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The Daily Mail

Army In Egypt Takes Up New Positions In Natural Strongholds

(By Radio) LONDON, 1 a.m.

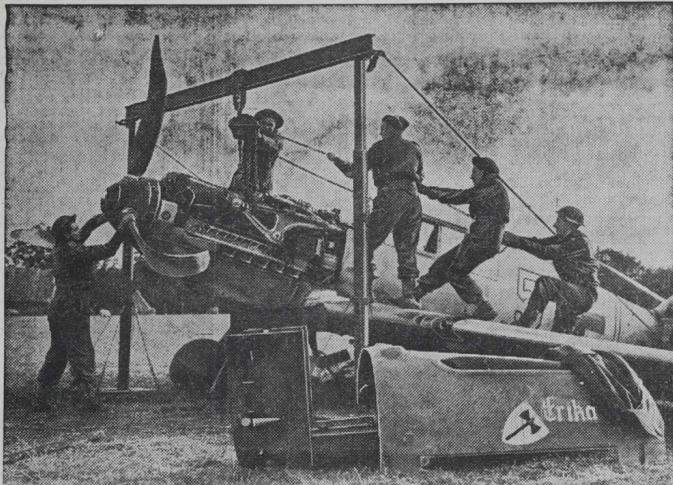
The British forces in Egypt are withdrawing to new prepared positions which are described as "natural strongholds." It is stated that they do not lend themselves to mechanised warfare. It is this withdrawal which made possible the recent German advance.

In the vigorous counter-attack by the British at Tobruk between 200 and 300 German prisoners were captured. In German air raids on the same town 12 planes have been brought down.

The ill-feeling existing between Germans and Italians was shown to-day when German prisoners who had been lodged with Italians requested that they be detained elsewhere.

Following a meeting of the Chamber of Deputies at Cairo at which a complete account of the operations was submitted by Britain, an official statement was issued that the present position does not give ground for concern.

[The above news was received direct on a "Columbus" calibrated short-wave radio.]



HELPING THE SPITFIRE FUND.—A Messerschmitt which was shot down over the south coast of England has substantially benefited the Spitfire Fund since it was put on show.

TACTICS BASED ON SPEED NAZI DRIVE FROM TRIPOLI MOBILE COLUMNS Situation At Tobruk Restored

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The latest British official communique from the Middle East puts the German and Italian claims in their right perspective. In the vicinity of Sollum, a few miles inside the Egyptian border, it says, our troops are in contact with advanced enemy forces and have inflicted severe losses. The situation at Tobruk, farther west, has been completely restored following the repulse of a combined tank and infantry attack by German and Italian forces.

At one point in the Tobruk area, an enemy tank crossed our front line, but a counter-attack was immediately launched, inflicting severe losses in men and tanks on the enemy.

Axis Claims The Berlin High Command claims the capture of Sollum, a few miles inside the Egyptian border, and Fort Capuzzo, a few miles inside the Libyan border and some 60 miles south-east of Bardia.

An Italian communique states that the garrison at Tobruk is still resisting but that the port is besieged by Italian troops and is being continually hammered by the Italian Air Force. The mopping-up of prisoners continues, and the booty is enormous, the Italian communique adds.

Although there was fighting around Sollum and Tobruk to-day, British military circles in Cairo this afternoon declared that there had been little change in the situation since yesterday.

The British Commander-in-Chief (General Wavell) called on the Egyptian Prime Minister (Sirry Pasha) this morning, after which a full Cabinet meeting was held.

Mobile Tactics Meanwhile, the Germans are pouring out a description of the operations in North Africa, most of which, if not wholly true, emphasises the intensity, mobility, and skillfulness of the tactics which carried the Germans from faraway Tripoli to the Egyptian frontier.

The Berlin wireless says, "When the Italian tanks moved south-west of Derna, was taken, German tanks raced northward and reached Derna simultaneously with a column advancing from the west."

German dive-bombers attacked motorised vehicles climbing the winding road to the mountain plateau, and many of these crashed down the mountainside. German columns driving eastward from Mekkil closed in on the Derna road, cutting off a British column of tanks and armoured cars which was attempting to break through, but the majority surrendered.

Britain's "Last Base"? "We hereabouts captured the whole British command," the Berlin Radio added.

The correspondent of "The Times" on the Italian frontier says that Axis circles interpret a special German communique announcing that "with the fall of Bardia the British have lost their last base on the eastern border of Cyrenaica" as implying that the British defences in North Africa have broken down, permitting the continuation of a lightning Axis push across Egypt with the object of seizing the Suez Canal before the first United States ships arrive.

MOLOTOV INVITED TO JAPAN

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The Berlin Radio states that the Japanese Foreign Minister (Mr Matsuoka) has invited the Soviet Prime Minister (M. Molotov) to visit Japan.

Denmark Acted Under Duress AMERICA'S STAND Danish Envoy Regarded As Minister GREENLAND DEAL

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The United States has refused to recognise the action of the Government of German occupied Denmark in recalling its Minister in Washington and has notified the envoy that he would continue to be considered the duly authorised Danish Minister. The Secretary of State (Mr Cordell Hull) in a note to the Danish Minister said: "The Government considers that the Government in Denmark is acting under duress."

The decision follows the cancellation by Denmark of the agreement under which the United States was to take over protective custody of the Danish colony of Greenland in return for the right to establish air bases there.

Air Activity Not Great DAYLIGHT RAID Small Operations At Night SEVERAL KILLED

By Telegraph—Press Association (Received April 16, 0.45 a.m.) LONDON, April 15.

The Air Ministry states that there was little enemy activity over the country last night. Bombs were dropped on the north-east coast and the south of England. The damage was not serious but there were a number of casualties, including some killed at one place on the south coast.

The R.A.F. attacked Brest. There was rather more daylight raid activity over Britain than of late.

Enemy aircraft, flying singly, dropped bombs on several widely-separated places in various parts of the country. There were very few casualties, and though damage was done at some points, it was nowhere very great.

Machine-gun attacks were also made at some points, but they were entirely ineffective. An enemy bomber was destroyed in North Wales last night.

An Air Ministry communique says: "Enemy activity over the country was again slight on Sunday night. A small number of bombs were dropped on a couple of coastal towns, but were generally ineffective. In one town in the north-west of England there was some damage, and some people were killed."



POSTMEN UNDAUNTED.—Although part of the post office building has been demolished by a bomb, these men somewhere in London are completing the sorting of the mail.

WAR IS NEARING AUSTRALIA CALL FOR NATIONAL DEFENCE STATES WARNED

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The acting-Prime Minister (Mr A. W. Fadden) warned Premiers at the Loan Council to-day that from now on every Australian would have to give all he had in order to provide the maximum amount for national security.

The Government, he added, had not even contemplated compulsory lending along the lines of the British plan.

He re-emphasised that the war was coming nearer. Australian shores almost every day.

HOME GUARD DEBRETTS

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The "Daily Mail," under the heading "Home Guard Debrett," says that only 19 men without titles or previous army rank are among the Home Guard officers just appointed.

Peers, baronets, knights, and brigadier-generals are included. Among the remainder is the Hon. Michael Bowles-Lyon, elder brother of the Queen.

THIRD PROTEST TO AMERICA

Seizure Of Italian Ships In Harbour

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Italy has delivered a new Note to the United States in connection with the seizure of 28 Italian ships. The Note was the third that has been presented to the State Department by Italy since the ships were taken into protective custody a fortnight ago.

Yugoslavs Plan Defence Line In Serb Highlands

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The great bulk of the Yugoslav army is apparently intact and has retired to the mountains, where there is easy access and where it can maintain defence, and whence it will constitute a permanent threat to the invader's flanks.

The situation in north Yugoslavia is obscure but it seems probable that the Yugoslavs retired from the wide plains of Croatia, Slovenia and Banat and are moving southward to the highland regions of Bosnia and Herzegovina and approaching Serbia, where a strong defence can readily be maintained.

The situation in south Yugoslavia has materially improved in the last 48 hours, Yugoslav detachments repeatedly attacking from elevated positions, dislocating enemy communications, and inflicting many casualties. The Germans are unable to use their mechanised and armoured units in this region, where the Serbian infantry is definitely superior to the Germans.

The Yugoslavs assumed the counter-offensive with great spirit at one point on both banks of the river Morava and forced the Germans to retreat.

The main Yugoslav force is believed to be concentrating for an effective push southward with the object of joining up with the British and Greek armies.

Reports were persistent again to-day that the Yugoslavs had occupied Durazzo, in Albania. The Greeks wiped out one of two Italian patrols on the Albanian front and the second patrol left dead and wounded on the battlefield.

A communique from Sofia says that British and Yugoslav planes on Sunday night attacked non-military objectives in Sofia (Bulgaria). There were some casualties.

A Rome message says that the Stefani Agency's Bucharest correspondent states that the Rumanian flag has been hoisted in several districts of Yugoslav Banat inhabited by a Rumanian minority.

The agency adds that a delegation from the area arrived in Temesvar, in Rumanian Banat, last night seeking "the intervention of Rumanian troops."

Death Preferred To Capitulation

STAINCH YUGOSLAVS Appeal to America For 'Planes FIGHT WILL GO ON

British Official Wireless (Received April 15, 7.45 p.m.) RUGBY, April 14.

The high spirit of the troops and of the Yugoslav people in the face of the violent German offensive was emphasised in the course of a message to "The Times," in which the Premier (General Dussan Simovitch) declares: "Our people do not entertain the idea of surrender and prefer honourable death to shame and capitulation. The spirit of our people is excellent and they are resolved to fight bravely."

"I am deeply grateful for Mr Winston Churchill's promise of help. I know that the workers of Britain are working 24 hours a day in shifts to fulfil existing commitments in other fields and that supplies are limited. I appeal to Great Britain. I also address myself to the United States, that great land of democracy which we have long respected and admired."

"I appeal to our American friends to send us help at once. We have wonderful pilots but we need machines. Mark my words: The Germans may rape this province or that but we shall remain united. We shall fight to the end alongside our allies for our freedom, for that of the Southern Slav, for Balkan unity and for a Europe of free peoples."

GERMAN THRUST INTO GREECE

FIFTY MILES SOUTH OF MONASTIR PASSES MENACED

Greeks Leave Southern Albania

(By Radio) LONDON, 1 a.m.

The latest advice from the Balkans states that the Germans have made a thrust into northern Greece and are now 50 miles south of Monastir.

The Greek army is leaving the northern Albanian front, in the south-east corner of the country, as the passes to the rear are liable to fall into German hands. When the Germans saw the Greek intention they tried to prevent the withdrawal but were unsuccessful.

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HUNGARY ANSWERS BACK

Russian Reprimand

DUTY TO HELP MINORITY

Attack On Yugoslavs

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The Hungarian Radio, replying to Russia's reprimand for entering Yugoslavia, points out that when independent Croatia was proclaimed on April 11 Yugoslavia ceased to exist. It was therefore the Hungarian Government's duty to protect the Hungarian minority and restore to Hungary the territory torn from her after the last war.

HUGE WAR BILL IN CANADA

Industrial Expansion NATIONAL INCOME MOUNTS

Big Savings Scheme

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Canada's daily war expenditure is now about three times as great as it was in the heaviest year of the last war and is expected to exceed 4,000,000 dollars before March of next year.

Her war appropriation of some £290,000,000 has, of course, created unprecedented industrial expansion, which is reflected in the employment of 330,000 men since the beginning of the war and the national income for 1940 shows a gain of 375,000,000 dollars over the previous year.

The sales of war savings certificates during the first year exceeded by 20,000,000 dollars the initial objective of 50,000,000 dollars.

WAGE INCREASES GRANTED

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The biggest steel producers, the United States Steel Corporation and the Bethlehem Steel Company, have both announced wage increases of ten cents an hour affecting 330,000 workers.

WHOLE OF BULGARIA WAS OFFERED TO YUGOSLAVS

Bribe From Axis Was Rejected; Preferred Independence Of Balkans

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"Germany offered us not only Salonika but the whole of Bulgaria in return for joining the Axis but, according to the tradition of our ancestors, we preferred attack rather than take part in the burial of Balkan independence," says an official Yugoslav Government declaration issued from temporary headquarters at Sarajevo.

The declaration added: "We did not want war and nobody in Yugoslavia has any illusions about the eventual outcome of the war with Germany. Our purpose is by resistance to lighten the position of our Greek and British allies. The Yugoslav army is not seriously dented and will again astonish the world, as it did in the last war."

GREEK BAYONETS ROUT GERMANS

Successes In Macedonia: Italian Troops Enter Koritza

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A Greek Press Ministry statement says that first-hand accounts of the fighting in east Macedonia show that Greek infantry time and again checked the Germans. The Greeks charging with fixed bayonets had an effect just as conclusive as on the Italians in Albania.

The Stefani agency, referring to the Italian recapture of Koritza, in eastern Albania, says that fast columns of troops, headed by Bersaglieri on motor-cycles and motor-cars, entered the city on Monday and continued the pursuit of the enemy, who left numerous prisoners and arms, including several batteries and cannon.

The populace greeted the Fascist army with flags and flowers, says the report.

The Berlin Radio says that dive-bombers devastatingly attacked enemy shipping at Piraeus harbour, sinking transports totalling 8,000 tons.

In Northern Greece, the Allied forces have withdrawn to new positions. Severe casualties were inflicted on the Germans by the forces covering the withdrawal. The withdrawal itself was carried out in orderly fashion, said an earlier cable.

Operations are proceeding under conditions of intense cold and snow. The Germans have maintained the pressure on the eastern sector, and it was here that they suffered heavy casualties. On the right of our line there has been marked activity, and in the centre persistent attacks have failed.

The Athens Radio comments that the Germans are concentrating their forces and supplies in the Monastir area, where they are being mercilessly bombed by Greek and Royal Air Force bombers. Most of our pilots report direct hits on their targets.

A Strong Front The Greek Press Ministry states that the failure of the German attack to break through, together with the effective reinforcements arriving in Greece, confirms the opinion that a very strong front has been formed by the Allies. Our forces are in natural strongholds which do not lend themselves to attack in lightning warfare.

Imperial infantry on Friday repulsed an attack by the crack Adolf Hitler Division in Northern Greece, inflicting heavy losses. This German division is composed of young "Wehrmacht" giants. The men have to undergo strict racial and medical tests before being admitted to its ranks.

Further Arrivals The people of Athens have been encouraged by the arrival of further contingents of British Imperial forces.

The Germans continue to test the strength of our lines, and many patrols have been repulsed with heavy losses.

An R.A.F. Middle East communique says: "In the Balkans, a large number of sorties were made by our bomber aircraft yesterday against enemy columns moving on roads in the theatre of operations in Greece. Direct hits were obtained on these columns by most of our aircraft."

Bombers Intercepted "A number of enemy bombers, escorted by fighters, were intercepted by our fighters in the Koritza area, South-East Albania. One G 50 was destroyed, and a number of others were damaged. A Messerschmitt 110 was shot down west of Mount Olympus by one of our fighters."

Survivors From Two Ships

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The Spanish steamer Cabo Vilano has arrived with an undisclosed number of survivors from the Clan Ogilvy and another British ship that were torpedoed and sunk off Cape Verde Island on March 20.

They Have Not Died Colonel W. Donovan, who recently made a tour of several of the invaded peace countries, also took part and in the course of his speech said: "I express the overwhelming sentiment of this nation when I say to the representatives of the invaded lands: 'They shall indeed live again for they have not died.' Tyranny may rise as they ever and again have done but they cannot conquer the unquenchable flame of hope in the human heart. This is your strength and our American strength. The dictator who has temporarily invaded your countries knows this as well as we do, for he opposes it with the only two weapons he can command. One of these is force—but forces alone cannot last. His other weapon is the propaganda device of disunity—but this is potent only as long as a confused world is not aware of it."

Opposition Waning At Glasgow

Government's Scheme For Docks

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The Glasgow dockers' opposition to the Government's dock labour scheme slumped yesterday when more than 1000 accepted. From today only men accepting will be employed.



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Cosy. GAY MUSICAL AND ADVENTURE-DRAMA. Night must fall—fortunately for film producers and film audiences, too. Anyway, the nocturnal atmosphere of "They Drive By Night," now at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings, heightens the thrilling intensity of the story to such an extent that one is likely to go home convinced that there is more of the romantic, adventurous and even dangerous, perhaps, in a glistening road, a pair of powerful headlights stabbing the darkness, than a mere prosaic outlook would indicate.

State. "MARYLAND" IS FINE ENTERTAINMENT. Darryl F. Zanuck again has captured a great tradition with his Technicolor production of "Maryland," now showing at the State Theatre, Napier.

Regent. "TIN PAN ALLEY" A GREAT MUSICAL. A spectacular musical, "Tin Pan Alley," which stars Alice Faye and Betty Grable, is the Easter attraction at the State Theatre, Hastings.

"CAVALCADE" AT HASTINGS. R.S.A. Production On Anzac Night. The Hastings branch of the Returned Soldiers' Association, encouraged by the outstanding success of the two previous productions, is presenting "Cavalcade, 1941," on Anzac night this year.

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Mayfair. NEW MUSICAL, "GOLD-DIGGERS IN PARIS". The plot of "The Goldiggers in Paris," now showing at the Mayfair Theatre, revolves about the adventures of a troupe of dancers (the Busby Berkeley Girls), and of the owner of the night club (Rudy Vallee) where they are working.

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Inconvenience In Japan. NO HARDSHIP YET. The whaling industry that once filled the port of Hobart with ships has been allowed by Australia to languish and die, writes Clive Turnbull, special representative of the Australian Associated Press, now stationed at Singapore.

American 'Planes Awaited. CHINESE STRATEGY. Major Offensive Planned. FORCES ORGANISED. "China is waiting for American 'planes before launching a major counter-offensive against the Japanese," declared the Chinese Generalissimo, General Chiang Kai-shek, in an interview with the Chungking correspondent of the "New York Times."

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**Wedding In Napier**  
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**'MAID IN PETUNIA'**

St. Patrick's Church, Napier, was beautifully decorated with bowls of multicoloured dahlias, asters and gerberas on Saturday, when Audrey Ethel, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs C. A. Beach, Breakwater Road, Napier, was married to Joseph Edward, son of Mr Maurice Haley, Napier. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Peoples, S.M., and during the service Madame Margaret Mercer sang "Ave Maria."

The bride, who was given away by her father, was smartly attired in a fashionable frock of deep duck-egg blue American crepe cut on the cross and made with a swathed effect from shoulder to hem. She wore a wide brimmed black felt hat ornamented with a black felt flower and black accessories. Her shoulder spray was of natural flowers and she carried a bouquet of clover shaded miniature dahlias, fuchsias, chrysanthemum, begonia and lilies.

The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Marie Beach, who wore a pretty frock of petunia silk marlette made with folded tucks on the hips and a row of buttons down the back of the bodice. She wore a smart black felt hat and carried a clover shaded bouquet.

Mr Maurice Haley was the best man. Mr and Mrs Beach, assisted by Mrs Brickland, aunt of the bridegroom, entertained a number of relatives and friends at their home in honour of the newly married couple. A large marquee had been erected on the lawn and looked gay with bowls of dahlias, asters and gerberas in shades of pink and clover to tone with the bridal party.

Mrs Beach was wearing a smart frock of black and white French marocain under a black tailored coat, black hat and shoulder spray of autumn shaded flowers. Mrs Brickland had chosen a fashionable ensemble of burgundy silk marocain, wine hat and shoulder spray of natural flowers.

When leaving for a honeymoon tour of the south the bride was wearing a smart frock of clover and grey diagonal checked wool georgette, short grey jacket, black felt hat and black accessories.

When aluminum utensils lose their lustre, pour a little vinegar in the saucenpan to be cleaned, then heat and scour the surface. This gives a beautiful finish.

If your varnished furniture has become finger-marked, the marks may be removed if rubbed with a soft cloth which has been moistened with sweet oil.

**GUILD OF FELLOWSHIP IN HASTINGS**  
**Members Enjoy Their Meeting Yesterday**

Despite the inclement weather many members of St. Matthew's Guild of Fellowship gathered in the G.F.S. Room, Hastings, yesterday afternoon. The surroundings were comfortable and cosy and the afternoon, which opened with the Guild prayer and the N.Z. Anthem, was a most pleasant one.

The president, Mrs W. Barton Hobbs, was in the chair and with her was the secretary, Mrs W. A. Bryant.

During the week, Mrs Upchurch, one of the oldest members in the Guild, celebrated her eighty-fourth birthday and a lovely bouquet was sent to her from fellow guild members. With this was a loving message and the wish that her husband, who is at present in hospital, would recover speedily.

Members were reminded that at the Mission Day on May 6 Mrs H. M. Pelkin, Havelock North, would be the speaker.

During the afternoon, Mrs W. A. Bryant read an article describing the hats worn in England last summer and their suitability for wearing to church. From this arose a most interesting discussion as to how the need for women to have their heads covered in Church began. This led on to a splendid discussion of the suitability of clothes in general and proved to be unusual entertainment enjoyed by all members.

Afternoon tea brought the gathering to close.

**EVENING OF DANCING IN NAPIER**  
**Miss Spoule And Fiance Guests Of Honour**

The home of Mr and Mrs G. Rowe, MacDonald Street, Napier, was the scene of a very jolly party given in honour of Miss Lola Spoule, Napier, and Mr Pat Brenner, Clive.

The evening was spent in dancing and a delicious savoury supper was served. Mr Rowe proposed the toast to the future happiness of Miss Spoule and Mr Brenner, who both responded. Another toast was proposed to the health of Mrs Spoule, who is at present an inmate of the hospital.

The fun concluded with a vote of thanks to Mr and Mrs Rowe and the singing of "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows."

Those present were Misses L. Spoule, P. Spoule, M. Rowe, N. Nicholson, J. Gasson, J. Moody, A. Kerr, I. Harris, A. Harris, P. Harris, Madams K. Lowe, S. Blythe, Messrs P. Brenner, E. Rowe, G. Nicholson, W. Hogg, A. Cook, G. Newrick, J. Horton, M. A. Young, B. Gordine, S. Blythe, K. Lowe, M. D. Young, P. Beecham.

**Havelock North Wedding**  
**TUCKER—HOWLAND**  
**Two 'Maids Attend The Bride'**

The marriage took place in the evening at St. Columba's Presbyterian Church, Havelock North, of Morva Eliza Willock, daughter of the late Mr E. Howland and the late Mrs A. Jensen, Hatuma, and Reginald Nelson, second son of Mr and Mrs H. C. Tucker, Havelock road, Hastings. The Rev. R. B. Waugh officiated at the ceremony and Mrs Hill played the wedding music.

The bride, who was escorted by her uncle, Mr W. Wilson, Whakatu, wore a lovely wedding gown of heavy oyster-shaded satin fashioned in Elizabethan style with heart-shaped neckline and ruffled collar. The sleeves were long and fitting and the skirt fell into a graceful train having pearl buttons from neckline to hem at the back. Her tulle veil was arranged with a halo of lilies and orange blossom and her lovely ornaments were a knotted rope of pearls. She carried a sheaf composed of cream roses, gladioli and fern.

Attending the bride were two 'maids of honour'—Miss Betty Plank (chief) and Miss Ngaire Tucker, sister of the bridegroom. Their attractive gowns were fashioned alike of spring green sheer mounted on tafeta in the same shade. The corsage with square neckline had a front shirred panel and tiny buttons at the back and the puffed sleeves were shirred on the shoulders. The skirts were softly flared. Each 'maid wore a green tulle veil with top-knot of real flowers to match her arm shower of deep pink roses, gladioli and fern.

Mr Tom Blair, Gisborne, was best man and Mr Clive Tucker, Havelock North, brother of the groom, was the groomsmen.

A happy reception at the Havelock North Town Board Hall followed the ceremony and guests were received by the bride's aunt, Mrs W. Wilson, assisted by the bridegroom's mother. Mrs Wilson chose a rust ensemble worn with matching hat and autumn tinted corsage spray.

Mrs Tucker's smartly tailored costume was in deep blue worn with a postillion hat in the same shade and she had a deep red spray pinned to her skunk fur.

When the bride and bridegroom left for their honeymoon the bride travelled in a tailored coat and skirt in black with a white pin stripe. Her house was white and hat and accessories black and she wore a skunk stole, the bridegroom's gift.

Mr and Mrs R. N. Tucker will live in Hastings.

**Five o'Clock Gossip**

Mr and Mrs H. C. Sproule, Seapoint road, Napier, left to-day to spend a few days in Taupo.

Miss L. Robertson is a Gisborne visitor to Napier.

Mrs L. A. Quinn and her son, Maurice, Auckland, are visiting Napier and are the guests of Mr and Mrs F. H. Quinn.

Mr and Mrs J. H. Hawke, Te Haroto, are Easter visitors to Napier.

Mr and Mrs Robert Carr, Wanganui, are visiting Napier.

Miss G. Mercer, former manageress of J. Hays and Co. Ltd., Napier, has accepted a transfer to Wellington and left on Monday to take up her position.

Miss Merle Thomas, Wellington Training College, spent the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr and Mrs G. Thomas, Otane.

Mrs G. Voyce, Otane, is visiting relatives in Wellington for the holiday period.

Misses C. and M. Harding, Woodville, visited their sister, Mrs G. Thomas, Otane, for the holidays.

Mrs R. Jude, Otane, accompanied by her two children spent the Easter holiday period with Mrs Jones, Puketitiri.

Miss Nancy Dillon, Patangata, is visiting Wellington.

Mrs E. Rotherham, Dannevirke, is spending a few days in Napier.

Mrs C. M. Sargisson, Feilding, has returned to Napier with her guest, Mrs Beck, and will stay there for Mrs Beck, and will stay here for Mrs Beck.

Miss Joan Boland, Seapoint road, Napier, is spending a holiday in Waimate, South Canterbury.

Miss Mary Wilson, Auckland, is the guest of Miss Margaret Robinson, Hatuma.

Mr and Mrs J. S. Williams, Foxton, are the guests of Mrs E. G. Price, Waipukurau.

Miss Jean Forsyth, Wellington, spent the Easter holidays in Hastings with Mrs T. W. Lewis.

Mr and Mrs T. Fox, Waipukurau, were visitors to Stratford for the wedding of their only son, Dexter, to Miss Myra Turnbull, which took place on Saturday, Mr and Mrs Dexter Fox's future home will be in Waipukurau.

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The engagement is announced of Dorothy Alice, second daughter of Mr and Mrs W. L. Reid, Enfield Road, Napier, and John Thomas, second son of Mr and Mrs A. W. Stewart, Raupunga.

The engagement is announced of Joyce Isabelle, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Alfred Wright, 14 Harvey Road, Napier, to H. C. Leslie Stantford, second son of Mr and Mrs E. Boardman, 36 McGrath Street, Napier.

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The annual meeting of the Sherenden branch of the Women's Division of the Farmers' Union was held at Mrs L. Nelson's home with a large attendance of members.

The secretary's report showed that an excellent year's work had been achieved, the following being the branch's activities for the year: Knitting sox, jumpers, scarves and mittens for the Red Cross Society; balm for the Levin Aviation Training School, supper hamper to the A.N.A. Club in Wellington and shortbread for men on the minesweepers, eggs for hospitals in England, a generous donation to the division's Spitfire fund, honey to nominated friends in England, babies' singlets to St. Mary's Home, donations to Community Chest and Rest Home. In addition, soldiers from the district were given a gift parcel and those overseas were sent a Christmas parcel. The children of the district were entertained at an afternoon party.

The president thanked all members for their co-operation and excellent work and said the branch had upheld the splendid record of service the division had carried throughout New Zealand.

The balance-sheet showed a successful year's working.

Before the election of officers for the ensuing year took place Mrs Nelson, with a few gracious words, presented exquisite shoulder sprays to Mrs Mason and Mrs Hildreth, president and secretary, as a token of appreciation from members for their unfailing interest and good work during the past year.

The election of officers was as follows: President, Mrs G. Mason; vice-presidents, Mrs W. Lowe and Mrs H. Martin; treasurer, Mrs H. Beamish; secretary, Mrs Hildreth; committee, Mesdames Attwood, Boyd, E. Beamish, Chapman, Nelson, and Mrs R. Reid.

Miss Rachael Beamish then charmingly entertained members with three songs, Mrs Treseder playing her accompaniments.

Afternoon tea was served by Mesdames Hunter, Lamont and E. Beamish. Mrs Mason thanked Miss Beamish for her songs and Mrs Nelson for her hospitality.

**WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEETING**  
**Members Gather At Kotemaori**

The April meeting of the Kotemaori Women's Institute was presided over by Mrs Halliburton. The motto for April was "The man who says it can't be done is liable to be interrupted by someone else doing it."

Mrs Bee was elected the delegate to attend the annual council meeting to be held in Napier this month.

The roll call "Bringing an old family treasure and describe it" proved to be very interesting, a snuff box being among the treasures brought.

The competitions attracted many entries, the results being as follows: Best hat, Mrs Burton and Miss Gavin 1 equal, Mrs Halliburton, Mrs Wray, Mrs Murphy, 2 equal; best vegetable, Mrs Bee 1, Mrs Burton 2, Mrs Wray, Mrs Murphy 3 equal; best print apron, Mrs Burton and Mrs Murphy 1, Miss Gavin 2.

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### Championship To A. Kawhe

FINALS PLAYED OFF

Easter Golf Tourney At Waiohiki

RAIN HINDERS PLAY

With his defeat of J. Longstaff 2 up, J. Kawhe was successful in annexing the Hawke's Bay Easter Golf Championship on the Waiohiki links, played throughout in rainy weather. The four-ball bogey round in the afternoon was won by C. Atkinson and J. White, the morning round going to H. D. Cooper.

Results:—  
Hawke's Bay Easter Championship  
Semi-finals: A. Kawhe beat W. A. Wilson; H. J. Longstaff beat J. W. Mapu.  
Final: A. Kawhe beat J. Longstaff 2 up.

Tareha Handicap  
Semi-finals: A. Hunt beat H. Willis; H. B. Cooper beat A. E. Lawry.  
Final: A. Hunt beat H. B. Cooper.

Otatara Handicap  
Semi-finals: C. Louison beat A. Champion; J. R. Falls beat M. R. Grant.  
Final: J. R. Falls beat C. Louison, four and two.

Napier Plate  
Semi-finals: M. W. Smith beat A. A. Sinclair; R. de R. Worker beat H. Brown.  
Final: N. M. Smith beat R. de R. Worker.

First Flight  
Semi-finals: W. B. Hobbs beat G. M. Swainson; R. J. Pattison beat J. Durie.  
Final: W. B. Hobbs beat R. J. Pattison.

Second Flight  
Semi-finals: H. J. Smith beat J. G. Hughes; S. K. Siddells beat H. D. Cooper.  
Final: S. K. Siddells beat H. G. Smith.

### Challenge Cups Presented

TENNIS AT OTANE

Yankee Tourney Ends Season

EASTER WINNERS

OTANE.  
There was a good attendance of members and friends of the Otane Tennis Club at the final afternoon for this season, which was held during Easter.

The winner of the men's handicap was E. White, who defeated W. Turner 60-56. In the women's semi-final for the handicap trophy, Miss Allhusen beat Miss Robottom by default, and Miss A. Page beat Miss D. Craig 60-49. Miss A. Page defeated Miss Allhusen in the final, 60-48.

The winners of the Yankee tournament were M. August and Miss D. Craig.

During the afternoon the president (Mr J. Tod) presented the silver challenge cups to the following winners:

Men's championship: R. D. Sharpe.  
Women's championship: Mrs M. August.

Men's handicap: E. White.  
Women's handicap: Miss A. Page.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the honorary secretary (Mr W. Turner) for his good work for the club during the season.

The Admiralty announces that his Majesty's trawler Fortuna is overdue and must be considered lost.

India is taking measures to meet all forms of air attack, including fire-blight raids. An A.R.P. handbook has just been issued, and the Government has assumed wide powers.

### COLQUHOUN BUTTONS GAMES

Bowling Matches At Otane

Daily Mail Special Service.

OTANE.  
Further games in the series for the Colquhoun Buttons were played by members of the Otane Bowling Club during the Easter vacation.

Scott and Barrie, the holders, were defeated by Burne and Britten, 19-16, and they in turn were defeated by Quigley and Barrie 19-8, who successfully survived a challenge by R. Britten and August 16-8. Arnott (Voyce substituted) and Wedd were also defeated by Quigley and Barrie 14-10.

Three teams from the Here-taunga Club visited Otane during the holidays, and the results of games were as follows, Heretaunga names first:

Tucker, Bannister, Sawyer, Sharkey 25; R. Britten, Burgess, Voyce, H. Bainbridge 14. Timms, Torr, Rowland, Drury 20; Quigley, Heighway, Thomas, Barrie 15. Bryant, Cook, Osborne, Webber 14; Arnott, Loten, Burne, August 23.

THE HAVELOCK NORTH GOLF CLUB

Mixed Canadian Foursome

The Havelock North Golf Club opened its season in beautiful weather. A mixed Canadian foursome was played by a number of members and visitors. The best gross handicap and net scores were:

Mrs Carrell and C. Carrell, 80, 151-61; Mrs Davies and H. G. Davies, 75, 101-64; Mrs Glenn and J. Glenn, 91, 241-66; Miss Macalister and A. F. Redgrave, 85, 181-66; Miss Dudding and G. Estauigh, 86, 17-69; Miss Hanrahan and F. J. Cleary, 92, 221-69; Miss Ridgley and R. P. Hanrahan, 86, 163-69; Miss McVay and E. Bridge, 90, 201-69; Mrs Edgecombe and B. Smart, 86, 16-70; Mrs Crawford and J. Hanigan, 96, 25-71.

### Form Reversals At Wanganui

GREYHOUND RACING

Easter Monday Meeting Results

DETAILS OF PLACINGS

Several upsets of the form seen at Dannevirke on Saturday were evident at the Wanganui Greyhound Racing Club's meeting on Easter Monday.

Mr H. E. Connop's Master Parell improved to win the Novice Stakes in a convincing manner. Mrs J. Kay's Loch Lomond, who ran disappointingly at Dannevirke in the New Zealand Championship Hurdles, won the Wanganui Hurdles in the fast time of 27.2-sec. He also ran second to P. Swanson's Royal Artillery in the Tramway Stake.

Miss A. Perry's White Tracer put up a wonderful performance in annexing the Easter Handicap and the Ladies' Plate. Mr G. Wall's Royal Desire ran up in both of these events. This dog won the New Zealand Flat Championship at Dannevirke and it is doubtful if there are two faster greyhounds in New Zealand to-day than White Tracer and Royal Desire.

It is not generally known that Royal Desire and Loch Lomond are litter brothers.

Results in Detail:  
Maiden Stakes.—First heat: Lowenberg 1, Royal Mac 2, Aussie Ra 3; time, 24.1-5. Second heat: Gollikel 1, Cappy Boston 2, Black Majesty 3; 24.2-5. Final: C. E. James's (Wanganui) Lowenberg 1, S. Tasker's (Wanganui) Royal Mac 2, Mrs R. Higgs's (Wanganui) Gollikel 3; 24.4-5.

Wanganui Hurdles: Mrs J. Kay's (Hastings) Loch Lomond 1, F. Hosking's (Wanganui) Wong Tai 2; time, 27.2-5.

Easter Stakes.—First heat: White Tracer 1, Southern Voyage 2, All Cash 3; time, 23.4-5. Second heat: Royal Desire 1, Runaway Boy 2, Young Boston 3; 24.4-5. Final: Miss A. Perry's (Taradale) White Tracer 1, G. Wall's Royal Desire 2, C. Bowden's (Wanganui) Southern Voyage 3; 24.1-5.

Tramway Stakes.—First heat: Royal Artillery 1, Loch Lomond 2, Old Faithful 3; time, 24-sec. Second heat: Hats Off 1, Wong Tai 2, Darky Joe 3; 24. Final: S. Swanson's (Napier) Royal Artillery 1, Mrs J. Kay's Loch Lomond (Hastings) 2, T. B. Noonan's Hats Off 3; 24.1-5.

Novice Stake.—First heat: The Judge 1, Top Hat 2, Foreign Lad 3; time, 24.4-5. Second heat: Master Parell 1, Royal Mac 2, Gollikel 3; 24.4-5. Third heat: Lowenberg 1, Billy the Kid 2, Miss Synip 3; 25-sec. Final: H. E. Connop's (Hastings) Master Parell 1, R. Croft's (Hastings) The Judge 2, S. Tasker's (Wanganui) Royal Mac 3; time, 24.1.

Ladies' Plate.—First heat: White Tracer 1, Young Boston 2, Southern Voyage 3; time, 24. Second heat: Royal Desire 1, Runaway Boy 2, Royal Artillery 3. 24. Final: Miss A. Perry's (Taradale) White Tracer 1, G. Wall's Royal Desire 2, T. Chelby's Runaway Boy 3. Time, 24.2-5.

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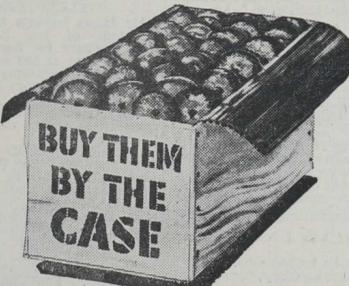
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CONCLUDING DAY

Competitions in Heavy Rain

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WAIROA.  
The second and final day of the United Districts Fire Brigade demonstration was held at Wairoa on Monday. Heavy rain set in during the latter part of the morning, but it did not prevent the events being run off.

Following are the results together with the cup winners:

Three-men Hose and Standpipe: Upper Hutt A 1, Carterton A 2, Petone A 3; time, 40-sec.

Four-men Motor Pump and Standpipe: Petone 1, Carterton 2, Waipukurau 3; time, 76.3-5-sec.

Consolation: Wairoa, Eketahuna 2, Havelock North 3; time, 27.2-5-sec.

Cups Won.  
Camel Cup and Medals: Carterton.  
Hastings Cup (four-men hose and standpipe): Petone.  
Memorial Shield (two men, hose and standpipe): Carterton.  
Dannevirke Cup (three-men straight hose and standpipe): Upper Hutt.  
Greathead Shield (three-men motor): Petone.  
Jenkins Shield (four-men motor): Hastings.  
McMillan Shield (four-men hose and standpipe): Carterton.  
Supply Co. Shield (four-men motor and pump): Petone.  
Consolation Cup: Wairoa.  
Aggregate Cup: Carterton.

Four gold medals presented by the Wairoa Brigade were won by Carterton.

Shield points were awarded as follows: Carterton 77, Petone 67, Upper Hutt 61, Hastings 37, Pahiatua 27, Lower Hutt 26, Waipukurau 21, Wairoa 81, Gisborne 5, Eketahuna 4.

## A THIRD DECORATION AWARDED

### New Zealand Airman Honoured

By Telegraph—Press Association WELLINGTON, April 15.

According to information received at Air Headquarters to-day, Acting-Wing Commander Samuel Charles Elworthy has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order.

Acting-Wing Commander Elworthy is a New Zealander. Though no record of this officer is held at Air Headquarters, he apparently entered the R.A.F. by direct entry in the United Kingdom.

He was awarded the Air Force Cross in January, and later was promoted from squadron leader to acting-wing commander. Last month he received the Distinguished Flying Cross, and now the D.S.O.

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Tarihi, Wellington, April 18.
Kiwitea, Greymouth, April 20.
COASTWISE TRADE
WAINUI: Left Wellington yesterday for this port, and will arrive here to-day.
TARIBI: Is due to leave Wellington to-morrow for this port, and will arrive here on Friday.
KIWITEA: Left Westport yesterday for New Plymouth, Napier, and Gisborne, and is not expected here until April 20.

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The Easter Labour Conference has called upon the Government to maintain the existing relationship of prices of commodities to wages paid, and it is setting its political friends a hard task. Conferences of any description usually conclude their deliberations by calling on the Government to perform very difficult feats without offering much in the way of constructive suggestion as to how the thing is to be done. The Labour Conference has proved itself no exception to the rule.

The Conference "after a thorough examination of the economic position of the Dominion" has discovered that the national income is likely to be adversely affected by (1) shortage of shipping, (2) reduction of imports, (3) loss of overseas markets, (4) loss of productive manpower. In spite of the lessened spending power which must follow the disappearance of a large portion of our normal income from the sale of agricultural products in external markets, the Government is asked to take steps to see that this imposes no hardships on anyone—and more particularly those in the lower income group.

It will be interesting to hear from Mr Nash in his next Budget speech how he proposes to do it. We are all inclined to talk rather glibly about the standard of living without realising very fully all the implications of the term. There is little that is static about it and much that is relative. To appreciate this it is only necessary to compare our mode of life to-day with the way in which we lived prior to the last war.

The latest issue of the Monthly Abstract of Statistics tells us that wages have doubled since 1914; also prices. That might convey the impression at first sight, that the masses of the people are really no better off. But those who had to balance the family budget in 1914 and are still doing it know better. Families whose breadwinners are in the same kind of jobs as they had in 1914 now enjoy many amenities which were then beyond their reach. The luxuries of to-day tend to become the necessities of to-morrow.

But in any period of our national life the standard of living must depend on the amount and the distribution of the national income. This in turn is the value of our national production expressed in terms of money. If New Zealand were self-sufficient and capable of producing within its own borders all the goods and services required to provide an acceptable standard of living, it would then be merely a matter of stepping up production to the point where the output would be sufficient to satisfy everyone's wants in reason. Unfortunately we are very far from being self-sufficient.

A large portion of our national income is obtained from overseas and has to be spent abroad to provide many of our requirements. Further, it is impossible to readjust our national economy quickly enough to produce locally all the things we have had to import. There has been a considerable expansion in industrial production and there might be more if it were possible to obtain all the necessary machinery and materials. There is a further difficulty. The operatives are not here to turn out the goods in sufficient quantity, even if the other factors presented no problems. It takes time to train skilled industrial workers; men cannot be taken from the ranks of unskilled labourers and turned into craftsmen and factory workers overnight, and the supply of youths and girls for factory work is regrettably inadequate. The March Bulletin of the Vocational Guidance Association stated that there were thousands of unfilled vacancies for youths and girls in the four main centres of population, and the position in the provincial towns may be gauged from an advertisement which appeared in the "Daily Mail" last week offering a wage of £2 for a boy of 16. The Association has published figures supplied by the Census and Statistics Department to show that the number of youths and girls between the ages of 13 and 20, available for employment will be 11,700 fewer in 1945 than it was in 1940.

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Breakfast Table
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The cashier glanced up. He took the cheque, examined it, then reached into the change drawer. "How will you have it?" he asked, "Heads or tails?"
Full of zeal, the amateur dramatic company was doing its best—but that wasn't very good. The audience got colder and colder.
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Severe weather, including a heavy fall of snow, has resulted in an outbreak of sickness among the horses concentrated at Waiouru Camp for the training of the 1st Mounted Rifles Brigade, and a start is being made to-morrow to move the affected animals to another camp.
An inspection of a site at Waikuku was made this afternoon by the officer commanding the Northern Military District (Brigadier G. Ball). Ngauruwhania is also being considered.
The sickness has occurred among animals not accustomed to such severe conditions. Several hundred have developed strangles and about 460 are to be moved in batches. In the meantime the remainder, numbering more than 100, are to be moved to Waiouru, although the question of transferring the brigade to a new training centre for the completion of its training is being considered.
Throughout their period at Waiouru the horses have had the attention of an army veterinary section, and until the development of the outbreak of strangles there had been only a small number of cases of sickness or injury. Deaths had been very few.

LABOUR CONFERENCE ELECTION
Mr James Roberts Again President
By Telegraph—Press Association
WELLINGTON, April 15.
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POSITION IN GREECE

Merciless Bombing By R.A.F.

(Received April 15, 6 p.m.)

LONDON, April 14. No major action has yet occurred between the German and British forces in Greece, although Allied patrols have clashed at several points with German armoured units.

Big British reinforcements are moving up to the front line, says the British Press correspondent at Athens. The Germans are believed to be still bringing up forces to strengthen their position at present are probably inferior to those of the British and Greeks.

The highest Allied commanders are said to be optimistic that a German attempt to break through the Greek defence zone must pay the greatest price of any blitzkrieg so far.

The Germans' attempts to break the Greek lines are being constantly and effectively repulsed," says the Greek Press Ministry. "British and Greek air squadrons are mercilessly bombing and machine-gunning the Germans at Monastiri where the enemy appears to be concentrating troops and supplies.

The failure of the Germans to break through in the first days, and the continuous effective re-advance of the Allied lines, confirm the general conviction that a very strong front is about to be consolidated from the Adriatic to the Gulf of Salonika. The positions occupied by the Allies are natural mountainous strongholds and do not lend themselves to the tactics of mechanised blitz warfare.

All reports agreed that the situation is highly favourable. The morale of the army is even better than at the time of the Italian aggression. The British and Greek soldiers are impatiently awaiting an opportunity to get at the Germans."

The remnants of the Yugoslav Army are offering resistance at isolated points. Reports received in Greece, however, suggest that the Yugoslavs have reached the mountainous central and southern Serbia in force.

Koritzia Recaptured. The Hungarian Radio announced that the conquest of the former Hungarian territory was now completed. Bands of rebels had been driven to the mountains and the army was rapidly clearing up the whole of the occupied area.

The capture of Koritzia, in southern Albania, by the Italians is announced by the Rome Radio, which also stated that British and Yugoslav planes again raided Sofia, the Bulgarian capital, last night. Few casualties were caused.

Risk Of Drowning Faced

BOMBER'S FLIGHT Part Of Tail Lost Over Germany SAFE ARRIVAL

British Official Wireless (Received April 15, 6 p.m.) RUGBY, April 14.

How the skill of a pilot and the toughness of his aircraft won a victory against a German night fighter and brought the crew and the bomber safely home on one engine and with half of its rudder gone is told today by the Air Ministry.

While the bomber was on its way back from an attack on a German town, a Messerschmitt intercepted it and at the beginning of the encounter, put one of its engines out of action. Bullets pierced the fuselage, broke the wireless apparatus, and wounded one member of the crew in a shoulder.

Bold Attack. Then the enemy came boldly on to attack from the rear, but too boldly, and the tip of his wing smashed into the bomber's rudder. Half the rudder came away, but the enemy obviously had the worst of the collision. He dived steeply away, apparently out of control.

But, to control the bomber, the pilot had to use all his skill. The bomber seemed to be hobbling along and on the way back over Germany and Holland it could not get above 700 feet. Toward the coast it was uncomfortably close to the ground. The pilot thought it would be better to chance the sea rather than land in Holland and be taken prisoner. To lighten the aircraft, the crew threw everything loose out.

Then they discovered that a heavy bomb was still underneath them—shrapnel from anti-aircraft shells must have disorganised the release apparatus when they were over their target.

As soon as the bomb was clear, the pilot was able to get up to 1000 feet, though the aircraft was still difficult to steer, but he managed to keep it on its course, safely across the North Sea, and landed without further mishap.

THREAT TO AMERICAN SHIPS Will Be Attacked In Red Sea

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The Italian publicist Virginio Gayda stated today that American ships carrying supplies to the Red Sea would receive the same treatment as British convoys.

President Roosevelt must be warned that the Axis forces would always be there, Gayda added.

NO SIGN OF INFLATION PERIL, SAYS MR FRASER

Further Cuts In Imports Will Be Necessary; Threat Of Lowered Income

(By Telegraph—Press Association.) WELLINGTON, April 15.

Speaking of Labour's economic policy at the annual conference of the Labour Party to-day, the Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser) said the Government was determined to avoid inflation as far as possible, and so far it had succeeded in avoiding this danger.

The skyrocketing of prices—an infallible symptom of the disease—was in no way apparent. The note issue in New Zealand and cheque transactions did not show an abnormal position, but they required careful watching, and the banking fixtures reflected normal seasonal trends.

Mr Fraser also referred to the steps that had been taken by the Government to achieve national unity in the conduct of the war, and spoke of the formation of the War Council and the establishment of the War Cabinet. These arrangements, he said, had worked very satisfactorily and efficiently.

Speaking of our men overseas, Mr Fraser said the hopes and thoughts of us all were with them to-day, but hopes and prayers were not enough. We could support them best by working harder and by saving more for war purposes.

Question of Sacrifice. New Zealanders at home fully realised that the sacrifices so many of these men would make were infinitely greater than the effort called for from individuals here and, indeed, whole-hearted support was being accorded by the civilian workers, both men and women.

Mr Fraser also stressed the necessity for a most careful husbanding of the country's sterling resources. It had been the Government's policy, he said, to ship as much as possible, and to spend as little as possible of our overseas funds, but even with further cuts in our imports, which were virtually confined to essentials already, our export in-

come was clearly likely to be so reduced as to affect the country's trade and economic position in a serious manner.

Drop in Exports. After speaking of the restriction of our exports to Britain through the shortage of shipping Mr Fraser continued that the results of such a reduction were far-reaching and would affect in the long run every section of the community.

Already the restriction of imports had affected the consumer and the businessman. A further reduction in imports of consumer goods must be expected and to the extent that these could not be replaced by local manufactures we must do without.

Factory Production. The manufacturing industries were doing their utmost to supply the deficiencies, but here again essential raw materials were frequently not procurable and there were limits to the capacity of our small and comparatively new factories to produce new lines of goods. Moreover, the possibility of making goods available for the public was affected by the necessity for concentrating on factory production for military purposes.

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How Damage Is Gauged

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

The means by which the British Intelligence Service is able to speak with such assurance of the damage inflicted by Royal Air Force bombers was explained in a Press conference address by Squadron Leader P. J. A. Riddell, R.A.F. Displaying two mosaic aerial photographs of Kiel, taken a fortnight apart, Squadron Leader Riddell explained the data on which the statements were based.

Every large ship in the harbour was identified. They included the 25,000-ton pocket battle cruiser Scharnhorst, the pocket battleship Lutzow, one Kohn class cruiser of 8000 tons, and a Hipper class cruiser of 10,000 tons. Damaged on June 13 by Fleet Air Arm aircraft, the Scharnhorst was seen in a floating dock on June 29, and was still there when the photographs were taken.

Her sister ship, the Gneisenau, was hit by a submarine and entered a floating dock on August 2. The fact that these vessels were in dock so long after they had been struck and the slow progress of other vessels building showed that the original damage was extensive. It also revealed how disruptive had been the effect of the air raids on Kiel docks. At one shipyard was a cruiser of a type laid down in 1937 and 1938.

Red beards, black beards and grey beards, walk arm-in-arm down the High Street. One cannot understand a word they say.

"If you come here in the summer it's a rare sight," said the news agent who supplies them with 1200 newspapers and books every week. "Talk about Ali Baba, the Arabian Nights and Gilbert and Sullivan!—they are all mixed up together."

MONTHLY REPORT ON SHIP LOSSES

A New System CONCEALING DETAILS FROM ENEMY

(By Radio) LONDON, 1 a.m. Britain has decided that in future details of merchant shipping losses at sea shall be published monthly, not weekly as formerly.

It is pointed out that the wider the interval between the reports made, the more difficult it is for the enemy to make a correct guess as to the complete figures every week and corrections have always to be made. It will also make it more difficult for the enemy to know the proper proportion of ships lost by raider action, plane attacks or through mines.

SELLASSIE OFFERS AN ARMY Help For Britain

WILL SOON ENTER HIS CAPITAL

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"It is my dearest wish to raise an army to fight in Libya or anywhere in Africa," said Emperor Haile Sellassie of Abyssinia in an interview 100 miles from the capital.

After expressing gratitude for Britain's aid, he said: "I need British help to form and equip a regular army for the future defence of the country. I realise that everything depends upon Britain's winning the war. I hope to enter Addis Ababa shortly."

DIPLOMATIC WIN FOR MOSCOW

COMMENT ON PACT WITH JAPAN

ASTUTE STROKE

Can Still Help China And Balkans

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Authorities here are carefully examining in all its implications the Russian-Japanese pact of neutrality, of which the chief article declares that if either the Soviet or Japan becomes the object of military action by another Power the other party shall observe neutrality throughout the duration of such conflict.

It is regarded in the British Press as a further sample of pursuit by Russia of her own unemotional policy and recognition by both parties of the need for good neighbourly relations.

The main provision would appear to have no great importance for Japan, but it is an astute stroke of an attack. On the other hand, the neutrality pact would, in the event of a German attack on Russia, remove anxieties about the security of the Soviet in the Far East. In exchange for this relief Russia has recognised Manchukuo.

Note is taken of the fact that Japan, a military ally of Germany, has put into the promise not to move against Russia if Russia is attacked, presumably even by Germany. "Thus," says "The Times," "although too much should not be read into the pact, the diplomatic gains seem to go to Moscow."

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REGRET EXPRESSED

No Reflection On Loyalty

The United Press Association supplied to various newspapers in New Zealand a report of an address given by Mr Frank Milner at Oamaru on March 11. It has been represented to the Press Association that its report was capable of the interpretation that, in the course of his address, Mr Milner had made charges against Dr. W. B. Sutch and in particular had reflected on his loyalty to Great Britain.

The Press Association believed at the time that the report was a fair and accurate account of the address. The association, however, in no way endorses the views expressed at the meeting. It had no intention of reflecting on the loyalty of Dr. Sutch and expresses regret that its report should have conveyed that impression.

War Effort Must Come First

MR FRASER'S VIEW

Labour Party's Annual Conference

DIFFICULTIES AHEAD

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, April 15.

"The basis of our social and economic structure and progress is likely to be severely tested in the days that lie ahead, but I am sure that the people of New Zealand are willing and indeed anxious to make all the necessary sacrifices now in the sure knowledge that when we are victorious still higher standards of living can and must be achieved."

declared the Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser) when addressing the annual conference of the New Zealand Labour Party.

He painted a picture of what would happen if the Nazis won, Mr Fraser pointed out that the danger from within might not be so fully realised if, through unwillingness to make sacrifices, we were some day to be defeated, and the Labour movement would be set back many years.

Success of War. He emphasised as the first duty the bending of every endeavour towards the prosecuting of the war to a successful conclusion. He referred to the troops being in Greece, and said that the hopes and thoughts of all were with our men, and all knew that they were doing their duty as bravely as they could.

Pointing out that the successful prosecution of the war must necessitate the adoption by the Government of a comprehensive economic policy, Mr Fraser outlined the basis of the present policy, which, he said, was as follows:

Three Points: (1) The paramount necessity for meeting the war needs in men, materials and financial resources.

(2) The need to keep the every-day economic life of the community functioning so as to carry on the burden of the war.

(3) The need, after meeting these demands, which inevitably involved sacrifices from all, to maintain living standards above a reasonable minimum.

TWO CASUALTIES IN AIR FORCE

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, April 14.

The following Air Force casualties have been officially announced:—Sergeant S. M. H. Bevan, R.A.F., previously reported missing in air operations, is now reported a prisoner of war. His father is Mr T. Bevan, Levin.

Sergeant Walter Alexander Watts, R.N.Z.A.F., missing on operations. His mother is Mrs E. C. Watts, Alexandra.

ARMY SECRECY CRITICISED IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS

"Information Is A Tonic": Field-Marshal Is Cheered

LONDON, April 2.

A famous old "war lord" denouncing War Office secrecy and "the curse of paper" was a piquant experience for British peers when Field-Marshal Lord Milne, commander at Salonika in the last war, and Chief of the Imperial General Staff for seven years, initiated a debate in the House of Lords last week.

He spoke after a summary of the African campaign had been given by the Joint Parliamentary Under-Secretary for War, Brigadier-General Lord Croft.

The peers cheered Lord Milne when he said: "There is rising throughout the world, and especially in the Empire, a growing, strengthening, and laudable desire for information. People of the Empire want to know something of the deeds of their husbands, sons and daughters. Morale and patriotism do not require stimulus, but neither would be any the worse for a little nourishment."

Lord Milne praised the Press for its full accounts of events, and expressed the hope that the despatches of General Viscount Gort on the achievements of the British Expeditionary Force in France and at the evacuation from Dunkirk, which are to be published shortly, would not be expurgated, "because," he said, "it is right and just to the men who fought the battle of France that we should be told the whole truth."

Varying the phrase "boys of the back room" used by the Minister of Aircraft Production (Lord Beaverbrook) to describe the scientists and technicians behind Britain's air achievements, Lord Milne demanded the publication of the names of the people who did the work behind the scenes in the advance into Libya, where, he said, the strategy was so excellent and the tactics so sound and beautifully carried out.

He praised the rapidity of movement of the early Libyan campaign, and asked who arranged the supplies for these great army movements. "It would be an excellent thing for the country to know how that was done and to know the men responsible," he asserted.

Army Extravagance. Lord Milne praised another kind of secrecy—namely, the officers' and soldiers' self-imposed discipline. "The ease with which information was secured in the last war was almost a crime," he added, "especially in London's frivolous night spots."

Referring to army extravagance, he used the phrase "the curse of paper" to describe "forms, reports and returns, which are mounting in geometric progression much worse than in the last war. The disease is spreading to the Home Guard, whose officers are snowed under with paper."

SUPPLY SHIPS SUNK OFF HOLLAND

Funnel Seen To Fall

OTHER VESSELS BOMBED

Attack On Bordeaux

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On Sunday, aircraft of the bomber Command attacked enemy shipping off the Dutch and German coasts, says an Air Ministry communique. A supply ship of about 1500 tons was hit by two bombs, and the decks were machine-gunned. The funnel was seen to fall, and when last seen, the ship was well down by the stern.

A naval patrol vessel and a supply ship of about 2000 tons also were bombed and machine-gunned. From these operations, one of our aircraft is missing.

Last night, bombers of the same command continued their attack on Merignac aerodrome, near Bordeaux. Buildings were hit, and hangars were seen burning.

Docks at Bordeaux also were attacked. None of our aircraft is missing from these night operations.

PITCHED BATTLE TOO RISKY

BRITISH DANGER IN CYRENAICA

AIRFIELDS LOST

Completely Surprised By German Tactics

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"The military correspondent of 'The Times' says that undeniably the situation in North Africa is a serious cause of anxiety. Doubtless the British Command feared that the farther the enemy is stretched the better will be the prospect of successful counter-stroke, but General Wavell would hardly have abandoned the Libyan armies, unless the prospect of a pitched battle in Cyrenaica appeared to be very risky."

"Our victory over a third-rate opponent had given us all perhaps over-confidence in our ability to deal with the German armoured columns which have crossed the Mediterranean, and also the impression that our sea and air power would prevent them from attaining anything like their present strength, in addition to denying them supplies," the correspondent adds. "When these supplies of fuel and food are cut at sea or from the air, their destruction on land is not easy."

"It is hardly to be doubted that a counter-stroke will be attempted before long, but it will not be as simple a matter as at Sidi Barrani. The Germans will keep in the open country and rely on mobility. In addition, they possess striking power far beyond that of the comparatively ill-equipped Italian expeditionary force."

Stonewall Defence. Dispatches from Tripoli describe the methods by which the Italian and German forces achieved their blitz success. The Italian forces split up. One section followed up and harassed the British in their coastal retreat, while the other section struck out across the desert, circumventing the British stone-wall defence system at Tobruk, where substantial, British-built forts erected after the original British advance to Benghazi were in readiness as the main British base of operations.

The Axis tactics purposely nurtured the impression that the Italians and Germans were eagerly pressing on their attack along the coast, thus focusing the British attention on Tobruk. Simultaneously, the Axis desert columns rushed ahead unperceived, marching across the desert by night, and striking in the daytime under camouflage sheeting which showed the Axis tanks appear to British reconnaissance planes like desert shrubs. This desert force completely surprised the British at Bardia.

French Colonial Rights

QUESTION RAISED

Axis Activities In Martinique

AMERICAN REPORT

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The "Daily News" says that, according to the French cognac manufacturer, M. Fernand Dechambre, a German-Italian Armistice Commission, comprising 60 technicians, has arrived at Martinique, French West Indies, thus raising the question whether French sovereignty has been upheld under the terms of the Havana Treaty violated.

Authoritative quarters at Washington said they knew no basis for the "Daily News" story.

PIGEON'S PART IN WAR

SOUTH AFRICANS USE THEM

MESSAGE CORPS

Employed By Air Force

Pigeons are on service with the South African Forces in large numbers and are trained for special messenger duties in the Union. The Carrier-pigeon Service performed many meritorious deeds in the Great War and it is hoped that they will repeat their gallant exploits will be repeated in this conflict.

A visitor to one of the largest lofts in the country saw about 110 carrier pigeons in the province and were all carefully selected. The owners gave them free of charge to the South African Department of Defence.

The birds are all youngsters and are trained for release from an aeroplane flying over land and sea. The high speeds at which aeroplanes travel to-day make this task extremely difficult. Pigeons, however, have small chance of survival if it were released in the normal way at any speed.

The difficulty is overcome, however, by stalling the plane and the pigeons are released. If circumstances do not permit the stalling of a machine, the birds are thrown clear in slotted paper bags, which act as a wind-breaker. It is a simple matter for the birds to get free of the paper bags.

On The Great Sand Sea

N.Z. SOLDIERS

The Long Range Desert Group

STRENUOUS WORK

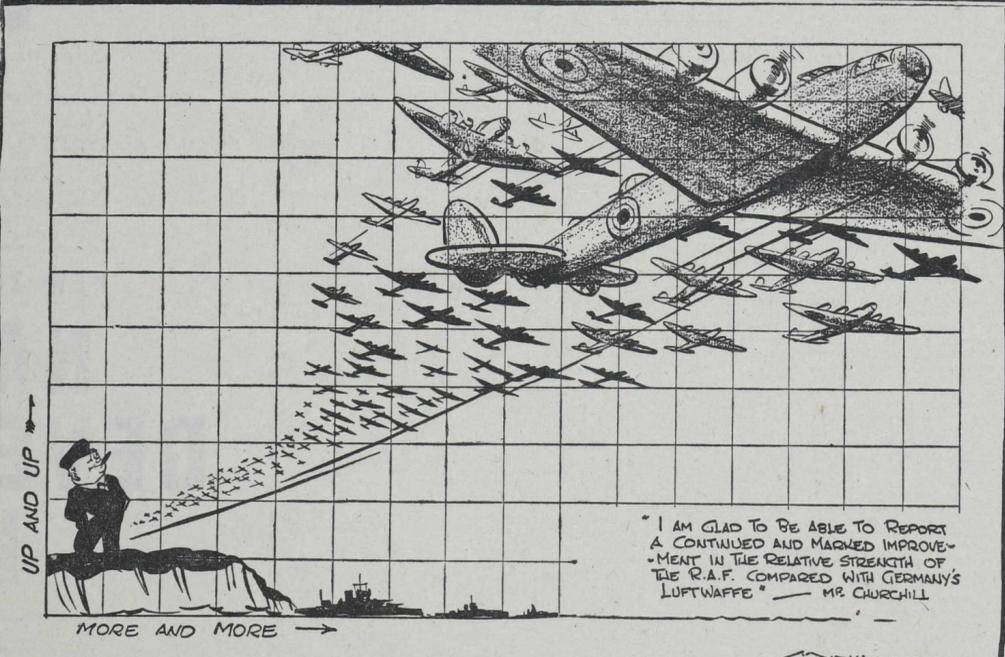
The unobtrusive arrival in Cairo from time to time in the past half year of dusty trucks bearing Maori names and carrying crews of bearded, grimy men has marked the return of patrols of the Long Range Desert Group from eventual expeditions into Italian Libya.

New Zealanders in the patrols have become accustomed to vanishing "into the blue" for anything from three to seven weeks, looking upon a thorough wash as a rarity and a shave as a luxury.

"Life for me," a cavalryman declared. He and his fellow New Zealanders have learned how it feels to begin a week with a vain attempt to shut out raw, biting winds from their bodies with jerseys, greatcoats and sheepskins, and to end the week bared to the waist in stifling heat. They know now why the Arabs wear long flowing head dress; whistling cross winds flinging a hail of sand into their faces taught them that.

New Year's Eve. Yet their everyday lives have often been filled with pleasant surprises. They recall how they celebrated New Year a good deal earlier than midnight on December 31 with a sing-song around a camp fire somewhere in the wilderness of the Great Sand Sea—"the first time anyone has spent New Year's Eve there," said one of them, "and the first time I haven't seen the New Year since I was about seven"—and how next day they dined on a hot-boil.

Many pigeons earned fame during the Great War. The French awarded diplomas in the case of birds deserving the Croix de Guerre or Croix Militaire. When Commandant Raynal was surrounded at Vaux, pigeons were at times his only means of communication with Verdun.



"I AM GLAD TO BE ABLE TO REPORT A CONTINUED AND MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN THE RELATIVE STRENGTH OF THE R.A.F. COMPARED WITH GERMANY'S LUFTWAFFE." — MR. CHURCHILL

Popular Numbers Presented

ANNUAL FESTIVAL Napier Competitions Continued

VARIETY ITEMS

A wide variety of popular entertainment was presented by the Napier Competitions Society when its annual Easter musical festival was continued at the Municipal Theatre, Napier, last night. There was a large and appreciative audience. The programme was as follows: Character recital (women, not humorous): Miss D. Allan, Hastings, "Mary of Scotland," 86 points; Miss V. G. McInnes, Hastings, "Joan," 84 points; Miss I. Pothan, Hastings, "Queen Elizabeth," v.h.c. (11 and under 15): Miss M. Swann, Gisborne, 80 points; Miss P. Portas, Napier, "Greelcan," 77 points. Vocal solo and accompanist (boy or girl, under 10): Misses Marnie Hickson, Fernhill, and Barbara Mew, Levin, "Land of Nod," 87 points; Miss M. Cooper, Gisborne, "Snow White and the Poisoned Apple," 84 points; Misses Colleen Ford and Betty Hughes and Master P. McInnes, Ewinton, "The Bad Pupils," 77 points; Miss Marie Cooper, Gisborne, "Snow White and the Poisoned Apple," 84 points; Misses Lucas, Petone, "Modesty Messenger," both v.h.c.; Misses Green, Johnsons, Wellington, and Miss Mary Jane Pothan, Hastings, "Laughing Cavalier," both v.h.c. Piano, under 10: Miss B. Mew, Levin, 80 points; Miss Rose Anderson, Lower Hutt, 77 points. Character story dance (8 and under 11): Miss D. Jenness, Lower Hutt, 80 points; Misses M. Brown, 80 points; Miss M. Merrie Bowland, Napier, "The Bad Pupils," 77 points; Miss Marie Cooper, Gisborne, "Snow White and the Poisoned Apple," 84 points; Misses Lucas, Petone, "Modesty Messenger," both v.h.c.; Misses Green, Johnsons, Wellington, and Miss Mary Jane Pothan, Hastings, "Laughing Cavalier," both v.h.c. Tap dance (11 and under 15): Miss B. Forshaw, Gisborne, 82 points; Miss P. Portas, Napier, 81 points; Miss M. Swann, Gisborne, 80 points; Miss M. Young, Palmerston North, and Miss M. Crookery, Gisborne, all v.h.c. Tap dance (7 and under 11): Miss R. Aislabie, Hastings, 79 points; Miss S. Illingworth, Gisborne, 78 points; Misses Betty Crawford, Hastings, and Margaret Dawson, Wellington, both v.h.c. Operatic dance (15 and over): Miss I. Pothan, Hastings, 81 points; Misses P. Rowell, Wellington, 81 points; Misses R. Aislabie, Hastings, 79 points; Miss M. Young, Palmerston North, and Miss M. Crookery, Gisborne, all v.h.c. Character dance (11 and under 15): Master Peter Rowell, Wellington, 81 points; Misses R. Aislabie, Hastings, 79 points; Miss M. Young, Palmerston North, and Miss M. Crookery, Gisborne, all v.h.c. Vocal solo (amateur): Miss Nola Briacro, Napier, "Advice," 80 points; Miss Rene Hassall, Hastings, "Down a Quiet Little Street," 79 points. Piano (under 12 years): "Humoresque," Miss Barbara Mew, Levin, 80 points; Miss M. Young, Wellington, 78 points; Miss Dorothy O'Dowd, Takapau, v.h.c. Character recital (boy or girl, under 12): Misses M. Owen, Napier, and M. Hickson, Fernhill, "Lullaby," 80 points; Misses E. Gilbertson and B. Mear Napier, "The Sandman," 76 points. Character recital (boy or girl, under 12, not humorous): Master B. Harris, Hastings, 84 points; Miss M. Buckingham, Hastings, 83 points; Misses N. Crawford, Wellington, M. Hickson, Fernhill, and V. Cleary, Hastings, v.h.c. Character recital (boy or girl, under 16): Miss N. Cameron, Hastings, 81 points; Misses M. Young, Wellington, and M. Crookery, Gisborne, all v.h.c. Group dance (any age): Miss I. Sharples's pupils, Gisborne, "Sunrise," 82 points; Misses M. Young, Wellington, Napier, and M. Crookery, Gisborne, all v.h.c. Tap duo (8 years and under 11): Misses S. Clarke and M. Bowland, Napier, 81 points; Misses Marnie Hickson, Fernhill, and M. Crookery, Gisborne, all v.h.c. Song in costume (boy or girl, 16 and under 20): Miss V. McCombe, Hastings, 80 points; Miss N. Keen, Napier, and Mrs. E. Codrington, Westmoreland, 76 points, equal; Miss M. Beach, Napier, v.h.c. Song and dance, solo (11 years and over): Miss M. Pothan, Hastings, "South American Joe," 84 points; Master P. Rowell, Wellington, "The Fleet's in Port," 80 points; Misses E. Gilbertson and B. Mear Napier, "Greelcan Frieze," 78 points. Tap duo (8 years and under 11): Misses S. Clarke and M. Bowland, Napier, 81 points; Misses Marnie Hickson, Fernhill, and M. Crookery, Gisborne, all v.h.c. Best three humorous stories (women): Miss V. McCombe, Hastings, 1; Miss I. Pothan, Hastings, 2. Modern dance (any age, solo): Miss P. Thompson, Hastings, 80 points; Miss I. Pothan, Hastings, 79 points. NATIONAL MILITARY RESERVE COMMAND Captain Laing Appointed For Hastings The appointment of Captain A. D. M. G. Laing to command the 13th Company (Hastings) of the National Military Reserve is contained in the latest Gazette. Lieutenant I. B. Logan, 9th Company (Napier) is granted the temporary rank of captain. William Horace James is to be second lieutenant (temporary) and is posted to the 8th Company (Gisborne). Charles Mitchell is to be second lieutenant (temporary) and is posted to the 8th Company (Gisborne). New Zealand Medical Corps Captain C. G. Clark, M.C., M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S., F.R.A.S.C., 2nd Field Ambulance, is granted the temporary rank of major. He formerly practised as a Napier. Corps of New Zealand Engineers Alexander Dinnie is to be lieutenant (temporary) and is posted to the 5th (Works) Company. Charles Edward King, A.M.C., I.E., is to be captain (temporary) and is posted to the 6th (Works) Company.

ALTERATION IN CLOSING OF LOCAL BODY ROLLS

Effect Of Recent Legislation Is Explained By Minister

(By Telegraph—Press Association.) WELLINGTON, April 15. In a statement to-night, the Minister of Internal Affairs (the Hon. W. E. Parry) drew attention to the alteration of the closing date of city and borough rolls by reason of the recent passing of the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act. That Act, said Mr Parry, changed the day for local body elections this year from Wednesday, May 14, to Saturday, May 17. This alteration made a corresponding alteration in the date for the closing of the municipal rolls under the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933.

Ex-President Of British T.U.C. VISIT TO DOMINION Reference By Prime Minister

(By Telegraph—Press Association.) WELLINGTON, April 15. Regret that because of the irregularity of shipping Mr W. Holmes, past president of the Trades Union Congress of Great Britain, had not arrived in the Dominion in time to attend the conference of the Federation of Labour and the Labour Party was expressed by the Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser) when speaking at a concert in his honour to-night. Mr Holmes, he said, would arrive soon bearing a message from organized labour in Britain. He would tell how British workers had faced up to the war situation, of the difficulties they had overcome, and of how British trades unionists were united in the struggle for democracy in their own country, but in the fields, factories, workshops and docks.

Prime Minister Honoured

Mr Fraser's Visit To Britain

(By Telegraph—Press Association.) WELLINGTON, April 15. The Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. P. Fraser) who will leave soon for Britain, to-night attended a concert in his honour in the Town Hall. The national president of the Labour Party (Mr James Roberts), the Minister of Finance (the Hon. W. Nash), the Minister of National Service (the Hon. R. Semple), and the Minister of Lands (the Hon. F. Langstone) expressed the confidence of the party and the Government in Mr Fraser, and wished him a successful trip and a safe return. Mr Fraser was presented with a leather travelling bag and two framed National Savings certificates valued at £20.

One Of Five Main Courses A Meal

Changes in the "food front" operating generally favour the consumers, who especially welcome the statements that 800,000 half-cases of oranges are coming from Spain and that large quantities of Turkish and Persian Gulf dates will be released, says a London dispatch. It now becomes an offence, punishable by fine or imprisonment, to serve or eat in a catering establishment a meal including more than one of the five main foods—meat, poultry, and game, fish, eggs, and cheese.

Distinguished N.Z. Airman Acting Wing Commander Elworthy

(By Telegraph—Press Association.) CHRISTCHURCH, April 15. Acting-Wing Commander S. C. Elworthy, who has been decorated for the third time, is a son of Captain and Mrs P. A. Elworthy, Gordons Valley, Timaru. He was born and was educated at Marlborough College. He then went to Trinity College Cambridge, where he was successful in rowing and took a B.A. degree with honours in law. After being called to the Bar he joined the Auxiliary Air Force and in 1936 entered the Royal Air Force, being given 18 months' seniority. He was chosen as personal assistant to Air Chief Marshal Sir Edward Ludlow-Hewitt, and after serving for 18 months in this capacity was appointed chief instructor at the Royal Air Force College, Cranwell. He was promoted to the rank of squadron leader and last January received the Distinguished Flying Cross. (Earlier Report on Page 5)

Basketball Players Criticised

Allegations that basketball players were supporting the Navy Queen were made by Mr A. D. Lynch at a meeting of players held in the Napier Borough Council Chambers last night. Mr Lynch said that although the carnival had been in progress for some weeks and would conclude on Saturday, basketball players as a body had contributed nothing to the funds. He explained that all moneys would be credited to the £1,000,000 Appeal Fund for the rehabilitation of soldiers. Youths who had served two or three years of an apprenticeship were going overseas and would eventually return to the Dominion with a wide military experience which would be of no value in civil life. "These men will have to be rehabilitated and the funds which the Navy Queen is engaged in raising will enable the returned soldiers to receive an income comparable with that which they would have received had they not gone overseas," said Mr Lynch. Although time was short, it was agreed that those present should endeavour to get in touch with other players in order to make some effort before the carnival concluded. Mr Lynch said that the girls were not expected to give money. All that was required was some tangible form of help.

Napier Queen Carnival Patriotic Effort

The weather made it impossible to complete the Hawke's Bay Bowling Centre's Easter tournament at Hastings, but the tournament executive has decided to award the section winners as follows: Section A, Parkinson (Hastings); Section B, McLennan (Bluff Hill), and Maher (Heretaunga); Section C, Poppelwell (Port Ahuriri); Section D, Wilson (H.N.), and Sewell (Hastings); Section E, Beauchamp (Kia Toa), and Elder (National Service). The games will be played on the Heretaunga green on Saturday next, play to commence at 9 a.m. sharp and will be of 21 ends. The draw is as follows: Beauchamp v. Elder, No. 1 rink; Parkinson v. Poppelwell, No. 2 rink; Bewley v. Wilson No. 3 rink; McLennan v. Maher No. 4 rink. We all run risks every day that are practically unavoidable. Who knows, for example, that the occupant of the next seat in tram, bus or train is not suffering from "flu" or something else that is "catching"? And there may not be another seat vacant for you—so you just have to chance it. A great safeguard when travelling is to keep pipe or cigarette going. Tobacco smoke is a wonderful disinfectant. The tobacco should be of good quality, and whether for disinfecting purposes or pure enjoyment, "toasted" is the best. It's famous for its purity, flavour and aroma, and so comparatively harmless that even over-indulgence won't affect you. The toasting (manufacturers' own process) is the secret. It is toasting that eliminates the nicotine and renders this beautiful tobacco safe. The five genuine toasted brands, Cut Plug No. 10 (Bullhead), Navy Cut No. 3 (Bluemoor), Cavalier, Riverhead Gold and Desert Gold, are everywhere in evidence. Go where you will, you'll find them on sale. But be sure when buying you are getting the real thing. Imitations are worthless.

BENZOL EXTRACT IN AUSTRALIA

USE OF COAL IS PERMITTED PROTECTION SCHEME Reducing Imports Of Petrol

(Daily Mail) Special Service. SYDNEY. Both the Premier (Mr. Mair) and the general manager of the Australian Gas Light Company (Mr. Tindale) have given assurances that gas consumers would not suffer as a result of any legislation that might be passed to lower the calorific value of coal gas by extracting benzol to mix with petrol. (says the "Sydney Morning Herald.") These assurances followed the announcement that, in view of the urgent need for a reduction in imports of fuel, the State Government intended to introduce legislation to that effect. "The Government," Mr. Mair said, "is arranging with the gas companies to ensure that the thermal units of gas distributed at the existing price will be maintained at their present efficiency. The Government will see that the public does not suffer from the effects of the bill, which is being prepared to require the State to consider an alteration of the Gas and Electricity Act to provide:— (a) A reduction in the declared standard calorific value of gas, and (b) That the capital cost of any additional special plant required for the extraction of the benzol might be written off within the period of protection granted by the Commonwealth Government. The Commonwealth Government," he added, "has given protection to the benzol industry for 15 years from August, 1940. 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**The Juvenile Supremacy Undecided**

**POSITION CONFLICTING**

**Is There A Kindergarten Among The Moderates?**

(By THE BARB)

Since *Premature* won two juvenile handicaps at the Wellington autumn race meeting so convincingly, followed by a decisive victory in the Manawatu Sires Produce Stakes in race record time, the question which was the best two-year-old in the Dominion this season was a debatable one. It was considered that the question would be answered by the result of the Champagne Stakes, when *Premature* and *Route March* were to meet. However, the result still leaves us in doubt. At present it is only a matter of conjecture as to which should wear the juvenile crown for 1940-1941, but "The Barb" believes that, with no outstanding two-year-old, there is no "best."

The outlook for next season is not as bad as it might appear. Last season, at the end of the flat racing year a similar position existed and critics and judges declared that the two-year-olds were but a mediocre lot, so the three-year-olds for the then ensuing season were anything but promising. But what did this season bring forth?—nothing else than Kindergarten, one of the best three-year-olds that has ever raced or been bred in the Dominion. So maybe among some of the moderate juveniles of this season there is a budding Kindergarten.

It is interesting to run through the Classic winners of this season among the Dominion youngsters and an analysis of form, from early spring until the late autumn, shows that supremacy has shifted from one to the other.

It is an old custom, recognised in England for hundreds of years, that settling the question of a premier two or three year old, or even a sire, can only be done in the Classic winners, so the two-year-old "Classics" of this season are now given in rotation.

**THE AVONDALE STAKES**

The Avondale Stakes has been the first juvenile Classic on the Dominion's racing calendar for many years. This season the *Baffles-Tratrix* filly, *Miss Baffles*, previous to that race was reported to be a smart galloper in private, and she justified that reputation by easily accounting for the Avondale Stakes. However, in her few races after that her showings were so mediocre that his recognition as the best juvenile of the season was put out of mind.

**NEXT ON THE LIST—HASTINGS**

The next on the list of classics was the Hastings Stakes, run last October, when *Saint Tor* (Leigh-Saxony) beat *Tetratina* (winner of the Debutant Stakes) in such a convincing manner he appealed as an orthodox galloper and she was immediately selected as a juvenile that would go far this season. He, like *Miss Baffles*, has not been heard of since; in his subsequent starts he failed to be in the money.

The *McLean Stakes*, run at the Dunedin spring meeting, is the first of its class in the other island but not for many years has it produced anything out of the ordinary. This season was no exception as the runner turned up in *Silver Lilly* (Paper Money-Bonny Lake) a filly that won only the one race in her seven attempts so she, too, fades out of any summing up.

**ELLERSLIE'S DEAD-HEAT**

The next two-year-old race of importance was the Auckland *Wellesley Stakes* and in this *Nume* (Lysander-Commentary) and *Pay Roll* (Croupier-Zarise) ran a dead-heat. Both had a good run in a prominent position throughout. The next day in the *Musket Stakes* at level weights *Pay Roll* came out and beat *Nume* by a length in time that was half a second faster than on opening day. This performance of the *Croupier* filly caught the eye of the critics and racing folk and she was designated as a youngster that would go far among her age this season.

**THE EARLY BEST MEET**

The *Wellesley Stakes*, run at the Wellington spring meeting had perhaps the best of the juveniles meet, as the field included the A.R.C. *Welcome Stakes* half winner, *Pay Roll*, the Hastings Stakes victor, *Saint Tor*, and *Foreign Coin*, who had won in a most impressive manner at Marton and immediately changed hands at the best part of a thousand, and other very promising youngsters.

The result put a new complexion on the state of affairs when *Foreign Coin* (Lackham-Foreign Queen) won by no less than four lengths from *Premature* with *Pay Roll*, after having every chance of a moderate fourth. *Saint Tor* was prominent until the straight entrance and then faded right out of the picture.

Some failed to recognise this race as a fair criterion, as the going was soft and greasy and, as the winner's dam and grand dam were particularly good on holding ground his victory was put down to his ability to handle such going.

None of the "supposed to be cracks" participated in the juvenile event the second day when *Par Avion* won. This colt won so well at Hastings just previous to that he was recognised as one that might enter calculations before the season was over, but that was the end of any of his claims.

**RICCARTON NEXT.**

The advent of the Canterbury *Welcome Stakes* was awaited with eagerness and it was here that *Pay Roll* rehabilitated herself in no half measure.

The *Welcome Stakes* saw fillies fill the first three places in *Pay Roll*, *Salutation* and *Silver Lilly* (dead-heat), all previous winners. *Pay Roll* made no error in this race as she won by three lengths. *Foreign Coin* was fourth, but circumstances were against him as he was the last to leave the mark, on top of which he was suffering from a slight cold which prevented him from starting again at the meeting.

On the fourth day of this meeting *Pay Roll* was handicapped at 9.5 and after leading all the way her stable mate, *Corn Prince*, who had won on the second day, dead-heat with the filly when in receipt of a stone. It was then that *Pay Roll* was proclaimed the best of the season's juveniles and her performance up to this date entitled her to that position.

**A NEW STAR RISES.**

There were no more classics after the N.Z. Cup meeting until the Auckland summer fixture, but in the interim *Premature* had won a

double so well at the *Felding* November meeting that astute judges declared that she might with experience develop into a tip top filly. Then up in the North *Route March* (Vaals-Royal March) had come to light by the impressive manner he won at the second spring meetings of the Avondale and *Avondale Clubs*. Thus the Great Northern Foal Stakes was awaited with interest. In this race it was generally accepted, after her fine form at Riccarton, that *Pay Roll* would win, while *Foreign Coin*, now completely recovered from his cold, was also given a good chance of making amends for his C.J.C. *Welcome* defeat. Consequently the order of favouritism read: *Pay Roll*, *Foreign Coin*, *Route March*.

The result of that race was a nose victory by *Route March* over *Pay Roll* with *Foreign Coin* half a length away. This was a surprise fourth. The margin between the first two was small, but as *Foreign Coin* received a check at a critical point of the running the critics were still of the opinion that *Route March* was not the best. The *Royal Stakes*, however, put such a notion out of their heads as the *Vaals* colt won going away by the best part of a length over *Premature* and *Foreign Coin* nowhere. Further to *Route March*'s claims, *Sir Beau*, recognised as the best three-year-old sprinter this season, was no nearer than fourth.

At this stage there was no argument that *Route March* was justly entitled as the supreme among the "babies."

**ENTER BURRA SAHIB**

The Wellington Stakes saw the Hastings colt, *Burra Sahib* (Bulandshar-Provence) win by four lengths from a field that was not strong but which, nevertheless, contained *Pay Roll*, and the three-year-old *Kentucky*, who since won an open sprint at Trentham and the Great Easter at Riccarton.

*Burra Sahib* the next day, over six furlongs, could do no better than a moderate fourth, with 9.2 on his back. He had every chance and had he been up to Classic grade would have won. He has since won a moderate race at Hastings and has run an indifferent third in both the Manawatu Produce Stakes and in the A.R.C. *Champagne*. On Monday he again had every chance in an ordinary field of juveniles at *Ellerslie* but was not equal to filling the first four places. He may make a stayer but has failed each time when tried over six furlongs.

**PALEFREY'S APPEARANCE**

At the Dunedin autumn meeting *Palefrey* (Man's Pal, Vennachar) was the winner of the *Champagne Stakes* but he had nothing of any note to his credit and a similarly designated race at Riccarton on Monday, when again the opposition was not strong enough, although it did include *Pay Roll*, who was made a favourite. However, this *Croupier* filly, since her racing at Auckland last summer, has not shown her spring form so she may have trained off or else the other two-year-olds have improved, or four consecutive days in the case of a two-day meeting.

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**CONFLICTING RULE ON POSTPONEMENTS**

Query on Canterbury's Decision

(By THE BARB)

The second day of the Canterbury Jockey Club's autumn meeting, which has been held yesterday at Riccarton, has been postponed until Friday on account of rain.

The club's right to postpone the second day until Friday has been queried and a local sportsman has asked "The Barb" to quote the rule bearing on postponements. Like many rules of racing this particular one is not very clear.

Rule 201 part (2) reads: "No race meeting shall extend over longer than eight consecutive days in the case of a four-day meeting, or six consecutive days in the case of a three-day meeting, or four consecutive days in the case of a two-day meeting."

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Riverton Races

**THREE DAY MEETING CONCLUDES**

Betting Increase

By Telegraph-Press Association

IVERGARGILL, April 15.

For the Riverton Racing Club's third and final day the weather was fine and the track in good order, but the attendance good. The totalisator handled £20,315/10/-, compared with £21,521/10/- for the corresponding day last year. For the three days the grand total amounted to £62,315/10/-, compared with £84,310 last year, an increase of 15,298/10/-.

Results—

**PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP.**  
Of £150; six furlongs.

1-2—**DARK OLGA**, car. 7.7 (Anderson) 1  
4-5—**BANTAS**, 7.10 (Barclay) 2  
3-1—**ORIGAMI**, 7.2 (Ford) 3

Also started: 7-8 *Triple Cone* car. 7.13; 5-7 *Irish Queen* car. 8.11; 8-9 *Astaire* car. 7.8; 9-4 *Golf Robe* car. 7.7; 6-6 *Big Joe* 7.13; 10-10 *Silver Choir* 7.7 (fell); 11-11 *Nihil* 7.7; 8-3 *Music* 7.7 (fell).  
Cont. neck; length. *Big Joe* was fourth. Time, 1:17 4/5.

**WAKATIPU TROT.**  
Of £150; one mile and a half.

3-1—**FRANSOL**, scr. (Todd) 1  
8-8—**FRANSOL**, scr. (Todd) 1  
11-10—**IRISH GUY**, 48yds. (Langford) 3

Also started: 2-4 *Come Away* scr. 8-9 *Nancy Guy* scr. 13-13 *Ratepayer* scr. 12-12 *Summit* scr. 8-11 *Aldo* 12-12 yds. (coupled with winner), 4-3 *Belong* 12yds. 10-11 *Lunch* 12yds. 1-2 *Lydia* 12yds. 10-11 *Lunch* 12yds. 12yds. 7-6 *Brown Cloud* 12yds. 9-7 12yds. Half a length; three-quarters. Times, 3:34 1-5, 3:35 2-5, 3:31 3-5.

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By Telegraph-Press Association

IVERGARGILL, April 15.

For the Riverton Racing Club's third and final day the weather was fine and the track in good order, but the attendance good. The totalisator handled £20,315/10/-, compared with £21,521/10/- for the corresponding day last year. For the three days the grand total amounted to £62,315/10/-, compared with £84,310 last year, an increase of 15,298/10/-.

Results—

**PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP.**  
Of £150; six furlongs.

1-2—**DARK OLGA**, car. 7.7 (Anderson) 1  
4-5—**BANTAS**, 7.10 (Barclay) 2  
3-1—**ORIGAMI**, 7.2 (Ford) 3

Also started: 7-8 *Triple Cone* car. 7.13; 5-7 *Irish Queen* car. 8.11; 8-9 *Astaire* car. 7.8; 9-4 *Golf Robe* car. 7.7; 6-6 *Big Joe* 7.13; 10-10 *Silver Choir* 7.7 (fell); 11-11 *Nihil* 7.7; 8-3 *Music* 7.7 (fell).  
Cont. neck; length. *Big Joe* was fourth. Time, 1:17 4/5.

**WAKATIPU TROT.**  
Of £150; one mile and a half.

3-1—**FRANSOL**, scr. (Todd) 1  
8-8—**FRANSOL**, scr. (Todd) 1  
11-10—**IRISH GUY**, 48yds. (Langford) 3

Also started: 2-4 *Come Away* scr. 8-9 *Nancy Guy* scr. 13-13 *Ratepayer* scr. 12-12 *Summit* scr. 8-11 *Aldo* 12-12 yds. (coupled with winner), 4-3 *Belong* 12yds. 10-11 *Lunch* 12yds. 1-2 *Lydia* 12yds. 10-11 *Lunch* 12yds. 12yds. 7-6 *Brown Cloud* 12yds. 9-7 12yds. Half a length; three-quarters. Times, 3:34 1-5, 3:35 2-5, 3:31 3-5.

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**AUCKLAND EASTER HANDICAP**

**BIG OVATION**

(Daily Mail Special Service)  
AUCKLAND, April 15.

Easter of 1941 has been marked in Auckland racing records as the occasion of a most remarkable triumph and it will be annotated for decades to come as Kindergarten's year. Ellerslie racing crowds are habitually phlegmatic and even in holiday mood they rarely give a winner more than the faintest applause but on Easter Saturday they let themselves go as Kindergarten gained the front in the Easter Handicap, from an impossible position at the straight entrance, to beat *Brazen Bold* by a head.

It was indeed a performance of a century and had to be seen to be fully appreciated.

**A Hot Favourite**

Kindergarten was elected a hot favourite. The track was easy in the morning but improved as the day wore on and no time did it get out appreciably. Kindergarten drew No. 14 barrier position, *Brazen Bold* No. 7, *Brownon* No. 15 and *Monte Cristo* No. 11. The favourite did not begin as smartly as usual and the crowd was quartered when they were well into the back stretch. *Brazen Bold* and *Suleiman* were the leaders from *Brownon*, *Pirate King*, *Duvach* and *Black Thread*, Kindergarten was then third.

At the half-mile, with the leaders cracking on the pace, the first division places had undergone no change with Kindergarten still well back and *Brazen Bold* and *Suleiman* swept into the home turn. Those immediately following were *Black Thread*, *Lou Rosa*, *Pirate King* and *Monte Cristo* who swung a little wide, sufficient to allow Kindergarten to rush up with a torrent of speed and within striking distance.

**Great Finishing Run**

With 200 yards to go *Brazen Bold* was going away from *Monte Cristo*, *Surveyor-General* and *Duvach* but almost immediately Kindergarten was on the footing and *Suleiman* the three-year-old swept past him to win by a head from the vigorously ridden *Brazen Bold*. *Monte Cristo* was a length further away, followed by *Surveyor-General*, *Duvach*, *Black Thread*, *Foxsen*, *Serenata* and *Pirate King*.

The time, 1:37, was excellent under the conditions as the Eden filly was at the end of the day and, on an improved surface took 1:32. Kindergarten would not have blown out the proverbial candle and was the most collected individual on the ground.

**Noteworthy Beaten**

The noteworthy leading two-year-olds, *Route March* and *Premature*, who divided favouritism in the Great Northern Champagne Stakes, were beaten and in the case of *Route March*, who failed to retain a place after looking a likely winner at half the distance, the beating was disgraceful as well.

From a good dispatch Peter Douglas and *Route March* showed the way to *Burra Sahib*, *Kronos*, *Panoni*, *Premature* and *Funny Fox* with *Kat* manawa last. *Route March* had his head in front at the straight entrance, but when *Premature* and *Kronos* ranged alongside he swerved towards the rail and gave up the struggle immediately.

**Australian Bred**

*Kronos*, an Australian-bred colt by *Sunfire* from *Titniss* is owned by Mr F. A. Powell and trained by A. Timker, at Pukekohe, continued his record by winning the *Premature* by nearly a length. *Burra Sahib* also came home well for third and *Kaimanawa*, *Route March* and *Panoni* followed.

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**BUSINESS:**  
 To receive the Annual Report and Balance Sheet.  
**D. G. BEGLEY,**  
 Chairman.

**PUBLIC MEETING.**  
**TOWN BOARD HALL,**  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 18th—8 p.m.**  
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 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1941.  
 The sale will commence at 10 a.m., with fat cattle.  
 No stock will be yarded before 5.30 a.m., until further notice.  
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