the hat-stand collapse under a touch the reception room barrier comes away in his hand, chairs and tables fall to splinters in a draught, and even a cigarette box will not survive being picked-up.

The newspaper is situated in Manchester, and Stanley rings a new change on the perennial rain gag by taking at least seven umbrellas from the stand when leaving his town house for the rainy city.

The ever ingenious Lupino has turned out another winner in this splendid film, "Zero Hour," co-starring Frieda Inescourt and Otto Kruger.

Linda's first love was nine-tenths gratitude. A famous theatrical producer had groomed her from the days when she was an awkward amateur, and she regarded him with a hero-worshipping adoration.

State DEMOCRACY VERSUS DICTATORS 'The Ramparts We Watch' Timely Production

When a film is acclaimed by critics, government officials, and news commentators alike it rates universal attention.

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Hack Cup Sweep Rejected

HASTINGS RACES

Decision Popular With Owners

MANIFEST INTEREST

(By THE BARB.) A great deal of interest is being taken in the Hastings Hack Cup, to be run over a mile and a quarter on the second day of the forthcoming Hawke's Bay Cup meeting...

The club in the years past has staged many classic races, including the Welcome Stakes, St. Leger, Hastings Stakes, Hawke's Bay Guineas, Hawke's Bay Stakes, and the Final Track Gallops at Trentham on Page 2

weight for age Ormond Memorial Gold Cup, all of which, with the exception of the Hastings Stakes, have been deleted from the list, but this is the first time that a hack trophy race has been included on a programme under the auspices of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club.

"The Barb" had heard that there was a move to have attached to this Hastings Hack Cup a sweepstake of £10, over and above the nominations and acceptances, but this was not adopted by the local committee.

Hearing this matter discussed, "The Barb" decided to obtain the opinions of owners and trainers likely to have candidates for this race, and found a majority against a sweepstake being added.

As one owner puts it, hack races are mostly for the "battling" class, who cannot afford to put another tenner on top of riding money, nominations and acceptances, and say nothing of other incidentals, or if such an added condition was made it would prevent many from contesting the Hastings Hack Cup.

As regards the trophy attached to the Hastings Hack Cup owners who have learnt of the description of it declare that it is more desirable than the Hawke's Bay Cup itself. Had the £10 sweepstake clause been enforced many desiring to win such a trophy would have been deprived of the opportunity.

COMMENT ON COLONIAL AND ARAB STUD BOOKS

INFORMATION REQUESTED

Early Progeny Achieve Many Successes

(By THE BARB.)

Reference was recently made in an issue of the "Daily Mail" to Colonial Families, or tap roots, who did not possess a Bruce Lowe numeral through neglect, or some other reason of persons with brood mares in the early history of breeding the thoroughbred in Australia and New Zealand.

Before commencing with the colonial mares it may be stated that there also exists in the Dominion and Australia the Arab tap roots.

In alphabetical order the first Arab mare is BELLA, a pure-bred Arab imported to New Zealand from New South Wales by Major Durie. The brood mares she produced were Ascot Vale and Juanita, both by Ascot; Lady Serah by a son of Derby, Waitotara by Gladiator and Werona by Vanguard, but looking through the Stud Book of to-day finds very few descendants.

FINESSE, bred in New South Wales in 1849, was sent to New Zealand, where she foaled the sires Dead Shot, Premier (by Malton), a sire of many high-class horses in the Waikato, and Tramp Card, Brood mares from Finesse were many, including Armada (dam of Vi and granddam of Pluthair, Claudiu, Clarinda, and ancestress of Gaelic Song and Myra Loy, the last-named at present being in work at Hastings).

From the same tap root was Last Chance (by The Painter) whose progeny have practically all been reared in this district. They include the families that produced Royal Blood, Huntingdon, Hunting Star, Polar, Collision, Cawbeen, Toboggan, Joy Ride, Jovial, Hunting Royal, Royal Routine, Slippery, Royal Damon, Operetta, and many others not necessary to mention. Although no champions are included they were all performers above the average.

Other brood mares well known in this district were Parlour Maid, Seal Brown (dam of Gold Seal), and Torowai (who won many good races for the late Mr. R. Connop). The Arab mares Jersey and Jewess are little known to New Zealand breeders as few of these branches came to this country.

Other Arab tap roots are passed over as of little consequence until Miss Rowe's name is reached. She was bred in 1853 and was by Sir Hercules from Miss Millar by Wanderer from a pure Arab mare.

Ariel, winner of three Auckland Cups, was a descendant from this root, as also was that very fair horse Carbineer (by Musket), Grand Cross, and Ismene who for many years was at the Hastings Longlands Stud, where she foaled two useful winners in Osiris (by San Fran) and Tumut (by Merrivue).

Peerness, one of the best mares that ever raced in the Dominion, traces back to this line, as also does the Lochiel horse, Strowan—who was a good horse himself and also a more than useful sire whose gets included The Pink 'Un who won the V.R.C. Newmarket after he was sold by his Poverty Bay owner—Master Strowan (a first class chaser) and Paisano (one of the best hurdlers ever raced in this land).

Venus Transit (winner of the Great Northern Derby) also claims the same tap-root but in Hawke's Bay this breed has gradually weakened, though there are still a couple of mares here tracing back to this line.

This family can be described as entirely New Zealand as Miss Millar was imported in 1851 and there are no other foalings but New Zealand on record. Besides winning three Auckland Cups, Ariel won the Canterbury Cup and the Auckland Derby. Omega won the Great Northern Derby, Peerness won the Canterbury Cup twice (the second time after a dead-heat) and the C.J.C. Handicap (now the New Zealand Cup). Another descendant of this family is the brood mare Rau Rau, who foaled many good sorts in the Taranaki district.

THE NEXT BEST ARAB MARE. SPRAY can be rightly classed as perhaps the second best of the Arab taproot mares. She was bred in New South Wales, being got by Donizetti from Lady Ann by Whisker out of daughter of Toss from an Arab mare almost all the races there were to be won.

In her descendants figure Artillery, British Lion, Enchantress, Oingo, Opawa, Ruby (not the daughter of Denbigh), Scud, Spinfield, and Templeton. Spray was sent to New Zealand and in the early days after her arrival her descendants were very successful, winning almost all the races there were to be won.

Belle of the Isle and Stormbird won the Canterbury Cup, British Lion the New Zealand Cup, Diadem and Enchantress the New Zealand Oaks, Flying Jib the New Zealand Derby and the C.J.C. Handicap (later the New Zealand Cup). Templeton was quite the best horse of his time, winning the Canterbury and the Auckland Cups, Dunedin Cup (twice), and many other races. Scud was the sire of Knottingly, who won many good races, including two Canterbury Cups.

TRAINING AND STABLE COMMENT

Local Doings

PREPARING FOR H.B. MEETING

Team Additions

(By THE BARB)

With the departure of the Hastings-trained horses for Trentham there was not a great deal of fast work on the Hastings tracks yesterday morning. However, with the Hawke's Bay Cup meeting at the end of the month, many now here are being given stronger work.

Practically all the fast work was done on the plough, which is in capital condition, but a heavy fog which hung over the racecourse for some time delayed training operations with the result that it was after 6 a.m. before horses could be timed.

Curry (G. Stowe) and Vin D'Honneur (B. Stowe) strode along three furlongs and finished strongly abreast but could not be clocked. The former is a Bulandshar-Caen filly. The latter is taking some time to train down to the right condition and is inclined to be of the masculine type so that she will require time and racing before any reliable indication can be obtained as to her future possibilities.

On the course proper Parvita (J. Dockery) and Aristocrat (S. Dockery) hit out in rare style in an untimed three furlong sprint. If freedom of action is any criterion, both horses can give the best of the season for the future. This was the only gallop on the grass, the others being on the plough.

Walony was worked twice round and brushed home the last two furlongs each time but could not be timed on account of the fog. Tashi Lama was not galloped but did pace work on the sand. He has developed into a fine type of handicapper horse, but in his few starts has not shown the form that his breeding and action suggest. Now a four-year-old it will be surprising if he does not develop into a payable proposition in a few months, as when a young two-year-old he revealed the possession of as much speed as the brilliant Nora Gregor.

City Song (Lunn) was not given an arduous task, being content with a couple of rounds of solid work to come home the last six furlongs in 1.25. Proclamation (G. Stowe) doing it well within himself, ran four furlongs in 51, a fair effort. Now out of hacks, this plain looking Hunting gelding will have to be placed judiciously to make the most of the right side of the ledger.

Lindrum (L. Lewis) was asked to give Kalka (S. Parramore) a five lengths break over the course but was not equal to the task as the latter was doing it very easily over the last furlong and finished clear of Lindrum in a shade better than 1.43. There is an old racing adage that "Gipsy" can give them weight but not a start, which was borne out in this gallop.

Gay Rona (Lunn) and Re-compense (J. Dockery) were given useful strong pace work on the outside of the course proper. These two fillies are both types that require time, so their stake earning days will not probably be until next season.

Isis (S. Parramore) and Siyana (P. Atkins) were not timed in their short sprint. Both of these fillies are in fine order, without being worked up, but P. Hazleman will soon have them in the right condition. Maybe he is content to wait until the sting is out of the going, as they hail from a breed that prefers it that way.

Singapore was not allowed to go beyond strong pace work. He is being "nursed" but will be one of the maiden starters at the forthcoming Hastings meeting.

Endorsement, from the same stable, as the above, is now carrying all her old bloom but she may not race in the immediate future. Her tasks of late have been restricted to slow work.

Shani (S. Parramore) who certainly is in great nick, was galloped for the first time since the last Gisborne meeting but in running three furlongs yesterday morning in a tick under 40secs was never in top gear. She is one of many that has the Hastings Hack Cup in view.

Master Cykion (C. Cameron) and Katesbridge (T. Winata) were allowed to bowl along over three furlongs without undue effort in .391. The latter is another with the Hastings Hack Cup in view.

Myra Loy was not allowed to show her wares. This mare has yet to win a race but outward appearances and condition strongly suggest that it should not be long before she is out of the dunce's class. On the eve of the last Woodville meeting she went slightly amiss, just when the maiden class did not appear too tough.

Fossicker, looking big and lusty, was on the tracks for the first time for some weeks. He has completely recovered from his mishap and as he does not take a great deal of time to come to hand should be forward enough in the early jumping season to take an active part in any hack hurdle race contested.

A recent addition to W. C. Griffith's racing establishment is a four-year-old untimed gelding by Slegfried from the Gainscourt-Arbitration mare Allowance, thus a half brother to Support. He is the property of his breeder, Mr. W. Henderson, Waipukurau, and on conformation is a typical handicapper horse, and who knows, he might develop into another Tiger Gain.

Reference was made in Monday's issue of the "Daily Mail" to the promising Kincardine gelding in J. Ryan's stable. He is from a mare named Karsavina by Hunting Song from Lavenham who traces back to Amusement, the dam of Chortle, and once Mr. "Boy" Symes's gelding furnishes a little more there will be a resemblance between him and Chortle. It is to be hoped that the resemblance will carry on to galloping ability for Chortle was a first class performer.

her departure for Sydney the same month. The celebrated Pearl (by Gladius Arab from Spaewife) was on board, but three mares, Columbine by Girmaldi, Jonquil by Hyacinth, and Fortune Teller by Soothsayer, died during the voyage. This course, disposes of the theory that Spaewife was identical with Fortune Teller, but is fairly conclusive that she was the unnamed Soothsayer mare, consequently that Sarsk is without a pedigree. That she was thoroughbred is without doubt, apart from the confirmation given by the names of the many good performers of her offspring, and the family is accepted as thoroughbred in the New Zealand Stud Book.

MANY STAUNCH PERFORMERS. From this tap root descended such racehorses as Antares, Artillery, The Barb, Barbarian, Derby, Fulmar, Hilda, Mahutonga, Ropa, Stratton, N. Silver, Star, Stranger, Gasbag, Gold Mag, Trench Law, Dunstan and so many more.

Antares won the Auckland Cup and his brother Fulmen the New Zealand Cup, while Lady Lucy (Scaton Delaval-Hilda by Musket Ouida) also won the Dominion's premier handicap, Artillery won the Canterbury Cup and other good races.

The Barb was one of the greatest racehorses that ever raced in Australia and old-timers place him on the same pedestal as Carbine and Phar Lap. He won everything there was to be won in Australia, including the V.R.C. Derby, the Champion Stakes, Melbourne Cup, A.J.C. Derby, Metropolitan, two Sydney Cups, the second time under the crushing weight of 10.8, and I believe he holds the record weight ever allotted in the Melbourne Cup, 11.5. His sister Barrette, also won the Sydney Cup among many other races.

Mahutonga won the Auckland Cup, Star, Stranger the A.J.C. Metropolitan, Auckland and Wellington Cups, Ropa the Wellington Cup, Trench Law the Taranaki Cup, Cheddar the C.J.C. Great Autumn, Hilda the Easter Stakes, and more the V.R.C. Derby, St. Leger and Champion Stakes, Sweet Nell the V.R.C. Oaks, Caulfield Cup and Guineas, etc. etc.

All the above mentioned descended through Cutty Sark's daughter Deception, by Theorem, and another daughter, Bonnie Lass, by Bachelor, is credited with being the ancestress of Archer (who won the first two Melbourne Cups) and his half-brothers, William Tell and Mariner.

Thus it will be seen that this family has no equal in either the New Zealand or Australian Stud Books and producing high class performers, especially over long distances.

GIPSY'S DESCENDANTS. Gipsy was a black mare bred by a Mr. C. Smith (New South Wales) by Rous' Emigrant. Her dam's pedigree has never been ascertained but the second volume of the Australian Stud Book, published in 1846, mentions an old stud groom of Mr. Smith's, that her dam was by Bay Camerton from a Steeltrap mare.

Best known of the New Zealand winners from members of this root are Aronel (by Fremont), Calumny (by Traducer), Cour de Lion (by Warrior), the Hawke's Bay Cour de Lion (by Dreadnought), Defamation (by Traducer), Forester (by Puriri), Gipsy King, Namoa (by Nordenfeldt), St. Crispin (by St. Leger) and others.

This family's doings are restricted almost entirely to New Zealand, where Gipsy came in 1846 and no less than five descendants won the New Zealand Derby. Azucena, Envy (a daughter of Azucena's) Defamation and Calumny accounted for four of the derbies mentioned, and Mantion the fifth, but in the same year he accounted for the New Zealand Cup, Canterbury Cup, Wanganui Derby and Hawke's Bay Guineas. Namoa won the C.J.C. Wellington Stakes, Revolve the Wanganui Derby and Forester the Hawke's Bay Guineas.

Calumny went to Australia, where she won many races over all distances including the V.R.C. Newmarket Handicap, recognised as the most difficult open sprint race to win in Australia or New Zealand.

Josephine, Moth, Princess, Sapho, Sharkie, Slander, The Steeltrap mare Woodstock and Yaterina families will have to be left over to another time.

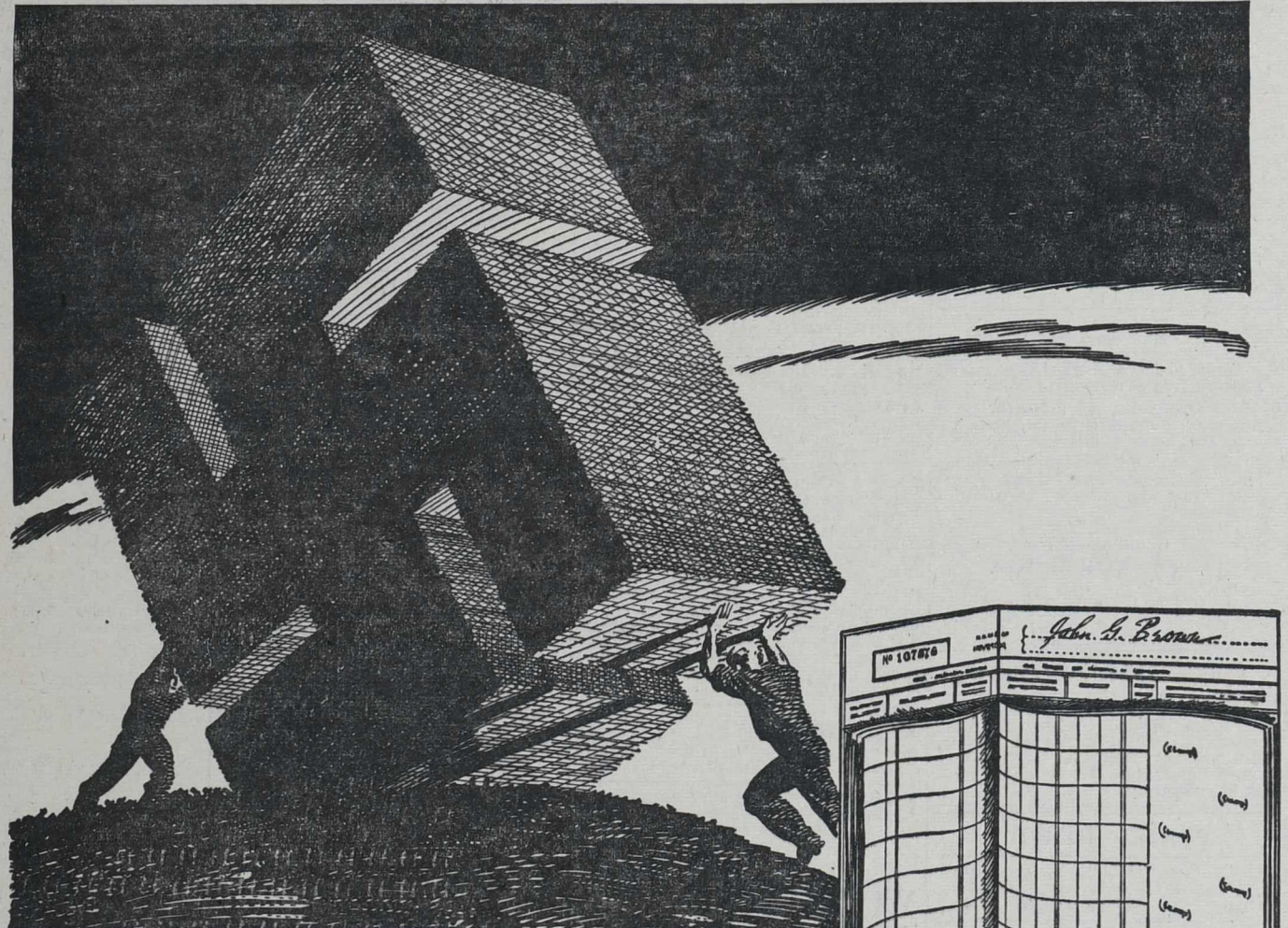
RACING FIXTURES

Table with columns for date, location, race name, and participants. Includes entries for Wellington R.C., Ohinemuri J.C., Manawatu R.C., Bay of Plenty R.C., Oamaru J.C., Hawke's Bay J.C., Birchwood Hunt, Wanganui J.C., Whangarei R.C., Otatau R.C., Westport J.C., Tasepeka County J.C., Auckland R.C., Felling J.C., Wairarapa R.C., Riverton R.C., Waikuku J.C., Kumara R.C., Beaumont R.C., Canterbury J.C., Avondale J.C., Greymouth J.C., Reefton J.C., Waverley R.C.

Authoress (L. Lewis) was galloped once round by herself and after running the first short half mile in 47 (equivalent to about 51) she completed the journey in effortless style in 1.42. She is engaged next week at Awapuni, in a hack company, but after her second at Woodville recently in open class, will be near the top of the handicap.

There are two of Foxbridge's progeny in work on the Hastings tracks—Katesbridge and the yearling by this horse from Merry Ways, whom Mr. Howard Glazebrook paid a substantial sum for privately at the last National Savings Meeting. The latter has many admirers on the Hastings tracks, but the other morning one trainer said he did not like this colt because he carried his weight on one side. Strange to say Katesbridge does the same thing so it is possible that this is a characteristic of the Foxlaw horse himself.

Perhaps no doubt some of the "Daily Mail" readers, who are more fully acquainted with racing and horseflesh, will smile at a trainer not liking a horse that carries its tail to one side, but it is supposed to be a sign of weakness. There are dozens of other characteristics with horses that racing folk do not like that could be quoted, but personally I have seen so many exceptions to the many "don't likes" that I am inclined to place them among the old women's yarns.



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