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## Attack On Suez Canal About To Begin

### HALF-MILLION MEN

### Two Thousand Tanks Believed To Be In Libya

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The "Daily News" learns exclusively that German troops are poised for a drive across Persia and Syria to Egypt and are already moving through to the Black Sea and Russian Georgia.

This step signals the completion of the Japanese-Russian-German deal whereby the Reich bought the entrance to the Near East and Africa for the promise to construct a giant new system of railways in Southern Russia.

The details of a secret tripartite agreement which gives Sweden to Germany and Finland and Manchukuo to Russia were submitted to the State Department spokesman, who said it was in harmony with the department's own reports and authorised its publication.

Germany has massed an army of 100,000 in Libya for a major offensive against the Suez Canal according to the "New York Post's" Lisbon correspondent, who has spent a long period in Rome.

The force is said to consist of 25 divisions, all motorised.

From the existence of five "Panzer" divisions he estimates that Germany has 2000 heavy and light tanks in Libya. So many tanks have been assembled at Naples that the locks cannot hold them and hundreds lie along the beaches.

The German heavy tanks, usually of 36 tons, are unwieldy in the desert but it is almost impossible for fighter tanks to stand up against them.

The principal lesson of the blitzkrieg has been that a counter-attack with equally heavily armed columns is the only effective defence. Anti-tank guns and fixed defences are insufficient.

Observers, however, are hopeful that General Wavell's air strength is sufficient to cope with the German offensive.

It is believed that the Germans will again rely on Stukas to provide a mobile barrage but for the first time in the war they will be opposed by fast fighters adequately based.

**IMPORTANT SPEECH ON THURSDAY**

### American Policy

### MAY AFFECT ROBIN MOOR SINKING

### All Aboard Now Safe

*(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received June 17, 6 p.m.)*

President Roosevelt is to make an important foreign policy announcement on Thursday, says the Washington correspondent of the "New York Times." This is expected to be America's reply to the sinking of the United States ship Robin Moor by a German submarine. A decision to arm United States merchant ships and to use United States warships in convoys may be announced.

A British steamer has arrived at Cape Town with 35 survivors from the Robin Moor. This means that all persons aboard the vessel when she was sunk are now safe. Earlier, it was thought that these remaining 35 persons had perished.

**Racing Appeal Allowed**

### COMMITTEE'S VIEW

### Duke Of Gloucester Cup

### CANTERBURY CASE

By Telegraph—Press Association. CHRISTCHURCH, June 17.

The Canterbury District Committee to-day heard an appeal by Mr H. C. Paul against the decision of the South Canterbury Jockey Club in disqualifying his horse, the winner of the Duke of Gloucester Cup, decided at Washdyke on May 15, on the grounds that Mr Paul, who rode the horse, did not hold a gentleman rider's certificate.

After the hearing, Mr C. W. Webster, who appeared as counsel for Mr Paul, and Mr C. L. Orbell, who appeared on behalf of the South Canterbury Jockey Club Committee, decided to allow the appeal, and in doing so held the opinion that Mr Paul's gentleman rider's certificate was granted to him by the Racing Conference on April 18 last.

The decision means that the winning stake for the cup, amounting to £105, will now be payable to Mr Paul, and the cup and miniature received by him, but which he had on hand back when the horse was disqualified will be returned to him.

**SHIPPING ROAD AND RAIL TRANSPORT**

Shipping, road and rail transport is also to come under the direct control of the Government, although the management of the services will necessarily not be removed from the existing State control. Mr Menzies said shipping would be treated on the charter system. The vessels would be managed by their owners but the Government would have the right to select cargoes.

Referring to the railways, Mr Menzies said that they would suffer a heavy strain if coastal shipping was discontinued and it was therefore necessary that the Government should have control.

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**Communists Interred**

All belligerent Communists were to be interned, he stated, as from tomorrow morning.

Thousands of people would no doubt suffer discomforts as a result of the introduction of the measures providing 250,000,000 dollars for the construction of a huge food-storage tunnel 600 feet long, equipped with its own power and water, on Oahu Island. The tunnel can be used as an emergency air-raid shelter. The cost is estimated at 750,000 dollars, and construction will begin on August 1 and will take until September.

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## HEAVY FIGHTING AT SOLLUM

### HELLFIRE TRIANGLE AT STAKE

### INDIANS ENGAGED

*(British Official Wireless.) (Received June 17, 7.45 p.m.)*

RUGBY, June 16.

Military circles in Cairo describe the fighting in the Western Desert as a continuation of the operations which have been going on intermittently since the retirement from Benghazi. They attach no particular importance to it therefore.

It is, however, of a fairly strenuous character though confined to a small triangle of land on the top of the escarpment formed by Capuzzo, Halfaya Pass and Sollum.

British and Indian troops are engaged and both sides are using armoured fighting vehicles in considerable numbers.

**A Gain Indicated**

It is at present uncertain how the operations are developing but whereas the Imperial Forces were originally on the east side of Halfaya Pass, they are now on the west. The enemy held the top of the pass and when our troops reached the triangle the fighting began and, according to a Cairo report this is still going on around the pass and on top of the escarpment in the region of the Cyrenaica border.

**Thirteen Days In Lifeboats**

### ROBIN MOOR VICTIMS

### U-Boat Supplied Bandages

### UNDOUBTEDLY GERMAN

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CAPE TOWN, June 16.

The 35 missing passengers and members of the crew of the American ship Robin Moor, which was torpedoed by a German submarine last month, have arrived in a British steamer.

They spent 13 days in three lifeboats.

Captain Meyers said he had no faith in the submarine commander's promise to send rescue ships; therefore he advised the lifeboats to leave the scene of the sinking.

Chief Officer Munday was given German marked bandages from the submarine.

American officials state that those rescued confirmed that the submarine was German. None of the survivors was seriously injured.

**Good Bag On Monday**

### ELEVEN ENEMY 'PLANES

### Air Battles Over Britain

### R.A.F. ON TOP

*(British Official Wireless.) (Received June 17, 7.45 p.m.)*

RUGBY, June 16.

An Air Ministry communique issued early on Tuesday morning said: "Yesterday evening a squadron of the Fighter Command shot down three enemy fighters and one seaplane. One of our fighters was lost but the pilot is safe.

"This brings the total enemy losses in yesterday's operations up to 11 aircraft and our losses to two bombers and four fighters, the pilots of two of which are safe."

**SLUMP ON ROME STOCK EXCHANGE**

### Result Of American "Freezing"

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LONDON, June 17.

The Rome Stock Exchange slumped to-day as the result of the United States freezing of credits.

Some war stocks declined 40 points.

**Sweeping Changes In Australian Economy**

### Prime Minister Announces His Decisions For Industry And Transport

LONDON, June 17.

The Australian Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies) announced sweeping measures to increase Australia's war effort, in a nationwide broadcast to-night. They included the creation of Ministers of Supply, Air Raid Precautions and Aircraft Production with full Cabinet rank. In this connection, said Mr Menzies, the Commonwealth Constitution would be amended in order to permit the Cabinet to be unfettered.

He also announced the necessity for further petrol restrictions on account of the tanker shortage.

## United States Must Now Decide To Fight Or Lose All Honour

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WASHINGTON, June 17.

The United States people "are now at the very hour of decision" such as Canada had to face in relation to the war, declared the Secretary of the Navy (Colonel Frank Knox) in an American-wide broadcast.

"The United States must make a choice similar to Canada's," he declared. "I know you feel now, as most of us in the United States felt in your time of choosing—sure that the decision, when made, will be on the side of human liberty and its defence, come what may."

Colonel Knox said that the recent declaration of President Roosevelt left no doubt that the United States was determined to travel the same self-respecting route in relation to the war as Canada was travelling.

"President Roosevelt meant just what he said," added Colonel Knox, "that the United States will not stand idly by while Germany defeats the Empire."

Condemning isolationists for the complete lack of understanding, Colonel Knox said: "Supposing the United States withdrew itself and obtained a sort of temporary safety, how could we look Britain in the face, how could we retain the slightest vestige of self-respect if we saved ourselves at the cost of every other people's liberty? That has never been the American way and I hope it never will."

**Dominion of the Seas**

Colonel Knox said that the United States knew that the Nazis' ultimate aim was domination of the high seas, and "this domination we are determined that Hitler shall never attain."

He said that the United States was extremely proud of the fact that ten per cent of the flying cadets undergoing training in Canada were spirited United States boys.

**MANY SPIES IN AMERICA**

### SUBVERSIVE ACTS FEARED

### PREVENTIVE STEPS

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WASHINGTON, June 17.

The State Department has advised the Senate Judiciary Committee that more persons are now engaged in espionage and subversive activities in the United States than during 1914-18, therefore legislation giving the President authority over the entry or departure of aliens is desirable in the interest of national defence.

To-day's instructions by the State Department for the closing of all German Consulates and agencies by July 10 directed that all German consular officers, agents, clerks and employees of German nationality be removed from American territory.

Police were detailed to guard the German consulate at New York when a crowd gathered following the publication of the order.

The order affects all German consulates in the United States, German Library of Information, the Railway Tourist Bureau, and the Transoceanic News Agency, and the removal of all German nationals connected with those agencies.

The Assistant Secretary of State (Mr Sumner Welles) said that the order closing the agencies did not imply a break in diplomatic relations. The German diplomatic staff at Washington was not affected.

The State Department has issued the following Note:—

**Storm Troopers For Paris**

### DEFENSIVE MOVE

### May Be Used Against Vichy

### NAZIFICATION SCHEME

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LONDON, June 17.

"The appearance in Paris of Pierre Laval and the Government's own Storm Troopers carries the nazification of occupied France a stage further," said the "Daily Telegraph's" special correspondent.

"The Storm Troopers are styled the National Popular Legion, their formation coinciding with the reorganisation of the Paris police on the Nazi model.

"It is explained that the Storm Troopers were formed for the defence of the National Popular Party, but they are more likely to be used to march against Vichy should the German demands be refused."

**Too Much Buying From Japan**

### CONTROL POSSIBLE

### Minister's Warning At Johannesburg

### STERLING PREFERRED

*(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received June 17, 11.15 p.m.)*

JOHANNESBURG, June 17.

The Minister of Industries and Commerce (the Hon. R. Stuttaford) declared: "We are buying excessively from Japan. The public should purchase all necessary imports from the sterling area, giving the United Kingdom all possible trade."

"It may be necessary to apply restrictions to discourage the demand for American dollars and the yen,"

## NOT ONE DAY TO BE LOST

### STRONGER DEFENCES FOR BRITAIN

### CANADA'S PART

*(British Official Wireless.) (Received June 17, 7.55 p.m.)*

RUGBY, June 16.

In a recruiting broadcast to Canada, General McNaughton, Canadian Corps Commander in Britain, spoke of the German attack on Britain—the one decisive theatre of war—which was drawing nearer.

"We cannot afford to waste one single day of the short period which remains for preparation," said General McNaughton. "You may rest assured that the forces here will turn each moment to account."

"A quarter of a million Canadians are now serving in the forces, of whom over 60,000 are with the Canadian Army Corps now sharing in the defence of Britain. Two more divisions—one armoured—an Army tank brigade and reinforcements are also to be sent to Britain from Canada this year. Canadian garrisons are also established in Iceland, Newfoundland and the West Indies, while Canadian engineers are strengthening the defence of Gibraltar.

"In the field of war material supply Canada expects to send to Britain during the next 12 months munitions, raw materials and agricultural products worth more than £300,000,000."

**WARPLANES MEAN VICTORY**

### BELGIAN APPEALS TO AMERICA

### BRITAIN'S PLIGHT

### Beaten Unless Machines Are Sent

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NEW YORK, June 17.

"This is mainly a war of planes, contrary to the obstinate and blind routine to which military leaders cling until too late," declared M. Paul van Zeeland, former Prime Minister of Belgium, in a speech.

**Soviet Now Stand Ready**

### STATE OF ALARM

### Heightened Tension With Germany

### SHIPPING RECALLED

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LONDON, June 16.

Reports of heightened tension between Germany and Russia are still being received from all parts of Europe. They include one report from Ankara that Russia has declared general mobilisation and cancelled army leave, and another from London stating that German shipping has been recalled from the Baltic and that the Soviet Baltic Fleet is "in a state of alarm."

Germany is demanding from Russia full control of the Ukraine and a passage for German troops across Caucasia, from which area she could dominate the Russian oilfields and refineries and menace Iraq and Iran.

"The Daily Telegraph's" diplomatic correspondent, the Germans are not interested in securing a negotiated settlement, he adds, preferring to impose their will and thus employing their idle army, which would seek to knock out Russia before British and United States strength became truly formidable.

Meanwhile, German pressure on Turkey has greatly increased. Hitler wishes to "take Turkey cold," and is mixing threats with cajolery.

**SHIPMENT OF OIL STOPPED**

### Washington Orders

### MUST NOT GO TO JAPAN

### Shortage The Reason

*(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received June 17, 9.35 p.m.)*

WASHINGTON, June 17.

The Secretary of the Interior (Mr Harold Ickes) as defence oil coordinator to-day prevented the shipment of 252,000 gallons of lubricating oil from Philadelphia to Japan.

He stated that this was not because of international policy, but was due to a shortage of oil on the east coast.

## THE SIX-HOUR "BLITZ" ON H.M.S. ILLUSTRIOUS

### Aircraft-carrier Defied Wave After Wave Of Bombers

*(British Official Wireless.) (Received June 17, 7.45 p.m.)*

RUGBY, June 16.

The story of the brilliant organisation, seamanship and gunnery which saved the aircraft-carrier *Illustrious* when she was subjected to a series of air attacks in the Mediterranean on January 10 is now made public by the Admiralty. Within a few hours this ship was the main target for six air attacks, in which nearly 100 German and Italian planes took part.

Both bombs and torpedoes were aimed at her but only a very small proportion of the scores of bombs dropped registered hits.

The *Illustrious* was sailing with the battle fleet when the early attacks were made.

The first attack was made by a couple of torpedo-bombers. Both launched their torpedoes at her, but the aircraft-carrier altered course in good time and they missed. Naval aircraft from the carrier chased these bombers back to shore.

Soon afterwards, however, German dive-bombers launched the worst attack of the day. In wave after wave, some 40 of them dived on the fleet, concentrating on the *Illustrious* despite fierce fire from the anti-aircraft guns of the *Illustrious*. Avoiding action was taken by her commanding officer and a fight made by the carrier's aircraft against heavy odds but several heavy bombs struck here. These not only put some of the anti-aircraft guns out of action and did damage between decks, but they also started several fires, both fore and aft.

**Barrage Kept Up**

Still the gun crews kept up their barrage and the pilots and gunners of the Fleet Air Arm smashed at the Junkers dive-bombers overhead. While the ship took avoiding action two British naval pilots who had exhausted their ammunition in an earlier fight made dummy attacks on the German dive-bombers and put them off their aim. It was then that the high degree of efficiency achieved in the centralisation of the damage control organisation of the ship was manifested. Most of the numerous small fires which had been started by bombs in various parts of the ship were quickly put out and the damage done below decks was soon repaired.

**Efforts Hampered.**

A serious fire in a section of one hangar, however, defied all efforts of the reinforced fire-fighting parties and the damage caused by a heavy bomb in this section hampered efforts to fight the blaze. The fire-fighting parties were driven back, but they still made every effort to confine the flames to the section on which they had a hold.

Now the *Illustrious*, with destroyers in attendance, turned and headed for Malta. At this stage the steering gear broke down and the ship had to be steered with her engines. The ship was also developing a list because of the accumulation of water being poured on the fires.

**Steam Kept Up.**

Down in the boiler rooms conditions were growing almost unbearable. The draught fans were pouring down thick clouds of black smoke and the fumes of the chemical fire extinguishers. But steam had to be maintained at all costs and the men in the boiler rooms held on doggedly. They had to breathe through wet cloths, gasping to get each breath.

Then a third air attack on the ship was launched. This was a high-level bombing attack by seven bombers, which were sighted far off and were tackled in good time by fighters protecting the *Illustrious*. The attackers were forced to drop their bombs harmlessly in the sea.

While this attack was being beaten off the *Illustrious* was temporarily out of control and swinging in wide circles. She was not under control and again headed for Malta but soon 15 Junkers dive-bombers protected by five fighters were seen approaching. The first wave dived to attack and two of their bombs fell near. The second wave followed quickly but with no more success although one bomb scored a near miss.

**Heavy Barrage**

The gun crews of the *Illustrious*, although handicapped by smoke from the fire of their ship, put up such a barrage that this attack was not pressed home.

After the second wave had been held off the rest of the German aircraft stayed in the vicinity of the ship. The last attempt to attack but were driven off without dropping their bombs.

The *Illustrious* was getting near Malta but another bombing attack was made.

With only a few miles to go 17 enemy aircraft appeared. This was a combined attack by high-level and dive-bombing.

**Safety in Sight**

Again the *Illustrious* fought them off and continued on her way towards Malta. She was in sight of the harbour when the last alarm was raised. Two enemy torpedo-bombers were sighted but the *Illustrious* opened such a heavy and accurate fire that no definite attack developed.

Thus after about seven hours of air attack the *Illustrious* made port. Even then she was the focus for a number of air attacks.

Apart from the very heavy losses inflicted on the enemy during the raids on Malta the *Illustrious* and her escort opened up a heavy and accurate fire during the attacks at sea. Nine German aircraft were seen to be shot down, five by naval aircraft and four by gunfire. A further seven were seen to be damaged and at least two of these almost certainly failed to return to their base.

**Old Quarrel To Be Ended**

### MANCHUKUO AREA

### Russia And Japan Will Negotiate

### AN EARLY START

*(United Press Association—Copyright.) (Received June 18, 0.15 a.m.)*

NEW YORK, June 17.

The "New York Times" says it is officially announced that Russia and Japan have agreed to fix the Manchukuo-Outer Mongolia border, which hitherto has been very vague and has caused repeated border incidents.

The new border will be negotiated by Russian and Japanese Commissions commencing work on June 27. The agreement is regarded as evidence of the improved relations.

**QUICKER DELIVERY OF 'PLANES**

### ATLANTIC FLIGHTS TO EGYPT

### SCHEME DISCUSSED

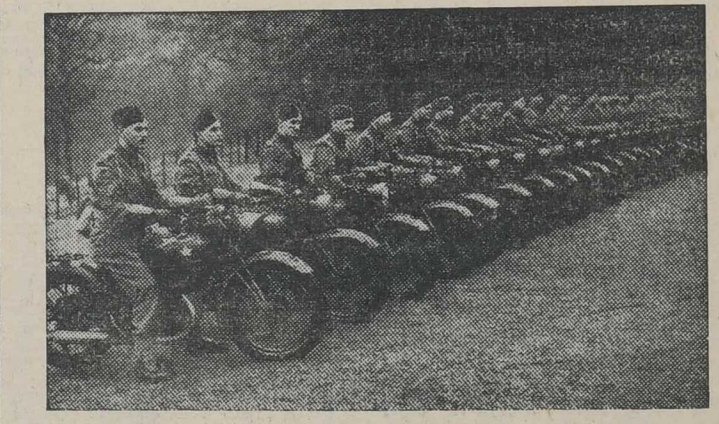
### Formerly Shipped From America

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NEW YORK, June 17.

The "New York Times" says that at a White House conference, President Roosevelt, Mr H. L. Stimson, Admiral Stark, Mr Harry Hopkins and General Arnold discussed the question of flying American warplanes from the United States to Brazil across the South Atlantic to Gambia or Freetown, then to Egypt. Hiltner's planes had been shipped to America.

The American President Line announces that the following six President liners are to be handed over to the United States Maritime Commission after completion of their current voyages; President Taft, President Cleveland, President Coolidge, President Pierce, President Jackson and President Hayes (all in the vicinity of 20,000 tons). It is understood that the withdrawal of these ships from the Pacific will not interfere with rubber and tin shipments to America.



CANADIAN "MOUNTIES" IN ENGLAND.—Many officers of the famous Royal Canadian Mounted Police have volunteered for service with the British Forces. Some of these men have already co-operated with Scotland Yard on special cases.



**HASTINGS THEATRES**

**REGENT TO-DAY** 2.15 — 8 P.M.

**HIS HONEYMOON STARTED WITH A MURDER MYSTERY—!**

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With—KENETH KENT and—DIANA CHURCHILL

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**SECOND FEATURE**

**IT'S COMEDY'S GIFT TO THE BLACKOUT BLUES—!**

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**TOMMY TRINDER**

**GOOGIE WITHERS**—in—**FRED EMNEY**

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**GUNGA DIN**

(Recommended by the Censor for Adults.)

KIA TOA CROQUET CLUB AFFAIRS

Trophies Presented At Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Kia Toa Croquet Club was held recently in the pavilion when Mrs Hopkins presided over a fair attendance of members. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs C. P. Hopkins; vice-president, Mrs R. T. Dawson; secretary, Mrs W. E. Watkins; treasurer, Mrs E. Munro; captain, Mrs J. W. Graham; vice-captain, Mrs T. Arkenes; delegate to association, Mrs Hopkins; tea convener, Mrs Kemp; committee, Messrs Brodley, Flanders, Kershaw and Bone.

Trophies won during the season were presented, the winners being: Brinsley Cup, A Grade handicap singles: Mrs Graham; runner-up, Mrs Hopkins.

Bone Cup, B Grade handicap singles: Mrs Horton; runner-up, Mrs W. Ross.

Harris Cup, C Grade handicap singles: Mrs Muir; runner-up, Mrs Brodley.

Silver Buttons first section doubles: Mrs Hopkins; runner-up, Mrs W. Ross; second section doubles, Mrs Brodley; runner-up, Mrs Munro.

Mr Butfield's special trophy: Mrs Brodley.

The Biblical query as to whether or not the Ethiopian can change his skin remains unanswered, but recent developments show that he certainly has not turned his coat.

**INCIDENT AT BRIDGE PARTY**

"Two diamonds", "Two spades", "Three diamonds", "A-tishoo!" "Take Pulmonas for that cold," advised the hostess. "Here you are. They give 2-way relief—by inhalation 'Pulmonas' in purse or pocket—antiseptic vapours through he air-passages and absorption through the blood. I am never without 'Pulmonas.' Pulmonas in purse or pocket are handy to quickly relieve Coughs, Colds, flu. 1/1, 1/7, 2/7.

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the cap of the tin full STRIP.  
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PROGRAMMES ON THE AIR

**1YA AUCKLAND**

6.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news, 7.30: Breakfast session. 9.0: Music As You Like It. 10.0: Devotional service. 10.20: John Brownlie Australian band. 10.45: "A Woman's Letters from England." 11.0: Musical Highlights.

12.0: Lunch music. 12.15 p.m.: B.B.C. news. 1.15: Headline News and Views. 2.0: Musical comedy. 3.0: Classical hour. 3.30: Musical medleys. 4.0: "Our Sample Box." 4.0: Light music. 5.0: Children's session. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.15: B.B.C. news. 7.0: News. 7.15: Book review.

7.30: Concert (piano): Thibaud (violin) and Casals (cello). 8.14: Studio recital by Evelyn Eastridge (mezzo-soprano), Gordon Brass Band, Chamber Music Union. 8.50: André Gaudamus Flanders, Kershaw and Bone. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: Martin's Corner. 10.0: Music, mirth and melody. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

**2YA WELLINGTON**

6.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news, 7.30: Breakfast session. 9.0: Morning melo-dies. 10.0: "For My Lady." 10.25: Popular melodies. 10.40: "Over Twists." 11.0: "The Stage as Profession for Your Daughter." 11.15: Music by popular composers. 11.30: Variety on the air.

12.0: Lunch music. 12.15 p.m.: B.B.C. news. 1.15: Headline News and Views. 1.30: Educational session. 2.0: Classical hour. 3.0: Ballad singers. 3.30: Musical medleys. 4.0: Children's session. 4.45: Dinner music. 5.0: N.B.S. news. 5.15: B.B.C. news. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.15: B.B.C. news. 7.0: News. 7.15: Book review.

7.30: New Light Symphony Orchestra. 7.35: For our Welsh listeners. 7.54: "Kitcheners of Kharotung." 8.15: "From the Gate Chantant." 8.15: Singing in Harmony. The Bucanars Octet. 8.35: Station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: Celia from Victor Herbert. 9.43: "At Eventide." 10.0: Abe Lyman and his Californians. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

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7.30: The Concertina Orchestra of Amsterdam. 7.35: Winter Course Series. 7.50: Fritz Kreisler (violin). 8.35: Reading by C. Ernest Mal-travers. 8.55: Felix Weingartner and the London Philharmonic Orchestra. 8.55: Organ recital by Dr. C. Bradshaw. 8.49: London Philharmonic Orchestra. 8.58: Station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: Sir Hamilton Harty and the London Symphony Orchestra. 10.0: Music, mirth and melody. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

**4YA DUNEDIN**

6.0, 7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news, 7.30: Breakfast session. 10.15: Devotional service. 10.40: "A Woman's Letters from England." 11.0: Ernest Mal-travers. 11.20: "Cooking by Elec-tricity." 11.35: Tunes of the times. 12.0: South Dunedin Community Sing. 12.15 p.m.: B.B.C. news. 1.15: Head-line News and Views. 1.30: Educa-tional session. 2.0: Rambling in rhythm. 3.15: A.C.F. talk. 3.30: Classical music. 4.30: Cafe music. 5.0: Children's session. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.15: B.B.C. news. 7.0: News. 7.15: "New Zealand Records in Syd-ney."

7.30: Debroy Somers Band. 7.40: "Ever-greens of Jazz." 7.54: "The Hunch-back of Ben Ali." 8.1: Stokes Banjo Band. 8.14: The Master Musicians. 8.23: Stokes Banjo Band. 8.30: "The Fourth Form at St. Peter's." 8.45: "Live, Love and Laugh." 8.55: Peter

**Regent**

**CLEVER MYSTERY STORY**

What is undoubtedly one of the funniest and most original "whodunits" the screen has seen in some time comes to the Regent Theatre, Hastings, to-day in "Busman's Honeymoon," film version of Dorothy L. Sayer's entertaining narra-tive of a pair of honeymooners, both previously associated with the business of crime, who go to the English countryside to "get away from it all" only to discover them-selves in possession of the corpse of a murdered man.

With Robert Montgomery as Lord Peter Wimsey, debonair amateur de-tective, and Constance Cummings as his mystery fiction-writer wife, fill-ing the leads, the action runs along at a merry pace with any number of suspects seeming to fit the picture as the guilty men, and an innocent-looking unwaryed pupil forming a pivotal clue in the final solving of the crime.

Montgomery shifts with agility from his neurotic gangster noble-man of "The Earl of Chicago" to the suave top-hat-and-tails crime de-tector of his present vehicle.

**Cosy**

**"THE HOUSE OF THE ARROW"**

Madame Harlow dies during the night in her French villa and poison is the cause. All her family and household were not exactly mourn-ing her. The library shows that someone has been taking a keen in-terest in curare, the poison used on arrows by South American natives. This is the opening situation of "The House of the Arrow," the A. E. W. Mason thriller now showing at the Cosy Theatre, Hastings. Keneth Kent is the cheerful food-loving Inspector Hanau and we have an opportunity of seeing some brilliant work by Diana Churchill. A young lady who finds lies so much more fun than dull truth is the cause of a great deal of trouble in the associate feature, "She Couldn't Say No," and Tommy Trinder, radio and variety star, is one of those on whom the trouble falls. The laughs begin from the first few seconds when Tommy wakes up after a night out and says he "feels like a taster in a castor oil factory."

**State**

**THRILLS IN "GUNGA DIN"**

Teamed together for the first time, Cary Grant, Victor McLaglen and Douglas Fairbanks, jun., are seen as three comrade sergeants whose adventures form the basis of the stirring screen version of the famous ballad by Rudyard Kipling, "Gunga Din," now screening at the State Theatre, Hastings.

The three stars, each of whom has soared to new fame in recent months, portray a trio of British soldiers stationed at an army post in northern India. Their exciting experiences while trying to quell an uprising among a band of religious fanatics, who commit wholesale murder according to religious rites, provide the dramatic action of the story.

Grant has recently achieved added popularity in a number of successful pictures.

Joan Fontaine has the leading feminine part in "Gunga Din," the title role of which is portrayed by Sam Jaffe. Other players are Eduardo Ciannelli, Montagu Love, Robert Coote and Abner Biberman.

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Following is a list of transactions on the New Zealand Stock Exchange—

**WELLINGTON EXCHANGE**

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Sales Yesterday

4% Stock, 1948 ..... 104 5 0

Auckland Gas ..... 1 11 6

M.Z. Breweries ..... 1 1 6

Taranaki Oil ..... 0 5 6

Auckland Oil ..... 0 5 6

CHRISTCHURCH EXCHANGE

Sales Reported

Union Bank of Australia .. 6 10 0

Queensland Brewery ..... 1 3 0

Nount Lyell ..... 1 6

Yorke and his Orchestra. 8.55: Station notices. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: Henry Croudon (organ). 9.33: "The Life of Cleopatra." 9.54: Boston Promenade Orchestra. 10.0: Boston Promenade Orchestra. 10.0: Kyser and his Orchestra. 11.0: B.B.C. news.

**2YH NAPIER**

7.0, 8.45 a.m.: B.B.C. news, 7.30: Breakfast session. 9.0: Light music. 12.0 p.m.: Lunch music. (12.15: B.B.C. news. 1.15: Headline News and Views. 2.0: Light music. 3.0: Light music. 3.30: Light music. 4.0: Light music. 4.30: Light music. 4.45: Light music. 5.0: Light music. 5.45: Dinner music. 6.15: B.B.C. news. 7.0: News. 7.15: Book review.

7.30: After-dinner music. 7.30: "Those Who Love." 8.0: London. After Dark. 8.0: Night Club. Presenting Horace Heidt and his Musical Revue. 9.0: N.B.S. newsreel. 9.15: B.B.C. news commentary. 9.25: Evening prayer. 9.30: "Music from the Theatre."

**22J GISBORNE**

7.0 p.m.: Ginger snaps. 7.15: "Life of Cleopatra." 7.15: Ken Harvey (banjo). 7.40: George Formby med-ley. 7.45: Dance hits. 8.0: Music Lovers' Hour. 9.0: Famous women. 9.15: Organ melodies. 9.30: Dance programme.

**B.B.C.**

5.0 a.m.: News. 7.30: Religious ser-vice. 8.30: Music of Britain. 8.45: News. 10.45: News. 11.0: "Que-s-tions of the Hour."

12 noon: News. 12.45: Listening Post. 1.15: Standstill. 1.45: Headline News and Views by J. B. McGeachy or Lindy Fraser. 2.0: "Music of Brit-ain." 2.45: "To-night We Present." 3.15: "At Your Request." 3.30: Newsreel. 4.30: News summary. 6.00 p.m.: Programme announcements. 6.15: News. 6.30: "Questions of the Hour." 6.45: "Bright." 7.45: "Headline News of the Hour." 8.0: Headline News and News Commentary. Cyril Lakin at 8.45; Evelyn. 9.15: "To-day We Present." 9.30: Radio Newsreel (Pacific edition). 11.0: News.

**NAPIER THEATRES**

**Regent** DAILY AT 2 P.M.—8 P.M. Plans at Lockyer's—Phone 2029.

**Charles Boyer Margaret SULLAVAN** in **"BACK STREET"** by FANNIE HURST with Richard CARLSON Frank McHUGH Tim HOLT Samuel S. HINDS

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The following hockey fixtures will be played in Napier and Hastings next Saturday:—

Senior Men  
Karori v Scinde, Napier, No. 1. 3.15 p.m. (Messrs Cross and Chubb); Kiwi v Faradale Napier, No. 2. 3.15 p.m. (Messrs Haillid; and Down); Kiwi B. (Messrs Haillid; and Down); Kiwi B. a bye.

Junior Men  
United v Karori, Hastings, No. 2. 3.15 p.m.; Kiwi Blue v Scinde White, Napier, No. 1. 3 p.m. (Messrs Tucker and Waller); Kiwi Gold v Scinde Black, Napier, No. 2. 2 p.m. (Messrs McCutcheon and Vercoe).

Women  
Hastings v Karori, Hastings, No. 1. 3.15 p.m. (Marauel v Te Awa, Napier, No. 2. 3.15 p.m. (Mr Dowling); Tu Green, a bye.

**RUGBY FIXTURES AT HASTINGS**

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Rugby fixtures at Hastings on Sat-urday are:—

Senior—Hastings v. H. H.S.O.B., Nelson Park, No. 1, 3 p.m. (Mr A. Kirkpatrick); Celtic v. Havelock North, Nelson Park, No. 2, 3 p.m. (Mr W. Scott).

Junior—High School v. H.S.O.B., School, No. 2, 1.30 p.m. (Mr H. Davison); Havelock North v. M.A.C., Nelson Park, No. 1, 1.30 p.m. (Mr R. Whitworth).

Third—H.S.O.B. v. St. Johns, School, No. 5, 2.45 p.m. (Mr J. Bacon); School A v. Celtic, School, No. 2, 2.45 p.m. (Mr G. Bainbridge); Prim-ary v. Havelock North, School, No. 5, 1.30 p.m. (Mr E. Singleton).

Touch Judges—Nelson Park, No. 1: Messrs S. K. Hingston and T. Kilner; Nelson Park, No. 2: Messrs W. Thur-loy and E. Spooner.

Gall Boys—Havelock: D. Hill, K. Miller, R. Blackman, and S. Woon.

**Regent**

**"BACK STREET," FINE ROMANCE**

The same sensational situations, the same wealth of emotional drama which made Fannie Hurst's great novel, "Back Street," one of the outstanding novels of the day, have been captured and put on the screen in the picturisation of the story, which is now screening at the Regent Theatre, Napier, according to the multitudes who have read the book and also have seen the picture. Starring Charles Boyer and Margaret Sullavan, two of the most glamorous figures of the modern screen, "Back Street" was directed by Robert Stevenson, brilliant young English novelist. The story of the picture covers the period from 1898 to 1930, with Cincinnati, Ohio, New York and Paris as back-grounds. Miss Sullavan is seen as Ray Smith, the girl who is content to live in the back street of the life of a wealthy and successful man.

**Mayfair**

**"WHILE NEW YORK SLEEPS"**

A mystery so bewildering that it has to be solved twice is the situa-tion facing the Roving Reporters, Michael Whalen and Chick Chan-der, in their latest escapade, "While New York Sleeps," now showing at the Mayfair Theatre, Napier. The action starts out innocently enough with Michael Whalen and Chick Chandler starting a month's vaca-tion in the country. They're hardly inside the cottage door when the city editor of the newspaper breaks the news that Steve Martin, insur-ance detective and friend of Whalen's, has committed suicide. They discover he has been mur-dered in a thrilling climax.

"Ask a Policeman," stars Will Hay and Moore Marriott in another hilarious farce, this time as guar-dians of the law.

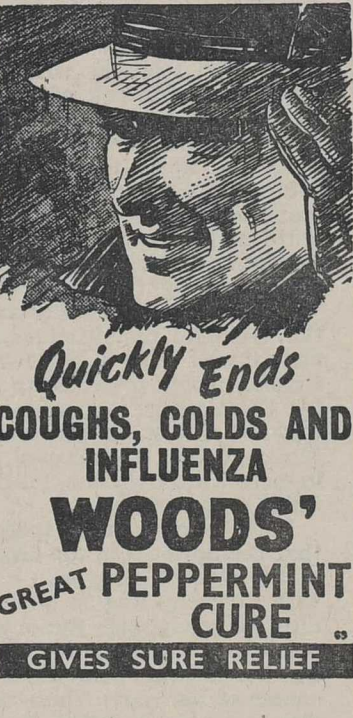
**State**

**"FOUR FEATHERS"**

The drama-packed story of Harry Faversham, who is accused of coward-ice by his closest friends when he resigns from his regiment's ad-vice of his departure to join Kitch-ener's Army in the Sudan, and who redeems himself by some of the most darendevil feats on record, is unfolded in the gripping tale of "The Four Feathers." Alexander Korda's new Technicolor feature now showing at the State Theatre, Napier.

Heading the cast of "The Four Feathers," which was directed by Zoltan Korda and adapted from A. E. W. Mason's popular novel, are Ralph Richardson, John Clements, C. Aubrey Smith and June Duprez, stunning 20-year-old brunette who was discovered by Alexander Korda and awarded the leading feminine role.

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LACK OF GREENSTUFFS IN BRITAIN Signs That Scurvy Is Appearing

Professor V. H. Mottram, professor of physiology at the University of London, revealed today that scurvy was appearing in Britain because of the difficulty last winter in obtaining vitamin C, which is contained chiefly in greenstuffs.

ELECTRIC COOKING DEMONSTRATIONS

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Hawke's Bay Daily Mail

Your Own Morning Paper

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1941.

SOVIET DILEMMA

In the days of diplomatic courtliness, when suave ambassadors exchanged deadly Notes and conducted negotiations in polished phrases and with stately formality...

But if it is true that Germany is making sweeping demands at the point of the bayonet, the Soviet is in a dilemma which can be regarded only as the direct result of Stalin's wait-and-see policy throughout the war.

There is a very decided conflict of evidence in the matter of Russian relations with the belligerent Powers. Shortly before the outbreak of war an Anglo-French mission went to Moscow apparently with high hopes of winning Soviet support in the inevitable conflict with Germany.

In return for the Russian guarantee of her eastern frontier, Germany permitted the Soviet to absorb the Baltic States and tossed over a large slice of Poland as makeweight.

On the other hand, there is no reason whatever to assume that the Soviet is in the least likely to befriend Great Britain in the present struggle. Russian policy, of which the pact with Germany was an important part, has been and is being directed solely with the object of keeping the war as far as possible from the Soviet's frontiers.

All these moves might reasonably be construed as anti-German. But on the other side of the ledger there have been the Soviet recognition of Rashid Ali even before the anti-British revolt in Iraq had assumed serious proportions...

If Germany is really demanding vast and humiliating concessions from the Soviet, there are only two courses open concessions from the Soviet, there are only two courses open the country at the disposal of Germany in much the same way as Mussolini has sold out in Italy, or he may fight.

Once again, the United States Secretary of the Navy (Colonel Frank Knox) has made a straightforward statement on the war situation as it affects America.

It has been no secret that long before the outbreak of war in Europe German organisations, including certain consulates, in America were being used for the purposes of insidious propaganda.

Personal

Senior-detective H. Nuttall, of the Napier Police Force, who has been absent on sick leave, has resumed duties.

Sergeant P. Sharpin is spending his leave with his mother, Mrs. I. Sharpin, Porangahau Road, Waipukuru.

Constable J. P. Marsh, who has been 10 years in the Detective Office at Dunedin, has left on transfer to Oamaru.

Mr Donald M. Campbell was welcomed as a new member at yesterday's meeting of the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board.

Mr H. L. Harker, Mayor of Waipara, returned to Waipara from Wellington during the week-end and later left for Gisborne.

Mr I. H. Owtram, supervisor of the Tairāwhiti District Pig Council, is visiting Hastings. He will return to Gisborne on Friday.

Mr R. Kenah, who has been in Waipawa for the past three years, has accepted a position in Napier and will leave Waipawa on June 24.

Mr G. W. Thow, Hastings, received word that his son, Mr George Thow, who was wounded in Crete, has been discharged from hospital.

Word has been received by friends in Waipukuru of the death on Saturday of Mr T. H. Swaney, Christchurch, a former resident of Waipukuru.

Mr W. E. Bate was congratulated on his election as chairman of the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board at yesterday's luncheon of the Hastings Rotary Club.

Mr Walter Rowan has been appointed sinking fund commissioner to the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board. He fills a vacancy caused by the death of Mr A. H. Ferguson.

Mr A. W. Scott, advertising manager of the "Taranaki Daily News," has been appointed manager of the "Star-Sun," Christchurch. Mr Scott has been associated with the "News" for the past 15 years.

Sympathy with the wife of Mr S. J. Hargrave, who is reported missing as a result of operations in the Middle East, was expressed at yesterday's meeting of the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board. This is the first casualty involving a member of the board's staff.

AT THE HOTELS

Mr R. Ely, Mr E. Hutchinson, Mr A. G. Grant, Mr S. Morgan, Mr R. Morgan (Woodville), Mr Preston, Mrs Pyne, Miss Picken (Auckland), Mr Eller (Wellington) are at the Criterion Hotel, Napier.

Mr D. Woodfield, Mr E. L. Morris, Mr W. N. Laws, Miss F. E. Lowrie (Wellington), Mr and Mrs T. Talbot, Mr L. Tallott, Miss Talott, Mrs Chas. Thomson (Takapau), Mr Mackie, Mr P. McGuire (Palmerston North), Mr T. Housman (Feilding), Mr W. Taylor, Mr H. Turner (Waikato), are at the Hotel Central, Napier.

Mr F. J. Jones (Wanganui), Mr B. Galloway, Mr P. McVerry (Dunedin), Mr E. R. Tremain (Wellington), Mr W. N. Lewis, Mr R. W. Rowntree (Auckland), Mr C. J. Taylor, Mr G. Henson (Palmerston North) are at the Grand Hotel, Hastings.

Mr A. Stewart, Mr H. Kallum (Palmerston North), Mr J. Buttersfield, Mr T. Surde, Mr H. Drysdale (Auckland), Mr A. Lumsden, Mr B. Morris (Waipara), Mr and Mrs Drew (Wellington), Mr C. Herbert, Mr J. Read (Masterton), Mr T. Thompson (Feilding) are at the Carlton Club Hotel, Hastings.

Mr L. A. Arnot, Mr H. W. Bedell, Mr A. G. Langley, Mr and Mrs R. Cole, Mr C. W. Smith, Mr T. Featherston, Mr W. W. Kaye, Mr T. Haucock, Mr C. L. Wilkie, Mr J. Grange, Mr P. Thornton, Mr L. A. Golding, Dr Elizabeth, Mr J. Herbert (Wellington), Mr F. P. Clatworthy, Miss L. Pointon, Miss G. E. Gash, Miss D. J. Hunter (Auckland), Mr and Mrs C. Bidwill, Mr Brian Bidwell (Featherston), Lady Sargood (Dunedin), Mrs M. E. Hamilton (Bournemouth), Mr and Mrs W. Dalziel (Masterton), Mr G. E. Stevens, Dr Duncan Cook (Palmerston North), Mrs J. Nolan (Waikato), Mr J. Vergetti (Christchurch), Mrs H. White (Takapau), Mr P. Graham (Wanganui) are at the Masonic Hotel, Napier.

Mr R. Murray, Mr G. W. Martin, Mr N. Moore, Mr H. Ratcliffe, Mr C. Henton and Miss Walton (Wellington), Mr Morley (Waipara), Mr D. Miller, Mr A. L. Layden, Mr J. Henderson (Gisborne), Mr C. V. Forrest (Palmerston North), Mr S. Cowlam (Napier), Mr J. Henderson (Rotohara), Mr J. Stains (Waipukuru) are at the Clyde Hotel, Waipara.

Miss Bainbridge, Mr Roberts, Mr Woodham, Mr Byers (Gisborne), Mr Laws, Mr Klee, Mr Russell, Mr J. N. Gibbons, Mr F. A. Warner, Mr G. Smart (Wellington) are at the Waipara Hotel, Waipara.

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Breakfast Table

To each of our soldiers will be issued three pairs of shoes. One pair ought to fit him.—Chicago Daily News.

A social climber is a person who spends money he hasn't got to buy things he doesn't require in order to impress people he doesn't like.

A bomb knocked down a house and a policeman plunged into the ruins to rescue a fellow trapped in the basement.

Half an hour later he crawled out with his man. He was covered in mud, grease, plaster, bits of brick. He was also scorched and half-choked from a fire that had started. "My," said an A.R.P. man, "you are in a mess!"

Local & General

New Consumers

An increase of 17 consumers last month, bringing the total to 9164, was reported by the secretary-manager (Mr H. H. Wylie) at yesterday's meeting of the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board.

Homes for the Aged

The tender of Mr J. L. Gant for the building of eight blocks of cottage homes for aged persons, comprising 32 units, has been accepted by the Christchurch City Council.

Woman's Death

The inquest on Miss Josephus Francis Nicholls, 52, a resident of Bay View, who died suddenly in the Napier Public Hospital, was opened and adjourned sine die after the District Coroner (Mr J. Miller), had heard evidence of identification.

No Danger

The possibility of English rats taking up a seafaring life in preference to an uncertain existence in the wake of Nazi bombers was admitted by the Medical Officer of Health (Dr Duncan Cook), when questioned in Napier last night.

Armistice Anniversary

A year ago yesterday, Marshal Petain, then newly-appointed Premier of France, broadcast a statement to the French people in which he informed them that he had approached the enemy with a view to ending hostilities.

Letters To The Editor

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

Problem of Winter Unemployment

Sir,—We wish to draw the attention of the general public of the town and district of Hastings to the fact that out-of-work men are unable to provide respectable living for their families.

We are at a loss to understand why such conditions as those that exist at this time of the year should continue. We are of the opinion that something should be done earlier to provide work for the winter months as the same conditions occur every year.

Out-of-work men affected are finding it a problem to pay their way under the existing conditions with no work offering anywhere, and men cannot meet their obligations under the present state of affairs.

The out-of-work problem in Hastings is very serious and we would like, through this paper, to have suggestions made and work proposed to employ these men and give a respectable living to a very considerable number of men and their families.—We are, etc., PATIENTLY WAITING.

A Hotelkeeper's View

Sir,—I would like to say a few words in answer to "Old Identifiers" letter in regard to the reform of Licensing Laws in New Zealand.

He mentions Government control, which we have been discussing for years. The point to which I wish to draw his attention is his suggestion to close all hotels on Saturday afternoons the same as the shops.

It is aware that all shops close on four nights a week before 6 p.m. They have only late night and the half-holiday on Saturday. The hotels have to close on six nights at 6 p.m. and they have no late night.

I am a hotelkeeper of 30 years' standing and I would be only too willing to close on Saturday afternoon if they gave us a late night the same as the shops—to my mind a very fair thing—and I think it should have the support of the majority of the hotelkeepers in New Zealand. Thanking you,—I am, etc., HOTELKEEPER.

THOUSAND TONS OF H.E. BOMBS

THREE DAYS' RAIDS ON THE RUHR

R.A.F. BATTERING

Mighty Campaign Has Begun

More than 1000 tons of high-explosive bombs and tens of thousands of incendiary bombs were dropped on the Ruhr in the first three of the five latest night raids by the R.A.F.

For the fifth night in succession, powerful forces of the Bomber Command were over western Germany last night. A great weight of heavy bombs was rained on the Ruhr, Cologne, and Hanover.

Shipping Raided

During daylight the R.A.F. continued its policy of seeking out and attacking enemy shipping. A 1000-ton cargo boat received a direct hit, and the crew were seen abandoning ship.

Seven German fighters were shot down in R.A.F. attacks on military targets in northern France to-day. Early this evening an R.A.F. squadron destroyed a further three enemy fighters and one seaplane.

Channel Defenders

During extensive operations in which many sweeps were made over the Channel, our bombers were escorted by fighters. We lost three machines, but the pilot of one is safe.

Mastery Of Tanks Achieved

Weapon Tested In Action

Invisible Device

A secret anti-tank weapon which is invisible to approaching tanks and is said to have devastating powers of destruction has been invented by a 25-year-old officer of the Royal Engineers.

High Army authorities, after seeing the weapon in action, expressed the opinion that it meant death to tanks and armoured vehicles if used in sufficient numbers.

The device is extremely simple, and is capable of mass production. Tests showed that 80 per cent of attacking armoured units were knocked out and that total annihilation of an enemy force would be certain if the weapon were available in quantity.

The Army and Home Guard have already used the weapon in one area, and its adoption after further tests is likely.

HAWKE'S BAY WEATHER

"DAILY MAIL'S" SPECIAL FORECAST IS FOR A FEW SHOWERS

Following is the "Daily Mail's" special forecast for the Hawke's Bay area:—

Winds: Strong but decreasing southerly. Weather: Occasional showers but conditions gradually improving from the south. Temperatures cold.

NAPIER WEATHER

Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5.30 p.m. at Napier by the Government recorder (Miss G. Hutton) are as follows:—

Dry bulb temp. 40.5 deg. Wet bulb temp. 37.8 deg. Maximum temp. 55.8 deg. Minimum temp. 37.8 deg.

HASTINGS WEATHER Meteorological readings taken yesterday at 5 p.m. at the Hastings Magnetic Observatory, Cornwall Park, were as follows:—

Dry bulb temp. 44.0 deg. Wet bulb temp. 40.0 deg. Maximum temp. 43.0 deg. Minimum temp. 36.8 deg.

To-day's Diary NAPIER The Theatres: "Regent, 2 and 3 p.m. "Four Feathers," State, 2 and 8 p.m.

HASTINGS The Theatres: "Bushman's Honeycomb," Regent, 2.15 and 8 p.m. "She Couldn't Say No," and "The Home of the Arrow," Cosy, 2 and 7.45 p.m.

Appreciation of Hon. F. Langstone Cablegram Received From Toronto

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, June 17. The following telegram from Mr D. F. Bowie, chairman of the Empire branch of the Toronto Board of Trade, has been received by the Hon. F. Langstone and desire to express to you and your Government profound gratitude for the opportunity of listening to such an ambassador of goodwill.

Advertisement for Westerman's underwear, featuring the text 'COSY COMFORT PROMOTES GOOD HEALTH' and 'PREPARE FOR WINTER NOW BUY WINTER UNDERWEAR AT WESTERMAN'S FAMOUS LOW PRICES'. It includes a list of clothing items like dressing gowns, velour and woven wool, and wool back nights, along with prices. A small illustration of a woman in a dress is also present.

# FRENCH WARSHIPS GIVE BATTLE

### ACTIONS FOUGHT OFF SIDON

### ALLIES ADVANCE Force From Iraq Nears Alexandretta

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A report from Ankara says that a British column from Iraq has reached the Syrian coast just south of Alexandretta in the far north.

Reports from Beirut declare that French warships and naval planes gave battle throughout yesterday to British warships, including aircraft-carriers, in a series of actions off Sidon. French warships again engaged two British cruisers and four destroyers at dawn to-day off Beirut, these reports add.

Near Beirut. In the south, Australian and British forces from Sidon and Jezzin are within sight of Beirut, chief port of Syria, and Rayak, some miles farther east, where there is an important air base. They are meeting trouble from French tanks and artillery, but the Navy is replying effectively. Its shelling completely halted one column, which then retreated in disorder.

The forces from Jezzin have made contact with the coastal troops, and action is proceeding in a series of cavalry and other fast-moving operations. The eastern wing of the coastal drive has reached the heights above Hasbeya, which is reported to have been evacuated. The shelling of Merjoun from Hasbeya has ceased, and this seems to confirm the Vichy forces' withdrawal northwards.

Vichy's Claims. The Vichy authorities claim that their troops have attacked in the regions of Merjoun and El Kuneitra, but the Allies from El Kuneitra have crossed the Nahrawaj and are moving on towards Sassa.

It is authoritatively stated in Jerusalem that very powerful Allied forces are now outside Damascus, the capital, but owing to the terrain to the south and east, it may be necessary to encircle the city and enter from the north.

As a result of a banking movement the Allied forces have occupied Lahta, seven miles east-north-east of Kiswe, which itself is ten miles south of Damascus.

Indians at Kiswe. Two Indian battalions captured Kiswe and an important hill beyond called Tel Kiswe, despite its defence by five battalions of Vichy troops with artillery. One Indian battalion cleared the village after hand-to-hand fighting, while the other went on and took the hill.

Vichy supporters say that the defenders of Damascus are carrying out an offensive in three directions. They admit the fall of Kiswe, but claim that a counter-attack regained some of the ground in that area. The bombardment of the Damascus road by Vichy planes, which has gone on continuously, has slackened to-day.

R.A.F. Raids. R.A.F. bombers carried out raids on the aerodrome at Aleppo and dropped bombs among dispersed aircraft and on the runways, starting a number of fires. Hostile fighters which attempted to intercept were attacked and damaged.

Fighters operating over our troops in the Kiswe area, south of Damascus, have destroyed two of them. Fighter aircraft of the Royal Australian Air Force which were machine-gunning armoured vehicles in the same area shot down two hostile bombers.

Protective patrols were carried out by R.A.F. fighters over our naval units off the Syrian coast. Two formations of hostile aircraft were intercepted, and a number were severely damaged.

The German news agency says that bombers on Sunday attacked a strong British naval squadron off the Syrian coast, sinking a heavy cruiser and damaging a light cruiser.

### Haste Urged In Syria

### GERMAN DANGER May Strike At Any Moment

### FEARS IN LONDON

(Received June 17, 6 p.m.) LONDON, June 16.

The "Daily Mail" declares: "Since the Vichy supporters are offering stout resistance, it is time we converted the advance in Syria from a political to a military operation. "Speed is vital," the paper declares. "We want Syria and its airfields. We want time to fortify them. Germany might any time launch a lightning airborne stroke, especially if assured that Turkey would be friendly."

"Too Slowly." The occupation of Syria months ago and the retention of Libya would have enabled Turkey to resist the blandishments of the Axis. We are moving in Syria and Libya now, but it is too late, and in Syria we are moving too slowly.

According to the Ankara correspondent of "The Times" the Turks estimate that 10 per cent of the French officers in Syria are hostile to Britain. They are mostly naval officers and officers of the Seventh Infantry, and they are fighting south of Beirut. Twenty per cent favours General de Gaulle. They are mostly airmen. The remaining 70 per cent are equally divided between those who are obeying Vichy's orders and those who are wavering.

The resistance of local garrisons depends entirely on the feelings of officers. This produces curious incidents. For example, the British column advancing from Iraq along the Turco-Syrian border has an accompanying French column composed of small garrisons which refused to fight. The men of the two columns freely fraternized.

The "Daily Express" correspondent at Sidon says that villagers everywhere are very friendly, and are supplying food, water, and fodder.

# GERMANY FEELING THE EFFECT OF BLOCKADE

### Anxiety Concerning People's Health Expressed By Authorities

"We believe that a point has been reached where the effects of our blockade are beginning to be felt by Germany, and that it is not only desirable for Germany to break out, but essential. This is probably the explanation of a good many recent events," said Mr Dingle Foot, Under-secretary to the Ministry of Economic Warfare, in an interview.

The Germans' plan was apparently to make greater use of the Vladivostok route, to expel the British from the Eastern Mediterranean, and to influence Admiral Darlan to use the French Fleet to convey food ships to unoccupied France with the intention of transferring this food to Germany, he said.

"If the Germans could expel the British from the Eastern Mediterranean by a successful campaign it would mean that another 1,000,000 tons of Rumanian oil a year would go to Germany. It would be shipped via Trieste, and thus relieve pressure on the overland route.

It was estimated by the Ministry that Germany would be in serious difficulties regarding rubber and hardening metals in June and July. It was also known that Germany was becoming increasingly short of consumption goods, such as fats, textiles, tanning materials and soap.

Complaints about Germany's shortage of fats were known to the Ministry a year ago. The problem was temporarily solved when the Germans looted Holland and Denmark. No less than 90 per cent of the Dutch butter stocks were removed by the Nazis in the first fortnight of the occupation of Holland. Denmark was also systematically looted.

Apparently Germany had "overdone" the looting, and she was now in a dilemma. To secure industrial production from the looted countries she had to provide their work people with food. Germany had now either to return footstuffs to the overrun countries, or to get other countries to supply them.

This Mr Foot said, was the significance of the "food relief agitation" of which so much was being heard.

Short Rations. The Ministry was again receiving reports that the Germans were in need of fats, which were of vital importance for maintaining vitality and morale. On paper, the German food rationing did not compare unfavourably with Britain's, but it was known that in some parts of Germany the people were not receiving the full amount of the rations.

The growing shortage of textiles and tanning materials meant that the effect would soon be felt upon the output of clothing and shoes. It was the gradual accumulation of these shortages that was important.

It was also known that there was an immediate deficiency of rubber. Eight months ago it was stated that the total amount of rubber available to Germany for the coming year was 140,000 tons; but Germany's consumption rate of rubber was 300,000 tons a year. In view of the volume of motor transport in Germany, the shortage of rubber was becoming serious. Patients frequently have to wait from 4 to 10 hours for a tyre.

The German Minister of Health (Dr Conti) recently urged Germans to refrain from using drugs. The "Stuttgarter Nachrichten" quotes speeches made at the Doctors' Congress in Stuttgart dealing with the same theme. Delegates to the congress were concerned with the abuse of intoxicants and tobacco, and with the fact that the percentage of young people who drank was high.

The shortage of doctors, too, is becoming serious. Patients frequently have to wait from 4 to 10 hours for a treatment.

## Beer Shipments "Stupid Action," Says Judge

### FOODSTUFFS FIRST. SHOOTING ACCIDENT Official Statement Issued Man Fired Near Party

### TRANSPORT QUESTION YEAR'S PROBABATION

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, June 17.

An assurance has been received officially by the National Patriotic Food Board that no foodstuffs of any kind have been shut out of transport ships to make space for beer.

The board has been advised that all the food requirements of the New Zealand Forces overseas are given priority handling. The sending of beer to the troops has nothing whatever to do with the National Patriotic Fund or the Provincial Patriotic Councils. It is purely a private matter between the brewery companies and the canteen authorities in Egypt.

Conference Discussion. At a recent conference of patriotic bodies in Wellington, the matter was discussed from the angle of whether beer was shipped to the exclusion of foodstuffs.

Mrs J. Hargest, the wife of Brigadier Hargest, was prominent in the discussion, and she asked for an investigation to be made into the position.

Mr G. Hayden, secretary of the board, stated this afternoon that an inquiry had been made and official advice had been received that foodstuffs of any kind had not been shut out of transport ships to make way for beer.

### H.M.S. JERSEY SUNK BY MINE

British Official Wireless. (Received June 16, 6 p.m.) RUGBY, June 15.

An Admiralty communique announces that H.M.S. Jersey has been sunk by an enemy mine.

The Jersey was a destroyer of the Javelin type, of 1690 tons. She had a main armament of six 4.7-inch guns.

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# EXPLANATION TO COURT

### SEAMAN'S UNION PRESIDENT NO DISRESPECT

### Reply To Charges By Employers' Advocate

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, June 17.

In the Arbitration Court yesterday afternoon Mr F. P. Walsh, president of the New Zealand Seamen's Union, asked permission to make a statement. His Hon. friend Justice Tyndall, asked its nature and Mr Walsh explained that to his astonishment he had seen in the Press a report of a statement of Mr H. Bishop reflecting on his conduct towards the court.

His Honour said that the court would hear Mr Walsh provided he made no reference to the subject matter of the appeal last Friday, because Mr Walsh had had his opportunity to appear then. The court must not be used as a vehicle for the furtherance of any private dispute.

Mr Bishop said that he might be able to shorten the proceedings and explained that his remarks on Friday were made without any consulting of the employers, he was representing. He was expressing to the court what he felt was a discourtesy from Mr Walsh. He wanted to dissociate the employers from the statement.

Secretary of the "Sunday Times" has stated that intensified war conditions in Germany are leading to a rapid deterioration in the state of the nation's health.

Official statistics show, he said, that the position since serious bombing began last year is worse than during 1939. There has been an alarming increase in cases of dysentery and whooping cough, and other diseases showing signs of increasing steadily are typhoid, tuberculosis, scarlet fever and diphtheria.

The main reason for the spread of dysentery is the deterioration in sanitary conditions and the less careful preparation of foodstuffs.

The "Kölnische Zeitung" recently had a full article which dealt with spotted fever and its prevention in the German Army. In the last year the loss in life in Germany through spotted fever was tremendous. The same danger exists to-day, especially in German garrisons stationed in Poland and living in temporary billets without proper sanitary arrangements. In recognition of this danger the German High Command decided to establish a research institute for spotted fever.

Mr Walsh proceeded to refer to the report having been sent by the Press Association, but his Honour said that the court was not interested in the accuracy of the newspaper article. He repeated what he had said when Mr Bishop had spoken on the telephone. He told Mr Bishop that he was not dealing with him in the matter and hung up the telephone. He repeated what he had said when Mr Bishop rang again.

He had said in the early stages of the dispute that it was not the mine was idle to refer to the matter to the court, as the union was of the opinion that it had nothing to do with the court. The dispute was over a private agreement with the employer, and he realised all the time that it was not legally binding. It was not the union's intention to come into the case.

"Unfair Attack." He thought that Mr Bishop had made an unfair and unfounded attack on him.

Mr Bishop said he felt that he had not been treated with courtesy by Mr Walsh, and that feeling was reflected in anything he said about Mr Walsh. It was in explanation of why the union was not represented and not wishing to do anything but a personal attack on Mr Walsh that he had spoken.

He did not wish to treat the court with contempt, and Mr Walsh assured him that he did not intend any discourtesy towards him. They could now regard the matter as being disposed of satisfactorily to both parties.

### Miners Remain Firm

### Wages Dispute At Dobson

### PIECEWORK RATES

By Telegraph—Press Association. GREYMOUTH, June 17.

By 90 miners decided not to resume work until the management gives effect to the decision of Mr W. Meldrum, independent chairman of the Dispute Committee, that the company should make up the wages of the miners on piecework to a minimum of 20/10 a day, as provided in the agreement.

The mine was idle to-day following a dispute which has existed for some weeks concerning miners on piecework who are unable to produce sufficient coal to earn the minimum.

The union requested that a measurement of the coal produced be taken weekly instead of fortnightly. Mr Meldrum decided in favour of weekly measurement when the matter was referred to him.

The union has received a telegram from the Minister of Mines (the Hon. P. C. Webb) suggesting a request with the pending order of the Coal Production Council. The men however, are remaining firm in their attitude until the company decides to make up the pay to the minimum.

### Company's View

By Telegraph—Press Association. CHRISTCHURCH, June 17.

"The statement given by the miners in connection with the stoppage at the Dobson Mine is not correct," said Mr A. E. H. Christie, general manager of Grey Valley Collieries, Ltd., in a statement this evening.

"It is true," he said, "that the pit was submitted to Mr Meldrum as an independent chairman, but his decision has been strictly adhered to by the company."

# FURTHER LIST OF N.Z.E.F. CASUALTIES

### (By Telegraph—Press Association.) WELLINGTON, June 17.

The following N.Z.E.F. casualties are announced:

(Rank is Private unless otherwise stated.)  
Haywood, Thomas Charles. Wife: Mrs L. Haywood, Kaitangata.  
High, Harold Ellis. Father: Mr A. W. High, England.  
McNeish, William Robert. Wife: Mrs N. E. McNeish, Milton.  
McPherson, Gordon. Father: Mr A. McPherson, Nelson.  
Manning, Ivanhoe Percival. Father: Mr G. Manning, Christchurch.  
Matheson, Kenneth John. Father: Mr K. Matheson, Dunedin.  
Moffat, William James. Uncle: Mr A. J. Moffat, Redwoods Valley.  
Mortlock, Stanley George. Mother: Mrs E. Robson, Hawera.  
Mulligan, Augustine John. Father: Mr A. Mulligan, Timaru.  
Murphy, Michael Patrick. Wife: Mrs E. G. Murphy, Gore.  
Murray, Corporal Alan Lawrence. Brother: Mr F. McC. Murray, Auckland.  
Patrick, Charles. Father: Mr C. Patrick, Scotland.  
Patterson, James Leonard. Mother: Mrs I. M. Patterson, Invercargill.  
Rait, James Owen. Brother: Mr C. J. Rait, Owen River.  
Ramage, Sergeant Cyril Stewart. Wife: Mrs M. C. Ramage, Invercargill.  
Reagan, Charles Ferdinand. Mother: Mrs S. E. J. Palmer, Nelson.  
Thompson, Edward. Mother: Mrs M. Thompson, Roslyn Bush.  
Warr, Frank. Father: Mr R. H. Warr, Rangiora.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW REPORTED NOT MISSING.  
Thompson, Edward. Mother: Mrs M. Thompson, Roslyn Bush.

WOUNDED.  
Adams, James Henry. Mother: Mrs C. Adams, Hokitika.  
Baigent, Leo. Father: Mr C. L. Baigent, Nelson.  
Bell, John Septimus. Mother: Mrs M. A. Bell, Invercargill.  
Birwistle, Jack Harrison. Wife: Mrs K. Birwistle, Auckland.  
Blank, Frederick Mervyn. Sister: Mrs E. Baldwin, Shannon.  
Broadbent, Robinson. Father: Mr A. E. Broadbent, Wellington.  
Brodie, Charles William. Mother: Mrs R. Brodie, Linwood.  
Cherry, Walter. Mother: Mrs B. Cherry, Clyde.  
Clifton, John Henry. Wife: Mrs D. K. Clifton, Christchurch.  
Cross, Maximilian Eustace. Father: Mr P. R. Cross, Hokitika.  
Dittmer, George Frederick. Father: Mr J. Dittmer, Taumarunui.  
Doody, Corporal Bernard John. Father: Mr W. Doody, Whitecliffs.  
Dunn, Percy. Wife: Mrs L. M. Dunn, Dunedin.  
Dutton, Sergeant Charles Horace. Father: Mr C. Dutton, Motueka.  
Eaglesham, Richard Bell. Mother: Mrs I. Eaglesham, England.  
Edmond, Robert Ross. Friend: Mrs M. Burgess, Mayfield.  
Farnell, Evan. Father: Mr W. E. Farnell, Havelock.  
Ford, Kenneth Leslie. Wife: Mrs E. N. Ford, England.  
Gaulden, Eric John Robertson. Sister: Mrs F. Ferris, Wairoa.  
George, Claude Edward. Sister: Mrs E. Stephenson, Christchurch.  
Gillanders, Donald Henry. Mother: Mrs M. A. Gillanders, Ru Ru.  
Gillespie, John. Father: Mr J. Gillespie, Ireland.  
Grant, George Benjamin. Sister: Miss I. Grant, Christchurch.  
Green, Frederick Everett. Mother: Mrs C. Pimm, South Wales.  
Gubb, Lance-corporal Ivan Alfred. Sister: Mrs J. Sisson, Auckland.  
Haines, Mervyn Eric. Father: Mr C. W. Haines, Springfield.  
Hargreaves, John. Wife: Mrs M. Hargreaves, Christchurch.  
Hart, Barton Henry. Father: Mr J. H. Hart, Ohoka.  
Hawthorn, Jack. Mother: Mrs M. J. Hawthorn, Cambridge.

SECRET DISCUSSIONS.  
In Tokyo the Government and the Imperial High Command held an extraordinary liaison conference at which they discussed urgent problems which were not disclosed.  
Admiral Nobumasa Suetsugu, a member of the Cabinet Advisory Council, asserted that, once the United States entered the war, Japan, too, must be prepared to do likewise in order to keep faith and to honour her account with the tripartite pact.

South Sea Problem. Admiral Suetsugu added: "Japan cannot remain indifferent to developments in the South Seas regions, because they constitute a life-and-death problem in Greater East Asia."  
He made the statement in his capacity as chairman of the "Central Co-operative Council" of the Government-sponsored "Imperial Rule Assistance Association."  
Directed to the Minister (Prince Kenryo) in addressing the council in his capacity as president of the association, said: "Because the international situation surrounding Japan is most acute and the European war is increasing in scope, it is impossible to predict when the entire world might be plunged into war."

Miss I. Grant, Christchurch. Mrs C. W. Haines, Springfield. Mrs M. Hargreaves, Christchurch. Mr J. H. Hart, Ohoka. Mrs M. J. Hawthorn, Cambridge.

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# LONE DEFENDER OF JUSTICE

### BRITAIN CALLS ON AMERICA

### UNITY NECESSARY America's Answer Is Not Doubtful

British Official Wireless. (Received June 17, 6 p.m.) RUGBY, June 16.

"In these British islands, we stand, the faithful guardians of the rights and dearest hopes of a dozen States and nations now gripped in cruel servitude. . . . The old lion, with her lion cub at her side, stands alone. . . . United, we stand, divided we fall. Divided, the dark age returns; united, we can save and guide the world."

These are passages from a speech broadcast by the Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill) to the United States to-night. He told how that year Britain had stood alone, upheld by American sympathy and aid, and so far as America's own role was concerned, said that the world was witnessing the birth pangs of sublime resolve.

"And," Mr Churchill added, "I shall presume to confess to you that I have no doubts of what that resolve will be."

Link With America. Mr Churchill was broadcasting on the occasion of his acceptance of the honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Law at Rochester University. He recalled the fact that Rochester was the home town of his mother. His mother was born there.

"What has touched me most in this ceremony is that it is a sense of kinship and unity which, exists between us this afternoon."

"Strong tides of emotion," said Mr Churchill, "flows across the ocean, sweep the broad expanses of the Union in this year of fate. In this prodigious travail there are many elemental forces. There is much heart-searching and self-questioning, some pang and some conflict of voices, but no fear. The world is witnessing the birth throes of a sublime resolve. I shall presume to confess to you that I have no doubts of what that resolve will be."

Justice Overthrown. "Wickedness, enormous, panoplied, embattled, and seemingly triumphant, casts its shadow over Europe and the United States, and traditions are broken up, justice is cast from her seat, the rights of the weak are trampled down, the grand freedoms of which the President of the United States has spoken so movingly are spurned and chained, the whole structure of man, his genius, his initiative, and his nobility, is ground down under systems of mechanical barbarism and of ordered schemes of tyranny."

"For more than a year," Mr Churchill added, "we British have stood alone, upheld by your sympathy and respect and sustained by our own unconquerable will, power and by the increasing growth and hopes of your massive aid."

"In these British islands that look so small upon the map, we stand, the faithful guardians of the rights and dearest hopes of a dozen States and nations now gripped, tormented, in base, cruel servitude. Whatever happens, we shall endure to the end."

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"And now the old lion, with her lion cub, stands alone with those who stand against hunters who are armed with deadly weapons and impelled by a desperate and destructive rage. Every month that passes adds to the length of the shadows cast. It has to be made, United we stand, divided we fall. Divided, the dark age returns; united, we can save and guide the world."

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### Trial Shipment To Be Sent

#### MINISTER'S DECISION Timbs-Processed Meat For Britain

#### TRIMMING METHOD

"This is all I have been asking the Meat Board to do, and I am more than pleased that Dr Cockayne has come to this decision on his own initiative," said Mr S. S. Timbs, Waranganui, after conferring with the Minister of Marketing (the Hon. J. G. Barclay) and the Comptroller of Primary Production (Dr A. H. Cockayne).

Mr Timbs stated that the Comptroller of Primary Production had decided to send to England as soon as possible a trial shipment of carcasses: (1) Telescoped, (2) trimmed, (3) boned. This was a comprehensive way of meeting the situation, said Mr Timbs, who added that he had congratulated Dr Cockayne upon his move, as it would enable the Home authorities to decide by actual experimentation the method best suited to war-time conditions.

#### Further Decision

"The Comptroller of Primary Production has also decided that, for the duration of the war, he will put into store ewes processed by removing all bone and surplus fat, and no other method will be used," continued Mr Timbs. "This decision is a courageous one, going further than I ever dared to ask."

"I desired to have the surplus fat removed, thus eliminating about 20 per cent of waste, and thereby experienced the adamant opposition of the Meat Producers' Board, but Dr Cockayne has gone further, eliminating another 15 per cent of waste. As Comptroller of Primary Production, he can call for this to be done. As a method of war-time processing, it is an advance on the trimming process which I have been advocating. I sincerely trust that Dr Cockayne's method proves to be acceptable to all concerned."

"The trial shipment which was held in store at the Ngahauranga works, opened up in excellent condition, and I was quite satisfied with the condition of the carcasses which I had trimmed," added Mr Timbs.

"The Minister of Marketing made it quite clear that, if I desired it, this trial shipment of processed meat had been processed as an experiment would be sent Home, but as the export of ewe mutton had been stopped in favour of the meat of higher value, no point was served in going on with the experiment in view of Dr Cockayne's enterprise."

### Care Of Pigs In June

#### PREPARING SOWS Removal To Farrowing Quarters WINTER FEEDING

A series of articles by the supervisor of the Fairweather District Pig Council (Mr I. H. Owtram) on the care of pigs will appear in the "Daily Mail" columns from this date.

The principal work for the completion of preparations for the spring farrow is the removal of the sows to the farrowing pens as soon as possible, leaving them time to settle down.

Any alterations or repairs required to farrowing houses should be pushed ahead now, in this connection the fitting of corrugated iron for roofing purposes will be an impossibility and a substitute will have to be used. The best material for this purpose is undoubtedly corrugated asbestos cement, but in fact they are an improvement on iron as no sarking is required. The cost of these sheets is the same as for 24 gauge iron.

#### Good Winter Start

The extra ordinary weather experienced during May has given stock a good start for the winter. However, it is rather too much to expect that the weather will continue fine indefinitely and a turn must be expected. Little attention given to the pig, when the pig quarters will be of great value. Try to provide good maintenance during the winter, and keep dry and clean.

#### Keeping Pigs Warm and Dry, at night particularly, is a matter of great importance as it affects the health and condition of the pig. Prevention of disease and loss. Pigs that are cold require more food for maintenance than those that are kept warm, and in consequence do not make good progress.

With regard to winter feeding of pigs at this time of the year, no difficulty should be experienced in connection with the winter feeding. Crops of pumpkins, sugar beets and maize are all good, and plenty of feed is available. One cannot stress too greatly the advantage accruing from the use of concentrates. These are most easily available here at present, and are being wintered on pumpkins, sugar beets and maize and meat meal. When pigs are being wintered on pumpkins the advantages of giving them concentrates is obvious. A day or two before the winter begins, the way of digestion are achieved by this means. Meat meal can be mixed with it.

#### Absorbing Skim Milk

The object of wintering pigs other than breeding stock is to have a supply of pigs in hand to deal with the skim milk directly the cows come in. Pigs farrowed in June and July will not be able to deal with it at all, but these pigs must be got away quickly whenever they are still in hand in October, the spring litters will have to go straight to milk.

To achieve the quick getaway in the winter, pigs must be on winter concentrates. This applies particularly to pigs under four months old. At least half these pig rotations should be in the form of concentrates. In this district maize and meat meal could be used, 1½ to 2½ of maize and 1½ of meat meal. There are distinct advantages in using crushed maize, and soaking it for 24 hours before feeding. Better results, the way of digestion are achieved by this means. Meat meal can be mixed with it.

#### No trouble should be experienced in wintering pigs this year, and owing to the purchase of baconer stock in the district on April 12, by the British Government, the demand for pigs in the spring should be at least as good as usual, if no better.

### CARNEGIE ART SET AT HASTINGS

#### Educational Display At High School

The Hastings High School has secured a loan of the Carnegie art set, which is a travelling exhibition of an educational nature, dealing mainly with pictorial art. In addition to reproductions of pictures, the set includes a good number of illustrated books. The first portion is now on view in the High School vestibule. It consists of a representative collection of examples of the graphic processes—original etchings, mezzos, tint, aquatints, engravings and photographs.

### BLACKOUT CONDITIONS AND EFFECT ON CRIME

#### Views On Suggestion To Enlist Service Of Auxiliary Constables

The opinion that the blackout was encouraging offences of the larrikin type was expressed to a "Daily Mail" reporter yesterday by a well-known Napier medical man.

"Within the past few days offences of this kind have been reported both in Napier and Hastings," he said, "and when the ruffian element of the community realises the opportunities afforded by the restriction of lighting, I am afraid we can expect even more trouble."

The suggestion was made that a number of auxiliary police should be recruited to assist the regular force in their untiring efforts for the preservation of law and order.

### Returned Soldiers At Takapau

#### ANNUAL MEETING Preparations Made For Ball

#### PATRIOTIC EFFORT

Daily Mail Special Service. TAKAPAU.

The annual meeting of the Returned Soldiers' Association was held at Takapau on Monday evening, Mr F. H. Sherry, president, being in the chair.

The balance sheet and the report by the president were unanimously adopted.

The election of officers for the coming year was as follows: President, Mr C. C. Jennings; vice-president, Mr A. E. F. Thomson; secretary, Mr F. H. Sherry; treasurer, Mr H. H. Oldershaw; executive, Messrs A. R. Jensen, N. Olsen, T. Tiley, M. McGill, H. C. Tennent, V. Byrne, N. M. Paulsen, J. Hames, A. J. Allen, W. T. Smith, P. de Stapoole.

#### Public Nervousness

Several retailers confirmed the view that there was certain nervousness on the part of women in venturing out at night, and said the result had been reflected in Friday night takings. They were, however, doubtful whether the appointment of special police would have much effect in allaying the anxiety.

#### One retailer considered that the public was gradually becoming accustomed to the new conditions, and quoted the fact that entertainments held recently had invariably been well attended. Any falling-off was due more to the cold weather than to the blackout, he said.

### North Island Gains Seats In House

#### No Census Taken This Year

### LOYAL HASTINGS LODGE

#### Fortnightly Meeting Held

The fortnightly meeting of the Loyal Hastings Lodge was held last evening, F. G. Bro. Cooper presiding over a good attendance.

#### ALSATIAN DOG IN DISPUTE

#### Further Adjournment In Hastings Case

A further adjournment in a case in which the Hastings Borough Council is proceeding against Miss Myra Millicent Lorgan as the owner of an Alsatian dog which it was alleged was dangerous was made when the case was resumed before Mr J. Miller S.M. in the Hastings Police Court yesterday.

Mr H. R. Bannister, counsel for the defendant, gave an undertaking that the dog would not be allowed to run loose in the borough, but Mr J. H. Holderness, appearing for the council, said that the inspector was not prepared to accept that undertaking. Granting an adjournment, the Magistrate said that if satisfactory arrangements were not made for the dog, he would have to order that it be left under proper control or ultimately he would have to make an order for its destruction in the event of the defendant persisting in keeping it in town.

### SHIPBUILDING IN DUNEDIN

#### MINESWEEPERS AT DUNEDIN PLAN UNDER WAY

#### Valuable Contribution To War Effort

By Telegraph—Press Association. WELLINGTON, July 17.

The Minister of Supply and Munitions (the Hon. D. G. Sullivan) advised today that a contract had been placed with Stevenson and Cook, in association with several other Dunedin firms, for building four minesweepers.

These minesweepers are being built to plans which have been supplied by the British Admiralty and will be completed in every respect.

Mr Sullivan stated that during the past few months a number of proposals for the supply of materials had been submitted to various Australian manufacturers, and arrangements have now been satisfactorily completed.

#### Ideal Location.

Port Chalmers offers an ideal location for work of this nature, continued the Minister. Apart altogether from the fact that there is an excellent site adjacent to the wharves, ship repair work has been carried out for many years by Stevenson and Cook, most of the machinery shops are specially equipped to handle such work.

Tenders are being invited within the next few days for the erection of certain necessary shops, gables and sheds, and it is anticipated that these will be erected ready to commence operations as soon as the first material arrives from Australia, which will be in about eight weeks' time.

#### Question of Labour.

The question of the labour shortage is one that must of necessity be recognised, but from information received, Mr Sullivan was confident that it could be overcome.

The matter was argued before his Honour in the Napier Supreme Court on May 23, and the Native Trustee (Mr E. J. W. Hallett), and Mrs M. Ellison (Mrs W. Bate), one of about 150 Maoris similarly situated, were cited as defendants. The land involved comprised the Pukekura blocks.

#### Period Defined

"The duty of collection arises when the rate becomes due. A general rate becomes due on the date which is duly fixed for its payment. I think the same is true of each annually recurring special rate," said his Honour. "It becomes due on the date fixed for its payment."

#### Mr H. J. Bull, Napier Businessman

The death of Mr Henry John Bull, one of Napier's oldest residents, occurred at his home in Clarence Street yesterday afternoon. He was in his 80th year.

#### Mr Bull was best known by his association with Bull Bros., Ltd., Port Ahuriri and Hendley station, Patea.

Born in Wiltshire, England, Mr Bull came to New Zealand in 1866, landing at Auckland, where he remained for some years. In his early twenties, Mr Bull came to Hawke's Bay and with his brother founded the timber-milling firm at Port Ahuriri which trades under their names.

#### Expansion was rapid and in 1913 the partnership acquired the Hendley station which carried a considerable amount of standing timber. Milling continued until operations were suspended as a result of the earthquake of 1931.

Apart from his own business, Mr Bull took an active part in the management of the Hawke's Bay Permanent Building Society, of which he was a director for many years. He was also a prominent supporter of freemasonry for over half a century.

He is survived by his wife and three daughters, Sisters L.D. and D.J. Bull, who are on active service, and Miss C. Bull, Lieutenant Colonel W. H. Bull, N.Z.E.F., and Mr R. J. Bull, Rissington, are his sons.

The funeral will leave St. John's Cathedral, Napier, after a short service commencing at 2.30 p.m. tomorrow, for interment at the Napier Cemetery.

#### Little cigars for ladies! From London it is reported that tiny havanas, about the size of a cigarette, are being introduced in the hope that they may tempt lady smokers. Well, ladies—and there was a time when ladies simply abominated smoking in every shape or form! That, however, is another story, as Kipling has so aptly expressed. But large will never supplant cigarettes with lady devotees of the weed—especially in New Zealand, where cigarettes of Riverhead Gold (the finest tobacco as yet manufactured) are so tremendously popular with smokers of both sexes. "Riverhead," as everyone knows, is one of the famous toasted brands, and the nicotine, owing to toasting, all five brands are of the choicest quality and so comparatively harmless that they may be indulged in with perfect safety, even to excess. But have a care when buying. The tobaccos named are the only genuine "toasted."

### Difficult Times For Rotary

#### WAR'S EFFECTS Efforts Of Clubs Overseas

#### KILLED BY FALL OF COAL

By Telegraph—Press Association. INVERCARGILL, June 17.

About midway to-day Charles Hazeldine, a miner employed in the Mount Linton Mine, Ohaio, was killed by a fall of coal.

Hazeldine received a fractured skull. His mate was untouched, though standing just beside him. Hazeldine is survived by a grown-up family.

#### SPRIT MAINTAINED

The difficulties being met by overseas Rotary Clubs in maintaining their activities during the war were mentioned by Mr. Langland, Napier, in an address to the Hastings Rotary Club yesterday.

A number of clubs were operating in some of the occupied countries, while clubs in Germany, Italy and Spain had entirely ceased activities, he said.

One of the most interesting Rotary Clubs to come into existence was an inter-allied club with Polish, Czechoslovakian and French refugees as members in London.

#### Rotarians' Wives Entertain

Wives of Rotarians were entertained at luncheon and thanks for the assistance given the club during the war were extended by the president (Mr G. H. Roach) Mrs W. T. Drake replied.

### CLIPPER CALLS AT SINGAPORE

#### NEW SERVICE BEGUN

Welcome At Britain's Naval Base R.A.F. TAKES PART

The Pan American Airways California Clipper arrived in Singapore on May 10 from Manila, pushing the trans-Pacific air service to its farthest point west and inaugurating a fortnightly schedule between the United States and British Malaya and high officials of the British Consulate-General, the British Far Eastern Commander-in-Chief, Air Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, and his officials of the British Consulate-General.

#### FOUR VICTORIES IN QUICK TIME

Catalina's Battles CRASHES REPORTED IN PORTUGAL

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A Catalina aircraft of the Coastal Command, while on an Atlantic patrol off Gibraltar yesterday, sighted four enemy aircraft attempting to attack shipping, says an Air Ministry communique. The Catalina engaged each in turn, and all were shot down before they had any chance of breaking off the engagement. The Catalina, which sustained no casualties, received only superficial damage and resumed its patrol.

#### WELL-KNOWN CITIZEN'S DEATH

Mr H. J. Bull, Napier Businessman

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#### Visit To Home Town "FREEDOM" OF TAIN

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The arrival of the New Zealand Prime Minister (the Hon. P. Fraser) is imminent. His first public engagement in London will be a special luncheon of the National Defence Committee on June 24.

George Campbell, a Maori, aged 20, of Ruakakura, was admitted to probation for 18 months and ordered to make restitution of £8/13/- on a charge of false pretences, to which he pleaded guilty.

Mr Y. E. Winter, J.P., and Mr T. P. Sweetman, were on the Bench. In the Police Court at Wairoa yesterday Pera Patarihi Bartlett, a married man, Nuhaka, was convicted and discharged for disorderly conduct. He was sentenced to three months' hard labour for obscene language.

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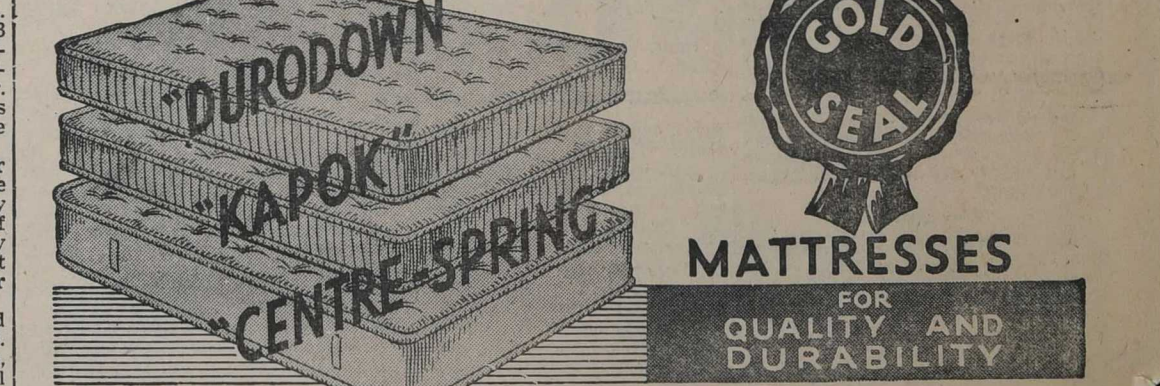
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