

THE TOURIST and TRAVELLER

HERE AND THERE.

Mrs. Aeton Adams, of Kaikoura, is the guest of Mrs. Neave, "Okeover," Riccarton.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Johnstone and family, of Takapau, are leaving in June on a visit to England.

From London comes the news that the springtime fashions run mostly to cream coats and skirts adorned with patent leather. Straps, buttons, and even buttonholes are made of this material, which is mostly in black, and sometimes in check.

Quartermaster-Sergeant Wallace, formerly on the staff of the "Hawke's Bay Herald," was one of the sub-editors of "The Tofuan," the bright little paper of the Tenth Reinforcements, copies of which have reached Napier.

The Distinguished Service Order, Britain's great military decoration, was instituted in 1886. The ribbon is red with a blue edge.

Mr. D. E. Hutchins, the Indian forest expert, who is visiting New Zealand, will also visit New South Wales and Queensland.

Mrs. Diver, widow of the late Mr. Harry Diver, a well-known New Zealand actor of a few years back, left by the Sierra for America recently. She will be the guest of her late husband's brother, Mrs. Diver, who will be pleasantly remembered in Sydney as Helen Burdetta, an attractive and capable actress, carries letters of introduction to various managers in the United States.

At Buckingham Palace recently the King invested Lieutenant-Colonel John Hughes, New Zealand Staff Corps, with the order of C.M.G., and Major Nathaniel Thomas, New Zealand Staff Corps, with the Military Cross.

Mr. Hamilton Hooges has been engaged to sing the music of Mephistopheles in the coming performance of Gounod's "Faust" by the Royal Choral Union, Wellington.

S. Edlin, the well-known sporting hairdresser of Wanganui, announces a welcome to his many patrons at the approaching meeting of the Jockey Club. He is still to be found at his old rendezvous opposite the Post Office in Ridgway Street.

Journalists are responding to the call to arms splendidly. Amongst those to go in the n.c.o.'s camp this month are Messrs. E. V. Hall (of the editorial staff of the "Wellington Post"), F. Doidge (chief reporter of the "Auckland Star"), E. A. Saunders (formerly assistant editor of the "Lyttelton Times"), and T. H. A. Beasley (of the sub-editorial staff of the "Dominion").

Mrs. Hobart, master of the Isle of Wight Harriers and wife of Colonel C. V. C. Hobart, D.S.O., has sold several of her famous stud of Shetland ponies and devoted the proceeds to the purchase of comforts for wounded soldiers at her Westcliffe war hospital at Hythe, near Southampton.

to the injury of British interests." He adds that 6000 Britishers have already gone from the Republic for active service.

Quartermaster-Sergeant H. M. Awarau, of the First Maori Contingent, has been appointed by the Government as a Maori recruiting officer. His district comprises the East Coast, south of Auckland, and the West Coast. After participating with the first Maori Contingent in the operations at Gallipoli, including the big engagement of August, Te Awarau was invalided to England, and spent nearly three months at Walton-on-Thames Hospital, where he was the only Maori patient, although there were other members of the contingent in different hospitals in England.

Following is the list of guests at the Star Hotel last week:—Mrs. L. McKenzie, Wellington; Mr. and Mrs. Veigh, Heriot; Mr. and Mrs. Todd, Heriot; Mr. and Mrs. Edie, Heriot; Mr. Latimer, Palmerston North; Mr. C. E. Barton, Auckland; Mr. S. Lord, Wellington; Dr. McDonald, Suva, Fiji; Mr. S. Stott, Melbourne; Mr. and Mrs. Middleton, Cromwell; Mr. G. Gore, Wellington; Mr. and Mrs. McDiarmid, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, Hamilton; Mr. Hetet, Te Kuiti; Mr. Cody, Te Kuiti; Mr. Sutherland, Te Kuiti; Mr. Moffatt, Te Kuiti; Mr. E. W. Ashman, Sydney; Mr. and Mrs. Young, England; Mr. and Mrs. Claydon, Wellington; Mr. Quinnell, Sydney; Rev. and Mrs. Dallimore, Sydney; Mr. Gordon Jones, Sydney; Mr. J. Paul, Sydney; Mr. Ronalds, England; Mr. Cheeseman, Te Kuiti; Mr. O'Brien, Waiheke; Mrs. N. Cooke, Wellington; Mr. and Mrs. T. Parata, Rotorua; Mr. Ormsby, Te Kuiti; Mr. McNaughton, Wellington; Mr. Brown, Wellington; Mr. Gillanders, Christchurch; Mr. Ongley, Te Kuiti; Mr. Valentine, Te Kuiti; Mr. Williams, Te Kuiti; Mr. J. Cawsey, Wellington; Mr. Merrill, Wellington; Mr. L. Weir, Hawera; Mr. and Mrs. Wood, Melbourne; Mr. Howarth, Te Kuiti; Mr. A. Young, Te Awamutu; Mr. and Mrs. Roulston, Pukekohe; Misses McDiarmid, Wellington; Mr. Fowler, Napier; Mr. Todd, Invercargill.



GROUP OF SERGEANTS OF THE A COMPANY OF THE NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.— Back Row: Sergts. G. R. Hogan, W. McDowell, J. H. Armitage, R. H. Murray, R. Bennett. Middle Row: Sergt. R. R. Lavers, Quart.-Mast.-Sergt. A. Sage, Sergt.-Major P. Munro, Quart.-Mast.-Sergt. A. Mills, Sergt. R. Howarth. Front Row: Sergts. H. Butterfield, Brown, Williams, J. Wright.

It is practically certain that the term of Sir Thomas Mackenzie's appointment as High Commissioner will be further extended till the end of the war, it being deemed inadvisable to make a change during abnormal circumstances.

Company Q.M.S. A. Brett has been appointed Foreman of Works at Featherston Camp.

Dr. H. Barraclough, recently in practice at Palmerston North, has been appointed Medical Officer at the Island of Niue.

Colonel James Robert Purdy, M.B., T.D., honorary physician to His Excellency the Governor, is transferred from the Reserve of Officers for duty as Director of Medical Services.

Mr. Thomas Horton, of Hastings, is at Featherston, where he is superintending the laying out of the Featherston Camp in ornamental blocks, and otherwise beautifying the place.

Mrs. Guy Williams (Masterton) is staying at Lowry Bay.

Miss Tombe has unfortunately had to resign the matronship of the New Zealand Military Hospital at Walton-on-Thames owing to ill-health, and is now living at Hampstead with Sister MacMillan, also of Dunedin. Sister MacMillan was for twelve months doing military nursing in France.

Lieut.-Commander G. W. S. Seton, R.N., who has been engaged at the Naval College, Jarvis Bay, New South Wales, since the war broke out, arrived in Auckland by the Makura last week. Commander Seton will spend a fortnight's holiday at Te Karaka, Gisborne. He last visited New Zealand in company with Admiral Sir G. F. King-Hall, when the latter was Commander-in-Chief of the Australian Naval Station, some years ago.

Lieutenant-Commander George H. Denniston, R.N., who has received the D.S.O. for services on the occasion of the destruction of the German gunboat Hermann von Wiseman on Lake Nyanza, is the son of Mr. G. J. Denniston, of Peel Forest, Canterbury. Lieutenant-Commander Denniston joined the Navy 17 years ago.

Count Zeppelin has given orders that on his death his body shall be conveyed to its last resting place in one of the machines with which his name is associated.

Mr. E. H. King, who has been in charge of the shipping and insurance department at Dalgety and Company's Christchurch branch for some years, has been appointed shipping manager for Messrs. L. D. Nathan and Co., Auckland.

"The Germans are doing us no end of harm here," a New Zealander in Buenos Ayres declares in a letter received recently by a resident in Cambridge. "They are getting all the credit they want, and are buying up all the cereals, hides and wool they can. If a British firm wants any of these things, it invariably has to go to a German firm for them." He suggests that the few thousands of Germans in Argentina would have been only a handful in the firing line, and it would have been better to have allowed them all to return to Germany at the beginning of the war, instead of remaining in the Argentine

The following guests were at the Central Hotel last week:—Mr. E. W. Laming, Mercer; Mr. P. F. Watson, Thames; Mrs. Turner, Thames; Mrs. Howarth, Waikato; Mr. and Mrs. Earl, Hamilton; Mrs. and Miss Stewart, Helensville; Mr. H. J. Olsen, Tauranga; Mr. MacMillan, Hamilton; Mr. C. T. Robbitts, Blenheim; Mr. Ballantyne, Pukekohe; Mr. J. Hornsby, Tasmania; Mr. A. Goudie, Rotorua; Mr. B. Hall, Sydney; Mr. L. W. Vercoe, Hamilton; Mr. Blockett, Te Kowhai; Mr. R. Mackenzie, Te Kowhai; Mr. Paul Dufault, New York; Miss P. Bindley, Melbourne; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert, Hamilton; Mrs. and Mr. Shipman, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Matthews, Gisborne; Mr. and Mrs. Henry, Wanganui; Mr. R. Keene, Oruru; Mr. C. Norris, Tauranga; Mr. R. M. Martin, Sydney; Mr. W. Wilson, Sydney; Mrs. Swanston, Melbourne; Mrs. E. Finch, Cronulla; Mrs. A. T. Williams, Sydney; Mrs. A. M. Clarke, Sydney; Mrs. Maitke, Fiji; Rev. Finn, Te Kuiti; Mr. J. B. Clarkson, Christchurch; Mr. F. Armstrong, Te Awamutu; Mr. F. C. Palmer, Levuka; Mr. H. Grocott, Hamilton; Mr. H. Wilson, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Bowler, Wellington; Mr. and Mrs. R. Glynn Lewis, Okoroire; Mr. A. Leigh Hunt, Wellington; Mr. L. Hunt, Wellington; Mr. J. P. Morcoins, Wellington; Mr. Chas. Eyre, Wellington; Mrs. and Miss Norris, Tauranga; Mr. A. Whale, Waikato; Mr. E. Emens, Waikato; Mr. J. D. Sole, New Plymouth; Mr. Max Carpenter, Taihape.

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