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Anti-British Front
In Iraq Weakening:
Unwilling To Fight

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LONDON, May 8.
The Iraq Army's reverses are causing increasing coolness among the other elements in Iraq, including the tribal chiefs, towards Rashid Ali's anti-British front.

The R.A.F. Middle East communique states: "In Iraq operations against the rebel Iraqis yesterday were carried out by our aircraft with such effect that heavy casualties were inflicted on them and much confusion was caused. The aerodrome at Moascar Al Raschid was again bombed. One hangar was completely destroyed by fire, a twin-engine aircraft on the tarmac was blown up, several others were severely damaged and the aerodrome surface was badly cut up. Our aircraft received practically no opposition.

"In the Habbaniyah area continuous close air support was given while R.A.F. armoured units, troops and Iraqi levies attacked and drove off the enemy from the plateau R.A.F. station. The rebel casualties were very heavy and ours were negligible. The previous night the rebels were given no rest as their lines were attacked continuously by our aircraft. "During the night of May 4-5 Calata aerodrome was raided. Several large fires were started and considerable damage was caused by a heavy bombing attack."

Lhya Bombed
"The aerodromes at Benina, Derna, Gazala, Bardia and Berka as well as the harbour at Benghazi were raided by our heavy bombers during the night of May 5-6. A hangar was set on fire at Berka causing large explosions, while at Benina bombs dropped very close to dispersed aircraft, starting a number of fires. At the other targets the damage also was considerable. "In Abyssinia remnants of the Italian force were bombed and machine-gunned persistently by the R.A.F., a Rhodesian squadron, and the S.A.F. "Five planes are missing but the pilots of two are safe."

First Night Visit
TALKS WITH EAGER CREWS
New Planes Seen
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LONDON, May 8.
Somewhere in England to-night his Majesty saw night fighters go into action on their most successful night yet. He shook hands and wished good luck to pilots of the famous squadron, who a few minutes later took off to waylay the Luftwaffe's moonlight raiders. It was his Majesty's first visit to a night-fighter station. As soon as the moon rose he saw powerful searchlights and sinister looking Havoc planes, which are American designers' magnificent contribution to the air defence of Britain, strung across the aerodrome. He talked with the eager crews and then watched the night prowlers climb into the velvety sky and roar off to the kill.

RAIDER REPUBLIC IN GREECE
Puppet Ruler Abolishes Monarchy
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LONDON, May 7.
The Berlin Radio stated that General Kollakoglou's Government in Greece had abolished the monarchy and established a republic.

QUEEN SEES PICTURES OF AIR RAIDS
Royal Academy Open In Wartime
British Official Wireless
(Received May 8, 7.30 p.m.)
RUGBY, May 7.
The Queen and the Duchess of Kent visited the Royal Academy today, where for over an hour they mingled with the general public visiting the exhibition. Her Majesty was particularly interested in wartime studies and spent some time looking at pictures of air raids on London.

NO FIFTH COLUMN WANTED
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NEW YORK, May 8.
The immigration authorities are forestalling the possibility of Fifth Column activity in the event of a crisis and have arrested the two German propagandists at the head of the Transocean News Service, Manfred Zaap and Guenther Tonn.

EIGHT BAGGED IN DAYLIGHT
ENEMY BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS
DOVER PATROL

Six Messerschmitts To One Squadron
British Official Wireless
(Received May 8, 7.45 p.m.)
RUGBY, May 7.
Fighters of the R.A.F. have had a busy and successful day, states the Air Ministry News Service. They managed to bring to battle a number of German fighters on patrol off the northern coast of France and in the Straits of Dover after weeks of being unable to make them fight.

In the process they shot down and destroyed six enemy fighters and severely damaged a number of others. All six German fighters destroyed were ME 109's. One Spitfire squadron got the six in three different dogfights off the Kentish coast. The first battle began soon after dawn, two being shot down in this engagement. It was a "free for all fight" which began when four Spitfires from the squadron intercepted eight ME's. Describing the action one pilot said: "They were a short distance away flying in line astern when we first saw them. I turned in on the enemy and they at once formed a defensive circle, but this was soon broken up when we went into attack. I gave one German a good burst and then broke away. When I turned back he was slowly spinning down."

Dive to Sea Level
Another pilot in the same section of the squadron began an attack on an ME 109 from a considerable distance. The enemy dived straight down to sea level but was overtaken. When trying to climb away he was fired at again and black smoke poured from the engine. He rolled over on his back and dived straight down to the sea. In addition to the six Nazi fighters an enemy bomber was shot down this evening by R.A.F. fighters and another hostile aircraft was destroyed off the east coast of Scotland, bringing the number of enemy aircraft destroyed during daylight today to eight.

Record Toll At Night
TWENTY-THREE RAIDERS
Widespread Attacks On Britain
CASUALTIES HEAVY
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(Received May 8, 11.30 p.m.)
LONDON, May 8.
It was officially stated prior to 7.30 a.m. that the record number of 23 enemy bombers had been reported as destroyed last night. The Air Ministry communique describes enemy activity last night as again heavy with sharp attacks on the Merseyside, north-west and north-east areas, also the Fiumer district and the Bristol Channel area. Extensive damage was done. Reports thus far indicate the casualties will be heavy. Raiders also caused damage and a small number of casualties in East Anglia and the south-west of England. Parachutists Rounded Up
Tongues of flame leapt skywards from many parts of Britain last night as all types of incendiaries and explosives rained down on water-side towns. The Home Guard and police were busy all night rounding up Germans who parachuted from stricken bombers. Several crashed in flames giving the crews no chance to escape.

Clouds Blanket Hamburg
RAIDERS HAMPERED
Bombs Dropped And Glare Seen
REPORT BY R.A.F.
British Official Wireless
(Received May 8, 7.45 p.m.)
RUGBY, May 7.
A remarkably clear sky with the moon shining brightly above thick cloud layers was experienced by a strong force of R.A.F. bombers attacking Hamburg last night. Anti-aircraft shells came up through their dense blanket and there were night fighters along the route. Far above the thick clouds there were several combats. Some enemy fighters came very close and by entering a cloud one bomber evaded three single-engine fighters which dived to attack. An ME 109 was damaged in another encounter. German bombers on the way back from raids on this country were also seen. Over the North Sea a twin-engine bomber passed overhead. A tracer came from the enemy and the British bomber's rear gunner answered with a good burst. Bomber Attacked
Another bomber was attacked by both a Heinkel 111 and a Junkers 88. Both the enemy were hit and the rear-gunner was sure that he had seriously damaged the Heinkel. Over Hamburg the weather was more favourable for bombing than for observation of the results but when the cloud opened many fires were seen and at other times brilliant flashes of heavy high explosives were reflected on the clouds. In a patch of clear sky the R.A.F. bombed a large industrial building on the north bank of the canal and set it well alight.

FIVE HUNDRED LOST WHEN SHIP TORPEDOED
Australian Casualties: Total In Greece Will Not Be More Than 3000
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SYDNEY, May 8.
The officer commanding the Australians in Greece (Sir Thomas Blamey) has notified the Army Minister (the Hon. P. C. Spender) that the total Australian casualties in Greece, including those killed and taken prisoner, and those missing, will probably not exceed 3000. Mr. Spender revealed that the number of Australians who went to Greece was approximately 16,000. He expressed the opinion that the 3000 casualties would include "the 500 lost when a ship evacuating the forces was torpedoed, although I cannot be positive about it." This was the first official disclosure about the latter incident. Mr. Spender added that scores of Australians would in due course receive military decorations as a result of the fighting in Greece.

Whirlwind Patrols
Make Nights Uneasy
For Nazis At Tobruk

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LONDON, May 8.
The Germans are preparing for their next assault on Tobruk in a record heat wave with the temperature well over 100 degrees, with a sand-laden wind like a blast from a furnace and metals so hot that they blister the hands. The British garrison has cool bungalows and Italian-built underground raid shelters, but the Germans, who are not acclimatised are exposed to the full blazing fury of the desert. There is not a tree for 50 miles. The tents have become hothouses and their tanks are not air-conditioned, so that the men faint in them. An officer from Tobruk said that the way they have hurred back the last two enemy attacks had given the troops additional confidence and they were taking the initiative in whirlwind night patrol actions in which they rob the Germans of machine-guns, rifles and all sorts of equipment. The Germans learned to be cautious after the Australians let entire units of motorised machine-guns behind the spearhead of the tanks get inside the defence and then blew them to pieces from both sides, from the front and from behind. The garrison has plenty of food and water.

LESS TALK, MORE ACTION
WILLKIE'S ADVICE TO NATION
FREEDOM RALLY
America Must Deliver The Goods
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NEW YORK, May 8.
Mr Wendell Willkie, addressing a Freedom rally at Madison Square Garden, said: "I care not whether you call the safe delivery of our goods to Britain, conveying, patrolling, airplane accompaniment or what-not. We want those cargoes protected at once and with less talk and more action. "There is no reason for despair. The British still control the seas and can draw on the world's resources. "Furious Britain with the ships she needs until it hurts. Give her destroyers and see that those ships deliver the cargoes safely to British ports. Mr Willkie telegraphed President Roosevelt urging him as leader of a free people to execute their will and provide the machines and materials so sorely needed for the defence of freedom.

All Going Well In Abyssinia
PRISONERS CAPTURED
Troops Now Near Main Italian Base
CONVERGING ATTACK
British Official Wireless
(Received May 8, 7.45 p.m.)
RUGBY, May 7.
A Middle East communique dealing with the Abyssinian front states: "Our converging movement upon Amba Alagi is progressing satisfactorily. While pressure from the north is increasing Imperial troops have occupied Quoram, which is only 30 miles south of the main Italian position. "In this operation a number of prisoners have been taken, including one general. "In the southern area our troops engaged the enemy holding a strong position at Wadara, 30 miles south of Neghelli. This operation is also continuing favourably. "On the north-east coastal sector of Italian Somaliland we occupied Bender Kassin, capturing 100 Italian prisoners and a quantity of war material."

"HONOUR" SYSTEM OF CENSORSHIP
BRITISH METHOD IN AUSTRALIA
SPEEDIER NEWS
Special Arrangement Made
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CANNBERRA, May 8.
An announcement was made by the Minister of Information (Senator H. S. Foll) to-night that Press cable messages sent to Australian newspapers will no longer be subjected to censorship in Australia provided they have already been censored by a United Kingdom dispatch station. Senator Foll pointed out that the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies had arranged for this departure, which would be appreciated by newspaper staffs, who would be given the same powers of voluntary censorship as they were exercising over Australian news. It was an extension of the "honour" system which would be applied to all incoming messages both cable and wireless. Senator Foll emphasised that cable delays would thus be reduced to a minimum but special articles from overseas correspondents would require to be carefully watched and maybe it would be necessary to seek the advice of local censors. The responsibility for this would rest upon the editorial staffs.

Red Cross Liner Torpedoed
AMERICANS KILLED
Eleven Out Of Total Of 122
TRAGEDY AT NIGHT
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NEW YORK, May 8.
Shipping circles disclosed today that the Red Cross liner Nerissa was the ship which was sunk with the loss of 122 lives, including 11 American aviators. The Nerissa was torpedoed on the night of April 30 when 1000 miles from a Canadian port.

STRATEGIC STORES OF FOOD
Reserves At American Outposts
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WASHINGTON, May 8.
Defence officials are planning to store at least six months' reserve supply of food at all the nation's strategic outposts such as Hawaii and the Philippines as a protection against possible blockade.

ONE OF HIS BEST SPEECHES
CHURCHILL HEARTILY CHEERED
THE THREE NOES

I.L.P. Unable To Record Any Voter
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LONDON, May 8.
Members of the House of Commons expressed the opinion that Mr Winston Churchill made one of his most effective speeches in reply to the debate on the war and entrenched himself even more deeply in the confidence of the House. After the announcement of the result of the vote of confidence (447 to 3) members left their seats and lined up along the chamber to the exit and loudly cheered Mr Churchill as he walked from his seat. The three Noes were Dr A. Salter (Lab., W. Bermondsey), Mr D. N. Pritt, K.C. (Lab., N. Hammersmith) and Mr W. Gallacher (Comm., Fife). Messrs J. Maxton and J. McGovern, who forced the division, were tellers and as the Rev. Campbell Stephen, the remaining member of the Independent Labour Party, was absent, the Independent Labour Party was unable to register a single vote against the Government.

Vicious Shelling Of Dover
FOUR-GUN SALVOES
Two Women Killed In Street
FOURTEEN WOUNDED
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(Received May 8, 9.45 p.m.)
LONDON, May 7.
German guns on the French coast today opened a brief but vicious attack on Dover with four-gun salvos. Two women who were in the street talking were killed when a shell burst nearby. Fourteen other people were seriously injured.

AMERICANS HELD FOR QUESTIONING
SOCIALIST PAPERS SEIZED
TRIPLE RAID
Nationalist Movement Involved
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LONDON, May 8.
Detectives at Glasgow, Edinburgh and Aberdeen raided the Scottish Socialist Party, the United Scottish Movement and the Nationalist Mutual Aid Committee. Officials and others connected with the three organisations were taken to police stations for questioning, including a Church of Scotland minister and a number of young women. Copies of the "Scots Socialist," which is the paper of the Scottish Socialist Party, were seized, also pamphlets and other literature.

BOOM MUST NOT BE ALLOWED
Post-War Problem
DISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH
BRITAIN MINDFUL
British Official Wireless
(Received May 8, 7.45 p.m.)
RUGBY, May 7.
A forecast of a vast demand for consumer goods after the war was made by the President of the Board of Trade (Captain Oliver Lyttelton) speaking today. Shelves all over the world, even in the United States, would be empty, he said, and he thought that a selective export policy and control of imports would be necessary as part of a system to prevent an unregulated boom. For the first time in history, Britain would be a debtor country, Captain Lyttelton said. The power of the modern world to create wealth must not be underrated, but proper methods for the direction, use and distribution of wealth must be learned.

SCOTS HELD FOR QUESTIONING
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Once upon a time...

AMERICA COULD NOT BEAT THREE NAVIES
Britain Must Be Armed To Carry On The Battle

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WASHINGTON, May 8.
"All American resources are committed to the supreme purpose of ensuring that British sea power is not destroyed," declared the Secretary of the Navy (Colonel Frank Knox), in a speech at the Booksellers' Banquet. "We are living in fearful danger," he continued. "Our only safety is to supplement Britain's forces, because non-maintenance of the bridge of ships to Britain would mean that we would eventually face the immeasurably superior combination of the Italian, German and French navies. We must also guard against Japan in the Pacific. "The oceans are not bulwarks but are avenues of attack." Commentators point out that this is the first official reference to the possibility of Germany's using the French Navy.

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BRITISH FABRICS ARE SENT TO OVERSEAS COUNTRIES Competition In American Markets For Fashion Laurels

While New York and Hollywood are fighting over Paris's discarded fashion laurels—and, while Frau Goering, so I am told, is looking over post-invasion collections at what was once Molyneux's Paris House—America, significantly is exchanging her dollars for British fabrics and London-designed dresses as fast as she can (writes Betty Wilson, the London correspondent of the "Sydney Morning Herald.")

I have seen the new collection of fabrics which Jacquar has designed for America, and it is not an exaggeration to say that they are as new and exciting as any of the silks which used to be launched at the Paris collections. Molyneux and Hartnell have already chosen the fabrics for their spring collection from them. They triumphantly launch a new clear yellow—Jacquar plans to call it "wild honey." There is a new sea blue (lovely combination with fuchsia pink) and lots of daisy pinks and lime greens—all combined in prints which, American buyers assert, are going to make New York and Hollywood think again before they say they have those laurels.

Jacquar has done a print rivaling those lovely prints from Paris which we used to describe as "crazy-odd." This particular print shows buckles, old-fashioned paste or brilliant-set—scattered over plain ground. It is done in shaded sepia tones; is perfect on blue. Unnamed 'planes make another print—the Cotton Board has seized on this idea, too. I liked Jacquar's "Conversation Piece," which weaves "Fongasse's" Ministry of Information posters into a thoroughly weavable pattern, utilising Fongasse's own lime greens and lolly pinks. Plying pigs—nicely spaced—have entertainment value, and follow up a definite trend for "neatish" prints showing lots of ground.

Spurs—straight from Rotten Row or Wild West serials—again neat, but not gaudy. A circus motif introduces dozens of little figures printed with a precision which used to belong to French prints alone. CAMPAIGN FOR COTTON A sidelight on the appeal which British fabrics have for the export market is shown by the creation of a Cotton Board, which will do for cotton what our own International Wool Secretariat has done for wool.

American buyers are ordering his "Molyneux grey" dinner dresses by the hundred. This dress—in pale pearl grey—creates a surprise cross-over bodice, high neat waist, and sweeping skirt. Its faintly medieval effect is built up by the sleeves, which are puffed below the shoulders and then become long, tight, and silky. They are an outstanding feature of the entire collection. These sleeves appear again on a black wool dinner dress, with bracelet edging in silver and pearls to match the embroidered neck, and again on an unobtrusively perfect lapis lazuli blue satin-backed wool dinner frock, which is entirely plain except for the sleeve detail and the satin facing the turned-back revers.

Little black frocks for dining out have wafting sashes made out of yards and yards of misty blue chiffon. Satin-backed wool is the medium for most of these restaurant dresses. Its matt surface makes a perfect background for miracles of embroidery in Molyneux's most restrained and most "ladylike" manner. More misty blue chiffon floats from enchanting little bonnet hats. There is enough of it to make a scarf which can be twisted nonchalantly round the throat and then allow to drift at hem-length. JUMPERS ARE CHOSEN Jumper tops on dresses link up with Molyneux's preference for jumpers instead of tuck-in blouses to wear with suits. His suit coats lengthen to match the jumper-line. His belts are so inconspicuous that they serve simply to break a long moulded hip-length line which is nearly always trying.

His brown and white herringbone tweed—its little V neck and roll collar edged with a piece of the selvedge—is a perfect example of this new jumper line. Black and one black—lightened by black sequins or touches of blue and silver embroidery—is in the Molyneux ascendant. Blue comes first as far as colours are concerned—mist blue, smoke blue, or plum-bago. WOMEN'S DIVISION OF THE FARMERS' UNION Waipukurau Branch Meeting Mrs T. H. Groome presided over an attendance of 22 members at an attendance of 22 members at a monthly meeting of the Central Hawke's Bay branch of the Women's Division of the Farmers' Union held at Waipukurau. Mr J. McLennan, Waipukurau, and Mrs R. Orr, Waipawa, were new members welcomed.

Plunket Society At Otane ANNUAL MEETING New Officers Elected For The Year

Mrs J. Clark presided at the annual meeting of the Otane branch of the Plunket Society, members present being Mesdames Roach, W. Tod, R. Langridge, C. Wedd, M. August, R. H. White, and G. V. Warren (hon. secretary). Apologies for absence were received from Mesdames A. Williams, B. Williams and T. J. C. Warren, Mrs Furling, and Mrs Little, president, and secretary of the Waipawa branch, also attended. The report and balance-sheet were read and adopted, the financial statement disclosing a very satisfactory position on the year's work. It was decided to hold a "shop" day towards the end of June. The election of committee resulted as follows: President, Mrs J. Clark; vice-presidents, Mesdames T. J. C. Warren and R. H. White; committee, Mesdames Athol Williams, B. Williams, W. Tod, C. Wedd, A. V. Collins, Roach, R. Langridge, Britten, Turner, August, M. August, R. Loughnan, Quigley; hon. secretary, Mrs G. Warren.

W.D.F.U. MEMBERS AT SHEREDEN Successful Patriotic Activity

Members of the Shereden Women's Division of the Farmers' Union met at the home of Mrs G. Mason at Crownthorpe, the hostess presiding over a good attendance. Mrs Sinclair, a new member was welcomed to the Division. It was regretted that Mrs Doole was, through illness, unable to be present and it was during the absence of Mrs Doole that a letter of good wishes for her early recovery be sent to her. The successful patriotic activity which is a feature of the branch's work was evidenced in the large number of members who collected for the Red Cross and the fighting forces. The work of providing parcels for the local soldiers is continuing. This week a donation of cakes is to be made to the A.M.E. Entertainment Committee of Wellington. A new scheme was inaugurated to help lonely soldiers. It is to be left in the charge of junior members, a sum of money being voted for the purpose of furthering this scheme and providing comforts for these soldiers.

A number of visitors were present, including Mrs Hedy Harvey, Mrs Ernest Harvey, Mrs Edwards, Miss Hutter and Mrs John Joll, a member of the Division's Advisory Board. Mrs Hedy Harvey entertained all with a most interesting travel talk on the Scandinavian countries and since her visit abroad occurred on the eve of the outbreak of war her observations were of particular interest. A list of not only economic and cultural, of the people of Denmark was ably described, as was also Copenhagen, its capital, the most beautiful and modern city of the north. Visits were also made to the scenes of the Hans Andersen Fairy Tales; Thorvaldson's Museum, famous the world over for its treasures; ancient castles built by the Vikings, and Trival Gardens. The tour of Norway included Oslo, Bergen and the beautiful fjords of the north. At the conclusion of her talk a hearty vote of thanks was extended to Mrs Harvey. Mrs John Joll then spoke on the activities of the Advisory Board and of the W.D.F.U. House-keeping Scheme. A tribute was paid by the president to Mrs Joll for her work with the W.D.F.U.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE SHOP Successful Day At Otane

The annual shop, organised by the Otane Women's Institute was held in the Town Hall yesterday, a splendid display of general produce, cakes and vegetables meeting a keen demand from the public. Stall holders had a busy time, and this annual event proved very satisfactory, in view of the many calls at present being made to the public. Competition winners were as follows: Dinner, Mr A. E. Black; doll, Miss Lorna White; pine needle work-basket, Mrs W. F. Turner; cake, Mrs G. Price; rooster, Mrs G. Price.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE TESTS

At a first aid examination held at Fernhill last week under the direction of the St. John Ambulance Association, the following were successful: Mesdames I. Campbell, R. E. Doig, F. I. Eichen, F. Groome, G. E. Griffiths, M. B. Lambe, H. McLean, E. G. Osborne, G. I. Taylor and H. M. Winters; Messrs K. W. Griffiths, A. E. Puschel, and J. I. Taylor.

REGISTERED NURSES MEET

The bi-monthly meeting of the Hawke's Bay branch of the Registered Nurses' Association was held at the home of Mrs J. C. Lockie's residence, Frederick Street, Hastings, this week when the president (Miss L. M. Croft) presided over a large attendance of members. Amongst other matters it was decided to hold a bring-and-buy afternoon at the Nurses' Home, Memorial Hospital, Hastings, on Wednesday, June 25. Following the business discussion Mrs A. M. Castro gave an address on her experiences with the troops and Army Nursing Service in Egypt during the last war. The serving of tea concluded an enjoyable afternoon.

Mother's Day Celebrated WOMEN'S GUILD Happy Afternoon In Hastings

Mother's Day was very happily celebrated at the monthly meeting of the Hastings Townswomen's Guild yesterday afternoon, and it was a pleasant surprise to the members, whether accompanied by their mothers or not, and all guests, a gay little buttonhole of white flowers. The guild president, Mrs A. C. A. Hyde, presided and with her on the stage was the Mayoress, Mrs G. A. Maddison, and the guild secretary, Mrs E. Baumgart. The flowers on the stage were made of bronze chrysanthemums arranged in green baskets. The president warmly welcomed everyone, mentioning especially the mothers and grandmothers present. An appeal was made for old woollens and stockings for use by the Patriotic Circle and at the meeting a bring-and-buy stall for the funds of this circle did brisk business. The president spoke about the committee's discussion on the National Savings Scheme and asked that all good members who were already contributors should give their names to Miss E. J. Strang. She spoke also of plans for the visit of Miss Cocks-Johnson and said that the Guild was to be on Monday, May 26. In the morning the talk would be on the cultivation of vegetables and in the afternoon on the general principles of garden cultivation and propagation. Mrs Hyde, the minded members of a card afternoon to be held in the guild room on May 29 in aid of the Hawke's Bay Children's Homes. Mrs Hyde especially welcomed Mrs G. A. Maddison, who was paying her final visit to the Guild as the Mayoress of her town. "It is needless for me to say that Mrs Maddison has been a great Mayoress," said Mrs Hyde, "to those who have worked with her she has been an inspiration and we all think her marvelous."

MRS MADDISON'S THANKS

Mrs Maddison thanked the guild president and members for their expressions of goodwill. She said that when her husband, the late Mayor, died she had an opportunity to serve the town where she had been born and had lived for all but two years of her life. Looking back over 15 years she felt that there was much she could have done but she hoped she had always done her best. Mrs Maddison expressed heartfelt thanks to the women of the Guild for their work without the backing of the women and this she had always had; especially from the Townswomen's Guild. She complimented them on their patriotic work and conveyed Mr Maddison's thanks as well. Very interesting extracts from an overseas letter were read by Mrs A. Oliver, the writer being a cousin of hers whose husband is a doctor, and their home is just six miles from Edinburgh. She described air-raid difficulties and food problems vividly but with a touch of humour. After tea had been enjoyed, the Mother's Day programme was commenced and this was a most delightful and appropriate one. Mrs Collie-Battle sang "Mother" and "That's What God Made Mothers For." This was followed by a short play "Mother's Day" very cleverly written for the occasion by one of the members, Mrs A. F. Deans. The cast was as follows: Mrs Bruce, Mrs A. Oliver; Camilla, Miss McLean; Mrs Williams, Mrs E. J. Strang; Juliana, Miss E. J. Strang; Miss E. Compton and Miss M. Sowersby gave much pleasure with their singing. The former chose "Songs That Live For Ever" and "Just a Song at Twilight." Miss Sowersby sang "Songs My Mother Sang." Mrs S. I. Jones was a capable accompanist. A cake competition was won by Mrs F. G. McAlister.

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Sergeant-Pilot Henry Alcock, R.N.Z.A.F., only son of Mr and Mrs R. A. George's Drive, Napier, and Dorothy Jean, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Tucker, Whakatu. Chambers and Miss J. Shand, and a further supply of wool given out. A letter of thanks was received from Mrs Bruce for socks sent to her husband, who is in camp at Trentham. Following the conclusion of business, afternoon tea was dispensed by Misses G. Beachen and E. Grant.

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Five o'Clock Gossip Mrs Malcolm Clark, Wellington, is visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs A. E. Renouf, Napier. Mr and Mrs B. Canning, Cobden Road, Napier, who have been the guests of Mr and Mrs Peter Canning, Oakburn, Porangahau, have returned home. We are now showing a new collection of very smart autumn and winter coats, including country life tweeds, and shadow checks from 9/6; "rolex" styled camel coats in soft blues and greens 12/6; all wool alpaca coats 8/6; attractive box and fitting coats with a military air, styled in Harris tweed, llama cloth, velours in all shades, 5/6 and 7/6; "Victor" Gowns, Hastings exclusive salon. Telephone 5076.

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Acceptors For Marlborough TO-MORROW'S RACES Galloping And Trotting Events THE FIRST DAY

By Telegraph-Press Association.
Acceptances for the first day of the Marlborough races on Saturday are as follows:
12.20-WAIHOPI TROT, of £75; 3.43 class. One mile and a half.

HASTINGS TRAINING NOTES Off Morning HUNTING BLOOD DUE SOON Adverse Conditions

(By THE BARB)
Training operations were carried out under adverse conditions yesterday morning, as it was very cold and the occasional showers did not improve matters.

Promising Young Material In Training RISING THREE-YEAR-OLDS Many Expected To Make Marked Improvement

By THE BARB
Hawke's Bay two-year-olds this season have not been up to the standard of some seasons ago when this district, season after season, produced juveniles equal to the best in the Dominion.

It is not always the leading two-year-olds that furnish the key to the future, but in a recent one being Kinkajou. As juveniles Windbag and Phar Lap were not even moderate and look at the class they achieved, both winning among many notable victories the Melbourne Cup.

POVERTY BAY RACES HAWKE'S BAY HORSES DEPART FAIR PROSPECTS Saturday's And Monday's Meeting

By The Barb
The following horse have left here to compete at the Poverty Bay Turf Club's winter meeting which takes place on Saturday and Monday.

Hyderabad left here a fit horse and as he has been out qualifying with the hounds of late has improved in his jumping. With this field experience also on his second at Hastings at the end of March, this Colossus gelding should go close to winning his second hurdle race.

FRIESLAND WINS CHIEF EVENT EGMONT WINTER MEETINGS TOTE DECLINE Minority Inquiry Held Over

By Telegraph-Press Association
HAWERA, May 8.
The first day of the Egmont winter meeting was held in fine weather before a good attendance. The track was slightly holding. The totalisator handed out £681 compared with £412 for the first day last year, a decrease of £269.

Lord was fined £5 for not riding Aussie Ra out at the finish of the Egmont Stakes, as thereby he was deprived of £1000 money on the post. An inquiry was held concerning the running of the Egmont Stakes Handicap, but it was adjourned until Saturday morning.

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Answer To Correspondent
"Patient" Memorial Hospital: Bonetta (presumably Bonnetter) and Tigretter never won a double at Hastings. The former died at the Otatara Stud twelve years ago and Tigretter is now only eight years of age.

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Not Fully Extended
Myrna Loy (H. Callahan) did her six furlongs in even time, while Gayest Son (S. Pell) and Kinkajou (H. Callahan), working together, were given similar work.

GOLD ROD'S RELATIVE
Mr T. H. Lowry possesses a handsome and aristocratic colt in Aquead, a half brother, by Tiderace, to Gold Rod. He has done little racing this season and that for educational purposes.

POTENTIAL OAKS WINNER
The Squire of Okawa has not won the Oaks since that great mare, Desert Gold carried all before her in her year. In Vin d'Honneur (Tiderace-Courtesy) Mr Lowry has a potential Oaks winner.

MR PETER LOWE'S HOPE
Mr Peter Lowe's hope is the two-year-old chestnut Captain Star, by Captain Bunsby-Side Star, by Night Raid-Drizzle, by All Black-Floak, by Captain Webb from Nelson's half sister Bonne Idee.

MR FRANK ORMOND'S TRIO
Mr Frank Ormond has a trio of fillies, all by different sires, that should maintain the high standard of the Karamu racehorses.

THREE YOUNG LADIES
Recompense (Lord Quex-Repay), owned by the Wellington sports-woman, is a good example of a horse with possibilities.

WANGANUI WINTER FIXTURE
Nominations Due On Monday
Nominations for all events at the Wanganui Jockey Club's winter meeting, to be held on the Awapuni racecourse on May 28 and June 2.

NAPIER PARK RACING CLUB
Nominations For All Events Close On May 19
Owners and trainers are reminded that nominations for all events at the Napier Park winter meeting to be held on May 31 and June 2 close with the secretary, Miss I. F. Rippen, Bowman Building, Market Street, Napier, on Monday, May 19.

SUPPORT CLAIMS TWO ENGULFING BACK RACES. Since opening her winning account at Hastings over Easter this Bulandshar filly has gone on the right way. She is not one that gives of her best in private, and being in very good racing order, the poor final gallop need not be taken seriously.

A week back City Song showed on the tracks that she was coming back to form, but in her final gallop was never going like a potential winner. She ran lifelessly although nothing was found wrong with her condition.

Charing Cross has not fulfilled the expectations of her two-year-old career. Although she never runs a bad race her wins have been few. At Tauherenikau she ran well enough to suggest that at Gisborne she should go close to winning a race.

The shallow-faced black gelding, Proclamation, although never exactly an oil painting, is at present looking well as well as ever he has. The first day at Gisborne, the mile and a quarter may prove far but it depends on how the race is run.

Flying Spy is a useful galloper, the best of which has not yet been seen in her career. She ran a close second to Minority the first day at Wairoa and then on the second day Davilla she should run out the ten furlong race very close to the Clive owned filly.

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