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The Daily Mail

Axis Demanding Right To Enter Syria Unhindered

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LONDON, May 14.
The "Daily Telegraph" says there is reason to believe that the meeting of the French Cabinet at which Admiral Darlan's negotiations with Hitler were approved concerned the situation in Syria. Hitler is reported to have sent for Admiral Darlan in order to demand assurances that if German forces were landed in Syria by air the French garrison would be withdrawn or would refrain from intervening.

The official report after the meeting of Cabinet at Vichy is merely a smokescreen maintaining the pretence that Admiral Darlan's visit was intended to conclude economic negotiations which are already concluded.

Britain is bound by the declaration of July, 1940, that she "could not allow Syria to be occupied by a hostile Power or used as a base for attacks on other countries in the Middle East." It is believed that the implications of this declaration are now under discussion with Vichy in London and Washington.

The official news agency at Vichy announced today that two German "planes landed at an aerodrome in the region of Mosul. It is not known whether they are civil or military machines, for which reason it is unwise to deduce that this is the start of military aid for Iraq. A message from Baghdad to Vichy says that a communication from Rashid Ali's headquarters states: "Our desert patrols frequently contacted the enemy." It adds that a single British "plane flew over Baghdad, dropping many bombs without result. It also alleges that enemy "planes bombed two clearly marked Res. Cross emplacements. Ankara newspapers published unconfirmed reports that German bombers have arrived at Mosul.

BRITISH CRITICAL BUT UNITED

SWEDISH COMMENT ON DEBATE PRESENT CRISIS

Churchill Not Ruthless Enough

British Official Wireless (Received May 15, 8.45 p.m.) RUGBY, May 14.
Interesting comment on the recent Commons debate on the war situation is made in the Swedish newspaper "Dagens Nyheter" which says that it is characteristic of the British that, despite the fact that Parliamentary criticism is stronger than ever previously during the life of the present Parliament, a practically unanimous vote of confidence was passed.

Unswerving Loyalty.
"This is a British custom when faced with a life or death struggle," says the paper. "A strong difference of opinion regarding the methods and unswerving unity as to the end in view appear to some people such a curious phenomenon that they cannot grasp it—yet it is a fact of fundamental importance in the present world crisis. The paper points out that the debate also had definite psychological importance. Mr Churchill was not criticised for being too brutal but because his methods are not ruthless enough. This is also characteristic of the British and could not occur elsewhere.

The British people have gradually been awakening to the realisation of the threatening catastrophe yet after all this time it is stated in the debate on Cyrenaica and the Balkans that Britain has not by a long way exerted her full military or industrial potential."

GREEK WARSHIPS FOR BRITAIN

Several Are Safe

LOSSES IN RECENT OPERATIONS

British Official Wireless (Received May 15, 7.45 p.m.) RUGBY, May 14.
Asked in the House of Commons what Greek naval vessels were available to assist the British Navy and whether any fell into enemy hands, the Admiralty Parliamentary Secretary replied: "As was to be expected in view of the very active and gallant part played by the Royal Hellenic Navy during the recent operations in Greece, some losses were suffered, but I am glad to say that a number of extremely useful modern vessels have arrived safely at Alexandria. I do not think it advisable to publish further details."

FAMOUS BUILDINGS DAMAGED

VANDALS' RAIDS ON LONDON

OLD BAILEY HIT

"Oranges And Lemons" Bells Cracked

LONDON, May 14.
The names of five more historic buildings damaged in recent raids are now revealed. They are:—Lambeth Palace, the official residence of the Archbishop of Canterbury; Queen's Hall, where the famous "Oranges and Lemons" are believed to have been cracked in the heat; "Proms" are held. Serious damage was done and much valuable music destroyed. The Old Bailey, the scene of many historic trials. Two porters were killed. St. James's Palace, where considerable damage was done but the Duke of Gloucester's residence escaped. St. Clement Danes, a Wren church. The bells, celebrated for their ringing of the nursery rhyme "Oranges and Lemons," are believed to have been cracked in the heat.

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

"Old World Gone Forever"

MR MENZIES' BELIEF

Great Effect On Status Of Women

REAL FIGHTERS

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"Whatever is the outcome of the war the world as we know it is gone for ever," said the Australian Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies) at a Press conference. "There will never again be in our lifetime extreme riches and poverty. Taxation has already eliminated the great incomes. Mr Menzies said he thought that the war would probably have an enormous effect on the status of women after the war, because women were fighting to a greater extent than anyone had conceived possible.

GIBRALTAR OF THE PACIFIC

PEARL HARBOUR WELL DEFENDED

HAWAIIAN BASE Flying Fortresses Arrive

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Twenty-one long-range Flying Fortresses to-day made a mass flight from San Francisco to Hawaii. These planes will patrol the Pacific within a radius of 1000 miles from Pearl Harbour, which is described as America's Gibraltar and is now prepared for any possible attack.

TWO HUNDRED BOMBERS COULD SMASH U-BOATS

American Envoy Reports On Britain's Needs: Supplies May Be Sent

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received May 16, 1.58 a.m.) NEW YORK, May 15.
"The Times" Washington correspondent says that the Under-Secretary of the Navy (Mr Forrestal) on his return from Britain reported the result of his investigations to President Roosevelt. It is reliably learned that he said Britain's greatest need was heavy bombers to combat the U-boats and thereby render American convoys unnecessary. She also needs ships and tanks, indicating that invasion is still feared. Mr Forrestal added that the British morale was so high that an attempt to negotiate peace would precipitate a revolution. Furthermore, public confidence in Mr Churchill was at its peak. The R.A.F. had greatly improved and the night defences hope to overcome the night-raid menace by downing 10 per cent. of the raiders. The "New York Times" says that Administration circles believe that 200 heavy bombers would permit Britain to smash the U-boats and it is likely that such numbers can be supplied from America before the end of the summer.

Hess Mystery Deepens: "Fed Up With War"

(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received May 15, 9.45 p.m.)

LONDON, May 14.
The tide of interest in Hess's motive for his sensational flight to Scotland received new impetus to-night when it was reported that he had told the farm people when he first landed of the hardships now being experienced in Germany and also of the great distress and suffering prevailing among the German people as a result of the R.A.F. raids against towns.

Hess declared he was fed up with the war and with life in Germany. Hess said he had made the Duke of Hamilton's estate his objective because he had valuable information to give the Duke. This information would be of great use to Britain in overthrowing the tyranny now prevailing in the Reich.

Mr Ivone Kirkpatrick has sent to London further reports of his conversations with Hess. They are now being studied by Ministers. Thus far there is no official indication that Hess made any sensational statements to the British officials although the "Daily Mail" says: "Acting, as he seems to have done, without Hitler's permission, Hess has undoubtedly revealed to the present state of affairs in Germany and the Nazi Party. Mr Churchill is expected to be in a position to make an early announcement in the House of Commons showing what importance to attach to any of Hess's statements." At Berlin officials declared that Hess, in papers which are now being examined, said he expected to return to Germany in two days.

"The papers reveal that he expected the British to supply him with enough petrol for the return flight after he had convinced them of the expediency of their rulers," said the officials.

No War Plans
"Hess had no knowledge of the war plans of Germany's military leaders. He was, however, acquainted with German information that the war would end not only in the defeat but in the destruction of England." The officials added that Hess wrote saying that he did not want to speak to Mr Churchill in any circumstances.

The Press Association lobbyist says: "There is a great deal of objection at Westminster to the suggestion that Mr Churchill should interview Hess, and such a meeting seems unlikely. It is argued that it is hardly fitting to honour in such a manner an unconventional visitor who for long has played a part in supporting all the reprehensible institutions—Gestapo, concentration camps, persecution of the Jews—of a country now warring against Britain." The remains of Hess's plane are being exhibited in London during War Weapons Week, beginning on May 17.

Wrong Sentiment
Sir Patrick Dollan, Lord Provost of Glasgow, said that too much sentiment should not be displayed over the arrival of the Deputy Fuhrer. The British people should not forget the 14 countries overrun and crucified largely as a result of Hess's plotting. He had come to Britain not for love of us but for love of his own skin.

First Symptom Of Collapse

BLOW TO NAZIS

Loyalty To Hitler Had Been Unquestioned

British Official Wireless (Received May 15, 8.45 p.m.) RUGBY, May 15.
"The Times," in a leading article, says: "Out of the group which surrounded Hitler, Hess is perhaps the only one whose loyalty to Hitler was unalloyed by suspicion of self-seeking and into whose relations with the Fuhrer the element of personal devotion appeared to enter. But the precedent of June 30, 1934, showed that no friend, however intimate, would be spared once he had been frank enough to criticise or oppose the supreme will. Roehm's Case. "The assassination of Captain Roehm and the gratuitous thoroughness with which his memory was besmirched left a lasting scar even on the by-no-means delicate susceptibilities of the Nazi leaders. Such a blow to personal confidence was hardly retrievable and taught party members a lesson from which Hess—no, doubt among many—appears to have profited. The rift on the surface does not imply that the rottenness has yet spread through the whole structure, but questionings will not be so easily silenced in the ranks of the party and still less easily in the country as a whole. "While Hess acted alone, there must be many people in Germany who will envy his exploit and who will draw from it confirmation of their doubts about the wisdom of the campaign of brutal conquest and domination on which Hitler's ambition has launched the German nation. Confidence Shaken. "It would be wholly misguided to suppose that his flight opens up the prospect of any easy break in the cohesion of the German political machine, still less of any slackening of German military efficiency. When the history of the war is written this event will be marked as the first symptom of cohesion sapped and confidence mortally shaken."

FLY-SWATTING IN THE DARK

NIGHT FIGHTERS' AIM IMPROVES

DIFFICULT TASK

Great Progress Made In 10 Months

British Official Wireless (Received May 15, 7.45 p.m.) RUGBY, May 14.
The Minister of Supply (the Hon. Herbert Morrison), in a speech in London referring to the progress made by night fighters, said: "We must not underestimate their task. It seems to us that night interception must be like trying to swat a fly in a large dark room at midnight with a small fly-swatter and with the feeling that maybe the fly is not there anyway. Yet there have been great achievements. I am told that research and development have gone far this last ten months as they would have done in ten years in normal peacetime, so that to-day those who know best think that in night interception we are rather more than a shade ahead of the enemy. "There has been good progress with moonlight interception and some progress even on dark nights. "Yet we must beware of jumping to conclusions too easily, setting our hopes too high or counting on their fulfilment too soon. The significant thing is the steady and consistent rise in the curve of victories since the dark times of winter."

WRECKED AFTER 200 YEARS

Bombing Of Westminster School

British Official Wireless (Received May 15, 7.45 p.m.) RUGBY, May 14.
The damage by bombs to Westminster School includes the destruction of a 200-year-old dormitory where King's Scholars have slept and where the historic Latin play took place every December. Serious damage was done to the great schoolroom where the annual ceremony of tossing the pancake took place, while the panelling in the big hall, with a memorial containing the names of old Westminster boys, has been destroyed.

DUKE OF HAMILTON WAS AWAY

Fighting With R.A.F. PLOUGHMAN FEARS PUBLICITY

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Hess actually landed 15 miles from Dungeval and had reached the Duke of Hamilton's mansion he would have found him away fighting with the R.A.F. "I am sure now Air Commodore in the R.A.F. Dungeval is used as a military convalescent hospital and the Duke rarely visits there. McLean, the Scottish ploughman who found Hess, resented being filmed by the newsreel men and went on ploughing. McLean's mother has received a telegram from a New York woman signing herself Sara Lynn, saying: "You did a magnificent job. Hurrh for the Scotch. I'm one." Mrs McLean's terse comment was "That woman has more siller than sense."

FUTURE OF AFRICA AT STAKE

Defeat Means Slavery "GO TO IT," SAYS MINISTER

British Official Wireless (Received May 15, 8.45 p.m.) RUGBY, May 14.
Broadcasting to Africa on the fifteenth anniversary of the Nyasaland Protectorate the Colonial Minister (Lord Moyne) said that the war involved the future of Africa as well as of Europe. If the Nazis won, the hope of civilisation in Africa would be at an end and its peoples would be thrown back into slavery under German taskmasters. Men from all over Africa had fought like lions in the Empire armies and had learned how to use the wonderful and terrible inventions of modern warfare. Not even the natural difficulties of these mountain countries had enabled the Italians to resist their attack. Many of the things produced in the African colonies were vital to the war industries—gold, copper, chrome, iron-ore and industrial diamonds. These the Empire wanted in increasing quantities. "Go to it to fulfil these needs," concluded Lord Moyne.

GESTAPO SHOWS NO MERCY TO GREEKS

Bread Strictly Rationed: Meat Taken To Germany

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LONDON, May 14.
"The conditions of Gestapo rule in Greece are very grim," says the Istanbul correspondent of "The Times." "The food situation is growing worse daily, especially in the islands, where the people are on the verge of starvation. Bread, which is the Greeks' main sustenance, is rationed to less than half a pound a day and almost all the meat is going to Germany."

"The Germans have requisitioned all the stocks of tobacco, turpentine, oils and minerals, also ships above 50 tons. "Many Greek towns except Athens were seriously bombed, rendering the housing problem acute because of the flood of refugees from Macedonia and Thrace. "The Germans are doing their utmost to enlist the support of the puppet Government but the public's attitude is illustrated by the Athens Radio's injunction that the cheering of British prisoners of war is being severely punished. The "Daily Telegraph's" Cairo correspondent says: "The specious moderation in the early days of the German occupation of Greece is being dropped in favour of progressively ruthless dragooning of the population. Several Greeks have been sentenced to five years' imprisonment for offering cigarettes to British prisoners. The Germans have announced the death penalty for sheltering British soldiers. The puppet Premier (General Kiliakoglu) announces that all concerned with the Metaxas regime will be tried by a Military Council for preparing a war against Germany."

Many Bulgarians Disappear

GESTAPO'S WORK Report Made By British Diplomat

FIRST-HAND NEWS

(Received May 15, 7.45 p.m.) LONDON, April 14.
Interviewed on his arrival by air from Cairo, the former Minister to Sofia (Mr George Rendel) said: "The Bulgarians appreciated my work and treated me well, but three weeks before I left the Gestapo gained complete control. We were all watched and the name and address was taken of everybody visiting my military and air attaches. If they were Bulgarians they just disappeared to concentration camps. Our Bulgarian friends disappeared one by one."

ENGLAND NEED NOT STARVE

No Fodder Available For Beasts

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The Minister of Agriculture (M. Caziot) announced to-day that 1,200,000 head of cattle are being slaughtered because the fodder is 4,410,000 tons below the amount required as a result of last season's poor harvest, the ravages of war and the blockade.



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Mrs Deans announced that Mrs Edwards would take charge of the circle's July programme. She then called upon any members with anything of interest to tell to do so, this being a monthly feature and the contributions mainly on books and articles read.

A PLUNKET SOCIETY MEETING Waipukurau Branch OFFICERS FOR YEAR ELECTED Good Work Reported

At the annual meeting of the Waipukurau branch of the Plunket Society the Mayor (Mr R. W. Carpenter) presided, those present being Mesdames W. A. Chambers, W. N. Mackie, F. S. Hopkins, H. S. Hooper, V. Stratford, J. W. Harding, J. Hobson, F. R. McWilliam, B. J. McCormick, A. H. Barnaby, J. C. Mills, L. G. Harlow, E. Brody, A. H. Groome, J. H. Walker, D. Thorburn, J. Russell, H. Winlove, and F. Gore.

Mrs J. D. Ormond was unanimously re-elected president on the motion of Mesdames Hobson and Broad, while vice-presidents appointed were Mesdames J. H. Walker, H. S. Hooper, E. J. McCormick, R. W. Carpenter, E. Broad, J. Hobson, N. M. Paulsen (Takapau), F. R. McWilliam, V. Stratford and D. Thorburn.

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NAPIER REPERTORY PLAYERS Noel Coward Play Read At Studio Evening

Last evening members of the Napier Repertory Society held their studio evening when "Private Lives," a play in three acts by Noel Coward, was read.

Five o'Clock Gossip

Mrs C. Rosacker, Norsewood, is a patient in the Waipukurau Hospital. Mr and Mrs James Otawhao, are on a motor trip to Waihi.

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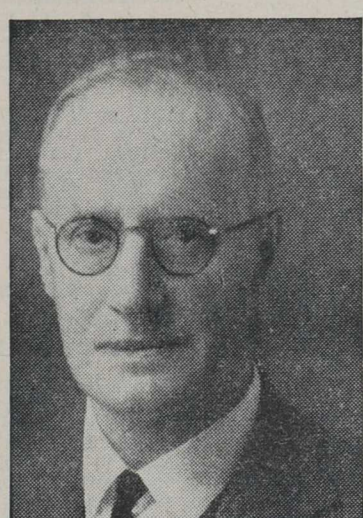
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County Progress Outlined

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS Hawke's Bay Local Body Elections CANDIDATES' VIEWS

Details of progress in the county during his period of chairmanship were the subject of an address by Mr. C. Lassen...

Referring to his opponent's move for greater economy, he said that he had striven for this economy through the carrying out of permanent work...

Speaking on Rivers Board work he said that the diversion schemes which had been carried out had proved their worth...

TRADES COUNCIL MEETS

E.P.S. Discussion REPRESENTATION IS SOUGHT

Considerable discussion on the constitution of the E.P.S. committees in the various districts took place at the annual meeting of the Hawke's Bay Trades Council at Hastings last week.

FRUIT MARKET REPORT

Latest Wellington Prices Daily Mail Special Service. WELLINGTON, May 13. Messrs Laery and Co., Ltd., Townsend and Paul, Ltd., Thomas and Co., Ltd., D. Bowie and Co., Ltd., Thompson Bros., Ltd., A. Pope and Co., Ltd., and J. G. Green and Co., (Wellington) Ltd., report Tuesday's values as follows:—

N.Z. PRIMARY PRODUCERS' CONFERENCE CONCLUDES

Representative Gathering At Wellington: Detailed Report

What was probably one of the most important and most representative conferences of primary producers held in New Zealand has concluded its sittings in Wellington.

Members of the Forest and Bird Protection Society have for some time asked for a stoppage of the persecution of the pukeko, the beautiful bird which is also known as the swamp-hen.

That brilliant naturalist, the late Mr. H. Guthrie-Smith, was a warm admirer of the pukeko, to which he paid worthy tribute in his book, Birds of the Water, Wood, and Waste.

Golf On Napier Links

DRAWS ANNOUNCED At Waiohiki And Maraenui TO-MORROW'S PLAY

The second qualifying round for the Club, Intermediate, and Junior Championships will be played at the Waiohiki links to-morrow.

RIVERS BOARD POLICY CONDEMNED

Mr H. Ian Simson Speaks At Hastings An audience of about 250 gave an attentive hearing to Mr. H. Ian Simson, Hastings mayor, and Rivers Board candidate, when he gave an address in the Assembly Hall last night.

TERRITORIALS FOR CAMP

MOVEMENT ORDER FOR JUNE 1 NO. 7 AREA MEN Intensive Training Period

The following lists released by the Army Officer in Charge (Auckland) comprise the names of members of the general reserve who are required to proceed to camp for intensive territorial training on June 1.

No Shooting Of Pukeko

HAWKE'S BAY AREA Tribute By Late Mr Guthrie-Smith INTEREST IN BIRD

Shooting of the pukeko, which was permitted in Hawke's Bay last year, is totally prohibited this season.

Retired Farmer In Court

On the application of Detective K. W. Mills, John McGregor, 62, a farmer residing at 22, Wellesley Road, Napier, was remanded until Wednesday, May 21, when he appeared before Mr C. D. Cox in the Napier Police Court, on a charge of indecent assault on a male child.

Memoranda

Mr G. G. Stanford, a well-known resident of Port Ahuriri, notifies by advertisement in this issue that he is offering himself for election to the Napier Borough Council.

TUI HOCKEY TEAMS

The following players will represent Tui Women's Hockey Club to-morrow. Teams are requested to be on the grounds at 2 p.m.

Theft Of Dog At Waipukurau

FINE IMPOSED Magistrate's Court Cases JUDGMENTS ENTERED

The monthly sitting of the Waipukurau Magistrate's Court took place in Waipukurau yesterday, before Mr J. Miller, S.M. Only one police case was heard, this being the lightest list for some time.

Silver Cup For Competition

WAIPAWA BOWLERS Trophies For Past Season Presented ANNUAL MEETING

At the annual general meeting of the Waipawa Bowling Club Mr H. T. Limbrick was elected president for the ensuing twelve months.

Hastings Sporting Events

The following members of the Hastings Division of St. John Ambulance Brigade will be on duty at the sports grounds to-morrow:—

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**Cornwall Handicap Weights Reviewed**  
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**Present Indications Make Race Very Open**

(By THE BARB)

The writer has already reviewed the weights of the Great Northern Hurdles and will now deal with the Cornwall Handicap, one mile and a quarter, the second of the three big races to be contested at the coming Auckland winter meeting. This event was once at a 9st. minimum, then 8st. and to-day it is at 7st., the lowest allowed under the New Zealand Rules of Racing.

The Cornwall Handicap has seen many splendid races and some high class horses have won this ten furlong event. This year's field is very strong and, writing from memory, it is the first time that "The Barb" can recollect a three-year-old being at the top of the handicap, although a number of that age have won, including Mr T. H. Lowry's black champion, Bobrikoff.

The Cornwall Handicap is one of the very few important races of its kind in which Hawke's Bay has not played a very big part as regards the supplying of the winner, only because horses from this district have not gone north very frequently to contest it, although the hurdles and steeplechase have always been very popular with sportsmen from here.

In 1903 Mr T. F. Quinlivan, Hastings, then a private trainer for Mr E. J. Watt, took up the Captain Webb mare, Float. Mr Quinlivan, a particularly good judge of form, considered this mare would win. Weighed at 10.5 (8st. minimum) the services of S. G. ("Tyke") Lindsay, who only two weeks ago died in Auckland, were obtained and Hawke's Bay sportsmen threw in for a good win, as they had the utmost confidence in the trainer's judgment. She won by over a length but was disqualified for accidentally boring the late Mr Jervis George's Durable (Sylvia Park-Durable) and the race was awarded to Durable with the second and third places going to Putty (Mobbyer) and Rosella (Gallagher) respectively, while Float was placed nowhere. Under the present Rules of Racing the first and second finishing positions would have been reversed.

**BOBRIKOFF'S YEAR**

When Bobrikoff went up for the Cornwall his reputation was fairly well known up north and had it not been for the Aucklanders believing that this three-year-old could not win, his dividend would have been a "Gloaming" one.

Fred Davis trained the black gelding and also took the seat on him that day. He was well away but soon drifted and then when endeavouring to make a run was punched right back to last. Recovering, he came again only to suffer another skidding. This happened a third time when "Bob" went down on his nose. Turning for home, Mr Lowry's three-year-old, who had 9.4 on his back (the minimum that year was 8st.), was in anything but a good running position. Later he received an opening half way down the straight. He shot through, and in a twinkling of an eye had the race won by a length from the late Charles Coleman's Leonator and M. McLean's Celtic. Bobrikoff pulled up as fresh as a daisy and on the way home to his stable played about like a kitten. The writer remembers it as he was entrusted with his care back to Mr Tooman's racing establishment.

Never was a Cornwall winner more deserving of victory than Mr Lowry's Bobrikoff, as any ordinary handicap horse on the run Bob received that day would not have been first, second or third.

**THIS YEAR'S FIELD**

Lou Rosa, for a three-year-old, has been set a very stiff proposition to win with 9.6 in a seven-stone minimum race. Undoubtedly this Foxbridge colt is of good class as many good judges are of the opinion that he is second only to Kingdergarten this season in the Dominion among those of his age. At this weight it is not likely that his trainer will send his charge to the starting post although the writer has nothing to base this assumption on. However, if the track is soft he certainly should not start.

Foxsen, another of the Foxbridge tribe, is second on the list at 9.3, a weight that will send her out too. Both are good performers, but in the meantime, looking for the most likely, these two are passed over.

The Bronze Eagle four-year-old, Monte Cristo, is not long out of the "hack" ranks, yet he has been handicapped at 8.13 and has yet to win over a middle distance. He may justify the handicapper's opinion, but as regards winning a race of this description he hardly foots the bill as possessing the right credentials.

On the same mark is Clipper, who has won over a mile and a quarter and on his recent form must be given a fair show, although he has not yet accomplished anything to make one confident.

**A DOUBTFUL SORT**

A doubtful sort to select as a likely winner is Gladynvee, but on his three-year-old form and his unlucky second in the last V.R.C. Caulfield Cup, he certainly would be the first choice. He is to race this Saturday and Monday at Otaki and it will depend on his form there whether he will be taken up north. This Musketeer gelding's admirers are not as many as they were.

Cornish is nicely weighted and it was only a little while ago that he had to concede weight to Foxsen but now there is a difference in Cornwall's favour of 9lb. Both fit and well on the day, Foxsen could not give Cornish 1lb. As the handicapper adjusts Foxsen at 9.3, Cornish has only to be produced at his best to go very close in leading the field home early next month.

**PROMISING HANDICAPPER**

A very promising young handicapper is the three-year-old Vermeer-Lady Lois colt, Kentucky. This autumn he has proved himself an accomplished sprinter and is a winner of the seven furlong C.J.C. Great Easter. He has not been tried so far over a middle distance but his sire, Vermeer (Solario from Pilgrim's Rest by Chaucer from a Sainfoin mare) should get better stayers than sprinters. Kentucky should not find the distance too great. He is to race in the President's Handicap, one mile and a quarter to-morrow at Waikato, so it

will depend on this race how his Cornwall chances are adjudged.

Te Kawiti, last spring, was held in high esteem as a promising first class handicap performer. He may yet make the grade but has done little of late and it is not clear that reason is not greatly fancied. He is not engaged to-morrow but may contest the middle distance on Monday at Te Rapa.

Out struck her right gait for some time. Dressed in her best, this big daughter of Vaals and Big Bertha is a useful sort and at 8.5 will have her admirers and supporters.

Gold Vaals, on the same mark, has been disappointing more than once this autumn but he did win one fair handicap event. Word from the north says he appears right back to his best form. He will have his dress rehearsal to-morrow.

**DOWN IN THE WEIGHT**

Royal Appellant, a previous winner of this race, is gradually coming down in the weights and is now handicapped at 8.1. On this it looks as if he is on the toboggan, an opinion apparently shared by the handicapper. However, one must have respect for the judgment of Mr J. Jimmie Buchanan and if Jimmie says he is to accept it will mean that this nine-year-old gelding is not without possibilities.

Next on the list is Sir Cameron. In the spring he won the Auckland Guineas and from then on until the autumn was a most disappointing three-year-old. At the A.R.C. Easter meeting he came out to win the mile and a half H. O. Nolan Handicap practically from end to end. Since then he has again been recommended and, with going to suit him, has failed to run in an open spring having everything to suit. He may account for the Cornwall as easily as he did the Nolan, but on performance he can be written down as unlikely.

**NICELY WEIGHTED**

Nicely placed in the handicap is Greek Queen, a really good mare over ten furlongs. She has been pleasing in her preparation and is to have a run in an open spring on the first day at Waikato to sharpen her up. This Foxbridge mare looks like one of the early favourites for the event now under discussion.

Surveyor General has not done so well since being classified to the open grade. His fourth in the Auckland Easter entitles him to a little consideration now but that is not to say that the surveyor gelding is being recommended.

Silver Quex, the full sister to Round Up, is a fair miler but against her, although Takanini notes say she is galloping nicely.

Bronwen is reported to have retired and has gone to the matron's paddock. However, she has yet to win any sort of a race over a middle distance.

High Delight is only ordinary but not so Brahman, who recently was returned a winner. This full brother to Indian Sun, with only 6lb. over the minimum, is just the sort to cause a surprise. He has run some very solid mile races and is well commented upon at the present time.

**THREE LIKELY SORTS**

Three likely sorts, all handicapped on about the same mark, are Tea Gong, Telsom and The Cardinal. Tea Gong recently was conditionally backed in a mile race at Avondale which he won. Since then he has run fair races and so comes into the picture as a possibility.

Telsom has won over the distance and comes into the same category as Tea Gong.

The Cardinal appeared to be coming back to earlier promise when he won the Avondale Cup. He was third at Franklin in the handicap but was very unlucky at the start and throughout the race. He races to-morrow at Te Rapa and that form will be closely watched. This Night Raid gelding requires a big track, such as Ellerslie, and can do nothing like that, form, so in all on any going (preferably soft). Even if he wins at Te Rapa his handicap will still see him fairly lightly weighted. Without Waikato form as a guide, The Cardinal at the moment looks as though he will be one of the fancied candidates in the Cornwall.

**AMONG THE LIGHTWEIGHTS**

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Final payments will be this day week which should clarify matters to some extent. On present prospects the favourites appear to be

**CORNISH**  
**KENTUCKY**  
**GREEK QUEEN**  
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**GOLF DRAWS FOR ORMONDVILLE**  
**Men And Women**  
**MATCHES ARRANGED AT WEEK-END**

Daily Mail Special Service.  
ORMONDVILLE

The first round of the aggregate stroke competition for the Primrose Challenge Cup will be played over the Ormondville District golf links this week-end. The draw is as follows:—

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C. Andersen v. K. Simm, R. Andersen v. H. K. Sands, H. O. Baines v. F. E. Sands, D. L. Edgecombe v. E. G. Fort, F. B. Ellingham v. C. C. Newling, N. Forward v. A. Nichol, J. Gasson v. W. M. Kane, C. Hall v. W. Hamilton, E. W. Hyde v. partner to be arranged.

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A women's medal round and silver button match is to be played on Saturday, for which the draw is as follows:—

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**OFFICERS FOR THE WOMEN'S CLUB** have been elected as follows:—Captain, Mrs H. O. Baines; secretary, Miss M. Sampson; trustees, Mrs E. B. Pedersen and Miss Sampson; committee, Mrs H. O. Baines, Mrs E. B. Pedersen, Mrs E. W. Hyde, Mrs H. K. Sands, Miss N. Wilson.

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**First-Round Draw**

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The draw for the first round of the Speedy Memorial Cup (medal) to be played on Saturday by members of the Waipukurau Golf Club is as follows:—

**A Grade, No. 11 Tee.**—A. Rathbone v. I. McCaskill, J. Tarrant v. G. T. Brebner, L. A. Reid v. S. Peacock, W. Rickett v. V. Bradley, P. Peacock v. C. A. Rickett, G. W. Bryce v. C. Plimmer, E. T. Haldane v. G. E. Wilson, C. Webb v. R. Clarke, C. Riddell v. H. E. Coats, N. Bird v. N. Jamieson, L. Scott v. I. W. N. Mackie, F. A. G. Dunn v. R. Inglis.

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Three likely sorts, all handicapped on about the same mark, are Tea Gong, Telsom and The Cardinal. Tea Gong recently was conditionally backed in a mile race at Avondale which he won. Since then he has run fair races and so comes into the picture as a possibility.

Telsom has won over the distance and comes into the same category as Tea Gong.

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**Hastings Track Notes**  
**GOOD SCHOOLING**  
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(By THE BARB)

There was nothing outstanding in the way of times in yesterday's gallops on the Hastings tracks, although the work was quite interesting. The conditions were perfect both before and after breakfast.

**On the Plough.**

Diana Tetrax (L. Barnett) was the first to gallop, doing a half-mile very comfortably in 51sec. It was surprising to see her name coming from the list of entrants for the Connolly Handicap, but trainer Wallace Young believes in patronising his own meetings, so she will be racing at Napier, although the distance is not as suitable as Wanganui.

Kinkajou, who has competed for Otaki, ran five furlongs comfortably in 66sec, with S. Fell in the saddle. Endorsement, who will accompany the above mare away this week-end, came home the last three of her work nicely in a stride under 39sec, but was never off the bit.

Limbohm (W. L. Aitken) and Centrepole (L. Lewis) worked steadily together for a mile and a half and then finished home the last four furlongs at a hand gallop in 54. Both worked exceptionally well.

Gayest Son (S. Fell), who has no engagements until Napier Park at the end of this month was never doing better than even time in his exercise. He is being given every opportunity.

Strife (S. Dockery) moved with freedom when running from the three furlong to the winning post in 40sec, at the conclusion of her pace work.

Cherry Hunter (W. J. Mudford), heavily shod, impressed by the manner in which he ran five in 66sec, as he was never allowed his head.

Nelumbo (L. S. Deeley) put plenty of ginger into her three furlongs in 39sec, and could have done decidedly better if allowed.

Cherry Plum (J. Forsyth) and Solaria (L. Deeley) were associated in a strong working gallop, improving 1.2.3 for three-quarters of a mile.

**On the Inside Grass.**

Proven (W. L. Aitken) and Condole (G. Phelps) executed a fairly impressive half-mile when registering 51sec, for that distance, as both these two-year-old fillies were by no means at top. Condole may be raced at either Hastings or Napier in the maiden events, as she has had little racing experience so far.

Burna (G. Stowe) and Recompense (L. Cullen) were mates in an easy run over half a mile which occupied 52sec. The latter is gradually getting plainly on the improve, as Farvita (S. Dockery) and Tashil Lama (G. Phelps) were another pair not out to burn up the grass when allowed to race over half a mile. Tashil Lama finished strongly and impressed as one likely to be at home over a middle distance.

**The Jumpers.**

Dia Bando (J. Rae) over a round of the schooling hurdles, jumped like an old hand at the game. He is confident at the fences and with a little racing experience will place a win or two to the credit of Central Hawke's Bay.

Siegal (J. Rae) was also sent over a round of the schooling hurdles and she too never laid a foot wrong. Siegal may commence her hurdling career at Napier Park. On Wednesday morning Master Cyklon (L. Lewis) was very impressive in a round of the hurdles with the speed at racing pace throughout, but unfortunately was not.

Judging by the manner in which he skipped round this track he must have broken 1.40. He will have his first race over hurdles at Otaki this week and although it is a big thing to ask a horse to win first time out, it would occasion no surprise if Master Cyklon was first past the post on Saturday.

**Should It Be Allowed?**

A question being asked in racing circles here at the present time is: Should apprentice riders be allowed to ride in hurdle races? It appears safe to say that they should not, but there are exceptions, and the exceptions are when a lad is over the apprentice weight limit, but has done a fair amount of schooling work on the tracks, or who has had experience in the hunting field. Then again there are occasions where a lad, before entering a racing stable, has done show riding, including the jumping classes. A law in the Rules of Racing bearing on this question may not be out of the way.

Last Monday at Gisborne young Stan Paramore rode Royal Stuart in the hurdles to finish a close second and then later in the day was on the big chestnut when he ran in the half a furlong, fell at the last fence. At present he is in the Gisborne Public Hospital, but fortunately is not seriously hurt.

The writer is not suggesting for a moment that Paramore did not acquit himself well. In fact, astute judges declare that he rode a perfect race for a beginner, but it was a lack of riding experience that caused Royal Stuart to fall at the last fence. Coming to this obstacle, there was a gap caused by Queen's Dream falling there, and when Paramore and it was the gap that Paramore made for, instead of taking on the brush where it was sound, which Royal Stuart, tired as he was, could have negotiated safely. The three horse will always make an endeavour to jump a fence, but at a gap will throw himself at it or take any other chance leap.

Trainer W. D. Young, Paramore's employer, was not present and he told the writer that had he been there he would not have allowed young Paramore to ride Royal Stuart, whom he trains, as Paramore has not ridden over half a dozen fences in his life. The question arises: "Who was responsible for putting this lad up?"

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the last yearling sales at Trentham by Mr A. F. M. Syme and now held on lease by Mesdames Stead, has been placed with trainer J. P. Ryan at Mummer's Lodge. She is a likely sort of a filly and the first of her sire's gets to come into this district.

**Racing at Waikato.**

Racing at the Waikato Winter meeting this Saturday and Monday are three from Hastings—Dozie Boy, Battle Gain and Black Majesty. Dozie Boy ran as well as expected at Egmont in his one race and the race was of great benefit to the little Lucullus gelding. At Te Rapa to-morrow he will have another half-mile to go and bigger fences to negotiate, two factors that will be in his favour. Hastings folk are quite confident that Mr Rathbone's nominee will not let them down.

**RACING FIXTURES**

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day. His race will now be run a two separate races, but he will be in the same heat as Ever Eng and the horse that some critics consider the best "hack" in the Dominion.

Black Majesty is a good galloper but his admirers are advised to wait until he gets a soft or holding track and then the black horse will give the opposition something to think about.

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