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FIRST DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 8, 1919.

First Race starts at 11.30.

- VITTORIA HURDLE HANICAP** (Hack Conditions) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and three-quarters.
- STEWARDS' HANICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
- FIRST HACK AND HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE** (Handicap) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. For hacks and qualified hunters. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. About two miles and a-half.
- TRIAL PLATE** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won a race exceeding the value of 50sovs at the time of nomination. Weights: Two-year-olds, 9.3; three-year-olds, 10.0; four-year-olds and upwards, 10.2. Mares and geldings allowed 3lb. Entrance 2sovs. Six furlongs.
- WELLINGTON STEEPLECHASE** (Handicap) of 1000sovs; second horse to receive 200sovs, and third horse 100sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 10sovs. About three miles and a-quarter.
- WINTER HURDLES** (Handicap) of 650sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and the third horse 50sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 7sovs. Two miles.
- PARLIAMENTARY HANICAP** of 400sovs; second horse to receive 70 sovs, and the third horse 30sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 5sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
- TE ARO HANICAP** (Hack Conditions) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20 sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, JULY 10, 1919.

First Race starts at 11.30.

- CORUNNA HURDLE HANICAP** (Hack Conditions) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-half.
- LIVERPOOL HANICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
- JUMPERS' FLAT HANICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Open to horses that have completed a hurdle race or steeplechase course in New Zealand to the satisfaction of the stewards. To be ridden by professional hurdle or steeplechase riders. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-quarter.
- SELLING RACE** of 200sovs, for three-year-olds and upwards. Weights: Three-year-olds, 9.7; four-year-olds and upwards, 9.9. The winner to be sold as soon as possible after the race for 100sovs, if entered to be sold for 50sovs allowed 7lb. Any surplus to be divided as follows: Two-thirds to the owner of the second horse, and one third to the owner of the third horse. Entry 2sovs. Five furlongs.
- BROOKLYN STEEPLECHASE** (Handicap) of 400sovs; second horse to receive 70sovs, and third horse 30 sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 4sovs. About two miles and a-half.
- PENINSULA HANICAP** (Hack Conditions) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
- FLEET HANICAP** of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile.
- PETONE HANICAP** (Hack Conditions) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, JULY 12, 1919.

First Race starts at 11.30.

- TALAVERA HURDLE HANICAP** (Hack Conditions) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-half.
- ON SLOW HANICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and the third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.
- SECOND HACK AND HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE** (Handicap) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. For hacks and qualified hunters. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Two miles and a-half.

- CROFTON HANICAP** (Hack Conditions) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and the third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Seven furlongs.
- JULY STEEPLECHASE** (Handicap) of 650sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and the third horse 50sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 7sovs. About three miles.
- FINAL HURDLE HANICAP** of 400sovs; second horse to receive 70 sovs, and the third horse 30sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 4sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
- WINTER OATS HANICAP** of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and the third horse 25sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile.
- KIA ORA HANICAP** (Hack Conditions) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.

PENALTIES.

The winner of any race or races on the same day shall carry 7lb penalty. No penalty to be incurred in open events for wins in races with hack conditions.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

N.B.—All events close at 9 o'clock p.m., unless stated to the contrary. NOMINATIONS for all events except the Trial Plate and Selling Race close on FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 1919, at 9 o'clock p.m.

WEIGHTS declared for First Day's Handicaps on MONDAY, JUNE 30, 1919. ACCEPTANCES for First Day's Handicaps, also ENTRIES for the Trial Plate and Selling Race, close on THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1919, at 9 o'clock p.m.

WEIGHTS for Second Day's Handicaps on WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 1919, in morning papers. ACCEPTANCES for Second Day's Handicaps close on WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 1919, at 12.30 o'clock p.m.

WEIGHTS for Third Day's Handicaps on FRIDAY, JULY 11, 1919, in morning papers. ACCEPTANCES for Third Day's Handicaps close on FRIDAY, JULY 11, 1919, at 12.30 o'clock p.m.

A. E. WHYTE,
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FIRST DAY.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 1919.

- WOODLANDS HACK STEEPLECHASE HANICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. The winner of any steeplechase after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. About two miles.
- WAKATU HACK HANICAP HURDLE RACE** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. About one mile and three-quarters.
- HAWKE'S BAY HURDLES** of 400 sovs; second horse to receive 65 sovs, and third horse 35sovs from the stake. The winner of any hurdle race of the value of 100sovs after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 4sovs. About two miles.
- HAWKE'S BAY STEEPLECHASE HANICAP** of 600sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs from the stake. The winner of any steeplechase after declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 6sovs. About three miles.
- WINTER HACK HANICAP** of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. One mile and a-quarter.
- LADIES' BRACELET HANICAP** (on the flat) of 100sovs; first horse to receive a Bracelet value 65sovs, second horse to receive a Bracelet value 20sovs, third horse to receive a Bracelet value 15sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Gentlemen riders. The rider of the winner will be presented with a trophy value £5 5s. Minimum weight, 10.7. Horses to be nominated by ladies. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. One mile and a-half.
- HERETAUNGA HANICAP** of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs and a-half.

SECOND DAY.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 1919.

- KIDNAPPERS HACK HANICAP HURDLE RACE** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. About one mile and a-half.
- TURAMOE HANICAP HURDLE RACE** of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25 sovs from the stake. The winner of any race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
- HAVELOCK HACK STEEPLECHASE HANICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. About two miles.
- LADIES' NECKLACE** (on the flat) of 65sovs; first horse to receive a Necklace value 40sovs, second horse to receive a Necklace value 15sovs, third horse to receive a Necklace value 10sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Gentlemen riders. The rider of the winner will be presented with a trophy value £5 5s. Horses to be nominated by ladies. Minimum weight, 10.7. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-quarter.
- JUNE STEEPLECHASE HANICAP** of 350sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 4sovs. About two miles and a-half.
- RAUKAWA HACK HANICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Once round.
- FINAL HANICAP** of 250sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 9.0. The winner of any race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs and a-half.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all events close on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, at 8 p.m. WEIGHTS for First Day's Events declared on MONDAY, JUNE 23.

ACCEPTANCES for First Day's Events due on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, at 8 p.m.

WEIGHTS Second Day's Events declared FRIDAY, JUNE 27 (night of First Day's Races), at 8.30 p.m. ACCEPTANCES Second Day's Events due FRIDAY, JUNE 27 (night of First Day's Races), at 9.30 p.m.

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FUTURE EVENTS.

SPRING MEETING, 1919.

THE HASTINGS STAKES of 350sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. FOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS (yearlings August 1, 1918). Colts 8.5, geldings 8.3, fillies 8.0. The winner of any race after August 1, 1919, to carry 7lb extra. By subscription of 4 sovs each, unless forfeit is declared and paid as follows: 1sov on night of General Entry Spring Meeting, 1919, after which date full subscription of 4sovs is payable. Four furlongs.

NOMINATIONS close at the Club's Office, Hastings, at 8 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

No money is required at time of nomination.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1920.

HAWKE'S BAY STAKES of 700sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, third horse 50sovs from stake. FOR ALL AGES. Weight for age. Winners after August 1, 1919, of any race or races of the collective value of 200sovs to carry 3lb extra; 300sovs, 5lb extra; 400sovs, 7lb extra; 500sovs, 10lb extra; 1000 sovs or over 14lb extra. By subscription of 7sovs each unless forfeit is declared and paid as follows: 1sov on Night of General Entry Autumn Meeting, 1920, after which date full subscription is payable. Six furlongs and a-half.

NOMINATIONS close at the Club's Office, Hastings, at 8 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

No money is required at time of nomination.

NOTE.—Any age from yearlings and upwards can Nominate on JUNE 13, 1919.

SPRING MEETING, 1920.

HAWKE'S BAY GUINEAS of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS (yearlings August 1, 1918). Colts 8.10, geldings 8.7, fillies 8.0. The winner of the Avondale Guineas or the Wanganui Guineas, 7lb extra, or of both 10lb extra. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit is declared and paid as follows: 1sov on Night of General Entry Spring Meeting, 1920; after which date full subscription is payable. One mile.

No money is required at time of nomination.

ENTRIES for the above events close at 8 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

H. S. MOSS,
 Secretary.

NAPIER PARK RACING CLUB.

Programme for WINTER MEETING.

To be held on FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JUNE 20 AND 21, 1919.

President: J. Vigor Brown, M.P. Vice-President: R. L. Williams. Stewards: P. Barry, J. I. Cato, H. J. Holder, W. Hill, F. Moeller, F. G. Smith, M. H. Strachan, R. D. Sweetapple, F. C. Williams, T. E. Welch. Judge: R. H. Aldworth. Treasurer: J. V. Brown, M.P. Handicapper: H. Coyle. Starter: A. G. Wood. Clerk of Scales: H. M. Bishop. Clerk of Course: A. O'Dowd. Timekeeper: W. Cooper.

FIRST DAY.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 1919.

- MOTEO HACK HURDLE RACE HANICAP** of 175sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
- PETANE HACK STEEPLECHASE HANICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 16sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 50s. About two miles.
- STEWARDS' STAKES HANICAP** of 250sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 9.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile.
- NAPIER STEEPLECHASE HANICAP** of 500sovs; second horse to receive 65sovs, third horse 35sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 6sovs. About three miles.
- LADIES' NECKLACE HANICAP** of 100sovs; first horse to receive a necklace valued at 80sovs, second horse to receive a gold watch bracelet valued at 20sovs. Gentlemen riders. Horses to be nominated by ladies. The rider of the winner will be presented with a gold-mounted whip. Minimum weight, 10.7. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. One mile and a-quarter.
- AHURIRI HURDLE RACE HANICAP** of 350sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, third horse 25sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 70s. Two miles.
- SETTLERS' HACK HANICAP** of 120sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, third horse 10sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 9.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 1919.

- MEANEE HACK HANICAP** of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs; third horse 5sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 9.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.
- WAIHIKI HACK HURDLE RACE HANICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. One mile and a-half.
- WINTER OATS HANICAP** of 175 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, third horse 10sovs from the stake. Minimum weight 9.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 50s. Seven furlongs.
- PARK STEEPLECHASE HANICAP** of 400sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, third horse 25sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 90s. About two miles and a-half.
- HACK AND HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE HANICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, third horse 10sovs from the stake. For hacks and qualified hunters (four certificates). Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 2sovs. About two miles.
- PORAITE HURDLE RACE HANICAP** of 250sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
- NEWSTEAD HACK HANICAP** of 120sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, third horse 10sovs from the stake. Minimum weight 9.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Seven furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.
 (With Amounts to be Paid.)

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 1919.

NOMINATIONS close at the Club's Office, Hershell Street, Napier, at 8 p.m. for ALL EVENTS.

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 1919.

WEIGHTS for All First Day's Events will be declared. FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919, at 8 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES for Moteo Hack Hurdle Race Handicap, Petane Hack Steeplechase Handicap, Stewards' Stakes Handicap, Napier Steeplechase Handicap, Ladies' Necklace Handicap, Ahuriri Hurdle Race Handicap, Settlers' Hack Handicap.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 1919, at 8 p.m.

(Night of First Day's Races.) WEIGHTS for All the Second Day's Events will be declared.

At 9 p.m.—ACCEPTANCES for All the Second Day's Events.

HACK DEFINITION.

No horse shall be eligible to start in a "hack" race which has won a race of the value of 150sovs, or races of the collective value of 400sovs at time of nomination. The amount won by any horse in flat races, hurdle races, or steeplechases, respectively, shall not render such horse ineligible except in the special class of race in which it has won such amount.

PENALTIES.

The winner of any hurdle race or steeplechase after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lb. of two or more races, 14lb.

The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb.

All nominations made by telegram must be confirmed by letter immediately afterwards.

J. E. GLEADOW,
Secretary N.P.R.C.

Telephone No. 241.
Office, Herschell St., Napier.

POVERTY BAY TROTTING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

To be held on the Gisborne Racing Club's Course, Te Hapara, on SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 1919.

Patrons: Sir Jas. Carroll, K.C.M.G., Hon. W. D. S. MacDonald, M.P., Messrs. D. J. Barry, H. de Lautour, G. Matthewson, C. Neenan, G. W. Primrose, K. S. Williams, President: Dr. Chas. F. Scott, Vice-President: Mr. G. E. Jones, Treasurer: Mr. H. E. Dodd, Stewards: Messrs. B. H. Aislabie, R. Campbell, T. C. Dorn, R. Fisker, J. Greentree, G. Haapu, T. Hogan, W. Howard, A. Langford, F. E. Loomb, H. E. Lougher, G. W. Primrose, J. Riddell, P. W. Smith, A. T. Webb, G. S. Woods, Judge: Dr. Chas. F. Scott, Handicapper: Mr. F. W. Edwards, Starter: Mr. W. Howard, Timekeepers: Messrs. F. E. Loomb, H. E. Lougher, J. Riddell, Totalisator Steward: Mr. W. O. Skeet, Clerk of Scales: Mr. M. DeCosta, Clerk of Course: Mr. W. A. Stephens, Secretary: H. E. Dodd.

PROGRAMME.

1. MAIDEN HANDICAP (Optional) of 50sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won an advertised trot at time of starting. For horses that can do 4.6 or better. Nomination 20s., acceptance 20s. Distance, one mile and a-half.
2. PARK HANDICAP (Saddle) of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. For unhopped trotters only. For horses that can do 4.9 or better. Nomination 20s., acceptance 20s. Distance, one mile and a-half.
3. POVERTY BAY TROTTING CUP HANDICAP (Harness) of 160sovs (140sovs in specie and a cup value 20sovs, presented by Dr. Chas. F. Scott); second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For horses that can do 5.5 or better. Nomination 20s., acceptance 50s. Distance, two miles.
4. PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP (Harness) of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. For horses that can do 3.20 or better. Nomination 20s., acceptance 20s. Distance, one mile and a-quarter.
5. SIR DOUGLAS HAIG HANDICAP (Harness) of 70sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. For unhopped trotters only. For horses that can do 5.20 or better. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Distance, two miles.
6. COUNTY HANDICAP (Saddle) of 60 sovs, (50 sovs in specie and a cup value 10sovs, presented by E. Pardee, Esq.); second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. For horses bred in the Counties of Cook, Wairoa, Waikohu or Waipatu. For horses that can do 4.12 or better. Nomination 20s., acceptance 20s. Distance, one mile and a-half.
7. ELECTRIC HANDICAP (Harness) of 75sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. For horses that can do 2.30 or better. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Distance, one mile.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. All races to be run under the Rules of the New Zealand Trotting Association.
 2. All nominations and acceptances must be accompanied by fees, name, age, sex, colour and description, pedigree, and previous performances of the horse and registered colours of the owner.
 3. All drivers, riders and trainers must hold current season's licenses.
 4. Horses will be handicapped in all races by seconds.
 5. Rules of Trotting No. 196.—Every person applying for admission to any course, and every person entering or endeavouring to enter a horse, for any race, and every person having or subsequently acquiring any interest in such horse shall be deemed to accept all the conditions and restrictions imposed or implied by these Rules and are to be barred from questioning the action of the Conference, Appeal Judges, Association, Club, Racing Club or Body, Committee, Stewards, Officials, Agents or Servants in respect of any such person or horse, or any person connected therewith, otherwise than is provided for in Part XXX. of these Rules.
- Part XXXVI, Provident Fund.—Before any horse shall be nominated for any race the fee of £1 shall be paid to the Secretary of the New Zealand Trotting Association, in default of which a fine of £5 will be imposed. This fee is only payable once during the lifetime of the horse, vide New Rules, September, 1918.
- All nominations and acceptances to be addressed to the Secretary, Gisborne.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all events close on FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 1919, at 8 p.m.
HANDICAPS declared for all events on FRIDAY, JUNE 13.
ACCEPTANCES for all events close on MONDAY, JUNE 23, 1919, at 8 p.m.

H. E. DODD,
Secretary.

MANAWATU RACING CLUB.
PALMERSTON NORTH.

NOMINATIONS FOR CLASSIC EVENTS CLOSE FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

ENTRIES for NOW YEARLINGS (Foals of 1917) for the 14th Palmerston North Stakes, 1919; 12th Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes, 1920; 16th Manawatu Stakes, 1920.

ENTRIES for YEARLINGS and UPWARDS for the 15th Palmerston North Stakes, 1920; 17th Manawatu Stakes, 1921.

ENTRIES for Sires for 13th Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes, 1921.
WILL CLOSE ON FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919, at 9 p.m.

No money is required at the time of entry, except for the Nomination of Sires.

ENTRIES for FOALS of 1918 will close on a day to be fixed in 1920 for the 15th Palmerston North Stakes, 1920; 17th Manawatu Stakes, 1921.

In the event of any horse entered with the Manawatu Racing Club in any of the above-mentioned races dying before the first forfeit becomes due, the owner shall not be liable for payment of forfeit, provided that he gives notice and supplies proof of death before the first forfeit becomes due.

SUMMER MEETING, 1919.

PALMERSTON NORTH STAKES (FOURTEENTH) of 500sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and the third horse 50sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds and upwards. Weight for age, with penalties and allowances. Winners after August 1, 1919, of any race or races collectively of the value of 150sovs to carry 3lb; of 250sovs, 5lb; of 500sovs, 7lb; of 750sovs, 10lb; of 1000sovs, 14lb extra. Maiden four-year-olds and upwards at the time of starting allowed 10lb; three-year-olds, 7lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by General Entry Day, Summer Meeting, 1919 (about December 1, 1919). All horses remaining in after that date must pay their total subscription of 5sovs on a day to be named shortly before the race. Six furlongs.

NOTE.—No money required at time of entry.

ENTRIES for Yearlings (Foals of 1917) close with the Secretary at Palmerston North, at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1920.

MANAWATU SIRES' PRODUCE STAKES (TWELFTH), for Yearlings (Foals of 1917), of 600sovs; first horse 400sovs, second horse 75 sovs, third horse 25sovs, and the nominator of the Sire of the winning horse 75sovs, and the nominator of the Sire of the second horse 25sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Weight, 8.0. Geldings allowed 3lb, fillies 3lb, with penalties and allowances. The nominator of each Stallion entered to pay 5sovs at time of nomination (Friday, June 14, 1918). By subscription of 6sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by General Entry Day, Autumn Meeting, 1920. All horses remaining in after that date must pay their total subscription of 6sovs on a day to be named shortly before the race. Penalties: Winners after August 1, 1919, of any race or races collectively of the value of 100sovs to carry 3lb; of 300sovs, 7lb; of 500sovs, 10lb; of 1000sovs, 14lb extra. Maidens allowed 5lb. Progeny of mares that have not produced a winner at the time of the closing of entries allowed 5lb in addition to maiden allowance. Six furlongs.

NOMINATIONS for Sires closed as follows:—Absurd, Antagonist, Autumnus, Bezonian, Campfire, Demosthenes, Finland, Hallowmays, Heather Mixture, Hymettus, Kilbroney, Martian, Mountain Knight, Nassau, Sanquhair, Solferino, Sunny Lake, Treadmill.

ENTRIES for Yearlings (progeny of nominated sires) close with the Secretary, Manawatu Racing Club, Palmerston North, at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

NOTE.—No money required at time of entry.

MANAWATU STAKES (SIXTEENTH) of 500sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and the third horse 50sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds and upwards. Weight for age, with penalties and allowances. Winners after August 1, 1919, of any race or races collectively of the value of 250sovs to carry 3lb; of 500sovs, 5lb; of 750sovs, 7lb; of 1000sovs, 10lb extra. Maiden four-year-olds and upwards at time of starting allowed 10lb; three-year-olds, 7lb; two-year-olds, 5lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by General Entry Day, Autumn Meeting, 1920. All horses remaining in after that date must pay their total subscription of 5sovs on a day to be named shortly before the race. Six furlongs.

NOTE.—No money required at time of entry.

ENTRIES for Yearlings (foals of 1917) close with the Secretary, at Palmerston North, at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

SUMMER MEETING, 1920.

PALMERSTON NORTH STAKES (FIFTEENTH), for now foals, yearlings, and upwards, of 500sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and the third horse 50sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds and upwards. Weight for age, with penalties and allowances. Winners after August 1, 1920, of any race or races collectively of the value of 150sovs to carry 3lb; of 250sovs, 5lb; of 500sovs, 7lb; of 750sovs, 10lb; of 1000sovs, 14lb extra. Maiden four-year-olds and upwards

at time of starting allowed 10lb; three-year-olds, 7lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by General Entry Day, Summer Meeting, 1920 (about December 1, 1920). All horses remaining in after that date must pay their total subscription of 5sovs on a day to be named shortly before the race. Six furlongs.

NOTE.—No money required at time of entry.

ENTRIES for Yearlings (Foals of 1917) and upwards close with the Secretary, at Palmerston North, at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

ENTRIES for Foals of 1918 will close on a day to be fixed in 1920.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1921.

MANAWATU STAKES (SEVENTEENTH), for now Foals, Yearlings and upwards, of 500sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and the third horse 50sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds and upwards. Weight for age, with penalties and allowances. Winners after August 1, 1920, of any race or races collectively of the value of 250sovs to carry 3lb; of 500sovs, 5lb; of 750 sovs, 7lb; of 1000sovs, 10lb extra. Maiden four-year-olds and upwards at time of starting allowed 10lb; three-year-olds, 7lb; two-year-olds, 5lb. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by General Entry Day, Autumn Meeting, 1921. All horses remaining in after that date must pay their total subscription of 5 sovs on a day to be named shortly before the race. Six furlongs.

NOTE.—No money required at time of entry.

ENTRIES for Yearlings (Foals of 1917) and upwards close with the Secretary, at Palmerston North, at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

ENTRIES for Foals of 1918 will close on a day to be fixed in 1920.

MANAWATU SIRES' PRODUCE STAKES (THIRTEENTH), of 600 sovs; first horse 400sovs, second horse 75sovs, third horse 25sovs, and the nominator of the sire of the winning horse 75sovs, and the nominator of the sire of the second horse 25sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Weight, 8.0. Geldings allowed 3lb, fillies 3lb, with penalties and allowances. The nominator of each stallion entered to pay 5sovs at time of nomination (Friday, June 13, 1919). By subscription of 6sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by General Entry Day, Autumn Meeting, 1921. All horses remaining in after that date must pay their total subscription of 6sovs, on a day to be named shortly before the race. Penalties: Winners after August 1, 1920, of any race or races collectively of the value of 100sovs to carry 3lb; of 300sovs, 7lb; of 500sovs, 10lb; of 1000sovs, 14lb extra. Maidens allowed 5lb. Progeny of mares that have not produced a winner at the time of the closing of entries allowed 5lb in addition to maiden allowance. Six furlongs.

NOMINATIONS for Sires close with the Secretary, Manawatu Racing Club, Palmerston North, on FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1919.

NOMINATIONS for Yearlings (progeny of nominated sires) close with the Secretary, Manawatu Racing Club, Palmerston North, on a day to be fixed in 1920.

The Club reserve the right to abandon the race should they receive less than 15 entries of sires, or other unforeseen circumstances.

NOTE.—Your attention is specially directed to the fact that nominations for Yearlings will close on day to be fixed in 1920.

THE SECRETARY,
Manawatu Racing Club,
Palmerston North.
P.O. Box 52.

WAIKATO HUNT RACING CLUB.

MEETING TO BE HELD

SATURDAY, JULY 5, 1919.

At Claudelands Course, Hamilton.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME:

MAIDEN HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For qualified hunters, season 1919, that have never won a steeplechase or hurdle race of the value of 50sovs or over. Certificate required with nomination. Minimum weight, 10.7. Distance, two miles and a-half. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.

BARDOVIE HACK HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won a flat race of the value of 150sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 400sovs prior to time of starting. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lb. Minimum weight, 9.0. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.

HUNTERS' HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. For qualified hunters, season 1919. Certificate required with nomination. Over six flights of hurdles. Minimum weight, 10.0. Distance, one mile and a-half. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.

MEMBERS' MEMORIAL HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 9.0. Distance, one mile. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs.

WAIKATO HUNT CUP HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 250sovs (225 sovs cash and cup value 25sovs); second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake.

For qualified hunters, season 1919. Certificate required with nomination. Minimum weight, 10.7. Distance about three miles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2½sovs.

VICTORIA PARK HACK HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won a flat race of the value of 50sovs or over at time of nomination. Minimum weight, 9.0. Distance, five furlongs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.

LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For qualified hunters, season 1919. Certificate required with nomination. No horse will be eligible which has won a race of any description of more value than 50sovs at time of starting. Hunters' races excepted. Gentlemen riders. Minimum weight, 10.7. Distance, one mile and a-quarter. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.

INSTOW HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 9.0. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs.

PENALTIES.

The winner of any race after the declaration of weights may be re-handicapped.

NOMINATIONS for all events close at the Secretary's Office, Cambridge, at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, JUNE 13.

WEIGHTS will be declared THURSDAY, JUNE 19.

ACCEPTANCES close on FRIDAY, JUNE 27.

W. G. CARE,
Secretary.

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WORKS, GRAFTON TERRACE.

"It is interesting to note that nearly all the senior British officers agree that the Australians were absolutely the finest troops the war produced," said Lieutenant-General Sir Talbot-Hobbs, successor to Lieutenant-General Monash in the command of the Australian Corps, in the course of a recent interview in London. "Colonel Younghusband, the celebrated Indian explorer, in lecturing to our boys, said that British generals regarded the Australian Corps as the finest fighting machine the world had ever seen. Coming from a man in an exceptional position to gather information, this statement is of more than ordinary value. I, for one, am prepared to believe that it is justified, for they have achieved the 'impossible' on many occasions. Indeed, it has at times become apparent that, had the difficulties been realised, some of our successful attacks would never have been attempted."

In regard to red deer, the annual report of the Otago Acclimatisation Society, says: Thirty-five stalkers visited the Hunter Valley and Makarora this season (1919). Weather conditions were good, but the inclement winter and late spring rendered the season late, and was not conducive to production of good heads. Notwithstanding this, some fine heads were obtained, the best being probably Mr. McBride's 14-pointer, measuring 43 inches in length, with a spread of 42 inches, shot on Cameron's Creek block, and Mr. Dunning's 16-pointer from the Makarora. As to fallow deer, 16 stalkers visited the Blue Mountain district this season, but no information has yet been received as to what was seen in the way of heads.

TOURIST AND TRAVELLER.

The 1918-19 fishing season, according to the Wellington Acclimatisation Society's annual report, had been interfered with during the concluding months of last year by constant rain rendering the largest rivers unfishable on account of the high current and clouded water, and during January and February by boisterous weather conditions. During March and April everything tended to provide ideal sport. The large rivers, with the notable exception of the Hutt, failed to produce good fishing. The largest and heaviest fish known to have been landed during the past season was a brown trout taken with a minnow from just below the big bridge over the Hutt River by a lad whose age gave a year for every pound. The fish weighed 14½lb., and the struggle lasted one and a-half hours.

Rene Puaux, who fought with Foch at the first battle of the Marne and was with him up to the signing of the Armistice, November 11, 1918, in an interesting narrative concerning Marshal Foch's remarkable service throughout the war, refers to the great respect evinced by the British for Foch in the early days of the great struggle. "On October 30, 1914," says M. Puaux, "General Foch heard that the British cavalry had been violently attacked by superior forces, and had to yield considerable ground to the south of Ypres. The line had been pierced; the flank under General Dubois was menaced. Foch left Cassel, motored as quickly as possible to Saint-Omer, where he arrived at 1 o'clock in the morning. 'Is it true that your line has been broken?' he asked Sir John French. 'Yes,' was the reply. 'Have you any reserves?' 'None,' answered the British general. 'Well,' said Foch, 'have mine. Fill the gap at once. If the Germans get through at a single point we are lost, because of the enemy's huge attacking forces. I have eight battalions of the 32nd Division that General Joffre is sending me. Take them, and on you go!' Sir John French was deeply moved," M. Puaux declares. "He rose and clasped both General Foch's hands firmly. 'Thank you,' he said, 'that is splendid help you have brought me.'" By 2 o'clock that morning the gap was filled and the position saved.

General Sir Nevil Macready (Commissioner of the London Police) declares that since the war a new type of burglar has arisen, who shows indifference alike to the taking of life and to his personal safety. The quarrelsome husband who was content to clip his wife under the ear, now uses an iron bar, or anything handy, for flooring her. The London police chief puts this down to the war. There is not the slightest doubt that four years of slaughter has cheapened the value of human life in the minds of the public. This is inevitable. It has occurred after all great wars. Civil laws against violence are weakened by a public psychology inured to brutality by killing and wounding, and by the mere reading of vast human losses. The ill-balanced mind follows a subconscious idea that if it is right to kill the king's enemy it cannot be a very great crime to kill a private foe—if it is right for States and army units to commandeer private property it is no less justifiable for an individual to do so, and the commandment "Thou shalt not kill," the fundamental law of human society, is endangered and brought into contempt by the gun men.

Advice has been received from Sydney to the effect that Captain P. V. Storkey, V.C., who is a son of Mr. Storkey, of Napier, has taken up his new appointment in Sydney as associate to Mr. Acting-Justice Owen, well-known Australian Supreme Court judge. The official story of how Captain Storkey won the Victoria Cross appeared in the June issue of "Hermes," last year, and is as follows: "The cables from London which reached Sydney on June 8 brought an item of news to University readers as surprising in its suddenness as was the action of the young officer who rushed to the attack of the German machine gunners with ten men behind him. The odds were ten to one, but it is hardly likely Percy Storkey and his men stopped to think of that phase of the position. Commanding an attacking platoon, he observed, on emerging from a wood, 80 or 100 Germans, with several machine guns, holding up the advance of the troops on his

right. Lieutenant Storkey had only six men, but Lieutenant Lipscomb, with four men, joined him, and Storkey decided to attack the enemy flank and rear. The two officers and the ten men charged with the bayonet, Storkey in the lead, and expelled the enemy. They killed or wounded 50 and captured three officers and 50 men and the machine guns. Storkey's courage and promptness and the skilful attack removed a dangerous obstacle to the advance, and were a great inspiration to the remainder of the party."

Referring to game-shooting, the annual report of the Wellington Acclimatisation Society states that "it is difficult to estimate the prospects for 1919, as conditions vary in parts, but from reports the season has a healthy look. Advice comes from Palmerston North of 160 ducks taken on May 1st, by one party, 103 by a second, and 60 by a third." The season of 1918 furnished fairly good sport in portions of the society's district; in other places game was hard to find. On the whole, black swans were not so numerous as of old in the Waikarara. Grey ducks were harder to reach, but some good bags were made. Pheasants are steadily increasing in the north-western part of the district. Hares were plentiful, while quail are not now found in open country. The heavy drop in sales of game-shooting licenses anticipated for various reasons, notably the high price of cartridges, the absence of many sportsmen, and the limited scope of sport expected, did not eventuate, as the number of licenses issued was only 10 less than for 1917, being 241 against 251. Under the Animals' Protection Act Amendment Act, the year 1910 and every third year thereafter is automatically a close season for native and imported game throughout the Dominion, power being given to any acclimatisation society to petition the Department of Internal Affairs for an open season for the whole period set out in the Act, or for any part thereof, and for imported game, native game, or both. The council of the society petitioned for an open season for both imported and native game from May 1 to July 31, 1919, and the open season recommended has been gazetted.

The stories of the four years watch at Scapa Flow, in the Orkney Islands, are just beginning to be told. One of the most interesting of these has just come to light with the docking of the Wilson liner Borodino in the Surrey Commercial Dock. To all intents and purposes the Borodino was lost when she steamed out of the Thames at the end of 1914. Her job in connection with the Navy was one of the many secrets of the silent service. The commission of the Borodino was without precedent in the British Navy. From a palatial ocean liner the ship was transformed into a spacious warehouse. What the great departmental stores are to the people of the city, so was the ship to the officers and men of the fleet. It was one of the happiest ideas in connection with the organization of the navy. It was conceived by Commodore Lambert, the Fourth Sea Lord, who thought that the monotony of life in Scapa Flow could be relieved by enabling the men to enjoy some of the simple luxuries of everyday life. Little could be obtained in the small hamlets of the Orkney Islands. On being approached the Junior Army and Navy Stores of Lower Regent Street, London, undertook to fit out the Borodino as a floating store. It was as fully equipped as any shop could be—provisions, meat, fish, groceries, wine, tobacco, tailoring, hoisery, sports and other necessaries. A staff of 18 was employed to work the shop. New season's goods were opened at regular intervals, and monthly price lists were issued. The goods were sold at lower prices than could be obtained in London. There was no price-fixing and no profiteering. Shopping became part of the routine of naval life. Drifters went around the various battleships delivering the goods. But the shop was open between nine o'clock in the morning and four in the afternoon, and so popular did it become that on one day 2700 officers and men boarded to make purchases.

To young and old, to great and small,
Some day there comes a time to all,
A time of sickness and distress,
When timely aid we grasp and bless.
It may be when poor and old,
Or maybe when we've cough and cold;
But whensoever it be, we're sure
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Cure.

That Canada has set about the important work of reconstruction on proper lines is apparent by the announcement that the Government of that country proposes to expend £12,000,000 on Government railways, \$4,000,000 on public works, £12,000,000 on shipbuilding, and probably from £20,000,000 to £40,000,000 on demobilisation and post-war objects. There will also be heavy appropriations for land settlements, for road-building, and for municipal projects. Apart from the demobilisation item of from £20,000,000 to £40,000,000, £28,000,000 will be spent on straight-out construction, construction which will enable transport of the country's goods from farm to market.

Referring to the undaunted spirit of the Allies' leader, Marshal Foch, from the very start of the war, long before he succeeded Marshal Joffre, M. Rene Puaux, who fought alongside Foch for over four years, says: Foch arrived at Chalons from Nancy on August 29, 1914, Joffre immediately assigned him the command of the Ninth Army. "It was," observes M. Puaux, "an amalgam of forces of whose fighting capacity, wear and tear, manners and morals, General Foch was entirely ignorant. He was impassioned in his search for information, and those who lived through those tragic hours with Foch give us a picture of him interrogating liaison officers, who had no exact idea of where the different units really were. He worked on undaunted, and reconstructed, in his head the mosaic of which so many pieces were still missing. All the time he was haunted with the dread that his only son was killed. In 1916," says M. Puaux, "I remember Foch stealing away to the church at Cassel to seek comfort in the great affliction of which he never spoke. I can never forget his look. It seemed to reveal his whole soul. Above and beyond the indomitable energy it expressed there was a tenderness and a sadness and a great melancholy. His eyes seemed to say: 'Young men, don't you know what a father can suffer when mourning enters his house, never to leave it? They have taken my only son, and one of my daughters is a widow.' Early the following year Foch was heard to exclaim: 'There are, like myself, thousands of fond old fathers who have lost all they loved, the sons on whom their hope was set. But we have no right to self-pity. Our country—our beloved patrie—is all that matters. Let us accept the sacrifice. The whole of humanity is at stake. Liberty must first triumph. Afterwards we may weep.'

"Worm-fishing is sheer butchery," said a member of the Wellington Acclimatisation Society. "No more un-sportsmanlike method of taking trout could be devised." It was the habit of some fishermen to put lines with worm bait into the Hutt River, rest comfortably on the bank until the float sank, and then pull the fish in. This practice, said the member, ought to be stopped.

The Australian cruiser Melbourne, which has a splendid record of war work, having left Albany on November 1, 1914, in charge of the first contingent of the Australian Forces, arrived back at Darwin last month. After her departure from Australia in 1914 the Melbourne visited Malta and Gibraltar, then Madeira, and across to Bermuda and to Trinidad in the West Indies. A native pilot was taken on board to take the cruiser through the uncharted waters of the Caribbean Sea, looking for the German ship Karlsruhe after the Berwick had just chased her. The Melbourne returned to Jamaica, and was engaged on the trade routes patrolling until the Kron Prinz Wilhelm ran into Newport Roads and was interned. The Melbourne then went back to Bermuda, and took up patrolling to Havana, in Cuba, along the trade routes for a number of months, and was afterwards patrolling off New York Harbour, and there caught the Dutch steamer Hamborne carrying contraband. She put an armed crew on board, who took the Hamborne to Halifax. In October, 1916, the Melbourne was in dry dock in Bermuda refitting. She went from Bermuda to Devonport, in England, where she was fitted with an aerial gun, and from there to Scapa Flow, in the Orkney Islands, and also to Rosyth. Then she joined the light cruiser squadron doing night patrol duty in the North Sea. A good deal of rough weather was experienced, and on December 21 the Melbourne lost two men over the side. She carried on these duties till the latter end of 1917, and then took up the work of escorting convoys from Shetland Islands to Bergen, in Norway, and was doing that and laying minefields right up to the signing of the armistice. She went with the Grand Fleet to the German fleet surrender.

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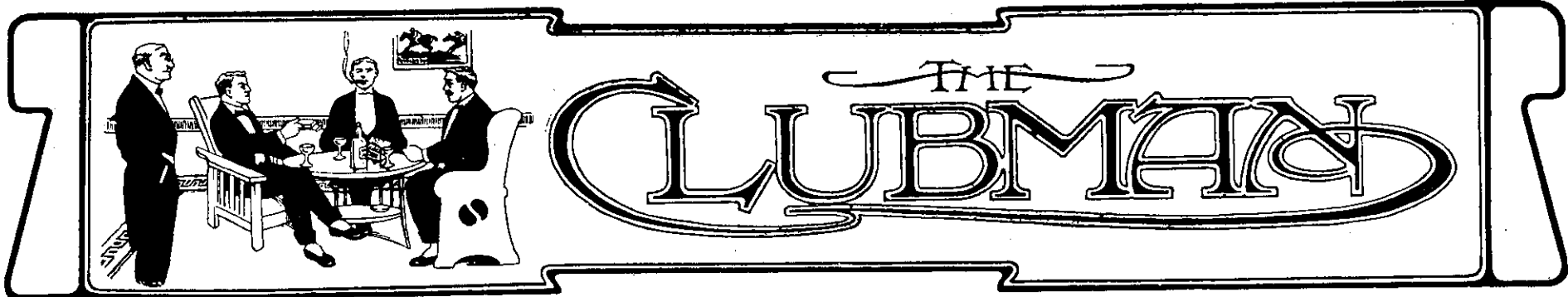
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THE GREAT NORTHERN DOUBLE WINNERS, 1919.



TOP PICTURE: THE WINNER OF THE GREAT NORTHERN HURDLE RACE (2½ MILES)—MR. H. D. DE LAUTOUR'S B H **CYNIC**, 6YRS, BY HENRY THE FIRST—CYNANE. A. J. McFLINN IN SADDLE. TRAINED BY F. LOOMB.

LOWER PICTURE: THE GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE (3½ MILES) VICTOR—MR. JAMES BULL'S BR G **MASTER LUPIN**, AGED, BY LUPIN—ST. LYRA. A. McDONALD IN SADDLE. TRAINED BY J. MORRIS.



Mr. R. W. McVilly's appointment as General Manager of the New Zealand Railways took effect on May 1 last, on which day he succeeded to the position vacated by Mr. Hiley, who is returning to England. Never in the history of the railways of this Dominion has an appointment given more general satisfaction than that of Mr. McVilly, who has no peer as an efficient and capable administrator in all branches of this important transport department, with which he has been connected for a very lengthy period. The Government in selecting this experienced officer as head of the railway services throughout the Dominion has at last recognised the value of Mr. McVilly's long and faithful association with the Department. It is safe to say without reflecting in any way upon the late general manager, who established beyond doubt that he was a man of distinct ability, that the appointment of an officer outside of New Zealand to take charge of the railway service was one of the mistakes committed by the former administration. To those who have any experience in railway working in New Zealand, and, in fact, all who take an intelligent view of the affairs of this vital branch of transport service, it was apparent that the conditions existing in England, America and on the Continent are so totally different from the position which obtains in this country in regard to railway traffic that it would be well nigh impossible for a man without colonial training to satisfactorily fulfil the duties required of him as head of the Railway Department in this Dominion.

Mr. McVilly, the new General Manager of Railways, joined the service in 1879 as a telegraphist at Christchurch, and later on was transferred to Oamaru, where he occupied the dual position of booking clerk and telegraphist. After leaving Oamaru, he proceeded to Christchurch to take up the duties of correspondence clerk in the district manager's office. Subsequently Mr. McVilly was appointed relieving officer for Otago and Southland, which position he occupied for a number of years. Returning to the district office at Dunedin, he took over the duties of train and transport clerk, remaining in that position until his transfer to the head office at Wellington in 1895. In 1901 he was appointed chief clerk, and also carried on the work of secretary to railways. Since Mr. Hiley's appointment as General Manager of Railways in 1914, Mr. McVilly had, up to the time of his recent promotion, acted as assistant general manager. His selection by the Government as head of the railways is unquestionably richly deserved, for Mr. McVilly is a man of sterling qualifications, with a commanding personality, in addition to which he is a splendid organiser. He is fearless and straightforward in all his deliberations, loyal to his Minister and men alike. Any person going to Mr. McVilly with a genuine grievance is assured of receiving every consideration, that officer is widely known for his fair treatment in all matter affecting the welfare of the Department. On the other hand, he has no time for the malingerer or trouble seeker. His hobby is hard work, and when stress of business calls for a super-human effort he is invariably to be found toiling early and late without any thought of enjoying the comforts of his home. In less strenuous days, Mr. McVilly took a keen interest in athletics, rowing and motor cycling. When stationed at Dunedin he was an active member of the Dunedin Amateur Boating Club, otherwise known as "The Dabs." In later years, he was a prominent member of the New Zealand Rowing Association. Motor cycling is a favourite pastime of the new General Manager of Railways, who also takes a keen interest in the fistic art, being popularly known in this branch of sport as president of the Wellington Boxing Association. We feel certain that Mr. McVilly will constitute a vigorous, energetic and progressive policy

in the conduct of the railway system in New Zealand as soon as the men are available to take up their old duties. The country generally should be well served by his recent appointment. Being a most efficient organiser. Mr. McVilly's services will undoubtedly have an advantageous effect in securing the best possible railway transit facilities for the many thousands of racing patrons who attend the various meetings throughout the Dominion, a fact that will assuredly meet with high appreciation from the officials of the racing clubs in the different centres.

The Auckland Racing Club have had a great year, despite the early drawbacks of the season. When the spring meeting had to be postponed until the first week in January the outlook was in some quarters viewed as far from good by the pessimists, as there had been no racing on the club's course at Ellerslie for nearly seven months. The all-round receipts from the totalisator, gates, entries,

£48,000, including fractions. The Government took over £30,000 in taxation, including the special war tax from the club.

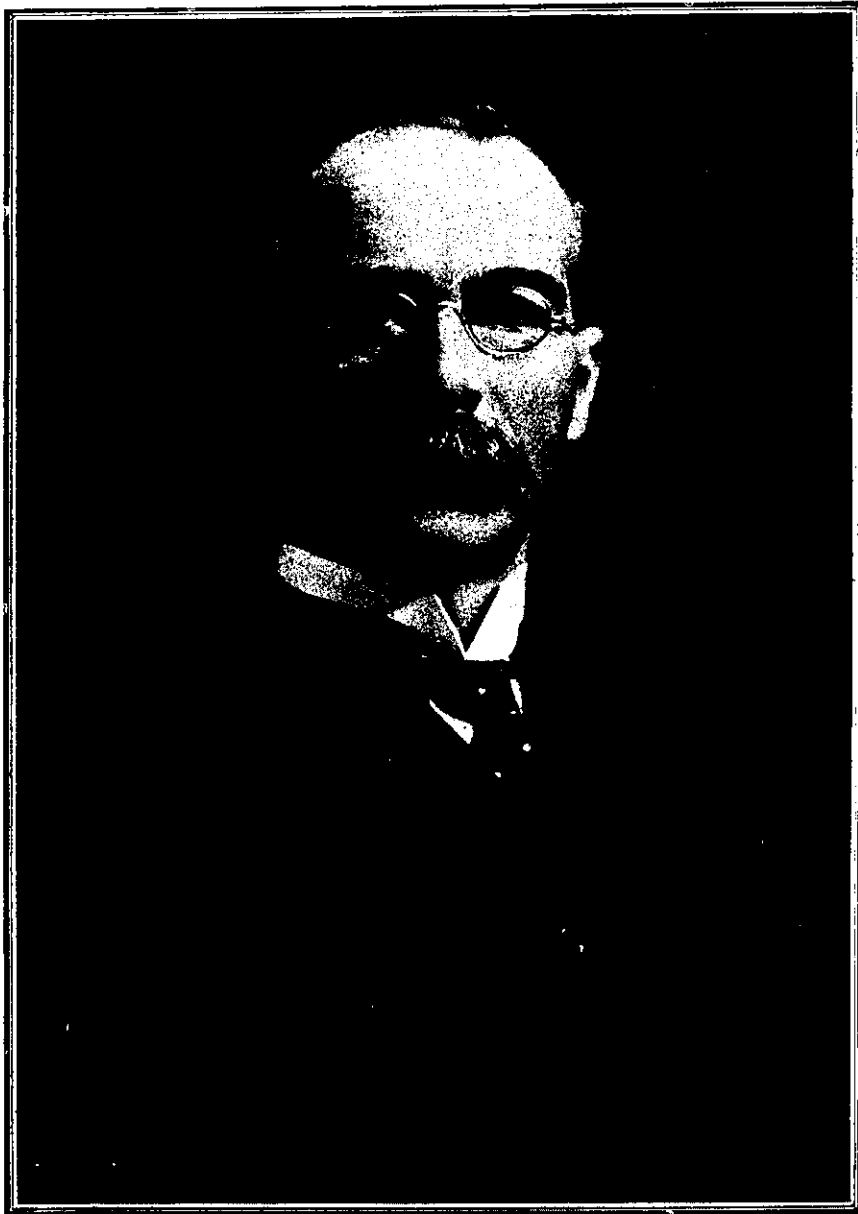
Another Great Northern winter meeting of the Auckland Racing Club has to be registered with the past. On all hands it is admitted that it ranks in most respect with the best of its predecessors. It can be said that the conditions were never more favourable. The club received the best of nominations, both in the matter of class and numerically. The inducements held out for some of the best horses were either not sufficiently tempting or their owners were looking further afield with them. All the same, we had the pleasure of getting the majority of the best known performers to the meeting, and it is rarely that a larger proportion are secured at any similar period of the year. The prize money is good, the courses are good to race on, the scene can be easily reached from all parts of the Dom-

were some fine contests for the steeplechases, and more for the hurdle events, and any one giving a dispassionate opinion would be free to admit that some really first-class horses were produced in each department of the jumping game, and a good all round lot in the flat races, with an odd one or two that would be hard to beat in any part of Australasia under welter or heavy weight carrying conditions. Altogether, we can say that a better all round class is not often seen.

The steeplechaser Waimai never looked the horse he was at the Great Northern meeting. It takes years to make a 'chaser or a hurdler, hence we see horses in each department at their best at an age when flat racers are declining. Waimai was never so fit for a big effort before; indeed, never ran two such races as he did in the Great Northern Steeplechase and the Winter Steeplechase, but still he got beaten in both. Not because he was asked to carry more weight than he was entitled, through nine-tenths of the horses, but because there happened to be a first-class hurdle performer in the one race in receipt of a too liberal allowance in poundage, and in the other because the element of luck was against him and he fell at the penultimate obstacle, carrying 13.0 and mixing it with Master Lupin (12.6) and Troublesome (10.7), who has been a well treated horse when his best performances are taken into account. These were the best of the 'chasers, and Master Lupin, it should be noted, is a first season one, making his debut it can be said in the line when approaching his eleventh year. This is a very rarely heard of thing, but as a Wanganui Cup winner, a good performer over hurdles and a Great Northern Steeplechase winner he now takes a prominent place amongst all-round horses of distinction, and he holds two time records over long distances. The Wanganui Cup he won practically from end to end four years ago in 3min. 0 3-5sec., carrying 6.8, and he might have won it again with more weight but for running away one morning with his rider. It may be some years before any horse comes along and with 10.10 on his back wins the Great Northern Steeplechase in 7min. 53 2-5sec., which now stands as the record held by Mr. James Bull's representative. Waimai's close second with 12.7 will always be referred to as a great effort which failed.

In the above connection we come to the hurdle horses, and Master Lupin, though now a 'chaser, was one of the best in that department also, but not quite at the top of the tree, as indicated by the form shown in the Great Northern Hurdle Race and form that followed. Just where to fit the English-bred horse Cynic in, some people might be at a loss if they had to name the best half dozen or more that ran over the battens. He certainly won the Great Northern Hurdle Race over the two miles and a-half, and at his weight would have won nine out of ten Northerns over the distance, perhaps every one of them. Always providing that he is quite himself and the going is all right for him he should further assert himself and with a bit more weight on his back. It must be allowed that he got in well with only 21b. above the minimum for a horse with his performances on the flat. His place will be better defined later on. He should be capable of a much better performance with more experience, if he does not grow sour at the game, as some previously much-raced entires do. If Thrace, who, by every right must be classed the best hurdler in the Dominion now, had met Cynic on the last day of the meeting over the Great Northern Hurdle Race course there would have been a bit more doing without a doubt. The first race did him good, and the run in the Remuera Hurdle Race, while establishing his superiority to the other hurdlers, left him still better for the last day.

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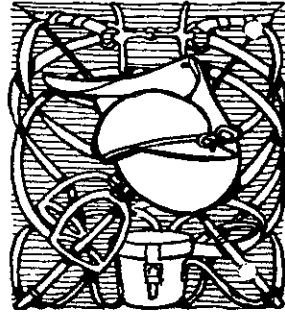
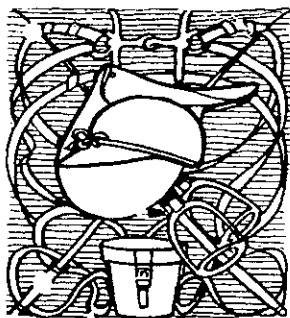


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and from other sources have exceeded all previous records in that way, but so far as the totalisator returns are concerned it has only been over the autumn and winter meetings they have been so much increased as to give the club such a big pull up. The business has certainly fluctuated. The spring meeting, held in January, was a great improvement upon the previous one held at due date, but not so large as in 1916-17. The autumn meeting figures have been steadily improving. The last winter meeting was a two-day one, of 16 races, and £125,972 was handled at the machines. This year the meeting was a three-day one, with 21 events, and £205,868 was machined, thus giving a better average per race than any other meeting on the calendar. The sum of £615,558 was handled during the season with nine days of racing, and this can be set against the season of 1916-17, when £568,401 was put through the totalisator during 11 days of racing. The Auckland Racing Club received from the use of the machine about

in. A welcome is extended to all who make Ellerslie their objective, be they owners, trainers, horse-men or the enthusiasts who take their pleasure in witnessing the best sport obtainable. The time of year suits a lot of people to travel, and those from the southern parts of the Dominion, with a more rigorous climate, come north and tell us that we do not know what cold weather is. Auckland was at its best for the occasion of the big carnival concluded last Thursday, but the Auckland Racing Club, in the light of past experience, could almost insure its patrons in that respect.

The racing on all three days at Ellerslie was such as to satisfy those who look for excitement of the kind. True, some of the steeplechasing events could have been improved upon, but the Auckland Racing Club or any other club cannot ensure their patrons races over obstacles without falls or happenings such as may detract from the interest in them after they are started. Nevertheless, there



RACING NEWS

RACING FIXTURES, 1919.

June 12, 14—Gisborne R.C.
 June 13—Poverty Bay H.C.
 June 20, 21—Napier Park R.C.
 June 27, 28—Hawke's Bay J.C.
 July 5—Waikato Hunt R.C.
 July 8, 10, 12—Wellington R.C.

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

Thursday, June 12.

Weights second day Gisborne R.C. winter, at 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Gisborne R.C. winter, by 3.30 p.m.

Friday, June 13.

Acceptances first day Napier Park R.C. winter, at 8 p.m.
 Nominations Hawke's Jockey Club's winter, at 8 p.m.

Entries for now yearlings for the Welcome Stakes 1919, Great Northern Foal Stakes 1919-20, 25th Royal Stakes 1919-20, Great Northern Champagne Stakes 1920, Great Northern Guineas 1920, 47th Great Northern Derby 1920-21, Great Northern Oaks 1921, Great Northern St. Leger 1921, and for yearlings and two-year-olds for the 26th Royal Stakes 1920-21 will close by 5 p.m.

Entries for Hastings Stakes 1919, Hawke's Bay Stakes 1920, Hawke's Bay Guineas 1920 close at 8 p.m.

Nominations Waikato Hunt R.C. annual, at 9 p.m.

Entries for now yearlings for the 14th Palmerston North Stakes, 1919, 12th Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes, 1920, 16th Manawatu Stakes, 1920, also entries for yearlings and upwards for 15th Palmerston North Stakes, 1920, and 17th Manawatu Stakes, 1921, also entries for sires for 13th Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes, 1921, close at 9 p.m.

Thursday, June 19.

Weights Waikato Hunt R.C. annual.

Friday, June 20.

Handicaps second day Napier Park R.C. winter, at 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Napier Park R.C. winter, at 9 p.m.

Nominations for all events, except Trial Plate and Selling Race Wellington R.C. winter, at 9 p.m.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

ENTRIES CLASSIC EVENTS.

Future classic events to be run at the Auckland Racing Club's spring meeting, 1919, summer meeting, 1919-20, autumn meeting, 1920, spring meeting 1920, summer meeting 1920-21, and autumn meeting 1921, must receive the attention of owners on Friday next (June 13) by 5 p.m., when entries may be lodged with the secretary, A.R.C., Shortland Street, Auckland, or with the secretary of any of the following clubs: C.J.C., Christchurch; D.J.C., Dunedin; W.R.C., Wellington; Hawke's Bay J.C., Hastings; V.R.C., Melbourne; A.J.C., Sydney. The entries which close on the date mentioned are for now yearlings for the Welcome Stakes, 1919, of 1000sovs., five furlongs; Great Northern Foal Stakes, 1919-20, of 1000sovs., six furlongs; 25th Royal Stakes, 1919-20, of 1000sovs., six furlongs; Great Northern Champagne Stakes, 1920, of 1000sovs., six furlongs; Great Northern Guineas, 1920, of 1000sovs., one mile; 47th Great Northern Derby, 1920-21, of 1500sovs., 1½ miles; Great Northern Oaks, 1921 (for now yearling fillies), of 700sovs., 1½ miles; Great Northern St. Leger Stakes, 1921, of 1000sovs., 1¾ miles; and for yearlings and two-year-olds for the 26th Royal Stakes, 1920-21, of 1000sovs., six furlongs.

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB.

FUTURE EVENTS.

On Friday evening next (June 13), up till 8 o'clock, Mr. H. S. Moss, secretary of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club, will take nominations for three important classic events, the Hastings Stakes, 1919, Hawke's Bay Stakes, 1920, and Hawke's Bay Guineas, 1920. The Hastings Stakes, of 350sovs., four furlongs, which will be run at the spring meeting, 1919, is for two-year-olds (yearlings August 1, 1918). The Hawke's Bay Stakes, of 700sovs., 6½ furlongs, is to be run at the autumn meeting, 1920, and is a weight-for-age event open to horses of all ages. The Hawke's Bay Guineas, of 500sovs., one mile, will come up for decision at the spring meeting, 1920, and is for three-year-olds (yearlings August 1, 1918).

MANAWATU RACING CLUB.

CLASSIC EVENTS.

A much appreciated feature of the Manawatu Racing Club's popular meetings at Awapuni are the important classic races included on the programmes, the leading thoroughbreds of the Dominion invariably figuring in these handsomely-endowed events. Entries for a number of these classics to be decided at the Manawatu meetings during the 1919-20 and following seasons are due on Friday evening next (June 13), with the secretary, Box 52 Palmerston North, at 9 p.m., and this fact should not escape the attention of owners in both islands. The events in question are the Palmerston North Stakes (Fourteenth), of 500sovs., six furlongs, for two-year-olds and upwards, summer meeting, 1919, for which entries for yearlings (foals of 1917) must be made on the date mentioned; Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes (Twelfth), of 600sovs., six furlongs, for two-year-olds, autumn meeting, 1920, for which entries for yearlings (foals of 1917) the progeny of nominated sires) are also due on Friday next; Manawatu Stakes (Sixteenth), of 500sovs., six furlongs, for two-year-olds and upwards, autumn meeting, 1920, entries for yearlings (foals of 1917) for which must be made on the date stated; Palmerston North Stakes (Fifteenth), of 500sovs., six furlongs, for two-year-olds and upwards, summer meeting, 1920, entries for which for yearlings (foals of 1917) and upwards close Friday; Manawatu Stakes (Seventeenth), of 500sovs., six furlongs, for two-year-olds and upwards, autumn meeting, 1921, entries for yearlings (foals of 1917) and upwards also being due Friday; and the Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes (Thirteenth), of 600sovs., six furlongs, for two-year-olds, autumn meeting, 1921, for which nominations for sires and for yearlings (progeny of nominated sires) fall due on Friday next. In connection with the Palmerston North Stakes, 1920, and the Manawatu Stakes, 1921, entries for foals of 1918 will close on a day to be fixed in 1920.

WAIKATO HUNT RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The 1918-19 racing season in New Zealand is rapidly coming to an end, and so far as the Auckland province is concerned the only fixture to engage the attention of local racegoers during the winter will be the Waikato Hunt Racing Club's annual gathering, which is to take place at Hamilton on Saturday, July 5. That the meeting will be accorded very wide patronage is certain, as the programme drawn up by the officials promises to result in some fine jumping races being provided patrons. The leading event is the Waikato Hunt Cup Handicap Steeplechase, of 250sovs., about three miles, which is open to qualified hunters during the 1919 season. Other events provided for this useful type of equine are the Hunters' Hurdle Race Handicap, of 100sovs., 1½ miles; Ladies' Bracelet Handicap, of 100sovs., 1¼ miles, for gentlemen riders; and the Maiden Hunters' Steeplechase, of 100sovs., about 2½ miles, for eligible hunters who have never won a steeplechase or hurdle race of the value of 50sovs. or over. The principal flat race is the Members' Memorial Handicap, of 200sovs., one mile, while the remaining events consist of the Instow Handicap, of 150sovs., six furlongs; Bardowie Hack Handicap, of 100sovs., six furlongs, for horses that have never won a flat race of the value of 150sovs., or flat races of the collective value of 400sovs., prior to the time of starting; and the Victoria Park Hack Handicap, of 100sovs., five furlongs, for horses that have never won a flat race of the value of 50sovs. or over at time of starting.

The meeting should attract excellent support from owners of eligible hunters and other horses in training, a final reminder to whom may be necessary to the effect that nominations for all events close with the secretary, Mr. W. G. Care, Box 11 Cambridge, on Friday next (June 13) at 9 p.m.

MARTIAN'S NEW RECORD.

AGAIN HEADS WINNING SIRES' LIST.

In the season 1914-15 Martian established a new record among New Zealand sires, his progeny winning £22,848. The opinion was expressed at the time that these figures were likely to stand for a few years, but they have been eclipsed already (remarks "Sir Lancelot," in the Wellington "Post"). There are a few meetings still to be held, but already this season Martian's stock has won £22,937 10s., despite the fact that the racing calendar was reduced for the first six months of the season. The total has been made up by contributions from 35 different horses, who were in the money 148 times, their record being made up of 56 wins (including two dead heats), 51 seconds (including one dead heat), and 41 thirds. Sasanof headed the list with £4880, while Mascot £2865, Warplane £1900, Nanna £1450, Marsa

£1400, Melee £1185, and Vagabond £1110 were others who reached four figures.

The balance was made up by Menelaus £957, Pyjama £743, Ermine £749, Adjutant £655, Linden £600 10s., Lovematch £570, Royal Star £555, Snub £525, Margerine £370, Martians £306, Moutoa Ivanova £300, Highwater £263, Thestius £250, Motuihi £220, Night Raider £210, Esperance £155, Starglow £95, Maronne £90, Makepeace £85, War March £80, Etta £75, Matty £70, Spangle £65, Rossini £60, Warlike £30, Starlike £25, Minsk £25, and King Star £10.

This record total was made up in all classes of races. A good proportion of it, as usual, came from long-distance races. Thus, the Canterbury Cup, the only two miles and a quarter event in the Dominion, was won by Snub; while the three races run over two miles were won by Martians, Sasanof taking the New Zealand Cup and the Trentham Gold Cup, while Mascot was successful in the Auckland Cup. It was not only among the stayers, however, that Martian shone, as he had several smart two-year-old representatives, including Warplane, Ermine, Motuihi and Night Raider. Adding Rossini to this quartette, there should be some good three-year-olds to keep up the reputation of the Kinloch stallion next season.

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

Closely following on the Gisborne R.C.'s steeplechase fixture, which is being held this week, comes the important jumping meeting of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club, which is set down for decision at Hastings on June 27 and 28. The big double on the opening day will consist of the Hawke's Bay Steeplechase Handicap, of 600sovs., about three miles, and the Hawke's Bay Hurdles, of 400sovs., two miles. Much interest will be evinced in sporting circles in the entries for these popular jumping events, as with Great Northern form as a guide and the forthcoming Wellington R.C.'s winter meeting and the Grand National fixture already attracting attention, the intentions of owners of jumping candidates are naturally being awaited with more than ordinary interest. On the second day of the Hawke's Bay meeting the June Steeplechase, of 350sovs., about 2½ miles, and the Turamoe Handicap Hurdles, of 300sovs., 1¼ miles, will constitute the principal drawing cards. Hack hurdle and steeplechase events will be run on each day of the fixture, while the chief flat races are the Heretaunga Handicap, of 300sovs., 6½ furlongs (first day), and the Final Handicap, of 250sovs., 6½ furlongs (second day). In addition to the events already mentioned a number of hack races figure on the attractive programme. Nominations for all events are due with the secretary, Mr. H. S. Moss, Box 13 Hastings, on Friday next (June 13) at 8 p.m.



THE FINISH OF THE YORK WELTER HANDICAP (ONE MILE) ON THE CONCLUDING DAY OF THE AUCKLAND R.C.'S WINTER MEETING.—The favourite, ALTERATION (H. Gray), narrowly defeats a rank outsider in MELTCHIKOFF (Warner), next rails, with ALL TALK (McDonald) third.

INTERPROVINCIAL

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS.)

WELLINGTON.

Jiu Jitsu Sold to Gisborne Trainer—Idle Talk to be Given a Spell—Notes on the Otaki Meeting—Great Finish in Raukawa Cup.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Mr. W. Cleaver, of Hawera, has sold Jiu Jitsu to H. Hickey, of Gisborne. The horse named should prove a useful proposition in racing events in the Poverty Bay district.

To take a trio of horses to a meeting and for all three to get amongst the money was the experience of P. E. Hazleman, the Featherston trainer. He took Momac, Justification and Californian to Otaki, where the first-named won, while the latter pair each ran a second. The dividends in each case were of the substantial order. Hazleman, who had considerable experience in England in the training business prior to coming to New Zealand, bids fair to become a very successful trainer in this country. He has the knack of landing his horses at the post in perfect trim, and this was reflected by the fine contests they put up in their respective engagements last week. Further successes should come Hazleman's way in the near future.

Two popular wins recorded at Otaki were those of Kyoto and Idle Talk, both the property of Mr. H. Barrett, a son of "Dave" Barrett, a genial sporting enthusiast of Feilding. Both horses won in convincing style, and trainer H. Batten, who prepares the pair, was deservedly complimented upon the fine order that he had landed his charges at the post. Idle Talk is to be treated to a spell, while Kyoto's next appearance will be at the Wellington Racing Club's winter meeting.

Moutoa Boy (Gold Crest—Kate Sarto) gave a fine display at Otaki. The four-year-old is destined to turn out a good sort.

R. Penman, an apprentice son of the well-known Otaki trainer of that name, made his initial effort with the colours up when he rode Detroit in the Raukawa Cup on Tuesday last. The lad handled his mount with considerable skill, and as he can go to scale at the handy weight of 7.0 he should soon work his way to the top rung of the ladder. Certainly, his prospects for the future are distinctly promising.

Amongst the visitors to Otaki last week was Mr. A. ("Ngakonui") McDonald, a popular Wairarapa sportsman, whose many friends were glad to see him about again after an illness that had compelled him to lay up for a few weeks.

Mr. R. H. Skipwith, who, before going to the war, acted as starter to several racing clubs, was a visitor to the Otaki races. Mr. Skipwith intends following his old profession as soon as the opportunity occurs.

The racing at Otaki was distinctly good, and close finishes were the order of the day. The starting, however, was marred by several bad send-offs, and a number of prominent owners were heard complaining at the faulty despatches. In many instances horses' chances were spoilt at the post, much to the disappointment of their connections and supporters.

Arrowfield was very unlucky at Otaki. Mr. W. Duncan's galloper was number 13 in the race book, and after getting the worst of the start the gelding lost his rider (J. Barry). Luckily the lad escaped lightly, for with the exception of a few scratches on the face, he was none the worse for the mishap. Some critics were heard remarking that a horse bearing the unlucky number of 13 was sure to strike trouble if there was any about, and Arrowfield certainly secured his full share.

A run of ill-luck appears to have struck the Porirua stable, J. H. Prosser's horses going through the Otaki meeting without a win. The writer remembers the time when Mr. Prosser always played a strong hand at the native meetings, it being a rare occurrence for inmates of his beach establishment not to win a race. The veteran trainer has some nice horses in hand, and some successes should come his way before the present season closes.

Pretty Bobby was allowed to pay a false price on the second day at Otaki. The Auckland-owned galloper

was not fancied with his 10.4 impost, despite which he beat Justification by a head in the Ohau Welter Handicap.

W. Bell, who does not get many chances, rode a fine race on Pretty Bobby at Otaki. The jockey named, who is farming at Weraroa, proved by his handling of his mount that he has not yet forgotten how to ride, and when the weights suit he will always do a little riding.

White Ranger ran a capital race at Otaki. The black gelding, who finished third in the Ohau Welter, was beaten by two good ones in Pretty Bobby and Justification.

Battle Song put up a splendid race in the Raukawa Cup, in which he just missed the rich stake by a head. The horse came fast over the last few yards, and a stride past the post was in front of Volo. This gave rise to some discussion, but shrewd critics, who were in a position to see the finish, declare that Volo won without a doubt. Mr. Cameron gave his decision promptly, which met with the approval of the onlookers.

was run on the opening day of the D.J.C. meeting, and was won by the aged gelding Palladio, probably the finest fencer ever bred in the south. Many horses can beat him for pace, but very few can match him as a fencer. He made the running at his own pace, and this assisted him to win, as his perfect jumping did not take too much out of him and he had a large amount of reserve force in stock when called upon to stall off a final challenge from Vascular, who tired himself at some of his fences. Palladio is now owned by Mr. W. Swale, of Winton district, who purchased the old son of Pallas a few days prior to the Riverton R.C.'s Easter fixture.

The ex-North Island mare Nita was expected by many people to race prominently between the flags at Wingatui, but the deep going proved too much for her and she failed to get round on either day. As the outcome of her tumble to-day H. G. Coker, her rider, is now nursing a broken collarbone.

Mr. W. Couser has had the misfortune to lose his brood mare Camille, who was in foal to Markhope, when found dead on her owner's property at Mataura Island. Mr. Couser, however, has two daughters of the old matron in his possession—Camaieu, by Downshire, now in foal to Kilbroney, and Clothilde, by Rokeby.

Morecambe, who was sold at the late Hon. J. D. Ormond's dispersal

between three Southlanders—Tin Soldier, Eleus and Samiel. The latter pair were having a strenuous battle all on their own when Tin Soldier, by Calibre—Tinwald Beauty, dropped from the clouds and just got up to snatch the honours from his stable companion, Eleus. Hogan thus trained first and second horses.

Rorke's Drift is stated to be recovering from his lameness of last week, but it will be some time before he can be raced again. Had he been able to start in the Birthday Handicap the son of Calibre would almost surely have won.

WANGANUI.

Endure Being Treated to Spell—Success of Recent Wanganui Winter Meeting—Improvements to Wanganui Course Projected—Rude on the Easy List.

WANGANUI, Saturday.

Endure, the five-year-old son of Advance—Endeavour, has been turned out by F. Tilley. He was galloping well before the Wanganui meeting, and it was hoped that the bit of schooling over the hurdles which he was given would do him good. However, he quite failed to run up to track form on the day, and it is quite on the cards that he will not be taken up again. Still, he is one that would probably make a really good hurdler,



A WELL-KNOWN COMPETITOR IN LEADING HANDICAPS IN BOTH ISLANDS DURING THE PRESENT SEASON—Mr. D. H. Roberts' b g GLENDOWER, 5yrs., by Glenapp—Ecarte. R. S. Bagby in saddle. Trained by F. Christmas.

SOUTHLAND.

Dunedin J.C.'s Winter Meeting—Success of Southland-owned Horses—Palladio's Victory in Otago Steeplechase—Death of Brood Mare, Camille—Morecambe's Popular Win at Wingatui—Rorke's Drift Recovering From Lameness.

DUNEDIN, June 5.

At the time of writing the Dunedin J.C.'s winter meeting is in progress, and Southland owners and trainers have been experiencing a very agreeable run of success. During two days' racing southern stables have accounted for nine races—four on the opening day and five to-day. Of this number six of the contestants were trained by P. T. Hogan at Rorke's Drift Lodge, and the events secured include the two principal steeplechases and the richest flat stake of the gathering.

At the dispersal sale of Mr. H. Friedlander's thoroughbreds at Wingatui yesterday, the American-bred stallion Mohawk fell to the bid of Mr. R. Patterson, of Arrowtown, who intends to use the son of Mexican and Maxine Elliott as a sire. The Lake County sportsman has some nice matrons on his property, and about eight of these will be stunted to the imported horse. At the same time all hope of the horse racing again has not been abandoned. His injured limb is to be operated upon by Mr. Martin, M.R.C.V.S., and it is hoped that he will be galloping in public again when the next autumn season comes round.

The Otago Steeplechase, the first one thousand pound event of the kind ever decided south of Christchurch,

sale for 40 guineas, turned up a winner here to-day, when he scored from end to end of the Second Hack Steeplechase. He was brought down to race at the Dunedin J.C. fixture by Mr. A. J. Keith, but he made a mistake in the Otago Steeplechase and did not see out the journey. He was purchased by Mr. L. C. Hazlett, at a price said to be 400 guineas, prior to his success to-day. This is the first race won by the vice-president of the Dunedin J.C. for a very long time, consequently the victory was a popular one. Should he stand up to his work Morecambe will be heard from later on in the season, as he is a very fine jumper. The Birkenhead—Film gelding will be a nice schoolmaster for Silva, and we may see the pair competing in the next Grand National Steeplechase.

Three recently-returned soldiers were riders of cross-country winners at Wingatui this week, viz., J. McChesney (Palladio), G. Fielding (Silverspire and Dardanelles), and W. L. Easton (Morecambe).

The North Island horseman Rangit Thompson was due in Dunedin to ride Compulsion in his hurdle race engagements, but was injured in schooling a horse at Hastings and could not make the trip. The Auckland jockey J. Tilsley turned up at the meeting and had several mounts, one of these being a winning ride on Jeannot in the Otago Hurdle Race (£500). The northern horseman put in a great rush at the finish and the judge was the only one who could tell what had won as between Jeannot and Naupata.

The principal flat race of the current D.J.C. meeting, the Birthday Handicap, produced an exciting finish

and he might be given a chance to distinguish himself at that game.

It is pleasing to be able to state that the recent winter meeting of the Wanganui Jockey Club was the most successful financially ever held by the club. There were a few pessimists who, because the acceptances for one or two of the first day's events were not so large as expected, were very doleful, and anticipated that the meeting would not be a success from any point of view, evidently not realising how popular the Wanganui meetings are with the public generally.

It is probable that within a very short time the Wanganui Jockey Club will have decided on the purchase of one or other of the properties under offer to the club for the formation of a new course. The two properties which appear to be most suitable for the club's purposes are what is known as the Paul estate and one situated at Westmere. Both are on or quite near to the through railway line, and from every point of view appear to be admirably adapted for formation into a racecourse. In fact, an expert in such matters has declared that the Wanganui Club is the luckiest in New Zealand in having two such properties from which to choose, and it would certainly seem that he is not far wrong. Of course, whichever property is finally selected it will take years to form the track and get into order for racing, so that the present course will be used for a long time yet.

Rude has been thrown out of work, and is not likely to be seen in action again until the spring. The Cyrus gelding appears to be improving with age, and he is likely to do well next season.

Arlington's indifferent displays at Ellerslie are probably responsible for his owners having withdrawn the Signalman gelding from the Gisborne Steeplechase, which comes up for decision on Thursday.

Paul Moore, which was considered something in the nature of a moral for the steeplechase at Otaki, went wrong at Hawera the previous Saturday and had to be withdrawn from his engagements. It appears that the St. Paul gelding was ready to be entrained for Otaki, but his trainer decided to give him one more gallop before leaving, and after accomplishing that the gelding pulled up lame. This was very bad luck, as the son of St. Paul had been doing excellent work on the track, and had never been so fit.

Mr. A. Symes came to Wanganui to see Hyginas run here, but an accident to that gelding on the morning of the first day's races prevented him starting. Mr. Symes, who is now living on the Hawke's Bay side, is having his team sent across there to be trained.

It is said that Royal Park may not race again for some time, the jar he received having been more serious than was at first thought.

LATER.

Mr. J. Bull's Team Engaged at Napier Park Meeting—Zola's Horowhenua Cup Victory—Addition to W. Rayner's Stable—Proposed Sporting Carnival Week in Wanganui—Egmont-Wanganui Hunt Club to Hold Meeting in August.

WANGANUI, Monday.

Mr. Jas. Bull has Master Lupin, All Over, Yankee Jack and Ruddy all engaged in the Necklace Handicap to be run at the Napier Park meeting. All Over figures amongst the nominations for the Hack Hurdles, as well as the flat events.

It would not be surprising if All Over proved able to jump, as all of Mr. Bull's horses appear to make good at hurdling and steeplechasing. A good deal of their success at the jumping game is no doubt due to the fact that they get plenty of practice on their owner's property, running about the hilly country and jumping logs, banks and ditches. In his younger days Master Lupin did a lot of that, and he always appeared to enjoy that kind of thing, which practice stood him in good stead when he was called upon to contest the Great Northern Steeplechase, which he won in such good style.

All Over is likely to make a good hurdler, as he has plenty of pace and looks like one that should jump well.

Capt. E. Whiteman's mare Metalum might have won the hurdles at Horowhenua but for being left about a dozen lengths at the start. The daughter of Maniapoto ran and jumped well when she did start, and was not far away at the finish.

W. Rayner sent Zola to Horowhenua for the Cup, and the son of Sweet Simon duly won that event, running a good race and cutting out the distance in 3min. 8 1-5sec. He paid a very nice price, as three or four others were well backed. The winner was well handled by young P. Rayner, who is rapidly coming to the front as a rider. He is credited with riding three excellent races at Otaki, when he won the first two events on the opening day, and was on Battle Song, which many declare won the Cup by a neck, but was placed second by the judge.

W. Rayner has had another addition to his stable in a coming two-year-old filly by Absurd out of Roscommon, bred and owned by Mr. G. M. Currie. This filly is a particularly well-grown youngster, and has quarters on her like a three-year-old. She is just being broken in, but she is very quiet, and is not likely to give her trainer much trouble in putting her through her early facings. She looks like one that should turn out well as a two-year-old.

The other two youngsters which Rayner has in work are making capital progress, and they promise to earn distinction on the track, as they are already giving signs of having pace and hit out in a style which is pleasing to their trainer.

There is every prospect of a big racing and sporting carnival being held here in February next, when it is proposed that the Wanganui J.C. Cup meeting, the Trotting Club's annual gathering, the Agricultural Show, and other attractions, including a championship regatta, boxing carnival, swimming championship, musical and elocutionary competitions, and athletic sports, should all be held, making up a great programme extending over a week. The matter is being taken up with some enthusiasm,

and the only thing necessary to make a definite fixture of the carnival is the arrangement of suitable dates for the racing and trotting meetings.

Zola is to be kept in work with a view to competing at the Wellington meeting next month. He looks none the worse for his race on Friday, and if he goes to Trentham he is likely to run well in his engagements if the going is not too soft. He cannot act in the mud.

Apart from Zola, the only horses in training here are Zemanek, Mode, and the rising two-year-olds in Rayner's and Long's stables. Zemanek is being got ready for the hurdle races later on, and Mode is also expected to turn out a jumper.

F. Tilley is busy with two or three youngsters, the most promising of which appears to be the half-brother by Demosthenes to Client. This colt gives every indication of turning out a useful kind.

A meeting of the members of the Egmont-Wanganui Hunt Club was held the other day to decide where the club should hold their forthcoming annual race meeting. A suggestion had been made that it should be held at the same time as the Wanganui J.C. spring meeting, but the

CANTERBURY.

R. J. Mason's Quartette Awaiting Shipment to Sydney—Rossini Nominated for Caulfield Cup—Flight Commander Resumes Work—English-bred Two-year-old, Counter Attack, Promises Well—Sidelights on the Dunedin Meeting.

CHRISTCHURCH, Monday.

The holiday meetings in other centres attracted so many local horses and trainers as to leave matters decidedly dull at Riccarton.

R. J. Mason is still waiting his opportunity to depart with his team—comprising Gloaming, Afterglow, Karo, and Rossini—for Australia. In the meantime he is keeping them all in steady exercise.

Gloaming continues to go on the right way, and is just forward enough to start serious work on. His usual tasks are little beyond half-pace work, exercise that he apparently revels in.

Karo has never looked in better trim than at present. She is a rare galloper, and it is quite certain that she will show improved form when raced at Randwick.



ULSTER (J. Preston) winning the Tamaki Steeplechase (2½ miles) from NO SURRENDER (Keepa) on the concluding day of the A.R.C. winter meeting.



BENZINE (Warner) returning to scale after his victory in the Orakei Hurdle Race (1¾ miles) on the concluding day of the A.R.C.'s winter meeting.

Waverley-Waitotara Racing Club had discussed the matter and agreed to guarantee the Hunt Club against any loss if they held the meeting at Waverley. It was suggested that the Hunt Club provide stakes worth between £700 and £800. It was finally decided to hold the meeting in August, which means that it will take place at Waverley. A programme committee was appointed to draw up a programme. If between £700 and £800 is given away for seven events the stakes will compare very favourably with those given by any other Hunt Club, and the gathering should be a big success.

It was resolved that every endeavour should be made to get extra days for Hunt Club fixtures, and that clubs should urge the members for their various districts to legislate so as to make this possible.

The King's colours were carried at Lincoln by Soap Bubble, by Picton from Vain Air, without success, but since the war started His Majesty had not attended a race meeting until last week, when the Derby was on at Epsom and his own colt, Viceroy, won the Stewards' Stakes. Viceroy is by The Tetrarch from Sweet Vernal.

Afterglow and Rossini should lack nothing on the score of condition when they come to face the Sydney crowds. The last-named has been engaged in the Caulfield Cup, a race that should suit him nicely.

Murray Hobbs, like Mason, intends taking his departure for Sydney as soon as convenient. The composition of his team has not been definitely settled, but it will probably be found to include Gay Lad, who has been engaged in all the big spring handicaps, including the Melbourne Cup. Others likely to go over in Hobbs' charge are three of Mr. E. S. Luttrell's juveniles: br c by Kilbroney—Portland Lass, br f by Bezonian—Peace, and br c Samovar, by Kilbroney—Teacup.

So far Gay Lad has not been asked to do much on the tracks since he ricked his shoulder. He is quite sound again, and is just the sort to race well in such an event as the Epsom Handicap. The English-bred stallion is usually led in his light tasks by Sans Souci.

Flight Commander, a two-year-old in M. Hobbs' stable, who showed considerable promise in the spring, has resumed work. He is a useful sort, one that should develop into a high-class three-year-old.

Another member of Hobbs' team that gives more than average promise is the English-bred two-year-old Counter Attack, by Jaeger from Asserive. He is owned by Mr. Grigg, and shows more than average quality.

Strayshot has thrown off all trace of the mishap she encountered at Oamaru, and is moving just as freely as ever in her work.

The only members of the Chokebore team doing much at present are Helter Skelter, Acquittal, Royal Stag, Strathglass, Counterscarpe and Checkmate.

G. M. Aynsley's pair, Nantville and Warlove, continue to get through satisfactory tasks, but Wardancer is on the easy list.

During F. D. Jones' absence in Auckland his team was in charge of S. Wall. On the latter leaving for Dunedin W. Holmes took over the management, and rides most of the members in their morning tasks.

Braid, who changed hands at the Oamaru meeting, was not long in getting her new owner, Mr. Parsons, a good share of her purchase money. On the second day of the Dunedin meeting she put up her best performance to date by capturing the Silverstream Handicap. Braid is now trained by F. E. Jones at Washdyke, and he rode her to victory.

John Barleycorn has evidently trained right off. He ran two wretched races at Wingatui, and may now be laid aside for spring engagements.

Claverhouse, at one time a member of the Chokebore team, is making quite a reputation for himself as an outlaw at the post. Both days at Wingatui he caused a lot of trouble, and in the Provincial Handicap the starter let the others away without him. When horses get too bad in this respect clubs might well consider the advisability of refusing their nominations.

Dudu, the dam of Spanner, is closely related to Mr. G. L. Stead's imported stallion Nassau. She is from Cythera by Cyllene, from Stolen Love, while Nassau is by William the Third from Stolen Love.

During the progress of the Dunedin meeting Mr. J. Biggins purchased Kilkee at 600gns., and subsequently re-sold him at an advance of £100.

Amongst the horses sold at Mr. J. B. Reid's stud sale last February was Sprig of Erin, who claims the distinction of being a half-sister to the King's colt Viceroy, winner of the Stewards' Handicap at Epsom. She was purchased by Mr. W. T. Hazlett, of Southland, at 500gns., and the same sportsman also acquired her filly foal by Kilbroney at 200gns.

LATER.

Wardancer Makes Good Recovery From Mishap—Euripos Still Suffering From Lameness—Algidus Taken in Hand Again—Morecambe's Double Success at Wingatui.

(Telegraph—Christchurch Correspondent)

Wardancer has made a good recovery from the mishap that befel him on the eve of the Dunedin meeting, and M. Aynsley intends taking him in hand again with a view to spring racing.

E. Scouller is back again at Riccarton after his unsuccessful trip to Ellerslie with Art. The hurdler is to be given a few days' respite before starting his preparation for the Grand National Hurdles.

Post Haste, Euripos and Bore are back again at headquarters after their successful northern campaign. Euripos will require a spell, as the leg which he had kicked at Wanganui is causing a lot of trouble.

Aynsley has taken Algidus in hand again after three months' spell, and the gelding is to be got ready for spring engagements.

Riccarton horses fared very badly on the concluding day of the Dunedin meeting, none of them managing to gain even place money.

Prior to the Dunedin meeting Mr. L. C. Hazlett purchased the 'chaser Morecambe at £600. He won two races with the gelding at the southern fixture, annexing £490 in stake money. It is quite on the cards that Morecambe will be given an opportunity of gaining Grand National honours.

Most of the Riccarton horses that raced at Wingatui returned home by special train on Sunday.

The brown colt by Antagonist from Windwhistle in Cutts' stable shows a lot of quality, and looks like coming to hand early.

Winslow, who is now trained by R. King, is a full-brother to Birkline, and is going well on the track.

Cave Rock and Royal Star, purchased by Mr. G. L. Rutherford at Mr. Friedlander's sale, are to go into E. Scouller's stable.

THE CLUBMAN.

(Continued from page 8.)

In estimating Thrace's worth, his form on all three days of the recent meeting can be taken, and it was so pronouncedly good that even after making allowances for Art and Kauri King not having had any racing over hurdles for some time and less schooling than they would have received had the going been softer, and for the fall while schooling that Paraoa had, we surely saw enough to cause us not to hesitate to proclaim Thrace the best of the hurdlers. He is an Australian-bred one, but has earned the title in New Zealand. Art, Kauri King, Euripos (who we cannot take on Auckland form, because he was not quite right after the Wanganui meeting), Paraoa (who was sore after falling while schooling on the eve of the meeting), and Sleight of Hand (who fell in the Great Northern when favourite, bled at work on the Monday following and ran a fair race in the Remuera Hurdles on the second day when not quite himself) were the next best seen during the meeting. If we add Ditto to the list as the best of the useful ones that would still be in need of a lot of weight from all of those referred to in the foregoing we shall have exhausted the list. With Thrace, Art, Kauri King, Sleight of Hand, Master Lupin, Euripos, Paraoa, Cynic and Ditto we have ten sound horses at the present time that ran at the Great Northern meeting that can be brought together with weight nicely. There are, of course, some others that were racing at Wanganui, and they will, no doubt, be meeting later on. We have not included Sir Fisher in the above list, because he cannot possibly be got to race again at all soundly.

At the present time there are about a dozen pretty good hurdlers in commission in New Zealand, that is horses that can get two miles and beyond well. There are some other good ones too which would be better suited over shorter courses, or, better still, made 'chasers of. No doubt a few of the flat horses that raced during the season are better than Parisian Diamond at his best distance, but there are not many that would give him weight over distances that suit him under the high scale. Those that might possibly do so will not be set the task of trying. Enough has been written to show that we have some good horses competing at our winter meetings.

In Australia Snub has again been in evidence as a stake earner for Mr. W. R. Kemball; indeed, the big son of Martian (perhaps the biggest of that sire's gets) won the Sandringham Stakes at the Victoria Racing Club's meeting on Saturday, and on Monday he captured the Birthday Handicap, run over a mile and a-half. Up to date he has won in place money about £2300 since being taken to the Commonwealth with other members of the team, about four months ago. Gladful, the defunct Nanna and Scornful have each got a bit of place money, and so it can be said that they have more than paid their way up to the present time.

There will be a lot of horses from New Zealand figuring in the nominations for spring events in the Commonwealth, and there would perhaps have been more if there had not been so much doubt concerning shipping and the possibility of strikes. The stables of Messrs. Kemball (already represented), G. D. Greenwood, T. H. Lowry, W. G. Stead, and W. Richmond will provide some of the entrants for the handicap and classic races, and it will not be long before some of the horses under marching orders will be on their way to the chief centre in which they will at first operate.

The owner of The Panther named £40,000 as the price of that colt when someone wanted to buy him, but it was supposed that he put that sum on because he did not desire to sell. Now buyers will probably be out of the market.

It is understood that the nominations received by the various clubs in Australia for leading spring events exceed those of previous years. This was hardly expected when the yearling sales were being held at Randwick, as so many were unsold at auction. Many have been placed since by agents and breeders, some of whom have put their youngsters into the hands of trainers with a view to racing them or selling them later on.



It was two years on Saturday since Messines Ridge was taken.

On Saturday the Kempton Park meeting was to start in England.

It is just fifteen years since geldings were excluded from competing in the Derby.

Nominations for classic events of the Auckland Racing Club close on Friday.

Mr. C. F. Vallance, president of the Masterton Jockey Club, is on a visit to Auckland.

The Derby was won by Grand Parade on Wednesday and the Oaks by Bayuda on Friday of last week.

The tote returns for the three days Dunedin meeting showed a better proportionate return than for the two days of the previous year.

Morecambe, who was second to El Gallo in the Great Northern Steeplechase in 1915, won the Dunedin Steeplechase on Saturday.

Mr. F. Marshall, of Morrinsville, says that the English-bred horses Day Comet and Archistown have, as far as he can learn, stunted the mares that visited them very well.

A number of yearlings were being exercised at Ellerslie during the progress of the recent meeting, to get them used to the sights on a race day. As at Wanganui, some of the youngsters seen out were by imported Absurd.

Roseway, who was defeated in the Oaks by Bayuda, won the One Thousand Guineas just four weeks before.

The Auckland candidate Sir Ralph, who contested the principal flat races at the Great Northern meeting, is an acceptor for the Winter Oats Handicap (1¼ miles), the leading race on the flat on the opening day of the Gisborne meeting on Thursday. Sir Ralph, whose impost is 10.2, should be suited by the going.

It is an open secret that the committee of the Auckland Racing Club are not fully satisfied with the working of the new totalisator at Ellerslie. It was expected that matters would work more smoothly than at the Easter meeting, but something further requires to be done before the state of perfection looked for is obtained.

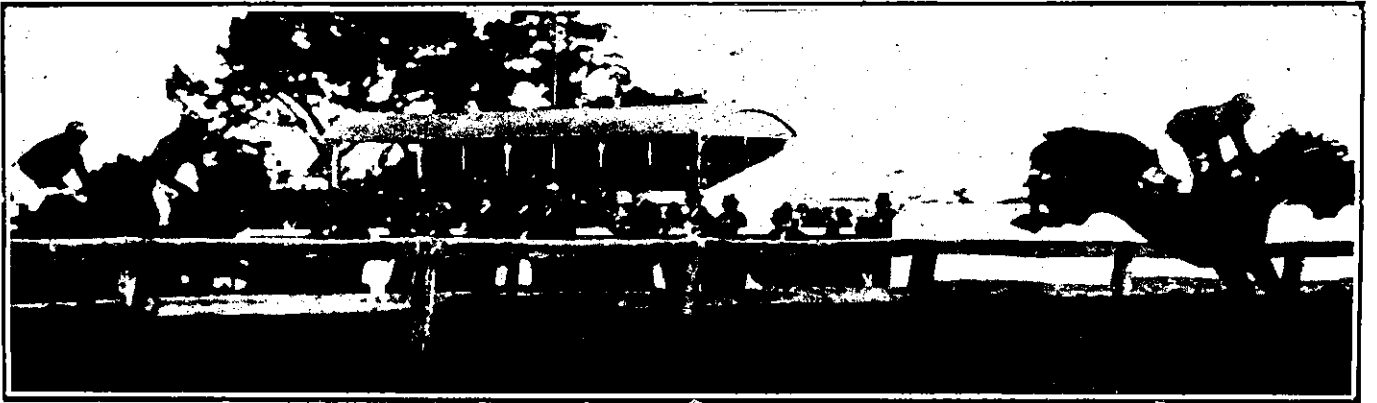
The Wanganui Agricultural Society is making efforts to promote an annual carnival week in Wanganui, the intention being to hold the Jockey Club and Trotting Club meetings, autumn show, regatta, sports gathering and competitions, as well as arranging for evening entertainments.

Flying Duck, winner of the Welbeck Plate at Lincoln, and whose portrait appears in this issue, is a three-year-old of some class. She was got by Fugleman from Lame Duck. The fact that a goat to which she is attached is taken to and from meetings with her is significant.

The question as to the qualification of Entente Cordiale will be dealt with by the committee of the Auckland Racing Club on Thursday, an embargo having been placed on the stake by the owner of Signature on the ground that the conditions of the race were not fulfilled.



BENZINE (Warner) registers an attractive victory from LOHELLA (R. McSeveney) and SIGNATURE (Douglas) in the Orakei Hurdle Race on the concluding day of the Great Northern meeting.



WAIMAI (F. Tutchen) leading MASTER LUPIN (on left of picture) and TENACIOUS over the second fence of the double in front of the stand in the Winter Steeplechase (three miles).

Only five horses remain in the Gisborne Steeplechase, to be run on Thursday, the acceptors including the Auckland-owned gelding Signature, who ran second to Entente Cordiale in the Jumpers' Flat at Ellerslie on the King's Birthday.

The Marlborough Racing Club made a profit of £1400 on its recent three days' meeting. A movement is in progress to purchase a new property comprising 80 acres, about 10 minutes' walk from Blenheim. The old Riverlands course will command a good figure for agricultural purposes.

The Great Northern Hurdle Race victor, Cynic, has been accepted for in the Park Hurdles (two miles), to be run on Thursday at the Gisborne R.C.'s winter meeting. The imported horse has the steadier of 11.9, but if started is certain to receive solid backing. Cynic also claims an engagement in the Winter Oats, to be run later in the day.

The Greenlane trainer C. Coleman had three candidates saddled up for the concluding event of the Great Northern meeting at Ellerslie, the Fitzroy Welter Handicap, in which there were 21 starters. Scottish Knight and Mountain Gold filled second and third places behind the winner, Tama-a-roa, while Coleman's other charge, Te Miro, finished outside a place.

It is not often that two horses resemble each other in looks to the extent of Greenroom and Master Hopson, but, says an English writer, they are as much alike as two peas in a pod. They are identical in colour and markings, with the same head and neck. The only difference lies in the fact that Greenroom is a trifle more thickly set than the other. Moreover, the two horses have the same style of galloping and are equal in gameness.

On Monday Cynic, Carlisian, Penetion, and Sir Ralph were shipped to Gisborne for the meeting which commences on Thursday, but Signature, Pierrot, Tama-a-roa and Entente Cordiale were amongst those that space could not be provided for. This is bad luck for the Bay clubs and owners as well, as the meetings must suffer to some extent in consequence.

The Marble Arch gelding Patetonga, who has frequently demonstrated his undoubted pace in races that he has contested in Auckland, but has on more than one occasion been robbed of victory through a recurrence of his hemorrhage trouble, figures among the acceptors for the Hack Handicap (seven furlongs) to be run at the Gisborne meeting on Thursday. If the old trouble does not again present itself he should prove a tough proposition for those opposed to him.

It has been stated that Housewife has run her last race.

F. Davis, Mr. T. H. Lowry's private trainer, has been on a visit to Auckland. Some of the members of the team over which he presides have been nominated for Australian spring events.

The 1914 Army horse which was returned from France to the Swaythling Remount Depot, Southampton, bearing a label, "Please give me a good home," was sold for 142 guineas. There was spirited bidding, many offers being received by post by the adjutant. The animal was sold to Mr. Ernest Moy, Frinton-on-Sea, Essex, who, in purchasing the war veteran, said he will never part with him, and will only use him for light work.

Ruddy, whose name figures in the handicaps for the Napier Park meeting, was brought to Auckland with other members of Mr. J. Bull's team merely for the trip. He took the place first intended for Yankee Jack, and it was thought a bit of travelling would do him good, as he is a rather highly-strung gentleman.

The custom observed in the drawing of marbles for barrier positions on most of the Victorian courses is an obsolete one, which opens the way to sharp practices being adopted by jockeys (remarks a Sydney "Sun" writer). According to the Melbourne "Herald," a bag containing the marbles is hung in the weighing enclosure, and from this the jockeys are supposed to secure their marbles after they have been weighed out. The same paper points out, however, that it is an easy matter for jockeys to dip into this bag in search of marbles representing the most coveted positions near the rails while the officials' backs are turned. Having

secured the marble desired a jockey retains it until, after having been weighed out, he is told to take a marble from the bag. Then he simply dips his hand in, holding the marble he has already taken, and presents this as representing his post position. In Sydney the practice is for a stipendiary steward to give out the marbles. These are all placed in a box, and by some mechanical process only one drops at a time out through a little slot, when a button is pressed. Thus the possibility of cheating is reduced to an absolute minimum.

In this issue will be found an advertisement setting forth that a clearing sale will be held of Bushy Park brood mares and the stallion Hallowmas at O'Brien stables, Wellington, on July 11th, the day between the race days of the Wellington R.C. meeting. There are nine mares in all, which have been served by Hallowmas, sire of Miaoha, Hallow, Halyon, Seasprite, Neglige, Hallow Oak (the last-named racing in Australia), and other performers. As Mr. Moore has decided on relinquishing breeding he is selling the whole of his stud. Catalogues are being prepared and can be obtained from the auctioneers, Williams and Kettle, Ltd., Hastings, who are acting in conjunction with Freeman R. Jackson and Co., Ltd., Wanganui. The sale will be further referred to later.

RACING REVIEWED

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

GREAT NORTHERN MEETING.

CONCLUDING DAY.

TROUBLESOME WINS WINTER STEEPLECHASE.

The Auckland Racing Club's Great Northern winter meeting concluded in even better weather, if that were possible, than it was commenced in. The course and grounds were at least a little better and the day was all that could be desired, while the fields were satisfactory. Though some of the best visiting horses had dropped out of the jumping races and a brace out of the flat races, interest was well maintained, and speculation continued keen to the end. The totalisator business was got through with in a more satisfactory manner than on the opening day. There is not enough room in its vicinity, which becomes too congested. As most people know this is all to be altered as soon as practicable. The sum of £68,664 was handled at the totalisators, making £205,868 for the three days. The management generally left nothing wanting. The races were started well up to time, and for the most part well, but the bad behaviour of a number of the horses, frequent offenders on different North Island courses, was responsible for a bad start in the chief flat race of the day. When horses of that character are handed over to the starter it is his work to try and do the best he can with them, not to take the first chance of leaving them, as some people would be pleased to see done. The duties of the stipendiary stewards were light. For the Tamaki Steeplechase, Ulster, who had never won a race

the picture fifth, Bedford sixth, the early leaders fading out. Alteration thus won his second good race for the veteran trainer-owner Mr. Jervois George, of Taranaki. He was trained by E. George, the owner's son. Alteration, who had Gray in the saddle, was favourite, with Bedford and White Blaze next in demand.

There were half a dozen runners for the Winter Steeplechase, and very keen interest was taken in the meeting of Waimai, Master Lupin and Troublesome. It was thought that the small difference in weight would help Waimai to turn the tables on Master Lupin, and he was made favourite, but Troublesome, who because he fell in the Great Northern Steeplechase before half the journey was run, at which stage he was well up, was meeting Master Lupin (the winner) 24lb. and Waimai (the runner-up) 7lb. better. It was a fine race between the trio to the last hurdle, and it looked at that stage as if Troublesome would win. He was slightly leading Waimai, who tried to steady himself and jumped sideways to the left. Rising insufficiently to clear the obstacle he struck and came down heavily and interfered with Master Lupin, whom it cost some lengths, Troublesome going on to win by five lengths. Tenacious was twenty-five lengths off, third, and Waimai, remounted, fourth, ridden in by a bystander. The others did not finish, Arlington stopping at the sod wall the second time and Bore falling. The rider of the latter, Kaan, was unhurt, but F. Tutchen received slight concussion, from which he soon recovered. McSeveney claimed a losing mount from the owner of Arlington, but it was disallowed.

As Tutchen could not ride in the Campbell Hurdle Race, McSeveney got the mount on Kauri King, who was made favourite, only a slightly better one than Ditto, however, who each carried about £1000 more than Thrace. Munster went away with a great burst of pace for a jumper, and remained well out in front for seven furlongs, when Ditto caught him, leading him two furlongs further on after they had run together. In the

in which General Stephen, Scottish Knight and Pierrot carried most money, Rangitiroa being much best supported of the others. The story of the race is short. An outsider, Tama-a-roa, led practically from end to end and had enough left to stall off Scottish Knight and Mountain Gold, who got within three-quarters of a length and a length and a quarter respectively, while Glucian and Hessian were next.

The results were:—

TAMAKI STEEPLECHASE of 300sovs, second 70sovs, third 30sovs. About two miles and a-half.

- 1—J. T. Morton's ch g Ulster, aged, by Gladstone—Victorine, 10.13 (J. Preston) 1
- 2—J. Williamson's ch g No Surrender, 5yrs, 9.7 (Keepa) 2
- 4—C. A. Green's b g Jacaranda, aged, 9.7 (Roach) 3

Also started: 3 Grafton Tot 9.13 (R. McSeveney), 5 Sir John 9.13 (Chaplin). Won by two lengths, 15 lengths between second and third. Grafton Tot was fourth. Time, 5min 3sec.

ORAKEI HURDLE RACE of 250sovs, second 50sovs, third 25sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

- 4—H. Swaffield's ch g Benzine, aged, by Trepine—Geraldine, 9.5 (E. Warner) 1
- 3—R. Acton Adams' b g Lochella, 10.9 (McSeveney) 2
- 5—C. Walker's b g Signature, aged, 9.5 (Douglas) 3

Also started: 2 Garryowen 11.6 (W. Keepa), 8 Otara 10.3 (Flynn), 9 Orpheum 10.2 (Erickson), 1 Monopole 10.0 (Roach), 6 Notability 9.13 (Rae), 10 Entente Cordiale 9.13 (Adolph), 7 Gunwale 9.0 (Kaan).

Won by a length, two lengths between second and third. Notability was fourth. Time, 2min 22 2-5sec.

YORK WELTER HANDICAP of 750 sovs, second 150sovs, third 75sovs. One mile.

- 1—J. George's b h Alteration, 5yrs, by Elevation—Edum, 10.7 (H. Gray) 1
- 16—C. Machell's b g Meltchikoff, aged, 9.0 (Warner) 2
- 12—J. J. Regan's br g All Talk, 5 yrs, 9.8 (McDonnell) 3

Also started: 9 Tinopai 11.3 (Robinson), 2 Bedford 10.10 (Ryan), 11 Housewife 10.3 (Buchanan), 15 Killard 10.1 (Tapp), 7 Hincamaru 9.13 (Goldfinch), 4 Hurry Up 9.12 (S. Reid), 13 Sir Ralph 9.11 (McFlinn), 5 Hyllus 9.11 (Brady), 3 White Blaze 9.9 (B. Morris), 8 Paddington Green 9.3 (Sinclair), 5 Escaped 9.2 (R. Brown), 10 Rockfield 9.0 (L. Hewitt), 14 Fabrique 9.0 (Chaplin). Won by half a length, a neck between second and third. Hyllus was fourth. Time, 1min 43 1-5sec.

14 Kilbeggan 9.0 (Henderson), 13 Gatherer 9.0 (Manson), 5 Seasprite 9.0 (McDonnell).

Won by three-quarters of a length, a head separating second and third. Gatherer was fourth. Time, 1min 2 3-5sec.

FITZROY WELTER of 250sovs, second 50sovs, third 25sovs. One mile.

- 10—J. Hetet's br g Tama-a-roa, 5 yrs, by Penury—Electrum, 9.0 (H. Goldfinch) 1
- 2—F. O. Weine's br g Scottish Knight, 4yrs, 9.13 (Gray) 2
- 8—D. Tye's b g Mountain Gold, 4yrs, 9.9 (McFlinn) 3

Also started: 3 Pierrot 11.0 (Ryan), 5 Torchlight 10.7 (Robinson), 1 General Stephen 10.0 (R. Brown), 18 Cambridge 9.12 (Roach), 9 Independence 9.11 (J. Buchanan), 14 Step 9.9 (Warner), 17 Woody Glen 9.7 (Chaplin), 15 Glucian 9.6 (Hewitt), 13 Don't 9.6 (Brady), 4 Rangitiroa 9.6 (Henderson), 12 Hessian 9.2 (Sinclair), 7 Elate 9.0 (Morris), 6 Golden Petal 9.0 (Carmont) and Slowcoach 9.0 (Deeley) bracketed, 11 Te Miro 9.0 (Rennie), 19 Llansannor 9.0 (McDonnell), 16 Penella 9.0 (Ferguson), 20 No Bother 9.0 (McDeeley).

Won by three lengths, a length and a-half between second and third. Glucian was fourth. Time, 1min 43 2-5sec.

The winning payments over the meeting were as under:—James Bull £1575, H. D. de Lautour £1100, Ewen W. Allison £1050, J. George £1050, T. Clegg £550, Ernest Allison £525, E. J. L. Rae £425, J. Williamson £420, R. Hannon £400, H. Swaffield £400, T. Wilson £300, E. George £250, J. T. Morton £250, W. C. Morgan £200, Mrs. Harvey Patterson £175, A. M. Robertson £175, W. J. Wilson £175, J. Hetet £175, G. D. Beatson £150, C. Machell £150, J. Twohill £120, F. Marshall £75, R. Acton Adams £75, F. Armstrong £75, W. J. Bowman £75, C. Walker £75, J. J. Regan £75, W. J. Irwin £70, G. Fulton £50, E. R. Murphy £50, C. J. Spinley £50, A. N. Gibbons £50, F. O. Weine £50, J. Goring Johnston £30, H. Homer £30, C. A. Green £30, H. A. Knight £25, D. Tye £25, A. R. Barton £25, W. J. Williams £25, D. Jackson £25; total, £10,600.

SPORTS PROTECTION LEAGUE.

There was a representative attendance of sportsmen at the annual meeting of the Auckland branch of the New Zealand Sports Protection League. The chairman, Mr. John Rowe, presided. The annual report stated that the policy of the Board of Control during the war had necessarily been a "go-slow" one, but now that this necessity was over there was plenty of work to do.

The chairman, in his address, said that with the cessation of hostilities the league should now resume its full activities, for which the 83 branches were in a splendid state of organisa-



AT THE FIRST FENCE OF THE DOUBLE IN FRONT OF THE STAND IN THE WINTER STEEPLECHASE (THREE MILES) ON THE CONCLUDING DAY OF THE GREAT NORTHERN MEETING—WAIMAI (F. Tutchen) showing the way to ARLINGTON (on right), BORE (in centre), TENACIOUS (on left), and MASTER LUPIN.

before, was made a better favourite than his half-brother No Surrender, whom he beat by two and a-half lengths. Jacaranda was about fifteen lengths off, third, with Grafton Tot nearly a furlong away. Sir John pulled up.

Monopole, Garryowen and Lochella was the order of favouritism for the Orakei Hurdle Race, and then came Benzine at a much more remunerative price. Orpheum, Gunwale and Signature and Garryowen were the early leaders. Half a mile from home Benzine and Gunwale were together in the lead, and the latter falling Benzine led the rest of the journey, winning all out by a length from Lochella, with Signature third and Notability a poor fourth. Garryowen seemed sore on going out to race.

The good field of sixteen went to the post for the York Welter. Of these four were interfered with through Paddington Green getting caught in the tapes, White Blaze, Killard and Fabrique being the other sufferers. Rockfield, Hincamaru and Hurry Up were leading for a long way, but in the home stretch Alteration appeared on the scene from some distance back and had the race in keeping over the last furlong, winning by half a length, though Meltchikoff, a big outsider, came with a resolute and fast finish and beat All Talk a head for second place. Hyllus, right under the judge's box, was a very close fourth, and Housewife in

straight Thrace and Kauri King drew on Ditto, and the first-named was nearly at the mare's side as they reached the last hurdle, and in the run from there beat her in good style by three-parts of a length, Kauri King, who failed to come with him, being four lengths away, Te Onga, who was fifth in the Great Northern Hurdles, being fourth in this event, well back, however. The race was run in 3min. 49sec., and as Thrace carried 12.5 the performance reads like a particularly good one. Sir Fisher, a good horse, it was regrettable to see started in this race, as he had been lame for some days before, and a breakdown seemed inevitable. He finished the course again broken down.

Rekanui was a little more fancied for the Visitors' Handicap than Madame Ristori, the pair commanding a big support, so that after them anything would have paid good money. The vagaries of Post Haste had something to do with him getting the worst of the send off, Madame Ristori, Canzonet, Carlisian, Rekanui and Seasprite being the more prominent. Madame Ristori, running the distance right out, won by three-parts of a length from Ohinewairua, who, finishing fast, caught one after another and beat Canzonet on the post by a head for second place, Gatherer, Post Haste, Rekanui and Seasprite being next in order.

There were no fewer than twenty-one starters for the Fitzroy Welter,

WINTER STEEPLECHASE of 850sovs, second 200sovs, third 100sovs. About three miles.

- 2—T. Clegg's b g Troublesome, aged, by Spalpeen—Laodice, 10.7 (S. Henderson) 1
- 3—J. Bull's br g Master Lupin, aged, 12.6 (McDonnell) 2
- 4—E. J. L. Rae's b g Tenacious, aged, 10.3 (Rae) 3

Also started: 1 Waimai 13.0 (Tutchen), 6 Arlington 9.12 (Douglas), 5 Bore 9.7 (Kaan).

Arlington failed to complete the course. Won by five lengths, 25 lengths between second and third. Time, 6min 9sec.

CAMPBELL HURDLE RACE of 500 sovs, second 100sovs, third 50sovs. Two miles.

- 3—E. W. Allison's (jnr.) br g Thrace, aged, by Poseidon—Cremona, 12.5 (Henderson) 1
- 2—W. C. Morgan's b m Ditto, aged, 10.5 (Roach) 2
- 1—A. N. Gibbons' b g Kauri King, aged, 11.12 (McSeveney) 3

Also started: 4 Sir Fisher 11.1 (F. Flynn), 6 Munster 9.1 (Erickson), 5 Te Onga 9.1 (McDonald).

Won by three-quarters of a length, four lengths between second and third. Te Onga was fourth. Time, 3min 49 sec.

VISITORS' HANDICAP of 350sovs, second 70sovs, third 30sovs. Five furlongs.

- 2—E. George's b m Madame Ristori, 4yrs, by Marble Arch—Ristori, 9.3 (Gray) 1
- 11—W. J. Irwin's ch m Ohinewairua, aged, 9.4 (Brady) 2
- 10—H. Homer's b g Canzonet, 3yrs, 9.0 (Goldfinch) 3

Also started: 6 Bedford 10.12 (W. Ryan), 13 All Over 10.9 (McDonald), 1 Rekanui 10.8 (Robinson), 4 Carlisian 10.3 (McFlinn), 9 Gaycium 9.5 (Morris), 8 Arran 9.3 (Chaplin), 7 Gold Kip 9.1 (Hewitt), 3 Post Haste 9.0 (Deeley).

tion, and quite ready to play the game in the coming election. The league was proud of the magnificent part played by members of sports bodies in the war. Experience had shown that active participation in athletic games is most conducive to those physical qualities and habits of discipline so necessary in the preparation of the soldier. The branches of the league throughout New Zealand would at all times endeavour to promote a public opinion in favour of physical training in the primary and secondary schools. This could be done by advocating better equipped playing grounds in connection with the public schools. The position in this respect at present was quite unsatisfactory, and a great field is offered here for the activities of the league. The Minister of Internal Affairs, in speaking to a deputation in Christchurch the other day, stated that efforts should be made to induce members of Parliament to grant further facilities to racing and trotting clubs. This the racing and trotting conferences will deal with, and if they require any assistance the league will doubtless hear from them.

In reply to a question by Mr. Gleeson, the chairman stated that action would be taken to foster any branch of sport. A resume of the activities of the league was given by Mr. R. W. Shallcross, general secretary, who advocated enlisting the support of public men to lead public opinion in the direction of good clean sport.

The election of officers resulted in the re-election of last year's officials, with the addition of Messrs. J. C. Gleeson and H. Frost as vice-presidents.

The Hon. E. W. Allison, Messrs. C. E. Major, and R. B. Lusk spoke, the first-named paying a tribute to the work of the chairman, and a vote of thanks was carried to him by acclamation. The secretary, Mr. F. W. Edwards, was also accorded a vote of thanks.

OTAKI MAORI RACING CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

VOLO WINS THE CUP.

(From Our Wellington Correspondent.)

OTAKI, Tuesday.

Fine weather prevailed to-day, and there was a large attendance at Otaki to witness the decision of the opening day's events at the Otaki Maori Racing Club's winter fixture. Visitors came from far and near, the crowd constituting a record. The special trains from Wellington were well patronised, sporting enthusiasts appreciating the efforts put forth on their behalf by the Railway authorities.

Amongst the prominent sportsmen present were: Sir James Carroll, patron of the club; Mr. W. H. Field, M.P., member for the district; Mr. F. S. Easton, Mr. W. A. Duncan and many others.

Mr. Ben. Ling, the club's popular president, was on hand to extend the usual courtesies to visitors, who fully appreciated the kindness and consideration with which their needs were met.

The racing was brimful of interest, the close finishes arousing intense excitement among patrons. In several instances the result was in doubt until Mr. Cameron had hoisted the placings from the judge's box.

With good fields engaged in the various events, speculation naturally was of a spirited order, and when the totals came to be made up after the last race it was seen that £30,044 had found its way through the totalisator, as against £26,289 on the opening day of last year's meeting, an increase of £3755.

Nine runners faced the starter for the opening event, the Maiden Flat Race, for which Festival (Hallowman—Crucinella) was a firm favourite. Prior to the race Deacon went wrong after doing his preliminary, which necessitated his immediate return to the birdcage. There were 215 tickets registered on Deacon's number on the totalisator, and unfortunately for his backers did not get a run for their money. The field was close together entering the straight, when Kyoto, owned by Mr. H. Barrett, of Feilding, could be seen coming fast, and in a good finish the black gelding secured the verdict by a neck from Festival, with Achillion close up third.

Tari, fresh from his Taratahi success, was a big favourite for the Flying Hack Handicap, and once again backers of the favourite received a small dividend through their selection running second. The field was in close order until the distance was reached, when several horses put in their claims, and in a slashing finish Idle Talk won by a head from Tari, with Black Mark in third place. Both Kyoto and Idle Talk are owned by Mr. H. Barrett, of the Manchester Hotel, Feilding, and to gain two consecutive successes was an achievement of which that gentleman and his trainer (H. Batten) must have felt proud, both being deservedly complimented upon their brace of victories. The dividends in each case were of a substantial character, that of Kyoto running into double figures.

Master Webster was the actual favourite for the Taihoa Steeplechase, but Kurapai followed him close, only a few pounds separating the pair. From a good start, Gang Awa' went to the front, and, maintaining his lead all the way, eventually won by a head from Master Webster, who, however, ran round the last fence. An inquiry was instituted, with the result that Master Webster was disqualified, second place going to Gwynne, who fenced well throughout, while Kurapai was awarded third money. Kingston Boy and Negative fell. Dillamore, rider of Master Webster, was fined £5 for continuing on in the race after mistaking an obstacle. Gang Awa's performance was very creditable, and stamps him as a steeplechaser with some excellent prospects in the future.

Marquetteur, Volo and Nobleman were backed in the order named for the Raukawa Cup, which was a good betting race, there being well over £5000 invested on the totalisator. The start was of a straggling order, Nobleman and Volo getting badly away. Rose Pink and Elocution were in the van for seven furlongs, when Volo went to the front, and, galloping resolutely over the remainder of the journey, had a head's advantage from Battle Song when the

winning post was reached, Pacific Slope being a neck away third. Quite a number of people were of the opinion that Battle Song had won, but the judge was the only person in a position to separate the pair, and there is no doubt Mr. Cameron was quite right in his ruling. Volo is owned by a popular Otakeho (Taihaki) sportsman, who races as F. Selwood, and the success of his colours in the principal event of the afternoon was highly popular. Volo was ridden by an apprentice in H. Johns, who displayed more than the average amount of skill.

Pretty Bobby and Momac were the popular favourites in the Otaki Handicap, and in a fine finish the latter won by a neck from the Auckland-owned candidate, with Transmission a head away third. Momac is owned by Mr. H. E. Card, of Featherston, who was not present to see his horse win, being occupied with the trotting meeting held at Tauherenikau on the same day.

Torfreda, despite her substantial weight, carried a lot of money in the Taipua Handicap, while Astinome and Lady General were also well supported. Several horses had a winning chance at the turn, but once in the straight Lady General asserted herself, and, going on resolutely, won by a head from Astinome, with Oratress, who came from the clouds, a similar distance away third. The last-named was paying a bumper dividend, only £140 being invested on her prospects on the totalisator.

For the concluding event, the Birthday Welter Hack Handicap, Some Girl was made favourite, while several of the others were spiritedly supported. The winner turned up in Sacramento, who prevailed by a length from Utuwai, with Glentour another length away third.

The results were:—

MAIDEN FLAT RACE of 100sovs. Weight for age. Six furlongs.
 7—H. Barrett's blk g Kyoto, 3yrs, by Maniapoto—Brilliant Star, 8.8 (Rayner) 1
 1—T. A. Duncan's b g Festival, 3yrs, 8.8 (C. Price) 2
 2—L. H. Collinson's b g Achillion, 3yrs, 8.8 (W. Bell) 3
 Also started: 5 Blighty 8.12 (Nodder), 4 Moutoa Boy 8.11 (Reed), 3 Hautawa 8.11 (Morris), 9 Dixie Boy 8.11 (Proctor), 8 Master Curran 8.8 (Mr C. Crowley), 6 Deacon 8.8 (McCormick).
 Won by a neck, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min 15 1-5sec.

FLYING HACK HANDICAP of 150sovs. Six furlongs.

3—H. Barrett's b m Idle Talk, 4yrs, by Kilbrouney—Rumour, 7.10 (P. Rayner) 1
 1—C. Woolston's ch g Tari, 5yrs, 8.10 (Stowe) 2
 2—H. G. Taylor's blk g Black Mark, 4yrs, 8.9 (Bagby) 3
 Also started: 8 Flying Gowrie 8.6, 10 Lady Witch (late Zabism) 8.2 (Corlett), 5 Vasovia 7.13 (R. Reed), 6 Beloved 7.9 (A. Reed), 12 Primato 7.7 (Dillamore), 9 Restful 7.6 (McCormick), 4 Tame Fox 7.0 (Barry), 7 Tonukohu 6.10 (L. Morris), 13 Conziska 6.10 (W. Tricklebank), 13 Sea Foam 6.10 (M. McCarten), 11 Californian 6.10 (Armstrong).
 Won by a head, a neck between second and third. Time, 1min 14 2-5sec.

TAIHOA STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 250sovs. About two miles and a quarter.

3—F. S. Easton's blk g Gang Awa', 6yrs, by Provocation—Gold Cord, 11.2 (Lorrigan) 1
 2—A. D. Scott's br g Kurapai, aged, 10.6 (Ayre) 3
 5—W. Bevan's br g Gwynne, aged, 9.7 (Meagher) 2
 Also started: 4 Tarero 10.6 (Bowden), 1 Master Webster 10.3 (Dillamore), 7 Hoatu 9.7 (McBrearty), 9 Kingston Boy 9.7 (Parrell), 6 Sail Home 9.7 (Caddy), 8 Negative 9.7 (A. Thorne).
 Sail Home fell at the first obstacle, while Negative baulked. Won by a head Master Webster two lengths in front of Gwynne, with Kurapai fourth. It was proved that Master Webster ran round one of the hurdles, and after an inquiry the horse was distanced, second place going to Gwynne, while Kurapai was placed third. Time, 4min 20 3-5sec.

RAUKAWA CUP HANDICAP of 600 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

2—F. Selwood's b g Volo, 5yrs, by Husbandman—Beautiful Star, 8.12 (Johns) 1
 10—P. Soames' br g Battle Song, 5yrs, 7.12 (Rayner) 2
 11—W. Smart's b g Pacific Slope, aged, 7.10 (R. Reed) 3
 Also started: 9 Rewi Poto 9.2 (C. Price), 3 Nobleman 9.0 (L. Morris), 1 Marquetteur 8.5 (Bagby), 4 Kilrush 8.2 (McCarten), 12 Detroit 7.9 (Penman), 7 Master Moutoa 7.9 (A. Reed), 8 Rose Pink 7.7 (Corlett), 6 Bagdad 7.2 (M. McCarten), 14 Elocution 6.13 (McCormick), 13 Tiranga 6.11 (C. Carmont), 5 Arrowfield 6.7 (Barry).
 Won by a head, a long neck between second and third. Time, 2min 8 1-5sec.

OTAKI HACK HANDICAP of 150sovs. One mile.

2—H. E. Card's b m Momac, 5yrs, by Achilles—Mamokai, 7.12 (A. Reed) 1
 1—C. Boyle's br g Pretty Bobby, 5yrs, 9.0 (Bagby) 2
 4—J. H. Redfern's br m Transmission, 5yrs, 8.0 (Nodder) 3
 Also started: 3 Consultation 7.13 (R. Reed), 5 White Ranger 7.7 (L. Morris), 6 Pomeroy 7.2 (Barry), 7 Warmth 7.0 (McCormick).
 Won by a neck, a head between second and third. Time, 1min 42 2-5sec.

TAIPUA HANDICAP of 330sovs. Six furlongs.

3—T. Higgins' b m Lady General, 5yrs, by General Latour—Romola, 7.8 (Corlett) 1
 2—G. A. Palmer's br f Astinome, 3yrs, 7.5 (A. Reed) 2
 11—F. Preston's b f Oratress, 3yrs, 6.9 (Barry) 3
 Also started: 1 Torfreda 8.11 (R. Bagby), 9 Birkenvale 8.9 (L. Morris), 4 Potentiality 8.0 (McEwan), 7 Rawakore 7.12 (M. McCarten), 6 Matatua 7.5 (Rayner), 5 Old Gold 7.2 (Stratton), 10 Royal Chef 7.0 (Armstrong), 8 Play-off 6.13 (C. Reed), 13 George 6.10 (McCormick), 12 Ahika 6.9 (G. Carmont), 11 Trentham 6.9 (Cotton), 15 Merric Poto 6.7 (Styles).
 A slashing race, heads separating the placed horses. Time, 1min 13 2-5sec.

BIRTHDAY WELTER HACK HANDICAP of 140sovs. Seven furlongs.

2—R. A. McKenzie's br g Sacramento, 4yrs, by California—Armada, 9.9 (Hatch) 1
 4—W. McKegg's b g Utuwai, 5yrs, 9.2 (L. Morris) 2
 3—G. West's b g Glentour, 4yrs, 9.5 (H. Lorrigan) 3
 Also started: 7 Maraetotara 10.2 (C. Stowe), 8 Papanui 9.4 (Caddy), 6 Esperance 8.13 (Nodder), 1 Some Girl 8.12 (R. Reed), 6 Toddy 8.7 (C. Price), 5 Justification 8.7 (A. Reed), 10 Good Defence 8.7 (Styles), 11 Master Boris 8.7 (W. Bell), 9 Amberine 8.7 (M. McCarten).
 Won by a length, same distance between second and third. Time, 1min 29sec.

SECOND DAY.

HUIA HANDICAP WON BY KILRUSH.

OTAKI, Wednesday.

The meeting was brought to a conclusion to-day in fine but dull weather. The attendance showed a big falling off compared with yesterday's record. The racing was again very interesting, but several races were again spoilt through faulty starting, and in this respect many complaints were heard. The principal event, the Huia Handicap, went to Kilrush, who led throughout, the issue never being in doubt from the moment the field was sent away.

Mr. J. Cameron was very successful in the judge's box, and in several races the finishes were so close that a small portion of the crowd thought the rulings were wrong, but, on the other hand, a very large majority freely expressed the opinion that the placings were quite correct. The judge has special advantages over everybody in that he is in a position to obtain a view of a close finish from the only angle which permits of an accurate decision, and frequently the average racegoer errs in his judgment when attempting to forecast the result of a keenly-fought race from a disadvantageous angle. Mr. Angus Gordon was the stendipendary steward in attendance, and with the exception of a few minor inquiries everything passed off very well.

The finishes on both days were far away the best that have been witnessed on the local racecourse for many a day, and naturally the club's handicapper, Mr. H. Coyle, came in for some high praise for his capital adjustments.

Racing was resumed with the running of the Telegraph Handicap, for which Beloved was better fancied than Kyoto and Prince Formby. Stutter occupied a prominent position to the turn, when the field closed up and in an exciting contest Prince Formby secured the verdict by a length from Tunokohe, with Beloved close up third. Stutter was a little further back, fourth.

All started in the Te Roto Steeplechase, for which Gang Awa' was the popular choice, while Master Webster was strongly supported. Gang Awa' made play for a mile and a-half, when the heavy weight he was carrying began to tell. The black gelding was passed first by Master Webster and then by Gwynne, the pair fighting out an interesting finish, victory going to the former by three lengths, with Gang Awa', who put up a creditable performance, a similar distance away third. Master Webster was ridden a splendid race by the New Plymouth cross-country horseman, A. Ward, whose first ride it was for some months.

The bracketed pair, Potentiality and Elocution, were made favourites for the Huia Handicap, while there was plenty of money for Pacific Slope and Battle Song, both of whom, however, finished behind the placed division. Kilrush was the smartest to find his feet, and, passing the stand, the Kilbrouney gelding was clear of his field. Going round the back Kilrush still held the leading position, which he kept to the finish, eventually winning very easily by four lengths from Bagdad, with Potentiality two lengths away third. Kilrush has done well since coming to the North Island, and he looks like turning out a useful investment

to his owner-trainer, A. McAuley, who has the four-year-old in capital galloping condition just now.

Old Gold was installed favourite for the Stewards' Hack Handicap, and the issue was never in doubt. R. Hatch waited on the field until well in the straight, when he brought the gelding along with a late run and won by a length from March On, who was half a length in front of Tari, who appeared to be hampered by the heavy going.

Oratress and Astinome were the public favourites in the Rahui Handicap, and they finished in the order named. Astinome was first away, and led throughout. Oratress made a big effort to overhaul her rival, but Astinome carried too many guns and won by half a length. Matatua, who finished third, ran a game race, and should soon be picking up a decent stake for his Masterton owner, Mr. F. A. Jensen.

Glentour finished up a warm favourite for the Ohau Welter Handicap, and for some unaccountable reason Pretty Bobby was neglected on the machine. The latter was always in a handy position, and, nicely handled by W. Bell, who does not get many opportunities owing to his increasing weight, Pretty Bobby won nicely by a length from Justification, who was badly placed in the early stages, but came with a rare burst of speed over the last few hundred yards. White Ranger, who had been handy throughout, was close up third.

The curtain was rung down on the meeting by the running of the Final Hack Scurry, for which Dainty Step carried four figures opposite her name on the totalisator. After Moutoa Boy and Sea Foam had made play to well within the straight, M. McCarten brought Dainty Step along with a well-timed run, while Californian threw out a determined challenge. The pair flashed across the line together, the verdict going to Dainty Step by a long neck, with Moutoa Boy a similar distance away third.

During the afternoon the sum of £18,919 was invested on the totalisator as against £19,920 on the concluding day last year, making a total of £48,983 for the meeting, as compared with £46,209 for the 1918 fixture, an increase of £2774.

The results were:—

TELEGRAPH HACK HANDICAP of 120sovs. Five furlongs.

3—J. Cocks' br g Prince Formby, 5yrs, by Formby—Lady Uhlan, 7.8 (McCormick) 1
 1—W. Grey's br g Tonukohu, 5yrs, 7.8 (L. Morris) 2
 1—G. Penfold's ch f Beloved, 3yrs, 7.8 (A. Reed) 3
 Also started: 8 Lady Kilworth 8.1 (Nodder), 2 Kyoto 7.12 (Rayner), 7 Stutter 7.3 (Corkhill), 8 Restful 7.3 (Barry), 5 Achillion 7.2 (Bagby), 11 Sea Foam 6.10 (Tricklebank), 9 Amberine 6.10 (G. Carmont), 10 Master Curran 6.10 (Penman), 6 Kawhau 6.10 (C. Reed).
 Won by half a length, the same distance between second and third. Time, 1min 3 2-5sec.

TE ROTO STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 200sovs. About two miles.

2—J. Tyldesley's br g Master Webster, aged, by Captain Webb—Lakeshell mare, 10.11 (Ward) 1
 3—W. Bevan's br g Gwynne, aged, 10.0 (Meagher) 2
 1—F. S. Easton's blk g Gang Awa', aged, 12.1 (Lorrigan) 3
 Also started: 4 Kurapai 10.3 (Ayre), 6 Tarero 10.2 (Bowden), 8 Hoatu 9.7 (McBrearty), 7 Sail Home 9.7 (Caddy), 5 Negative 9.7 (Copestake).
 Won by four lengths. Time, 4min 53 2-5sec.

HUIA HANDICAP of 400sovs. One mile and 55 yards.

6—A. McAuley's b g Kilrush, 4yrs, by Kilbrouney—Prank, 8.1 (A. Reed) 1
 5—Mrs. H. M. Campbell's ch g Bagdad, 4yrs, 7.2 (M. McCarten) 2
 1—Mrs. W. A. Couper's b g Potentiality, aged, 8.2 (Stowe) 3
 Also started: 4 Rewi Poto 8.13 (C. Price), 7 Nobleman 8.11 (L. Morris), 3 Battle Song 8.3 (Rayner), 2 Pacific Slope 7.13 (R. Reed), 1 Elocution 6.13 (C. Reed) bracketed with Potentiality, 9 Goldstream 6.7 (McCormick), 8 Arrowfield 6.7 (Barry), 10 Tiranga 6.7 (G. Carmont).
 Won by four lengths. Arrowfield lost his rider. Time, 1min 44sec.

STEWARDS' HACK HANDICAP of 130sovs. Seven furlongs.

1—R. A. McKenzie's b g Old Gold, 3yrs, by Hymettus—Florigold, 9.3 (Hatch) 1
 4—C. Louison's ch g March On, 5yrs, 8.6 (Corkhill) 2
 6—C. Woolston's ch g Tari, 3yrs, 9.1 (Stowe) 3
 Also started: 8 Monac 8.9 (A. Reed), 3 Idle Talk 8.8 (Rayner), 11 Lady Witchet (late Zabism) 8.0 (Corlett), 2 Utuwai 7.13 (L. Morris), 9 Consultation 7.9 (R. Reed), 12 Primato 7.7 (L. Nodder), 5 Some Girl 7.6 (Bagby), 10 Esperance 7.3 (Styles), 7 Festival 7.2 (M. McCarten), 13 Conziska 6.10 (W. Tricklebank).
 Won by half a length. Time, 1min 29 4-5sec.

RAHUI HANDICAP of 200sovs. Six furlongs.

2—G. A. Palmer's br f Astinome, 3yrs, by Maniapoto—Hellenois, 8.1 (A. Reed) 1
 1—F. Preston's b f Oratress, 3yrs, 7.1 (Bagby) 2
 4—F. A. Jensen's b g Matatua, 3yrs, 7.7 (Rayner) 3

Also started: 11 Birkenvale 8.10 (L. Morris), 3 Lady General 8.8 (F. Corlett), 5 Rawakore 8.2 (M. McCarten), 7 Play-off 7.7 (C. Reed), 6 Royal Chef 7.5 (Nodder), 9 George 6.12 (Barry), 8 Wonder 6.11 (McCormick), 10 Ahika 6.10 (G. Carmont).

Won by a length, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min 15 1-5sec.

OHAU WELTER HACK HANDICAP of 120sovs. One mile.

4—C. Boyle's br g Pretty Bobby, 5yrs, by Maniapoto—Pretty Helen, 10.4 (W. Bell) 1
6—Davis and Tull's b m Justification, 4yrs, 8.0 (A. Reed) 2
8—G. H. Cleaver's blk g White Ranger, 5yrs, 8.5 (L. Morris) 3

Also started: 2 Sacramento 10.3 (R. Hatch), 7 Maraetotara 9.9 (Stowe), 1 Glentour 9.5 (Bagby), 3 Transmissio 9.2 (Nodder), 5 Vasovia 8.12 (Corlett), 11 Toddy 8.0 (C. Price), 10 Warmth 8.0 (R. Reed), 12 Dixie Boy 8.0 (Proctor), 9 Master Boris 8.0 (Corkhill).

Won by a head. Time, 1min 45sec.

FINAL HACK SCURRY of 110sovs. Weight 8.7. Five furlongs.

1—W. M. Fenwick's blk f Dainty Step, 3yrs, by Lucullus—Adoption, 8.7 (M. McCarten) 1
5—C. Burt's b g Californian, 4yrs, 8.7 (R. Reed) 3
3—F. S. Easton's b g Moutoa Boy, 4yrs, 8.7 (A. Reed) 3

Also started: 6 Sea Foam (McEwan), 2 Houtawa (L. Morris), 4 Blighty (C. Price), 7 Master Curran.

Won by a head after a very keen finish. Time, 1min 4sec.

HOROWHENUA RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

ZOLA WINS THE CUP.

(From Our Travelling Correspondent.)

LEVIN, Friday.

After not holding a race meeting since September, 1915, the Horowhenua Racing Club have again inaugurated their customary fixtures, and there was a large attendance at the initial gathering which took place on the club's racecourse at Weraroa today. The racecourse track was in excellent order and proved that the property had been well looked after, although no racing had taken place on it for about four years.

The day's sport was extremely interesting, several fine finishes being provided. Cold Sout, who has been very unlucky, had the hurdle race in safe keeping until the last obstacle, which brought him to grief. The jockey, F. Meagher, sustained severe concussion as the result of his fall, and it was necessary to invoke the aid of the ambulance to remove him from the scene of the accident.

The race for the Cup was productive of a fine contest, the issue being in doubt a few yards from the post, when Zola forged ahead and won by half a length from Detroit, on whom W. Ayre rode a splendid race. Master Moutoa was again unfortunate, and ran third.

A feature of the afternoon's racing was the success of horses trained by F. J. Carmont on the local course. No less than four of his team, viz., American Beauty, Utuwai, Gold Problem, and Ahika, won races, the successes of the horses named being popularly received.

The meeting was capably managed by the secretary, Mr. Walter Bull, who had all the details thoroughly up to date. The starting of Mr. Angus Keith was first-class, while the judge, Mr. J. Cameron, fulfilled his responsible duties to the satisfaction of all. Mr. A. Gordon, stipendiary steward, was in attendance, but there was nothing of any consequence to call for serious attention on his part.

The totalisator handled £15,986 during the afternoon.

The results were:—

MANAKAU HACK HURDLES of 80 sovs. One mile and a-half.

3—M. Williams' b g Manu, aged, by Achilles—Punawai, 9.9 (Ayre) 1
8—A. E. Bremner's ch g Dasher Boy, 10.3 (Farrow) 2
6—Captain E. Whiteman's ch m Metallum, 4yrs, 9.7 (Bevan) 3

Also started: 1 Joeman 11.2 (Proctor), 2 Gold Soul 10.5 (Meagher), 5 Altercation 9.13 (Lorrigan), 7 Sir Wallace 9.11 (Bowden), 4 Signorella 9.7 (Copestake), 9 Kingston Boy 9.0 (G. Caddy).

Signorella came to grief at the first obstacle and Gold Soul when winning fell at the last hurdle. Won by two lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 2min 53 2-5sec.

MOUTERA WELTER HACK HANDICAP of 65sovs. Seven furlongs.

2—W. McKegg's b g Utuwai, 5yrs, by San Fran—Waingoboko, 8.1 (A. Reed) 1
5—W. Smart's b m Consultation, aged, 9.5 (R. Reed) 2
1—J. Keys' ch m Maraetotara, 6yrs, 9.9 (Hatch) 3

Also started: 4 Cello 9.9 (Proctor), 3 Transmissio 8.9 (Nodder), 7 May Morn 8.3 (McCormick), 7 Probity 7.12 (McEwan), 6 Toddy 7.7 (Bagby), 9 Dixie Boy 7.7 (Corkhill).

Won by half a length, the same distance separating second and third. Time, 1min 30 1-5sec.

MAIDEN SCURRY of 55sovs. Weight 8.7. Five furlongs.

1—Dwan Bros' ch f American Beauty, 2yrs, by Demosthenes—Rose Shield (Bagby) 1
5—J. Brice's b g Hautawa, 4yrs (C. Price) 2
4—Nash and McDonald's b g Multiplex, 6yrs (Bell) 3

Also started: 2 Moutoa Boy (A. Reed), 7 Gold Coast (Thorner), 6 Marchree (McEwan), 5 Monument (O. McCarten).

Won easily by a length and a-half, a length between second and third. Time, 1min 3 2-5sec.

HOROWHENUA CUP (Open) of 200 sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

1—W. Rayner's b g Zola, 6yrs, by Sweet Simon—Zaida, 8.2 (Rayner) 1
5—G. Wreeling's br g Detroit, aged, 8.11 (Ayre) 2
3—F. S. Easton's b g Master Moutoa, aged, 8.12 (A. Reed) 3

Also started: 7 Henry Clay 9.0 (C. Price), 1 Pacific Slope 8.13 (R. Reed), 6 Lady General 8.3, inc. 5lb pen. (Corlett), 9 George 7.10 (C. Reed), 2 Pretty Bobby 7.10 (Bagby), 8 Trombone 7.2 (McCormick), 9 Ladify 6.9 (G. Carmont).

Won by half a length, the same distance separating second and third. Time, 2min 8 1-5sec.

LEVIN HACK HANDICAP of 65sovs. Six furlongs.

1—W. M. Fenwick's blk f Dainty Step, 3yrs, by Lucullus—Adoption, 7.9, inc. 6lb pen. (M. McCarten) 1
2—J. Cocks' br g Prince Formby, 5yrs, car. 7.12 (McCormick) 2
4—W. Gray's br g Tonukohi, 5yrs, 7.7 (Bagby) 3

Also started: 6 Lady Witch (late Zabism) 9.0 (Bell), 8 Lady Kilworth 8.8 (Nodder), 3 Beloved 8.1 (A. Reed), 9 Probity 7.3, 5lb allow. (G. Carmont), 5 Hautawa 7.9, inc. 14lb over (Rayner), 7 Multiplex 7.4, inc. 9lb over (Corkhill).

Won by two lengths, a length separating second and third. Time, 1min 15 1-5sec.

MCDONALD MEMORIAL HANDICAP (Open) of 115sovs. Five furlongs.

3—H. H. Simmon's ch g Gold Problem, aged, by Gold Crest—Probability, 7.11 (Bagby) 1
1—Simmon Bros' br g Royal Chef, 8.13 (Nodder) 2
2—G. Penfold's b m Wonder, 4yrs, 8.1 (A. Reed) 3

Also started: 4 Birkenetta 7.7 (C. Reed).

Won easily by a length, the same distance separating second and third. Time, 1min 2 3-5sec.

WERAROA WELTER (Open) of 85 sovs. Seven furlongs.

1—E. J. Nash's br g Ahika, 5yrs, by Campfire—Louie, 7.11 (Bagby) 1
5—G. Penfold's b g Want, aged, 8.3 (A. Reed) 2
10—Nelson and Powell's b g Hau-makaka, 8.1 (R. Reed) 3

Also started: 9 Gang Awe 9.0 (McCarty), 4 Goldstream 8.9 (Bell), 2 Lady Black 8.9, inc. 6lb pen. (C. Price), 7 Maraetotara 7.12 (Corlett), 8 Cello 7.12 (McCormick), 3 Clavis 7.11 (Nodder), 6 Merrie Poto 7.8 (C. Reed).

Won by a length, the same distance between second and third. Time, 1min 31 2-5sec.

T. PRITCHARD'S TRAINING STABLES, MASTERTON.

AN UP-TO-DATE ESTABLISHMENT.

(From Our Wairarapa Correspondent.)

FRIDAY, June 6.

Situated within half a mile of the Opaki racecourse and with an area of over 30 acres of rich land, the dwelling and racing stables of the above trainer are as convenient and comfortable as could be desired. There are 10 roomy boxes, besides a feed and gear room, and adjoining are nine small enclosures, which are used as running out paddocks. There is ideal shelter for the horses in the hot weather, while in the winter months the surroundings are high and dry. The writer paid a visit to the stables during the week, and was struck with the care and attention bestowed upon the inmates, and the clean and healthy surroundings. Although it is some time since fortune smiled upon the establishment, it is hoped that with the material now at the disposal of the Opaki mentor he will soon get back to his successes of a couple of seasons ago. There are at present nine horses in the stable, the majority of whom have not yet faced the starter, but it is expected that next season will see some very useful animals racing in the colours of their different owners. Until recently Pritchard trained almost exclusively for Mr. A. Cameron, but now that sportsman has given up racing, outside horses now fill the boxes. H. Pritchard is at present attached to the stable, and the experience of the brothers will ensure the careful handling of horses placed under their care. The accommodation for the attendants is up-to-date in every way. Following

"When lights burn low" where sweet babe sleeps,
While grateful mother vigil keeps,
Watching it breathing calm and free,
Her net that yet the moon shall see—
O, what relief and joy is known
Where croup is foiled and overthrown;
What gratitude and blessing pure,
Evoked by Woods' Great Peppermint
Cure.

is a list of the horses at present under Pritchard's charge:

Merrie Poto (Maniapoto—Merrie Chimes).—This gelding is now eight years old, and is looking extremely well at present, evidently improving with racing. Built on sturdy lines, it is probable that when his owner returns from the front he will be tried over the small sticks. Merrie Poto has been unfortunate lately, as in the few races he has started in he has not had the best of luck in running, and has finished well up in each race. A good weight carrier, the higher scale of weights now adjusted will suit him.

Wakatere (Finland—Hautu).—Mr. Brightwell, owner of Master Boris, which, it will be remembered, paid a sensational dividend at the Wellington Racing Club's meeting 12 months ago, is the new owner of Wakatere. The son of Finland showed some form at the recent Wairarapa meeting, when not ready. It was the intention of his present owner to jump Wakatere this winter, but it has now been decided to give him a spell for the remainder of the season. He will be taken up again early in the spring, and later on will be given a chance to distinguish himself over hurdles. Mr. Brightwell is very fond of jumpers, and it is expected that next season he will have a couple of useful horses to carry his colours.

Galore (All Black—Orlay).—At present Galore is running out on the property adjacent to the stables, but is being fed, and early in the spring she will be seen out again with the colours up. She now races in the colours of H. Pritchard. A consistent place-getter is this mare, and now that she has proved a mile is not beyond her it is quite on the cards that a good handicap will come her way next season. Galore is a well built, sturdy animal, and a quick beginner in her races.

Elcullus (Lucullus—Elfreda).—Mr. H. Jensen, who is a new owner in this district, will have his colours carried by this rising four-year-old horse. Elcullus has not been given an opportunity yet of showing his prowess on the turf, and is not to be hurried. Built on a clean pair of legs, it will be surprising if he cannot gallop. It will be well on into the spring before he will be asked to race, and Mr. Jensen, who resides in Corstoun, has hopes that his entry into the racing game will be of a profitable nature.

Wolthea (Wolawa—Dorothea).—This filly brother to Damien showed a lot of pace in his two-year-old preparation, but was unfortunately unable to contest his classic engagements owing to receiving an injury to his leg. He is moulded on solid lines, and is now quite sound. As this gelding is only rising three years old it is hoped that he will be seen out in public next season. Mr. A. Cameron, in whose name he was entered for his classic engagements, had great hopes of winning a good weight-for-age event with him, and it was bad luck losing his services just when it appeared a classic race was not beyond him.

Running out in the paddock is a half brother to Merrie Poto by Waimangu, the Auckland-bred sire, who claims among his victories the Auckland Cup of 1910, and was brought to the Masterton district some time ago. He has been broken in and ridden, and is the property of Mr. Nicol, owner of Merrie Poto. Well grown and compact, he shows plenty of quality and in appearance holds out more promise than his elder relative. Mr. J. R. Nicol, now resident in the Auckland district, owned Merrie Chimes, dam of this youngster and Merrie Poto.

A bay filly by King Mark—Temeraire, purchased at the sale of the late Mr. Rupert Morrison's stud by Mr. George Foreman, takes the eye as a youngster likely to turn out useful. At present the filly is only rising two years old, and has not been taken in hand yet. The young lady shows a lot of quality, and will be put into work in the spring. She will be given plenty of time, and it will probably be next autumn before Mr. Foreman will ask her to race.

A half sister to Wolthea, by Fera-morz, is a chestnut filly which has been broken in and ridden. This youngster is rising two years, and is engaged in several classic events next season. Rather on the small side, she is, however, well built up, and possesses a clean pair of legs and a good head. When put to the test it will be surprising if this filly does not show promise.

The last to be inspected was a rising three-year-old by Field Battery,

having the Gold Reef strain, being a half sister to Awahou's dam. At present this filly is being worked, but has had no opportunity of testing her speed, but it is thought by her trainer that she will give a good account of herself when asked to step out in earnest.

The following have been elected officers of the Ashburton County Racing Club for the ensuing year:—Committee, Messrs. H. D. Acland, R. S. Forsyth, E. B. Newton, E. H. Nicoll, and H. F. Nicoll; stewards, Messrs. T. Blackley, W. B. Denshire, G. H. Buchanan, R. S. Forsyth, J. Grigg, F. F. J. Grigg, C. G. C. Harper, J. R. Hart, D. M. Montgomery, E. P. Newton, H. F. Nicoll, E. F. Nicoll, E. Roberts, and T. E. Repton.

LADIES' GOLF.

Auckland.

The Auckland Ladies' Golf Club's monthly medal match resulted as follows:—Senior Grade: Miss M. Macfarlane, gross score 98, handicap 19, net score 79; Miss E. Culling, 111—19—82; Miss N. Payton, 90—6—84. Junior Grade: Miss F. Abbott, gross score 115, handicap 27, net score 88; Miss G. Buddle, 113—23—90. No cards in "C" grade were returned.

Maungakiekie.

The Coronation Medal match was played recently under adverse weather conditions. The best scores were: Mrs. Owen, 100—20—80; Mrs. Saxton, 101—19—82.

Waitemata.

The scores in the last monthly medal match were:—Mrs. Bayley, gross score 89, handicap 24, net score 65; Miss Newell, 86—21—65; Miss Goudie, 84—18—66; Miss Duder, 97—23—71; Miss Alison, 85—13—72; Mrs. Creagmile, 109—36—73; Mrs. Roche, 108—32—78.

Palmerston North.

The following is the result of the Coronation medal competition: Miss G. Moore, 100—20—80; Mrs. A. Seifert, 98—13—85; Mrs. L. Seifert, 103—18—85. The winner of Mr. Cunningham's trophy was Miss Hazel Bett, Mrs. Cave second, and Miss Olive Bett third.

Dunedin.

At the annual meeting of the Otago Ladies' Motor Club the captain (Mrs. P. R. Sargood) congratulated members on their efforts on behalf of the New Zealand Lady Golfers' Red Cross Fund. The sum of £44 15s. was contributed by the club to this fund (the highest amount for any South Island club). The ladies voted £50 to the men's club as their share for the recent painting done at the clubhouse. The report was adopted, and the following office-bearers elected for the forthcoming year:—Captain, Mrs. J. A. Cook; deputy-captain, Miss Theomin; hon. secretary and treasurer, Miss G. Sargood; committee, Mesdames Batchelor, Aiken, and Miss Graham. The retiring captain (Mrs. Sargood) thanked Miss Fynmore (the retiring secretary and treasurer) for the work she had done during her four years' term of office.

Teaching the Caddie.

The latest golf anecdote comes from Berhampore (says the "New Zealand Times"). Two players went out the other day with caddies, one of whom was a diminutive novice. It was as much as he could do to keep his bag of clubs from trailing on the ground. When his player drove his ball off the tee he was utterly at a loss where to look for it. His elder caddie associate ultimately pointed it out to him, and the little one rushed to secure it. He evidently thought that he had to play the part of a retriever, for rushing to it he grabbed it up exultantly and started on a return journey to his player in double quick time. For a period there was consternation on the links. "Leave it!" was shouted to him on all sides, and he dropped the ball in his flight as if it were a hot potato or a bomb about to explode, and ran for his life. His bewilderment was extreme, and it was only when the elder caddie explained matters to him that he meditated something to the effect—"We live and learn."

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TURF GOSSIP.

W. Orange has Norah Creina engaged in the Ashburton Trotting Cup. Harold Devon also figures among the entries for the two-mile event.

At the conclusion of the racing at Oamaru, Mr. J. Biggins, owner of Kilbrogan, purchased Kilkee, who won a double at the North Otago fixture, and the gelding raced in his interests at the Dunedin meeting.

Comment, who claimed an engagement in the Taipua Handicap on the opening day of the Otaki meeting, was not a starter at the fixture in consequence of having broken a blood vessel whilst competing at Carterton, the previous week.

J. Olsen, who underwent a severe operation at Invercargill immediately after the Gore autumn meeting, is sufficiently recovered to have returned to his home at Riccarton. He intends to spend a few months recuperating in the warmer climate of the North Island before doing any more riding.

"The rule of racing regarding bracketing horses needs amendment, and this, I hope, will be brought about at the next conference," said Mr. A. Boyle, president of the Canterbury Jockey Club, in his annual report. "Instead of putting difficulties in the way of breeders leasing horses, every encouragement should be given, so as to induce new owners to take up the sport, and the leasing, principally of fillies, is the most convenient for many owners and breeders who like to retain special lines of blood."

Paddington Green must be considered an unlucky horse at the Great Northern meeting at Ellerslie. After getting away badly in the King George Handicap on the second day he finished within a head of the placed trio. On form he appeared to have excellent prospects in the York Welter on the concluding day, but the barrier again saw him in trouble, for he became entangled in the tapes when they lifted, his rider (Sinclair) being dislodged from the saddle.

In the course of his address to the members of the Canterbury Jockey Club at the annual meeting, the president (Mr. Alex. Boyle) stated that Christchurch suffers very grave disabilities from want of accommodation for visitors. It is quite impossible to obtain accommodation for the spring and national meetings, and hundreds are prevented from visiting our races for this reason. In 1906 the population of Christchurch was estimated at 76,700. It is now over 90,000, and it is therefore safe to say that the best class of accommodation for visitors is less now than it was in 1906. This not only affects the Canterbury Jockey Club, but it is bad for the trade of the city. Taking a line through the Hotel and Restaurant Workers' Union, Auckland, with about 24 per cent. more population, can accommodate six times more visitors.

The day after the declaration of first forfeit for the Doncaster Handicap and Sydney Cup the double Hem and Ian 'Or figured at 2500 to 1 in a list issued by a firm of Sydney bookmakers, says the "Referee." At that time Hem and Ian 'Or were quoted at 50 to 1 each for their respective races. In another list issued just after the declaration of the weights Hem and Ian 'Or were at 100 to 1 straight-out and 5000 to 1 the double. Nearly to the last 700 to 1 was available about the Hem and Ian 'Or double, and it is safe to say very few of the double event merchants laid that particular combination to any extent.

The well-known R. S. Sievier was beaten when he tried for Parliamentary honours in England a few months back, but as if to compensate for that failure, he has since experienced specially good racing luck. His horse Royal Bucks won the Lincolnshire Handicap recently, and followed that up with the City and Suburban Handicap. Royal Bucks is by Buckwheat, whose stock have given him good advertisements in various countries since he came to New South Wales. Messrs. Thompson Bros. displayed excellent judgment in buying Buckwheat, the appearance of whose yearlings in the sale ring at Randwick will be awaited with considerable interest.

A correspondent writes to "Pilot," in the "Referee," as follows relative to nomenclature: "Australian owners when bestowing Maori names on their equines do not appear to trouble about the correct spelling thereof. Take, for instance, the Victorian jumper Tenarqui. Is this a wild attempt to spell Tenako (greetings)? On this side I call to mind one or two others. Whyariki should be Wairiki, and Kapai (very good) instead of Kaipai (pretty good) is probably intended. By the way, how would Korero (speechifying) suit the Martian—Flowery Speech colt? Kaipai means good food. The Flowery Speech colt is by Kilbroney and the name would suit, but as Korero might be disallowed Blarney Stone would be suggestive.

The South Island owner, Mr. H. A. Knight, who met with considerable success with his horses at the Egmont Steeplechase meeting, and followed this up by heading the list of successful owners at the Wanganui Jockey Club's winter meeting, where Euripos accounted for the two principal hurdle races, experienced no luck at the Great Northern meeting at Ellerslie. Bore was a starter in the Maiden Steeplechase, Great Northern Steeplechase and Winter Steeplechase, but evidently the country did not suit him, for the best he could do was to run third in the first-named event. The company in the open steeplechases proved too strong, and with 'chasers of the calibre of Master Lupin and Waimai he was never dangerous, being pulled up in the Great Northern Steeplechase. Post Haste also carried Mr. Knight's colours in three events at the meeting, but failed to run into a place. The San Francisco gelding was out in front as the field negotiated the bend into the straight in the King George Handicap (seven furlongs), but found the distance too far, tiring badly over the last furlong. The services of B. Deeley were secured for Post Haste in the Visitors' Handicap (five furlongs) on the concluding day, but he spoilt whatever chance he possessed by being badly left when the tapes lifted, though he ran a creditable race. Mr. Knight's other candidate, Euripos, only contested one event, the Great Northern Hurdle Race, at the meeting.

The win recorded by Greenstead in the All Aged Stakes at the Australian J.C.'s recent meeting gave Myles Connell, the well-known horseman, his 999th winning ride. During a period of his successful career Connell was a leading jockey at the Sydney pony course, and whilst thus engaged put up the brilliant achievement of winning 105 races in twelve months.

A couple of leading Irish bookmakers in Messrs. P. L. Smyth and R. J. Duggan, have not been going out of their way to make themselves popular with their fellow layers in Ireland. Mr. Smyth advocates a tax of £100 per annum on each bookmaker and £50 on each clerk; while Mr. Duggan is of opinion that the bookmakers should contribute the amount of stake money run for in Ireland. Last year the prize money distributed in that country was nearly £84,000, so that if that idea were carried out, the ring's contribution would certainly be substantial.

"The trainer's position has always, to my way of thinking, been a curious one, says an English writer. He has the care of a horse and the responsibility for its well being for months and all attendant anxiety, yet the big presents go to the jockey who wins a big race on a horse after being in the saddle from the time he leaves for the starting post until he returns to weighing. If a trainer bets and is lucky in his speculations he can make money, and many of the profession have done so, but I have always held the view that of all who earn their living by racing, the trainer is the worst paid having regard to his responsibilities." "Pilot," in the Sydney "Referee," referring to the above, adds: It is the same in Australia, and many a trainer has seen his work of months go for nothing, consequent on the rider not being nearly as fit as the horse. I can recall an occasion at Randwick some years ago when a horse that should have won an important race only finished third. It was handled wretchedly, which was not surprising when it subsequently transpired that the jockey had not gone to bed the same morning until an hour approaching that at which racing stable employees generally commence the day's duties.

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Poitrel, who won the three weight-for-age events at the Australian J.C.'s autumn meeting, is the property of Messrs. W. and F. A. Moses, breeders, of Arrowfield Stud, Hunter River, and he is trained by H. J. Robinson, at Randwick. He has been a profitable proposition, though he began his career most inauspiciously. He started badly by failing to win a race as a two-year-old, but last season, at three years, he captured the Summer and Tattersall's Cups at Randwick. In the spring he beat Desert Gold at weight for age, and probably he would have given the last Melbourne Cup a great battle, but he partially broke down in the Metropolitan, and did not run again until recently at Rosehill, when he was unplaced in a couple of middle-distance races, which proved too short for him.

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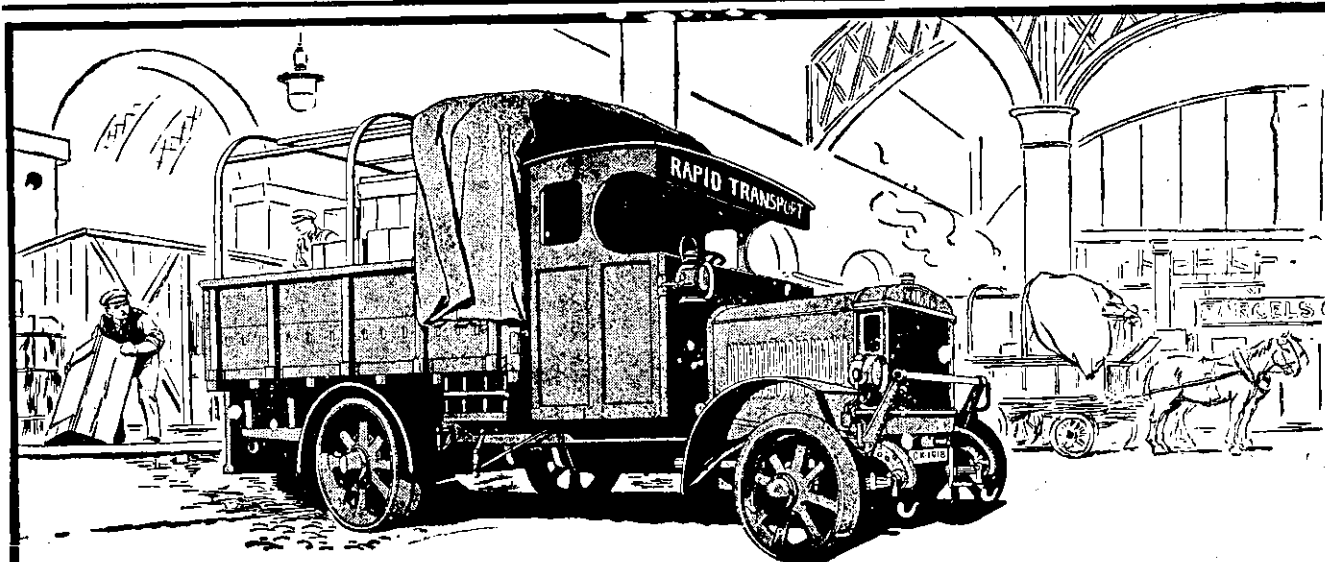
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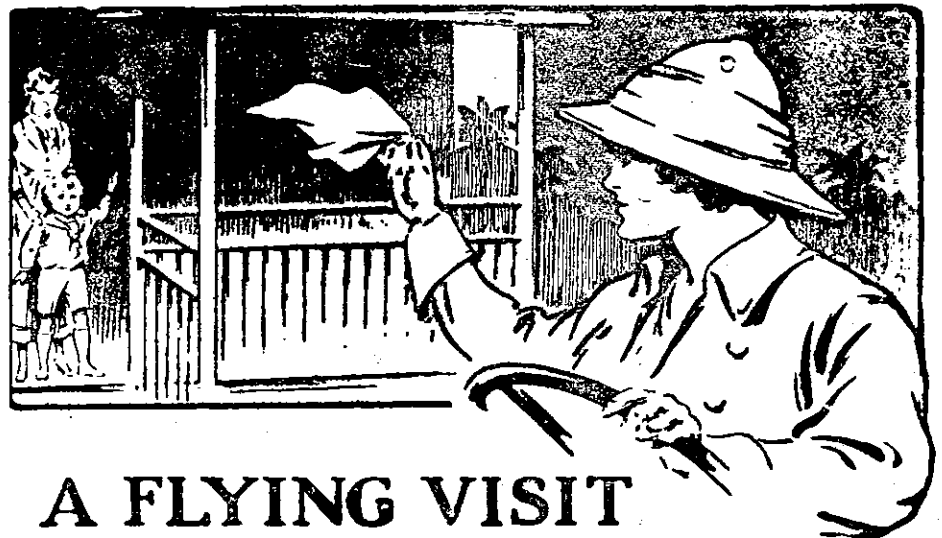


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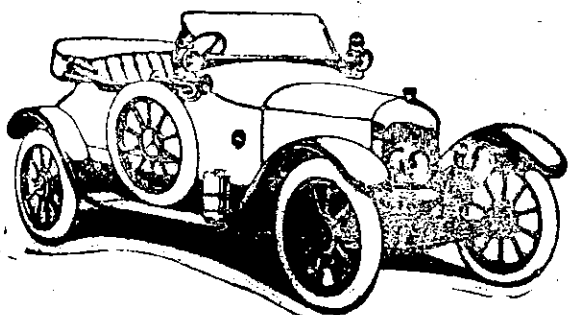
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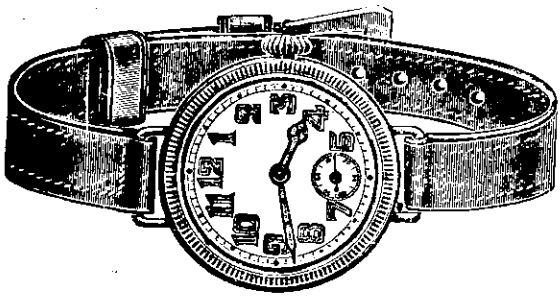


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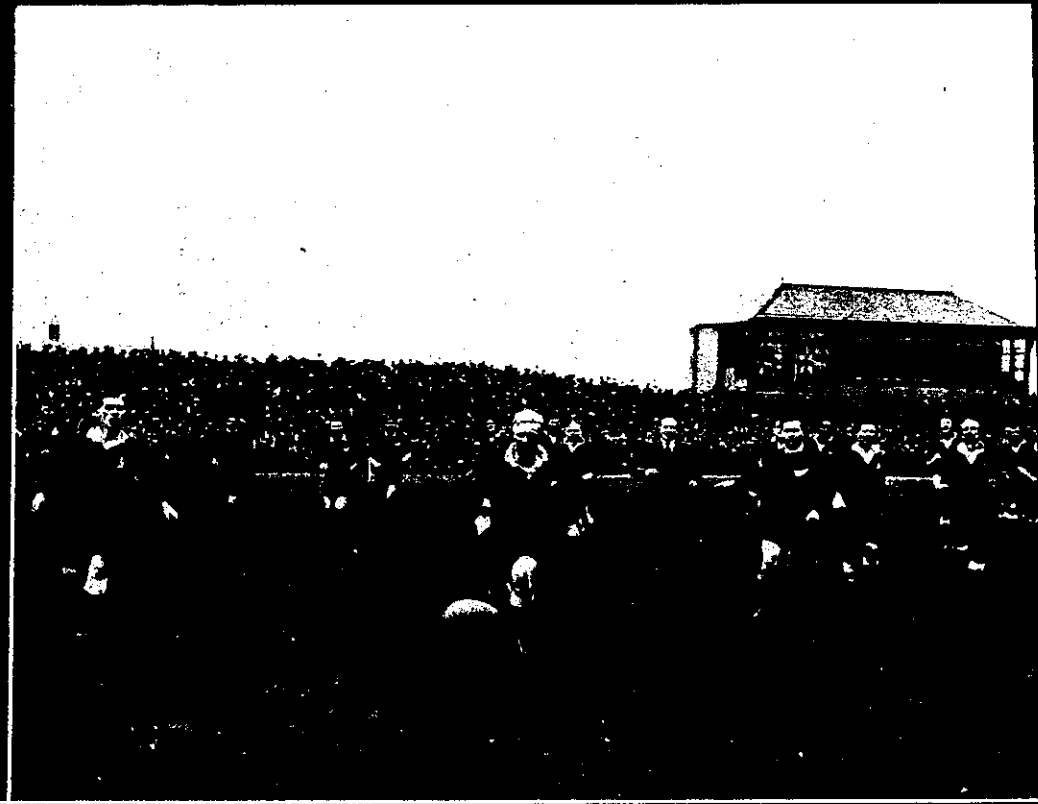
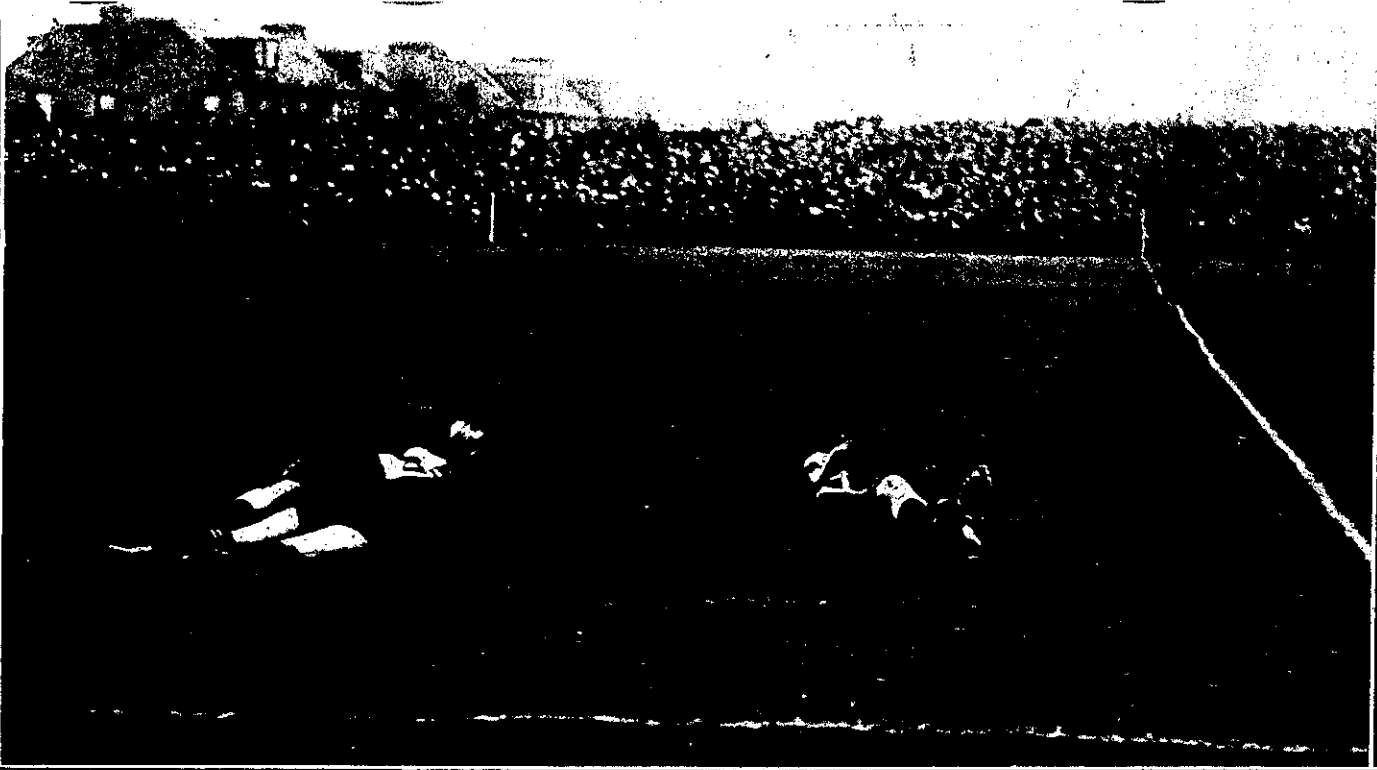
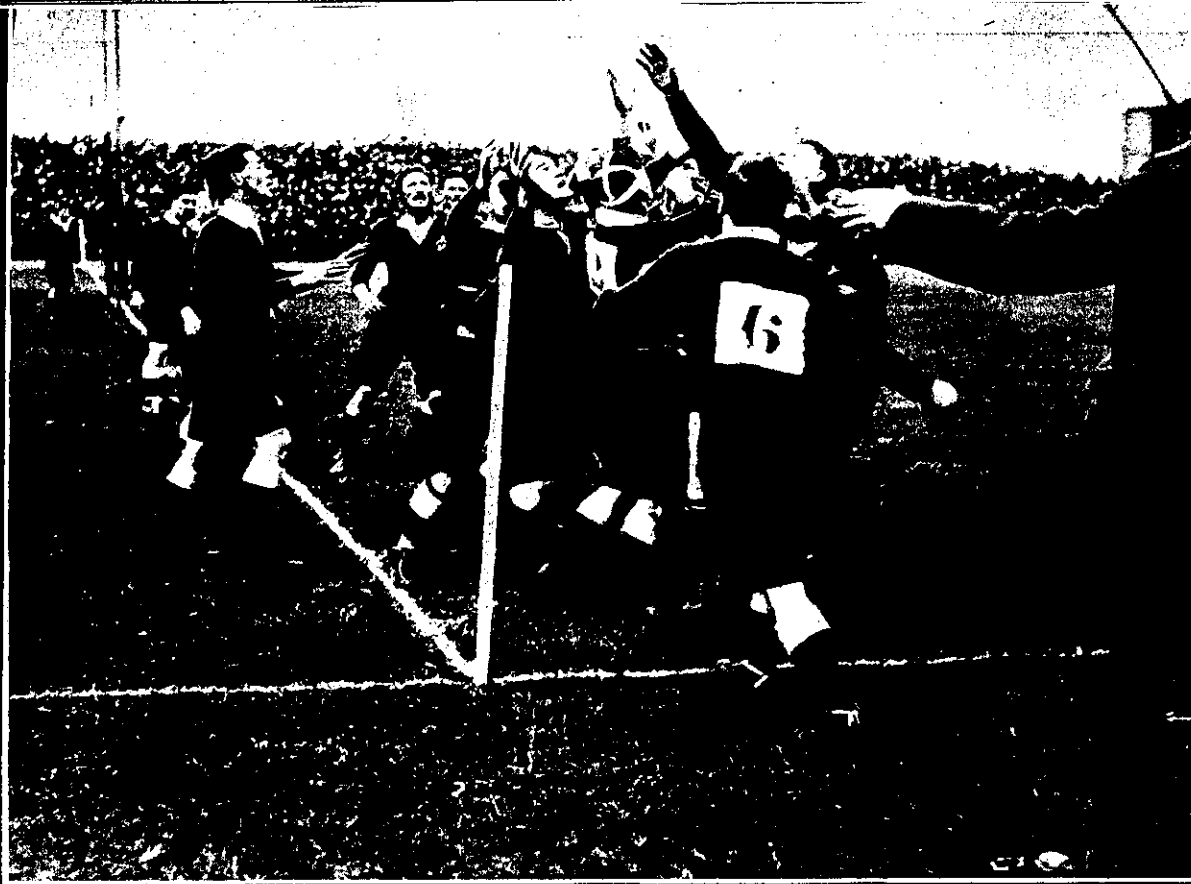
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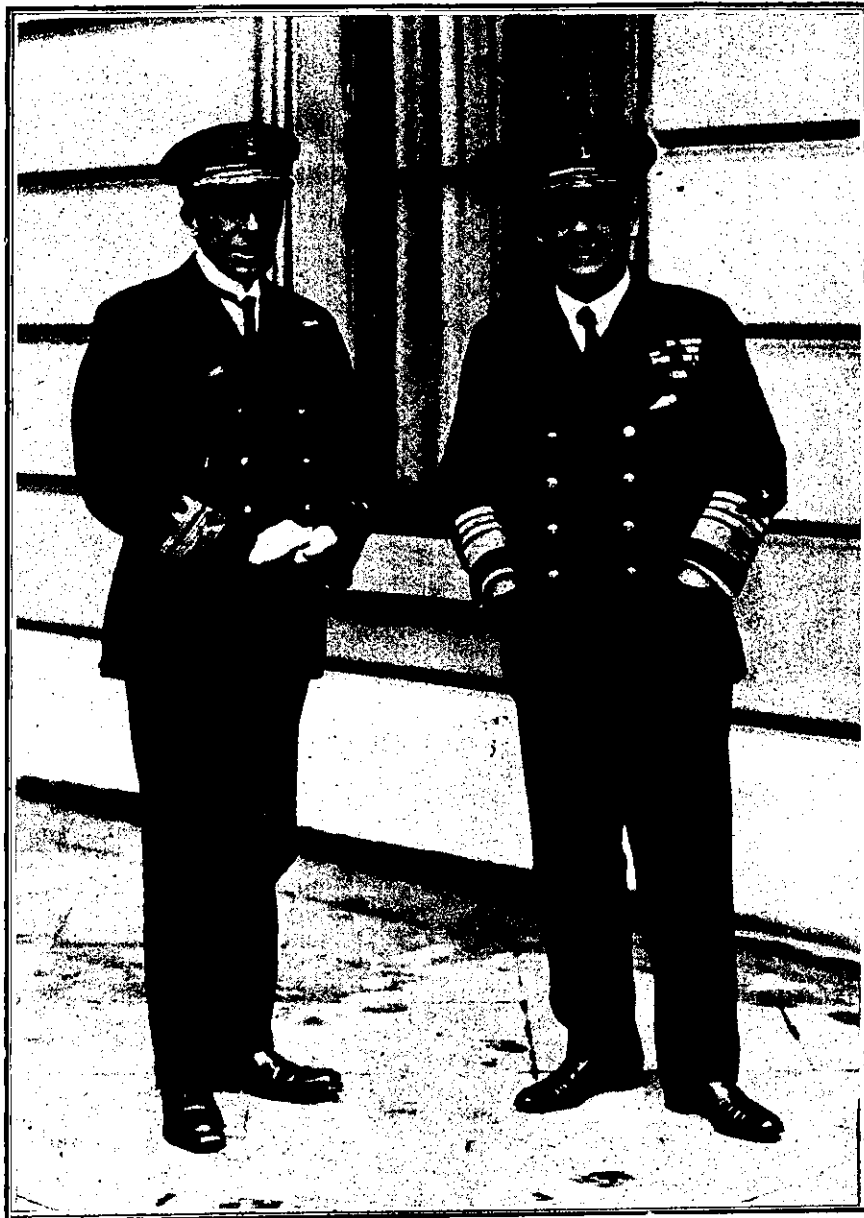


The Inter-Service Rugby Tournament held in England during March and April attracted half a dozen representative teams, New Zealand, Mother Country, Australia, South Africa, Royal Air Force, and the "All Blacks" winning the championship. The match at Inverleith, Scotland, between New Zealand and the Mother Country provided the greatest game of the season, the "All Blacks" winning three (two tries) to six (one try). A large number of New Zealanders were present at the match. The above snapshots show (1) A throw-in near the Mother Country's goal. (2) Port of the Mother Country that witnessed the match. (3) A solid tackle. (4) A Mother Country back in pursuit of the ball.

British Military and Naval Leaders whose Names will 'long' be Revered.



MR. DEVLIN, Mayor of Wexford, and CAPTAIN REDMOND, D.S.O., taking part in the procession held in connection with the first observance of the anniversary of the death of Mr. John Redmond at Wexford. "We are assembled here to do honour to one of the most illustrious Irishmen that ever lived," said Mr. Devlin in his speech.



PROMINENT FIGURES AT THE PEACE CONFERENCE.—ADMIRAL HOPE (ON LEFT) AND SIR ROSSLYN WEMYSS, THE FIRST SEA LORD, AT THE HOTEL MAJESTIC, PARIS, THE HOME OF THE PEACEMAKERS.



ADMIRAL SIR DAVID BEATTY RECEIVES THE FREEDOM OF LIVERPOOL. The granting of the freedom of Liverpool to Admiral Beatty was accompanied by a great popular manifestation of the affection and regard people have for the Navy. Sir David, who is seen inspecting the Guard of Honour, in acknowledging the freedom, said: "The Navy has learnt many lessons during the last four and a-half years. We have made many mistakes, and it is our business to-day to see that the lessons have been taken to heart, that we shall not again be found in such a state that we have to face the greatest crisis in history with improvised methods and working from hand to mouth."



ARRIVAL OF SIR DOUGLAS HAIG AT VICTORIA STATION, LONDON, FROM FRANCE. He was met by Major-General Feilding, commanding the London District, and representatives of the Army Council. Lady Haig travelled with her husband from Folkestone. A motor car was waiting to take the Field-Marshal to his home at Kingston. The crowd cheered heartily when Sir Douglas Haig came out in his car, and soldiers just arrived from France presented arms. Asked if he had any message for the people, Sir Douglas smiled and shook his head: "I have nothing to say," he remarked, "which could not be better said by the War Office."

Sport Again Comes into its Own in the Old Country after many Anxious Months of War



FLYING DUCK, WHO WON AT THE OPENING OF THE LINCOLN SPRING MEETING IN ENGLAND. Like many notable racehorses, FLYING DUCK has a four-footed friend in a goat, which is taken from meeting to meeting with her.



HUNTING IN ENGLAND—THE LAST MEET OF THE SEASON. THE WHIP PORT HOUSE, LEWES, WHERE THE SOUTHDOWN HUNT HELD

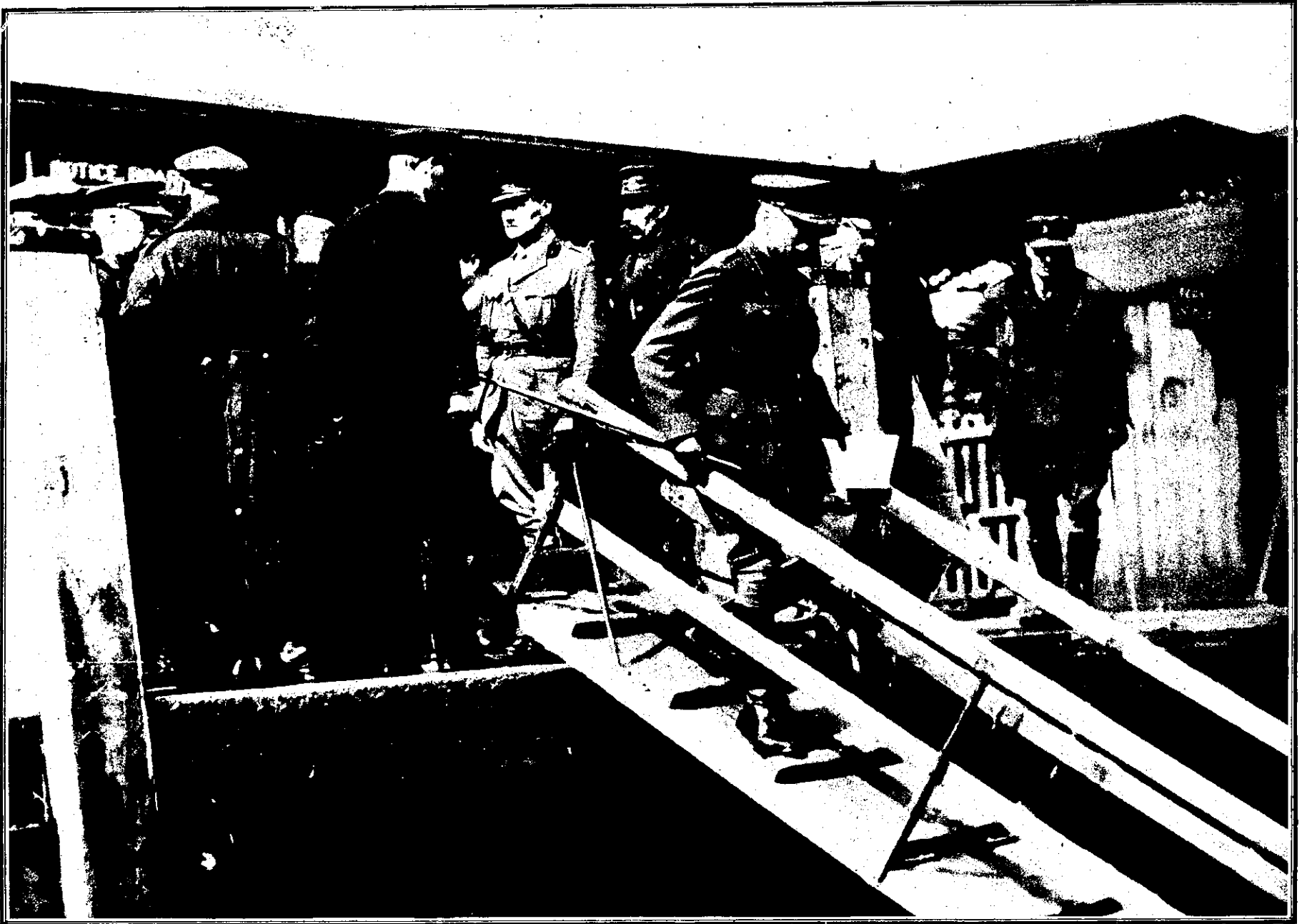


COMPETITORS CLEARING ONE OF THE OBSTACLES IN THE ARMY INTER-COMMAND CROSS-COUNTRY RACE RECENTLY HELD AT KENLEY, SURREY. There were 91 starters, the race being decided over a five-mile course in the presence of the Prince of Wales. The winner proved to be Corporal Blewitt, of the 3rd M.G.C., who defeated Sergeant Massey, of the 12th Res. Canadians, by eight yards.

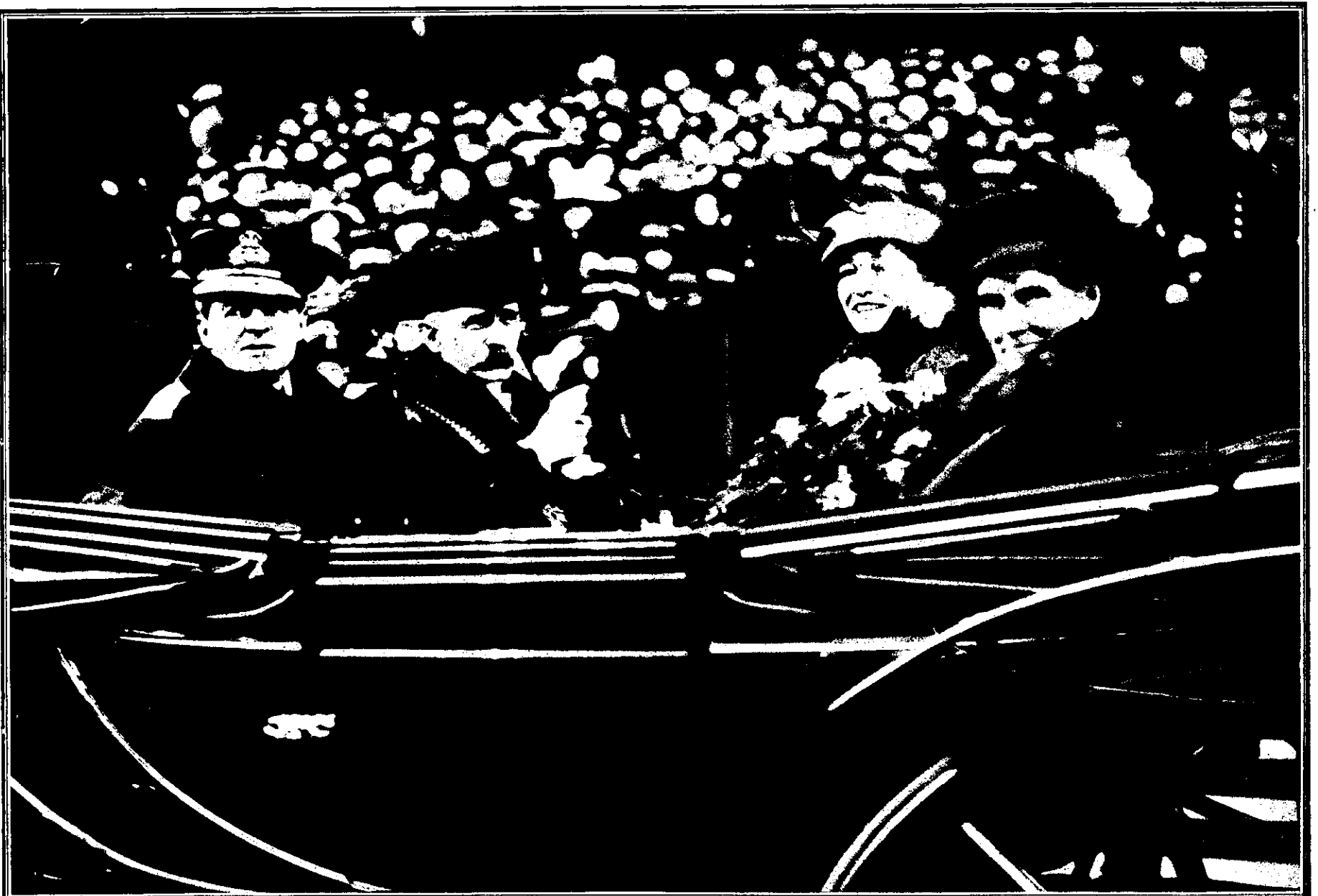


THE ENGLISH PROFESSIONAL BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.—MR. HORATI Challenge Cup to MELBOURNE INMAN, the winner, who has been billiard The final game between INMAN and STEVENSON (on left) created intense in sible for a great achievement in defeating his rival by 6532 points in

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SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S RETURN TO ENGLAND AFTER THE GLORIOUS FULFILMENT OF HIS GIGANTIC TASK. SIR DOUGLAS IS SHOWN GOING DOWN THE GANGWAY TO THE PACKET BOAT AT BOULOGNE, EN ROUTE TO FOLKESTONE.

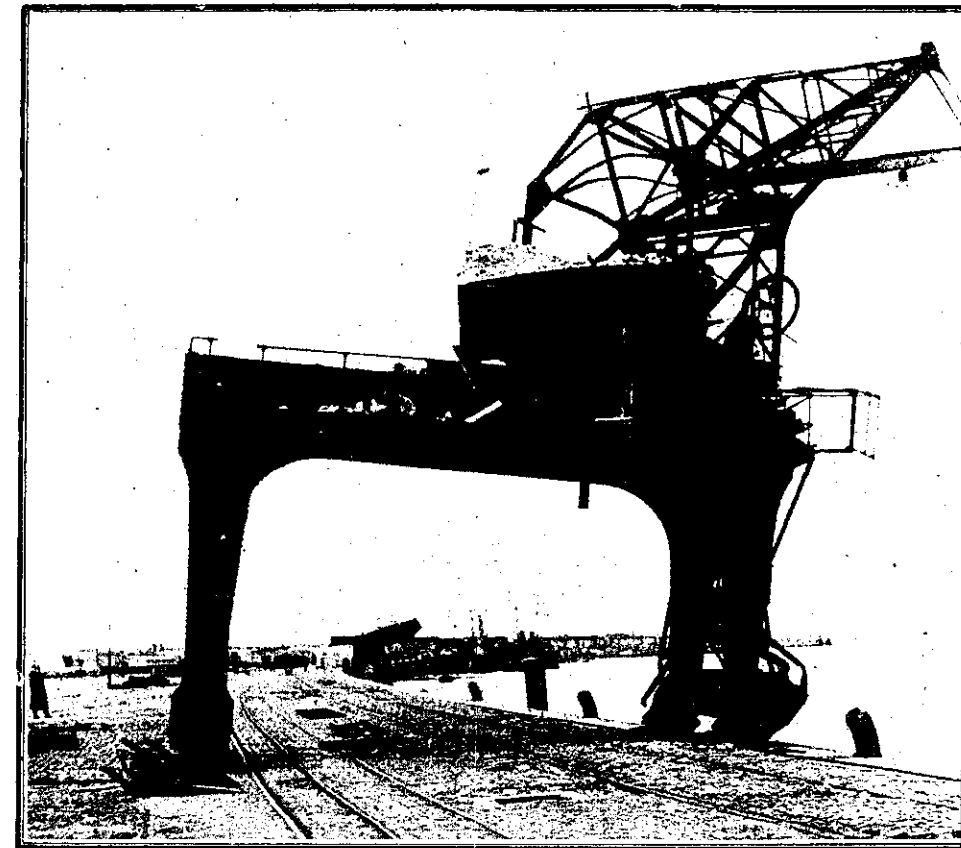


ADMIRAL SIR DAVID BEATTY RECEIVES THE FREEDOM OF LIVERPOOL.—ADMIRAL BEATTY WAS RECENTLY PRESENTED WITH THE FREEDOM OF THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL. THE ADMIRAL IS SHOWN LEAVING ST. GEORGE'S HALL, LIVERPOOL. READING FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: ADMIRAL BEATTY, THE LORD MAYOR OF LIVERPOOL, LADY BEATTY AND THE LADY MAYORESS.

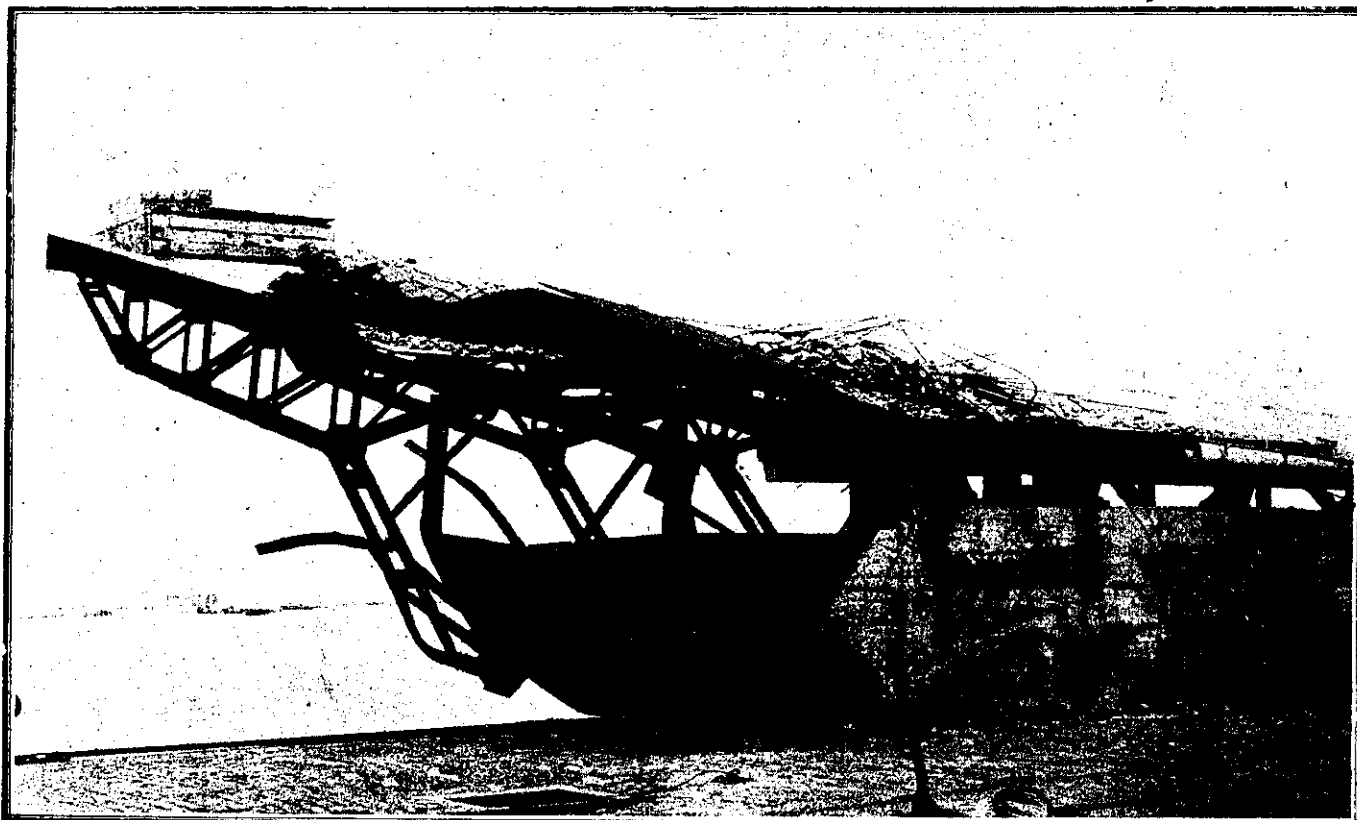
Sequel to the British Navy's Memorable Raid at Zeebrugge---Clearing up the Debris and Relics following the Occupation of



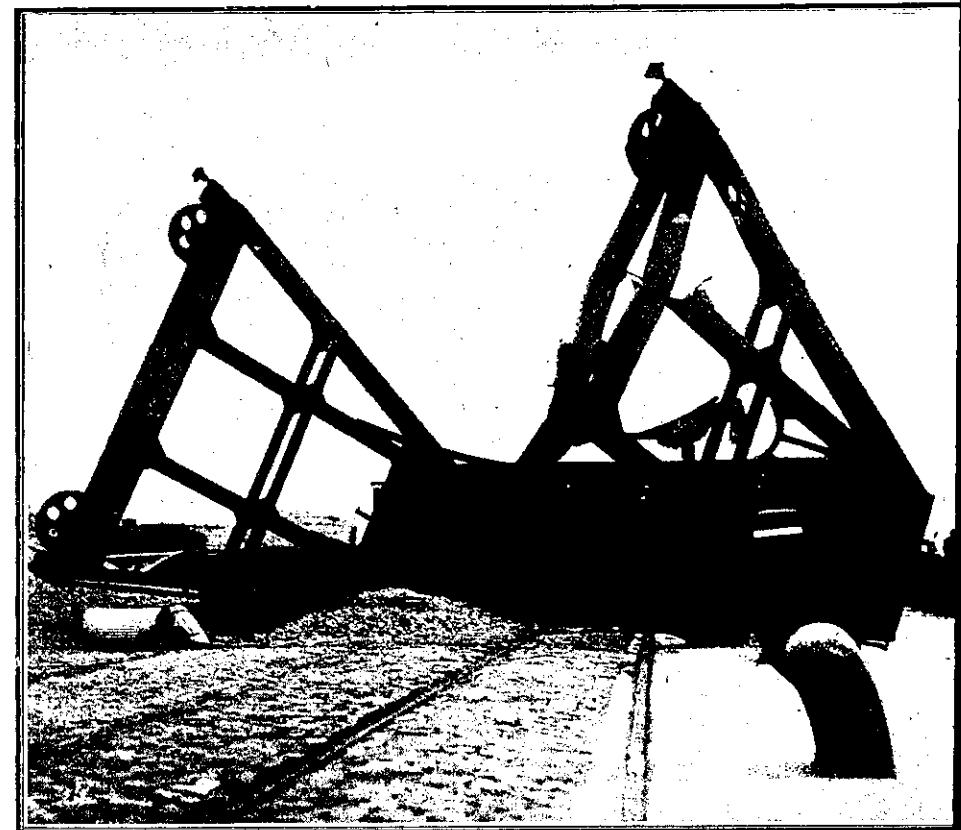
CAPTAIN FRYATT'S SHIP, THE BRUSSELS, WHICH WAS SUNK BY THE HUNS IN ZEEBRUGGE HARBOUR. The British have made splendid headway in clearing up the mess the Navy made at Zeebrugge, and even a cinema has now been erected, the name being inscribed in chalk on part of a Hun mine.



A CRANE BLOWN UP BY THE GERMANS BEFORE SURRENDERING ZEEBRUGGE. IT WAS USED AS A NEST FOR U-BOATS AND MOSQUITO CRAFT UNTIL THE BRITISH DESTROYED IT. THEIR DARING AND EFFECTIVE NAVAL RAID.



A "BOMB-PROOF" U-BOAT SHELTER AT ZEEBRUGGE, WHICH WAS HIT BY A BRITISH AIRMAN. Since the occupation of Zeebrugge by the British, clearing up operations have proceeded briskly, and already the once-formidable "hornet's nest" is again becoming ship-shape.



A VIEW OF PORTION OF THE GERMANS' FORMER SUBMARINE BASE AT ZEEBRUGGE. ONE OF THE CRANES WRECKED BY THE HUNS BEFORE YIELDING TO THE BRITISH.



THE SOCIAL WORLD



Announcements of engagements and contributions of interest relating to weddings and social gatherings should be sent to Lady Editor, "Sporting and Dramatic Review" Office, Auckland. In all cases the writer's signature and address must be attached (not for publication). Photographs of wedding groups will be reproduced by arrangement.

Lady Ward is expected to arrive in New Zealand about July 21.

Miss Violet Rendle, of Hastings, is leaving shortly for England.

Mrs. Hosking, wife of Mr. Justice Hosking, returned to New Zealand by the Niagara.

Mr. and Mrs. Macarthy Reid, Wellington, came up to Auckland last week and were staying at "Cargen."

Sister Norman-Hunt has returned to Ashburton after having been engaged in nursing in England and in France for three years.

Mrs. Henry Wood, Christchurch, gave an afternoon tea party as a farewell to Mrs. T. Borthwick, who is leaving for England.

Members of the Wellington branch of the Women's National Reserve Rifle Club farewelled Miss Cable, who is leaving for England, and presented her with a useful gift.

Private advice has been received in Christchurch of the death in England of the Hon. Ethie Plunket, youngest daughter of Lord and Lady Plunket, aged 12 years. The cause of death was meningitis.

Miss Ethel Ledger, of Nelson, was married recently to Mr. Leggett, of the Pacific Cable service, at Penang. Their future home will be at St. James, in French Cochinchina, where Mr. Leggett has been transferred.

Southern papers announce the engagement of Captain Ian Barton Cruickshank, of the Wellington Mounted Rifles, Main Body, who has recently returned by the Kaikoura from Egypt, to Miss Geraldine Fullerton-Smith, of Marton.

A farewell dance was given at the Whangarei Hospital to Miss Dora Giffney, matron of the hospital, and Mr. Charles McKinnon, secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. McKinnon, who are leaving the district to take up positions under the Bay of Islands Hospital Board. Presentations were made by the medical superintendent, Dr. Frazer Hurst, in a few eulogistic words.

Miss Carrie Lanceley was the guest of honour at an afternoon tea in Gisborne, arranged by the Women's National Reserve. Mr. Wildish (the Mayor) and Mrs. Wildish were present, and Mrs. Goffe, president, acted as hostess. Mr. Wildish referred to the services that Miss Lanceley had given for patriotic causes during the great war. Mr. Kennedy Black responded on behalf of the singer. Musical items were given by Mrs. W. T. Drake, the Rev. H. Packe, Miss King and Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy Black.

A wedding of interest to residents of Rangitikei was solemnised in the Anglican Church of Hunterville on May 15 by the Rev. Ford-Hutchinson, when Miss Dorothy Earle, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Earle, of "Whareroa," Hunterville, was married to Sergeant-Major Burnett, of Edinburgh, one of the Main Body of the Expeditionary Force. The best man, Mr. F. Fuiton, of Mangaweka, was also a returned soldier. The bride wore a frock of white crepe de chine and white georgette, with a veil and orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet. The bridesmaid, Miss May Burgess, had on a blue crepe de chine frock and hat to match.

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While in Christchurch Middle. Dolores was the guest of the Canterbury Women's Club at an "At home," specially arranged in her honour. There was a large attendance of club members and their friends. Middle. Dolores was received by the committee of the club, and was welcomed by Lady Denniston, who, in a little speech, made known to the gifted singer the pleasure felt by the Canterbury Women's Club in having her present.

According to a Paris fashion authority in the "Daily Mail," colours will be rich and sombre rather than bright and gay. We shall clothe ourselves in rich, dark, soft blue satins, tete de negre and deep-toned pastel shades, in an exquisitely fine silk stockinette. Gold and rose and sapphire blue are for evening gowns, delicate shades, with very

N.Z.M.C., of Trentham Camp and formerly of Bendigo, Victoria. The Ven. Archdeacon Johnson, M.A., officiated, and Mr. Robert Parker played the organ. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of ivory satin appliqued with gold brocade and draped with fringed georgette. The long train of georgette was also bordered with the same appliqued design, and was fastened to the shoulders with gold tissue and a knot of orange blossoms, while her tulle veil was arranged with a wreath of gold leaves. The bridesmaids were the Misses Joyce Duthie, Snodgrass (Auckland) and Madge Tweed, whose frocks were of soft daffodil charmeuse, the skirts being looped up at the sides with sea green ribbon and buttercups, and wide-brimmed hats of brown tulle wreathed with gold leaves. The best man was Mr. Roy Towle, of Auckland.

last found time to make admiring comment on the floral picture. The members' luncheon room was a regular bower of greenery, with hanging baskets of ferns and foliage plants overhead and the tables decorated with blue delphinium and pink begonia one day, and with gorgeously-hued chrysanthemums another. The Third Auckland Mounted Rifles Band was stationed on the lawn and played enjoyable selections under the direction of Lieutenant Seymour. Dame Fashion disported herself on the lawn and stands in many guises, but the predominant note was cosiness, and many beautiful seal coats and handsome furs were to be seen. A number of smartly-dressed people from the Niagara found the outing a pleasant diversion, and several well-known visitors from the south were also present, unanimous in their praise of the perfect surroundings.

A glance around showed the coat and skirt to be in the full tide of popularity, with simplicity and moderation prevailing, and the touch of peltry ubiquitous. Here and there was a frock of exquisite design. A much-admired visitor was Mrs. G. Chirside (Victoria), who was a through passenger by the Niagara, wearing a navy blue charmeuse frock draped in graceful lines, and a valuable rope of pearls, together with sable furs and a chic blue straw hat set on the brim with a cluster of ostrich plumes; Mrs. Murphy (Gisborne) wore a cream cloth costume, with violet hat and fox furs; Mrs. Rutherford wore a fur coat with a grey costume and black panne hat; Mrs. I. Alexander had on a black broad-cloth costume and black hat set with aigrettes; Mrs. Eliot Davis, a delicate fawn tricotrinn frock with sable furs and black hat encircled with ostrich fringe; Mrs. Ernest Davis, a black and white striped costume with white fox furs and black velours hat; Mrs. T. W. Stringer, a navy cloth costume with Oriental stitcheries and large black hat; Mrs. W. R. Holmes, navy and white striped suit, black panne hat; Miss Kathleen Holmes was in fawn corduroy velvet and small black hat, and Miss Una Holmes, in sapphire velvet, with plumed hat to match; Mrs. C. Nathan wore a navy cloth costume and black and white post-boy hat; Mrs. E. C. Firth, a blue gabardine coat and skirt and black velours hat; Mrs. W. Colbeck, grey cloth suit and jade green hat; Mrs. M. Louisson, a smart fawn costume with ermine stole and fawn hat wreathed with flat ostrich plumes; Mrs. F. J. Rayner, a smart fawn coloured frock, with lovely sable wrap and black and fawn hat; Mrs. J. Alexander, natter blue costume, black and gold hat; Miss Betty Sharman was in dark green; Mrs. E. W. Alison, a navy blue costume and black hat with ospreys; Mrs. Albert Bruce (Thames), tan coloured costume, fawn and blue velours hat; Mrs. M. McCallum, a sable coat with a dark frock and floral hat; Mrs. Ernest Bloomfield, a grey cloth costume with ermine stole and small hat; Mrs. George Bloomfield was smart in brown; Miss Gwen Gorrie wore fawn, with a fur coat and black velours hat. Amongst hosts of other well-known people were: Mrs. J. B. A'deane (Takapau), Mrs. H. de Lautour, Mrs. Sherratt (Gisborne), Mrs. Reid (Wellington), Mrs. J. Woodhouse (Dunedin), Mrs. Hiley (Wellington), Mrs. Acton Adams, Miss Fulton (Christchurch), Mrs. W. D. Lysnar (Gisborne), Mrs. George Roberts, Mrs. and Miss Mariner, Miss Alison, Miss Una Buddle, Mrs. Thomas, Miss Margery Thomas, Mrs. C. Lawford, Mrs. Gavegan, Mrs. P. Hanna, Miss Nancye Hanna, Miss Ailsa Brown, Mrs. A. C. Owen, Miss Eileen Buckleton, Mrs. Hally (Cambridge), Miss Preece, Miss Olive Lusk.

Princess Patricia's wedding presents numbered 650, and they were on view at St. James' Palace to invited guests two days before the wed-



THE QUEEN AND PRINCESS MARY inspecting an exhibition at the Savoy Hotel, London, of the work done in the Women's War Services Competition.

little embroidery, for rest or home dinner gowns, and soft woollens and rich satins for cloaks and wraps. Sleeves are short; they are not at first becoming, but the effect of the lines round the neck and arms grows and becomes attractive. Hats are wholly directoire, of satin and silk bound on soft straw and trimmed with quilled ribbon and uncurled willowy ostrich feathers. They are extremely becoming to women who dress their hair rather tightly, as is the manner now. The bobbed head has not been favoured by the Parisian woman.

A wedding of special interest to Wellington and Auckland residents took place in St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral, Wellington, on June 4, when Miss Vera Florence Duthie, daughter of Mr. D. W. Duthie, general manager of the National Bank of New Zealand, and Mrs. Duthie, was married to Major Norman Abbott, M.C.,

and the groomsmen Messrs. Kenneth Clayton and E. Tonks, of Auckland. All four, bridegroom, best man and groomsmen, are returned soldiers.

Ideal weather conditions, and the feeling that after the war they were entitled to abandon themselves to the gaiety of the moment, attracted the crowds out in record numbers to the three days' winter carnival of the Auckland Racing Club. Ellerslie was the happy rendezvous for the throngs of visitors in town, and the beautiful grounds, with their well-kept lawns, dotted at intervals with gay parterres of giant begonia, were a delight to look upon. The long avenues stretching from the main entrance were ablaze with scarlet salvia and vari-coloured chrysanthemums massed in radiant profusion, with here and there clumps of delicately-tinted hydrangeas, and even the most whole-souled racing enthus-

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ding (states a London correspondent). The great majority of the presents consisted of articles of household use, the articles of jewellery being few in number. This is accounted for by the fact that it was known Princess Patricia has a large collection of jewellery, much of which was bequeathed to her by her mother. The gifts from the thirty royal personages invited to the wedding were chiefly silverware and furniture. The published list of presents makes interesting reading, because of the light it throws on the givers. It suggests that some wealthy people do not regard wedding presents as a profitable form of investment, and also that some old families of the British peerage have not much to give. Umbrellas and cushions occur somewhat frequently in the list of presents.

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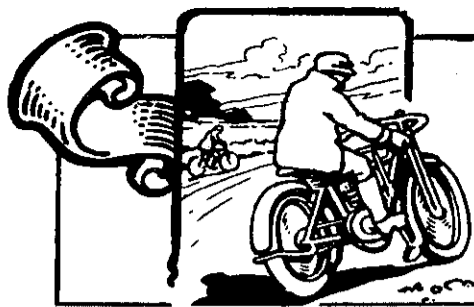
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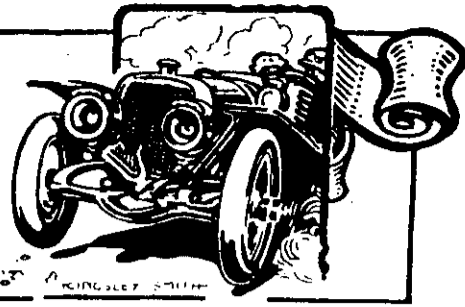
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The road to Wairoa is reported to be in a very heavy condition and motor travelling is difficult.

The Auckland Farmers' Union has decided to urge the Government to take over the control of the main arterial roads and to make inquiries concerning the Victorian system of road management.

A poll on the Piako County proposal to borrow £19,000 for a concrete road from Te Aroha to Te Aroha West, four miles and a-half, was carried by 102 votes to 41.

Twenty-five vehicles driven by electricity are now charged at the municipal supply depot in Christchurch. The revenue derived by the City Council from the sale of power for these vehicles is £1000 a year.

In a commendable endeavour to minimise accidents, the London General Omnibus Company awards a shield each year to the one of its garages whose drivers have had the least number of accidents in each 10,000 miles run.

There has been a marked increase recently in the Thames fishing fleet of motor launches, owing to returned soldiers taking to this calling in fair numbers. Some ten more have already been granted up to £300 each under the Repatriation Act to purchase boats and gear.

The Mayor (Dr. Thacker, M.P.) has informed the Canterbury Automobile Association that, in response to the association's invitation, he will officially open the conference of South Island automobile associations, to be held on June 26. The use of the City Council Chamber has been granted for the sitting of the conference.

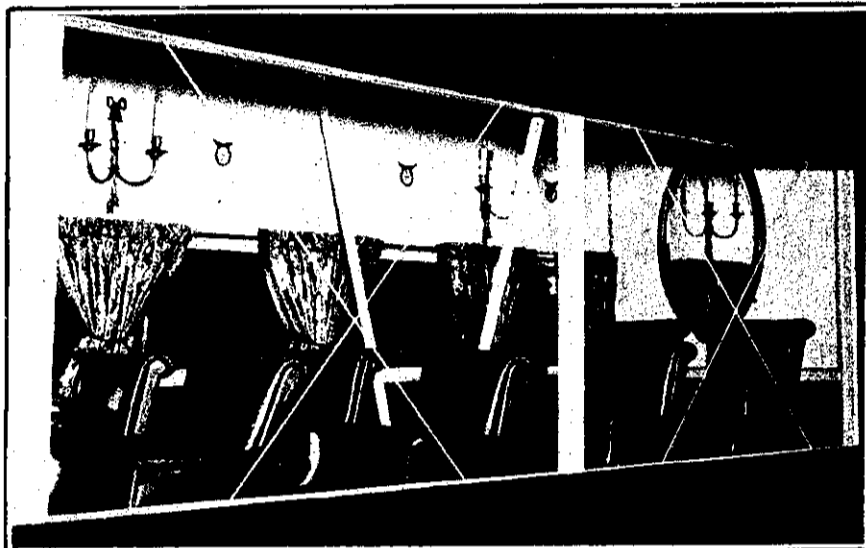
Captain C. E. Blayney, late squadron commander, Royal Air Force, has been appointed to the charge of the motor department of the New Zealand Farmers' Co-operative Distributing Co., Ltd., Wellington, and will take up his duties about the middle of this month.

A remarkable accident occurred at Dannevirke at the Allardice Street railway crossing, when a motor car, driven by Mrs. Fisher, of Terehunga, collided with a train. Mrs. Fisher, who was the only occupant of the car, had a miraculous escape from death. She was thrown on to the front part of the train, a cushion from the car also being thrown on to the engine. She was then caught by the cow-catcher, and was carried about 100 yards till the train was pulled up. Mrs. Fisher sustained bruises, and is suffering from shock. The motor car was smashed to splinters.

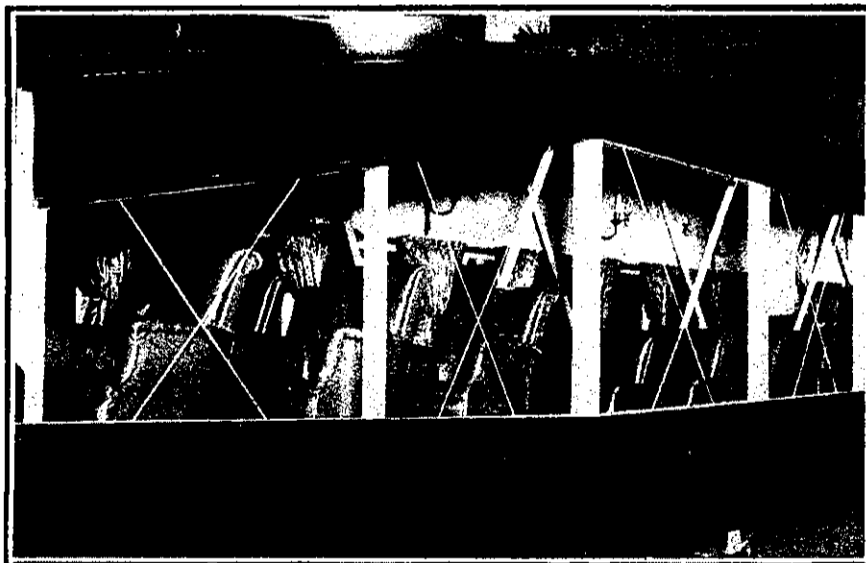
A fatal motor smash occurred on the Main Road, about two miles north of Oamaru, just after dusk last week. Hugh Glass, licensee of the Pembroke Hotel, in Otago Lakes district, accompanied by his wife and young daughter, was coming into town by motor, via Lindis Pass. In the darkness the car apparently missed a narrow bridge over a small creek and dropped into a shallow depression, the car being capsized. Mrs. Glass was killed, her neck being broken, and her four-year-old daughter apparently was suffocated by being held down under the car. Both were dead when the accident was discovered. Mr. Glass, whose people reside in Oamaru, is in the hospital seriously injured. At the coronial inquiry, the jury returned a verdict that Mrs. Glass and her daughter met their death by asphyxiation by being pinned under a car in mud and water. The jury added a rider which referred to motor cars with dim lights, and expressed the opinion that the bridge where the accident occurred should be widened, as the approaches were dangerous.

A most unpleasant surprise awaited a Christchurch doctor on a recent night (says the "Press"). About 8.40 o'clock he left his motor car standing outside a building in Worcester Street, between the Square and Manchester Street. Both head and tail lights were left burning. On returning a few minutes later he found only the wreck of his car. The near front wheel was torn right off, one of the axles was considerably bent, and the body of the car was badly twisted, while there were various smaller injuries. An examination of the tracks showed that another car had evidently crashed into the doctor's machine, then had backed and ultimately driven on. The matter is in the hands of the police.

at 10.30 a.m., and a stop for lunch was made inside Whangarei Heads. From there the machine flew to Kawau Island, where a second stop was made at Mansion House Bay. Kohimarama was reached at 2 p.m., the flying time totalling two hours, against 2½ hours taken on the trip from Auckland to Russell. The trip was made in fine weather, with a light head wind, conditions improving as the seaplane neared Auckland. This is the second occasion on which a machine from the school has made a prolonged flight with a passenger, the previous occasion being when Dr. H. W. Cleary, Roman Catholic Bishop of Auckland, travelled to Mercury Bay.



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A trip from Auckland to Russell was made on Saturday week by one of the seaplanes attached to the New Zealand Flying School at Kohimarama. Mr. A. B. Williams, of Waipiro Bay, who desired to visit Russell, having missed the steamer the previous evening, decided to undertake the journey by air. Having made arrangements with the proprietors of the flying school, a start was made at 11 a.m. in a 125 horsepower machine, piloted by Mr. G. Bolt. The machine had a successful non-stop run to Russell, which was reached in 2½ hours. The distance is about 145 miles. A heavy head wind was encountered, the route followed being approximately that taken by the coastal steamers. The return journey was made on the following Tuesday. The seaplane left Russell

"We do want an air service with Australia, saving three days, and it might be a useful link to have a service between Wellington and Lyttelton," remarked Mr. Davidson in the course of his quarterly report to the Canterbury Chamber of Commerce. New Zealand, he added, was fitted for aerial defence, and a postal service might very well be warranted if organised to be an auxiliary to the Defence Department in war time. Private flying for pleasure and convenience should find its headquarters in Canterbury, owing to the nature of the country.

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A proposal that all bicycles and motor bicycles used in the city should be registered for a fee of 6d. or 1s. a year is made by the Mayor of Christchurch. He believes that this will stop bicycle thefts, as every person in possession of a bicycle would have to produce a registration card or a transfer certificate. The money obtained in fees he proposes should be spent in employing men to remove large stones and other obstacles from the streets, and to smooth out the hollows. It is stated that it is a fairly common practice to throw stones out of gardens on the streets, to the cyclists' annoyance. Dr. Thacker hopes in this way to make the streets both more convenient and safe.

Two motor cars travelling in opposite directions came into collision at the intersection of the eastern corner of the Square and Church Street, Palmerston North, with the result that both were considerably damaged. A four-seater Overland car, which had just come out of the garage after being overhauled and repainted, was being driven along the Square in the direction of Church Street by Norman Tremuen, of Shannon. Just as it turned the corner it was met by a two-seater Austin, driven by Leo Andrews, of Andrews' garage, in Fitzherbert Street. Seeing that an accident was imminent, Andrews put on the brakes, but was unable to stop the way of his car until it had bumped into the fore-front of the other car, and pushed it up against the kerbing. The impact was so great that the rim of the near front wheel of the Overland was wrenched off, and the forecarriage generally was bent and strained. The Austin suffered to a greater extent, the front axle being bent and the forecarriage considerably damaged. The wind screen and one lamp were smashed, and a younger brother of Mr. Andrews had his face cut by the broken glass. Some little time was occupied in getting the wrecked cars off the street. It is understood that the police will take action against one of the drivers for a breach of the rule of the road.

Passenger flights by aeroplane are to be as comfortable in the future as railway journeys in a Pullman car. During the war period, which has seen so wonderful a development in the art of aeroplane construction, utility has been considered rather than luxurious ease, but now that builders are turning their attention to commercial traffic, careful consideration is given to the accommodation intended for aerial travellers. The passengers' saloon on the Handley-Page aeroplane illustrated on this page conveys a good idea of the preparations which are being made for aerial travel in the future. The compartment extends the full width and about one-third of the length of the fuselage, and is 6ft. 6in. from floor to ceiling. Armchairs are provided for 17 passengers. These are placed along both sides of the fuselage, and all face forward, with an unobstructed view through the windows, which extend along the sides. The saloon is entered from below through two trap-doors in the floor, giving access to the gangway between the seats. There is an additional seat for an outside passenger in a cockpit—formerly occupied by the forward machine gunner—in front of the pilot. The main compartment is fitted with electric lamps of the candle pattern and gilded mirrors. The machine, though only half the size of the Giant Handley-Page, is 62ft. 6in. long, the span from tip to tip of the wings is 100ft., the height is 23ft., and the fully loaded weight will be 6½ tons. The "aerobus," as it has been called, will be driven by two Rolls-Royce engines, of 350 horse-power each, and the speed obtainable is about 100 miles an hour.

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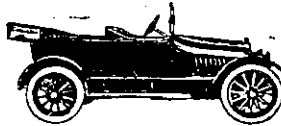
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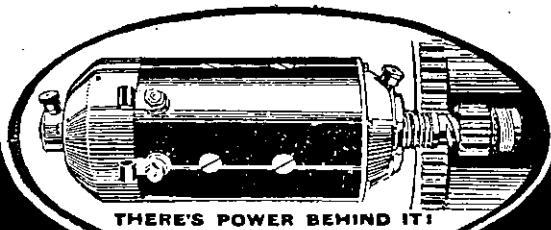
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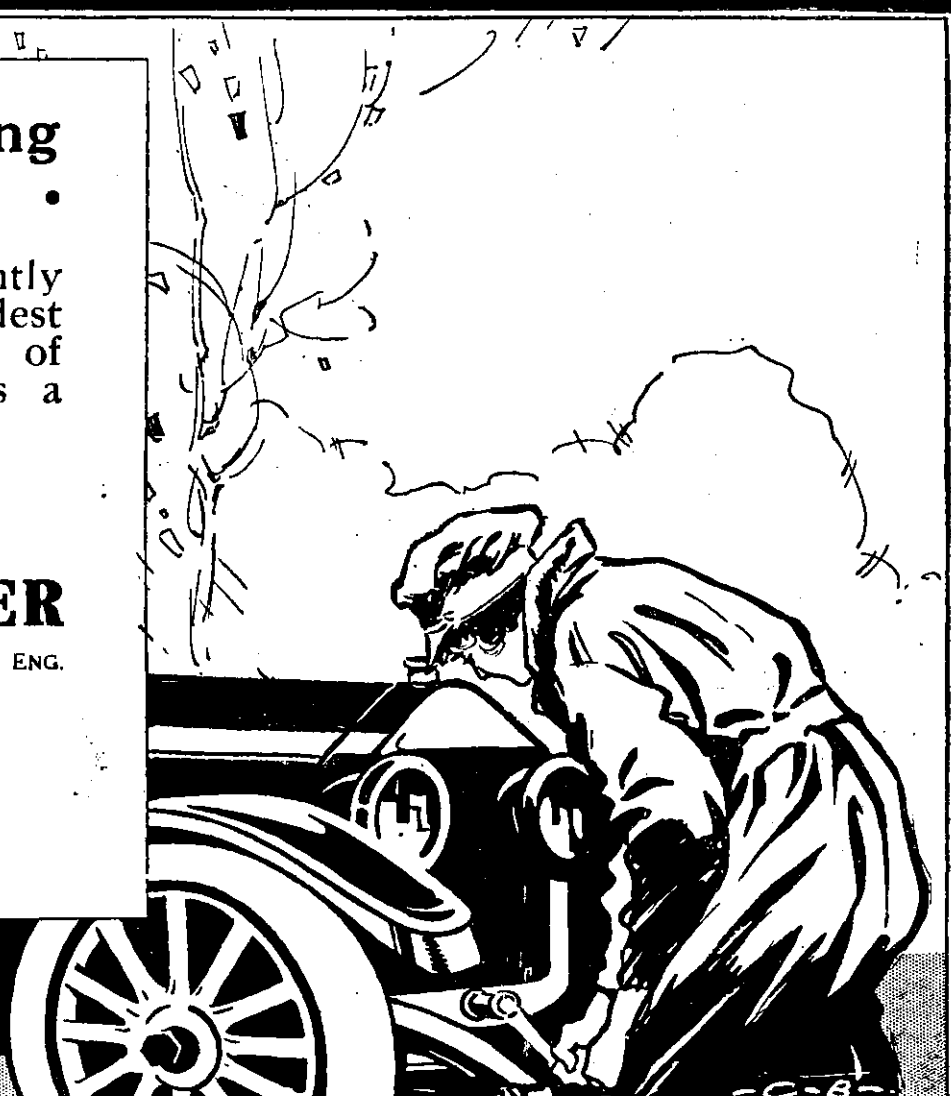


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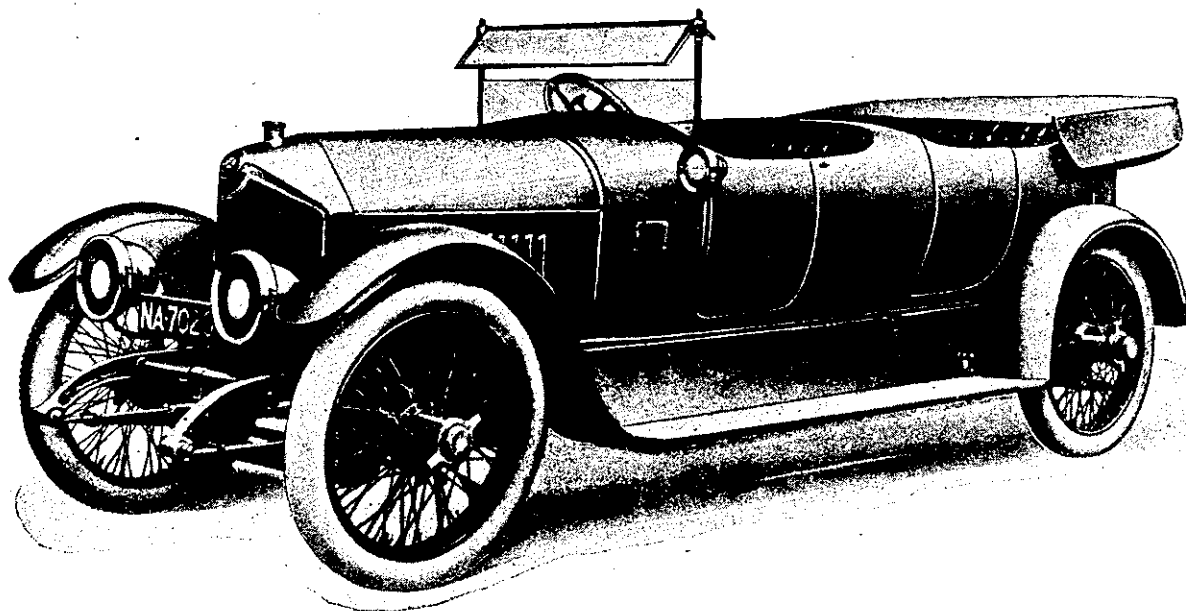
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The Government of Quebec has spent approximately £3,000,000 on roads in five years. In 1907 the Quebec Government and municipalities systematically maintained 1000 miles of highways. This total had jumped to 18,000 miles in 1916.

The need for a motor car for the use of the Plunket Society's nurses was referred to by the secretary, Miss A. Henderson, at the annual meeting of the Auckland branch. "Although our staff has increased to four, an enormous amount of walking still falls to the lot of the nurses day by day," she said. "The more nurses we have, the greater number of calls we get, and the farther we are asked to go. This continuous walking is telling on the health of the nurses; a long walk is perhaps pleasant for those who do it once or twice a week, but after the six or seven hours' walking done daily by the Plunket nurse, in addition to giving exhaustive explanations at each house visited, it is decidedly wearying. Other centres have provided their nurses with a car; let us hope that Auckland will see its way to do the same."

The following further advice with reference to the pay and allowances of cadets in the Royal Air Force has been received by the Minister of Defence from the High Commissioner: The Air Ministry states that cadets who received commissions in the R.A.F. from February 15, 1919, are entitled to pay at the rate of 10s. 6d. a day to the end of the standardised voyage period, also to the issue of a field allowance of 2s. 6d. a day, a special messing allowance of 10s. per month, when admissible, and an outfit allowance of £50, less any issues in kind or cash already made. The Air Ministry has arranged with the Staff-Paymaster of the New Zealand Expeditionary Forces for the issue in New Zealand of balances due to cadets already repatriated, and in future cases to those whose accounts were not adjusted prior to repatriation.

The Palmerston North Chamber of Commerce recently passed a resolution in favour of nationalising main arterial roads, and circulated it to local bodies and others interested throughout the Dominion, with the idea of testing the feeling of the country in the matter and getting an expression of opinion. Mr. E. H. Crabb reported at the last meeting of the chamber that out of 136 bodies circularised 89 had endorsed the resolution, and 47 had either "received" it or left it over for further discussion. Mr. M. E. Elliott said that the bodies almost unanimously endorsed the resolution. In the country districts, opinion had been evenly divided, 25 endorsing it and 23 either holding it over or "receiving" it. It was all a question of finance. Mr. Freeth said that while people here were talking about improving the roads those in Taranaki were doing it. They were well satisfied with the results. It was finally decided to send the results of the circular to members of Parliament, to the Minister of Public Works, and to the public bodies concerned, and to send the resolution with the information gathered as a remit to the Provincial Conference in Wellington.

Mr. Handley-Page, the inventor of the famous Handley-Page aeroplane, recently stated in London that they were starting an entirely new company, the Handley-Page Air Transport Company, which would be at the disposal of anybody, with machines to fly people between England and the Continent, and from there through its allied companies as far as it was possible for an aeroplane at present to reach. Their machines had already reached down beyond the centre of Africa, and to Delhi and Calcutta. This transport company was going to do the work with their own machines, and they would carry passengers and freight at a price which would pay anybody to utilise the service. The only way in which they could do this would be by having an enormous volume of goods and large numbers of passengers with a small running cost. Their policy would be to run aerial

motor lorries and not aerial racing cars. With regard to present methods of carriage, they would not be competing with anyone, but adding to the facilities already existing. They would relieve the railways of fast traffic, which in the past had been their bugbear.

The East Coast district's request for improved road facilities was cordially supported by the Hon. A. T. Ngata during the course of the deputation of Waiapu settlers which waited upon the Minister of Public Works at the Waiapu bridge. The member for the Eastern Maori district declared that compared with other districts this was the one rich district that was not served by a main arterial highway, or by railway. The Gisborne-Napier railway would take many years to eventuate, and in the meantime the local bodies of the East Coast were urging that the district should, with the assistance of the Government, be linked up with one main arterial road. He supposed they would never see the railway up in the Waiapu in their time. The Minister remarked that expenditure had been limited on account of the lack of population. Mr. Ngata contended that the Government should keep the expenditure ahead of settlement. The Waiapu had provided an outlet to the various ports, Tokomaru, Tuparoa, Awanui, etc., but the arterial road to Gisborne had gaps in it, one big gap being between Gisborne and Tolaga Bay. In Gisborne the Minister would be met with a request for

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£50,000 a year, in view of other districts having been provided with railway facilities, and in view of the fact that a railway would not come to Waiapu for years. The Minister said he recognised the want of a road between the Waiapu and Gisborne. The whole thing was a question of policy, and the amount the Government was prepared to place at the disposal of the public works vote. Owing to the changing conditions and purchase of land by the Crown, the East Coast was entitled to more liberal treatment than in the past.

"There is only one way to drive, and that is to handle the car so that it is always under complete control," says an American motor expert. "Modern motor cars are so constructed that they are simple to operate and easy to handle, and the braking systems have been so perfected that a car travelling at fair speed can be checked and brought to a stop within a few feet. One thing the motorist must remember when driving along the road is that nothing connected with a motor car must be done suddenly. When you decide to turn let the man behind know it by holding your arm out at full length. Do not decide to turn to the left and put your arm out after you have begun to turn. Many a driver has done this and then found that the man in the rear could not stop in time and that the other car jammed his and smashed the headlights. Another thing to remember is to keep your distance. Don't crowd too close to the car in front. He may have to stop suddenly and then you can do

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nothing but crash into him. Keep at least 50 feet from the rear of the machine ahead of you. At the speed that cars move along the road this is a safe distance. You then have your car under full control at all times and can stop slowly, warning the car in the rear and you will avoid a lot of trouble. This first principle of making haste slowly applies in more than one way to motor car driving. When you decide to stop, put out your arm. No matter which way you are about to turn or whether you want to stop or not let the driver behind know about it by extending your arm. When a man in the car behind sees an arm outstretched he is warned and slows up involuntarily until he finds out what you are going to do."

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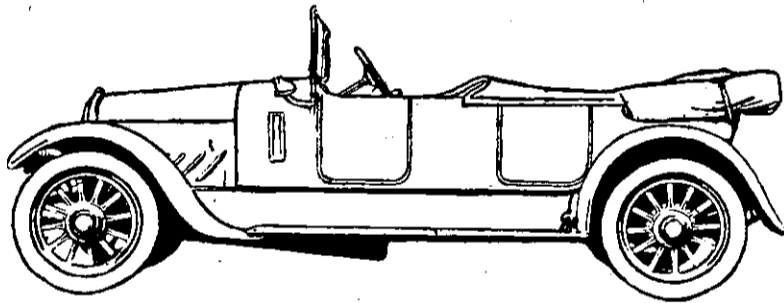
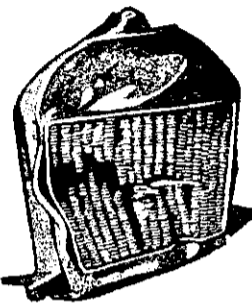
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SOUTHERN STAGE NOTES.

(By "Lorgnette.")

WELLINGTON, June 11.

The committee of management of the Wellington Competitions, which open at the Grand Opera House on November 6 and will extend until the 22nd, are all "live wires" and are headed by Mr. Jenner, who knows something about conducting these competitions. The latest "scoop" they secured was the engagement of Mr. John Hopkins, the well-known Shakespearean elocutionist, to judge the elocutionary contests. The committee have to be commended on their ability to get such an artist to fulfil the work. The committee of management are now negotiating for the engagement of an artist (name not mentioned at the present time) to judge the fancy and ballet dancing.

The rivalry between the bands of "Windy" Wellington is somewhat disconcerting. On Sunday evening the 1st inst., the Tramways Band and the Watersiders' Band gave concerts, both being well patronised. But, I think, it is about time that the management of both bands came to an amicable agreement and give their concerts on different Sundays. Both bands are in great form at the present time, and it is a shame that they should perform on the same night. There is a screw loose somewhere!

Included in the Wellington Competitions for the coming season will be a series of six items of Burns' songs and recitations in the open class; six items in Highland dances for competitors over 16, six items for competitors between 12 and 16, and six for competitors under 12.

The Wellington Professional Orchestra gave the third concert of this season's series at His Majesty's Theatre on Sunday evening. The programme presented was an unusually brilliant one, the chief items being Tschaikovski's famous "1812" overture, and a trumpet solo from Verdi's "Aida" by the champion cornetist, Mr. W. H. Bowman.

MUSIC NOTES.

(By "G" String.)

The famous Irish tenor, Mr. John MacCormack, tells an interesting fact about gramophone profits. When a certain firm asked him to sing for a record of "Tipperary" he stipulated for a fee of £4000. The company refused, and instead gave him a percentage on sales of the records. These sales have so far added up to 2,500,000, netting the singer £50,000!

Sir Harry Lauder is a product of the war. He is hardly the same Harry Lauder that we knew before, but a Harry Lauder who has been transformed by the exigencies of war into a great patriot—a great force for Empire patriotism. It will be remembered that when Sir Harry was last in Australasia he was accompanied by his only son. That son went hither from Australia to enlist at the sound of the first war blast, and he gave up his life gallantly for England, and all that England stands for. Not long after the son was killed Sir Harry obtained special permission to visit his son's grave in Flanders. There he met the forces of the whole Empire in war trim, and the sight was one he never could forget. He says it was the most inspiring thing in the world to see those brave lads marching gaily through the mud of sodden Flanders up to the line of flame and death. He was proceeding along one of the traffic-torn roads in the North of France when he was recognised by some soldiers on their way to the front line trenches. "Sing us a song, Harry?" they asked. "Where are ye from?" said Harry. "Australia and New Zealand," shouted the "Diggers" and the "Aussies." "Boys, I love your country, and I love you for the great work you're doin' in this war. an' I'll sing for you till I bust!" And with that the squad rested on the roadside, and Harry sang four songs. His Australasian tour opened in Melbourne, and the audience on the first night was most enthusiastic, demanding encore after encore.

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Brightie and Carlyon, the clever English entertainers at present appearing on the Fuller circuit, put up a London record at the huge Coliseum, where they showed five times in nine months. The full import of this will be gathered from the fact that the best acts are played only once a year, and many do not obtain a booking once in three years. In London also they originated the juvenile roles in one of the most successful revues, "Daylight Robbery."

The art of dancing around with his lady partner, his head bent back until it touches his heel and his hands grasping his ankles is one of the remarkable feats accomplished by Sydney Fayne, the unusual entertainer at Fuller's Opera House. His partner, Miss Verle Fayne, is a past-mistress in the art of aesthetic modern fashion display.

With a voice that earned her a million sterling, Madame Patti, the ever-youthful, although she has just entered her seventy-seventh year, could afford to be independent. In this connection a retort by her has become historic. When she was told that even the President of the United States did not receive nearly so much for his services as she demanded for hers, she answered: "Very well; get the President of the United States to sing for you."

Fanny Coleman, who died recently, aged 85 years, was a favourite ingenue at the Haymarket many many years ago, and afterwards became known as a distinguished impersonator of grande dames. She played with Mrs. Langtry on her first tour, and with Toole, Hare, Alexander and Mrs. Bernard Beere at various times. Among the better-known of her impersonations were Mrs. Cross in "The Idler," Lady Darby in "The Case of Rebellious Susan," the Duchess of Berwick in "Lady Windermere's Fan," Madame Zaton in "Under the Red Robe," the Countess of Owbridge in "The Gay Lord Quex." In 1907 she was the recipient of a complimentary benefit at the St. James' Theatre in celebration of 50 years' service on the stage.

Mr. Maurice Ralph, representing J. and N. Tait, has just initiated the North Island tour of the official picture of the German Naval Surrender, which has been such a big draw in the south. It is the authentic picture of the greatest event in the naval history of the universe, and that it



THE RECENT COAL COMMISSION IN LONDON.—Flashlight photograph taken in the King's Robing Room, House of Lords, during the sitting of the Coal Commission. Mr. Justice Sankey is seated in centre.

should be chronicled in such a way is remarkable—so remarkable that a facsimile film is to be placed in the British Museum so that in the years to come our children's children may be able to see the exact scene which led to the downfall of the Huns in the year 1918. Accompanying the picture is Madame Marie Power, a dramatic contralto, who is making herself remembered among the fine singers New Zealand has turned out.

Miss Ellen Terry, whose reappearance in London was lately recorded in the cable news, celebrated her theatrical jubilee in 1906. She was born in February, 1848, at Coventry, and made her first appearance on April 28, 1856, as Mamilus in the "Winter's Tale," at the Princess'

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Theatre, London, then under the management of Mr. Charles Kean. At least three earlier generations of the Terrys had been on the stage, and the family tradition is still being carried on. Miss Ellen Terry's mother played the Queen to Macready's Hamlet at the age of 18, and Miss Terry has related that Macready had a liking for her mother as an actress "because she wouldn't stick her hair all over with pins." Though a failing memory interfered with Miss Terry's impersonations in the course of her "talks" and other appearances in Australia and New Zealand a few years ago, the power

of the present year the receipts of four Melbourne theatres—not "picture shows"—showed an increase of £7800, as compared with the receipts for the corresponding period last year, notwithstanding that the period included three of the days on which all places of amusement were closed because of the influenza epidemic. One theatre showed a small decrease for the whole period, but the other three theatres showed an increase of over 33 per cent. As regards picture theatres, the receipts in the majority of cases have increased, according to the official reports of the Treasury. But it is curious to note that although

and charm for which she has long been famous were still visible. Like other leading actresses, Miss Terry has received piles of letters from strangers, including some very quaint ones. "Madam," said one, "I am a gentleman, although a clergyman's son. Will you lend me £8?"

Have the theatres suffered as the result of the imposition of the amusement tax? From time to time (says the "Melbourne Age") suggestions have been made that the tax has had the effect of reducing the audiences, both at theatres and at picture halls. But a report that has been furnished to the Commonwealth Treasurer does not bear out this representation. The report shows that in five weeks at the beginning

the Saturday afternoon performances are free of tax, the attendances of children at these performances have decreased. Incidentally, the official reports point out that 90 per cent. of the threepenny admissions, outside the Saturday afternoon performances, are for adults attending continuous picture shows during the day time. Such figures (comments the "Age") give cause for wonder how it is that so many adults can find time during the day to attend such performances.

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HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

A MOMENTOUS CHRONICLE.

GERMAN NAVAL SURRENDER.

"You boasted the Day,
And you toasted the Day,
And now the Day has come."

That important event in the annals of history—the surrender of the German Naval Fleet to the might of the Allies—was presented pictorially at His Majesty's Theatre on Saturday night before a very large and representative audience, which included the Mayor (Mr. J. H. Gunson) and Mrs. Gunson, the Allied Consuls, the presidents of the Navy and Victoria Leagues, and educational authorities. The film, which is shown under the direction of Messrs. J. and N. Tait, is a replica of the one that has been lodged in the British Museum as a historical record of the most stirring incident of the war. Prior to showing the actual surrender, the correct atmosphere is created by the screening of photographs of the King and Prince of Wales visiting the Grand Fleet, of Admiral Beatty, Lord Jellicoe, Admiral Tyrwhitt, Admiral Sturdee, and others, together with views of the squadrons. One is familiarised with the mystery ships cleared for action and the great engineering feat of ferrying trains, munitions and troops across the channel. Every phase of the surrender is depicted, and as the long lines of German war ships, cruisers, and submarines, shepherded by Admiral Beatty's ships, steam slowly out of mists of the North Sea, to give themselves up to British sea power, spectators are thrilled anew at this mighty evidence of Britain's naval magnitude. Close views of the monster battleships add to the intensity of interest, and as the British Lion pulls down the German flag and hoists the Union Jack the audience were inspired with deeply fervent feelings, expressed in spontaneous applause.

A sense of completeness was conveyed by the singing of Madame Marie Power, whose powerful, expressive voice rang out arrestingly in appropriate patriotic numbers. Elgar's "Land of Hope and Glory" was given with rare feeling and artistry, the contralto also giving a stirring rendering of "Rule Britannia" and "The Grey North Sea," in addition to encores that were insistently demanded. Mr. Kenneth Carlisle gave a dramatic recital of "The Day," and made explanatory notes to the pictures in impressive manner. A special orchestra also lent colour to a graphic production.

OPERA HOUSE.

FIRST-CLASS VAUDEVILLE.

Monday's change of programme at the Opera House saw the usual rush for seats, and old and new favourites had a hearty reception from the packed audience. A ventriloquial scena by Victor and Madame Clothilda occupied an interesting portion of proceedings, the former proving himself a clever exponent of voice-throwing through the medium of his mannikin. Victor's pretty little daughter, Gladys, demonstrated that she had inherited her father's talent in the Valentine Vox line, and their duets with their respective mechanical dolls were amusing and skilful. Miss Nellie Kollé was the only other new inclusion, and she readily made her customary capture with the song "Little Girl," a bright interval at piano with familiar melodies, and an old chorus favourite. Brightie and Carlyon had the ovation of the evening for their quaint and merry offering. Mr. Carlyon in a coster song was followed by a joint patter ditty in which Miss Brightie was very true to her name, and after numerous curtain calls the pair, in response to a clamour for "Destiny," gave their popular "hesitation" dance. Miss Elsa Brull and Mr. Arthur Hemsley gave their new sketch depicting rural life at a Lancashire railway station, which gave scope for their undoubted talents in laughable character studies.

An eccentric dance by Mr. Hemsley and a duet, "I Didn't Want to Do It," further built up a diverting act. Sterling and Love were also seen in a fresh sketch, in which the former did amusing work with the cornet, and was supported vocally by his contralto-toned partner. Mr. Walter Emerson and Miss Gwen Hasto were responsible for a mirthful few moments, the sprightly lady accompanying her husband's ditties. As a straight-out musical duo, Mr. Will Rayner (tenor) and Miss Rose Brennan (soprano) held the stage in ballads and operatic excerpts. Mr. Fred Bluett kept the audience in continuous merriment with his inimitable handling of such songs as "I'm a Flirt," "Paddy McGinty's Goat," and "They Can't Find Me." Mr. Lew James was also in the popular eye for his Hebrew numbers, "Solomon's Trombone" and "At the Yiddisher Ball," which he rounded off with anecdotes. A fine bill was brought to a close by the Royal Togos in their marvellous feats of equilibrium.

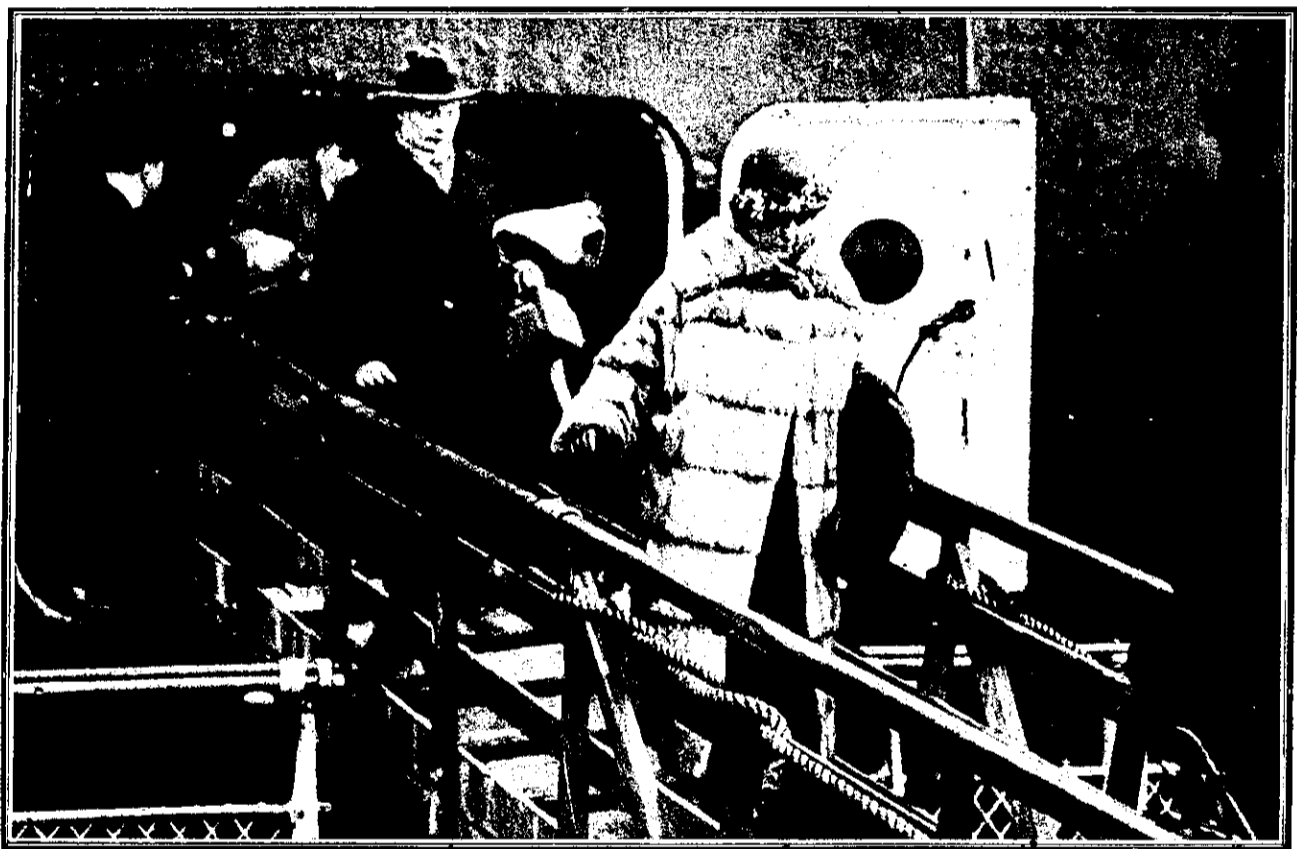
Mr. E. J. Tait, who has been in America the past few months acquiring star plays for his firm, left by the Ventura last week on his return to Australia. From news that has filtered through, this live scion of J. and N. Tait has something good up his theatrical sleeve.

Miss Dorothy Gardner, the versatile ex-Dunedin girl of Dandies remembrance, is finding South Africa a pleasant field to exploit her talents. She is still with those perennial favourites, the Steele-Paynes, and their entertainments are greeted everywhere with crowded audiences. An extract from the "Star," Johannesburg, of April 7, makes the following complimentary reference to Dorothy: "Miss Gardner deserves a special word. She is a veritable artistic treasure trove, and there should be no limit to her success in the profession she has adopted. Beyond a good voice and a charming personality she possesses all those other qualities which bespeak the true ar-

The Auckland season of the German Naval Surrender film closes on Thursday. The following towns will be visited in turn: Hamilton, Cambridge, Rotorua, Thames, Te Aroha, Paeroa.

Bert La Blanc will be the next revue company to visit New Zealand for the Fullers. The Auckland season is due to commence as soon as the Australian shipping is normal again. Since his last appearance here Mr. La Blanc has completely reorganised his company.

Mr. Charlie Taylor, the veteran actor, passed away in Melbourne last month. He was engaged directing a performance at Fullers' Palace Theatre when a paralytic stroke felled him. He was born in London in 1851, and came to Australia in 1859 with his father and mother. He adopted the theatrical profession at the age of 18, under the then well-known theatrical entrepreneurs Coppin, Stewart, and Harwood. Afterwards the



DAME MELBA ARRIVING IN LONDON AFTER A VISIT TO AUSTRALIA. The prima donna had a unique triumph in "La Boheme" recently at Covent Garden, and was received with deafening cheers and coo-ees. The King and Queen and a large Royal party were present.

The German Naval Surrender film has never been witnessed by a more interested audience than that which filled His Majesty's Theatre on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. J. W. Tibbs, headmaster of the Auckland Grammar School, recognising the educational value of the picture, arranged with Mr. Maurice Ralph for the whole of the seating accommodation to be reserved for the boys, who numbered over 900, and were accompanied by the various masters.

Mr. Harry Dearth, the famous English baritone, has ingratiated himself to the full with the Melbourne public, who like the singers fine sonorous tone, his easy and graceful manner, and the fine measure of intellect that is behind his work. So far he has been appearing at ballad concerts in the Auditorium, J. and N. Tait's great concert hall in Collins Street, Melbourne, and the big audiences which have filled the big pavilion testify to the capacity of Mr. Dearth as a baritone of the highest standing.

Madame Marie Power, the fine singer who is accompanying the screening of the German Naval Surrender film, is a resident of Dunedin, and has done concert work on tour in the South Island. She has a deep resonant contralto attached to a wealth of sympathy, which makes her interpretations universally pleasing. Grand opera, she says, is her particular goal.

She is many-sided, in that song, dance, character or other imitation comes equally naturally to her, while the vocal numbers and dances are arranged by her, and we would not be surprised if she were entirely responsible for certain of the words and music. Her work as a doll, child imitation, burlesque of the Laura Guerite style, in the cat duet, and half a dozen encores was as surprising as it was pleasing, and the very clever Spectacular Finale is one on which she is heartily to be congratulated as the producer." Mr. Cuthbert Rose also receives a special word for his genuine and quiet humour.

Mr. Lew James' dainty partner known professionally as Reina Selma is at present ill in hospital in Auckland. The many friends she has made both on and off the stage will wish her a speedy restoration. Meanwhile Mr. James is specialising in Yiddish originalities, and there are not many who can equal him in giving point to a story.

The Philistines met in revelry once again at their garrison in Swanson Street on Saturday night, Mr. R. A. Singer holding sway over a multitude of chosen spirits. His epigrammatic harangue mightily pleased the hosts assembled, and a light offering of song, story and supper further disturbed the welkin.

well-known combination of Taylor-Carrington was formed, and toured Australia and the East for many years. Latterly Mr. Taylor and Miss Carrington have been associated with various managements, including Geo. Marlow, Wm. Anderson, and Ben and John Fuller. Mr. Taylor was well-known in New Zealand. He is survived by three daughters, one of whom is Mrs. F. Henningham, of Auckland.

For a dozen seasons Mme. Emma Calve was the idol of Covent Garden, London, where she last appeared fourteen years ago. To a whole generation of opera lovers her Carmen and her Santuzza are treasured memories. They gathered in force to hear her again at a concert in the Queen's Hall in January. Her splendid voice is said to be scarcely touched, if at all, by the passage of years, and the charm of her delivery is as great as ever. She sang both the Habanera and the Seguidilla from "Carmen." It is about eight years since Calve visited New Zealand.

A novel postcard from Edward Elliott, ventriloquist and revue writer for the recent "Smart Set," is to the effect that he hopes to be over here next year with the "Pronouns."

At St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday night Madame Marie Power sang with exquisite feeling, Schubert's "Ave Maria."

PARAMOUNT PICTURES.

Mr. T. Valois, general manager in New Zealand for Paramount Pictures, paid a brief visit to Auckland last week, enlightening those he met with the latest happenings of the mammoth concern he represents.

Here are just a few pointed paragraphs gleaned in a short chat, which go to prove his contention that "Paramount in story, scenario writing, acting, photography and production is the slogan of the Paramount."

Fatty Arbuckle, the infectious laugh-maker, has signed on for three years with the Paramount.

Mrs. Vernon Castles, dresser supreme, has accepted another long contract exclusively for the Paramount.

Captain Robert Warwick, the noted English actor, has been secured for a series of plays for the Paramount, the first of which will be Gillett's "Secret Service."

Billie Burke has renewed her contract with Paramount.

Houdini, the "Handcuff King," is another to sign up.

That fine producer Thomas Ince will still produce for Paramount, while Cecil B. de Mille (associated with such feature pieces as "The Woman God Forgot," "Joan the Woman," etc.) will continue to produce specials every eight weeks for them.

Elinor Glynn's human story, "The Career of Katherine Bush," will be released shortly.

The Famous Players (Paramount) have bought the exclusive motion picture rights of Hall Caine's book "The Woman Thou Gavest Me," Hartley Manner's "Peg o' My Heart," and Sir James Barrie's "Peter Pan."

An interesting event that should shake things up in the picture world is the amalgamation of the Famous Players Lasky Corporation (Paramount) with the William Randolph Hearst Press. All the well-known authors of the day will write exclusively for Paramount—W. J. Locke, John Galsworthy, Robert Chambers, Elinor Glynn, Gouverneur Morris, Marie Corelli and others. A big deal, this!

Caruso's first picture, "My Cousin," is in New Zealand, and will be released at an early date for the Paramount. In it the star has a dual part—that of a great tenor and a poor sculptor.

Clean, wholesome stories with unusual plots are characteristic of the Paramount productions.

If beds were to go out of fashion the American theatre would not know what to do for its farces, remarks the New York "Musical Courier."

We direct attention to a list of donations to the Returned Soldiers' Hostel, Upper Queen Street, an institution which has been successfully established mainly through the efforts of that alert organisation, the Women's Mutual Aid Society.

Mlle. Antonia Dolores was entertained at tea by the president (Sir John Denniston), the executive, and committee of the Christchurch Musical Society. Mlle. Dolores, who was accompanied by her friend, Madame Vaudour, was received by Sir John and Lady Denniston and Mr. and Miss Adley. Sir John Denniston spoke of the very great pleasure it gave him to welcome Mademoiselle Dolores, not only in the name of those present, but also in the name of the four or five hundred members, honorary, chorus, and orchestral, who for want of space could not be there; nevertheless he knew the whole-hearted welcome they sent to their distinguished guest. Mademoiselle's great gift was to bring joy, not only by her entrancing singing, but also by her charming personality. He sincerely trusted it would not be the last time by a great many in which the society would have the honour and pleasure of entertaining one who endeared herself to all. Mademoiselle Dolores thanked Sir John and all present for their great kindness, which she would treasure always. If she remained in Christchurch long enough she would like to attend a practice of the Musical Society, for she knew some very fine work would be the result of such a conductor as Dr. Bradshaw.

Two of the largest bandsmen in America have just been engaged by Lieutenant John Philip Sousa for his coast tour. They combine physical bulk and musicianly ability in equal parts, these qualifications being absolutely essential for the services required. They will play the two Sousaphones which are important instruments in the make-up of the band. The Sousaphone is an invention of the leader and is the largest instrument used in any band. The two men are John M. Kuhn and W. V. Webster. Kuhn is a full-blooded Indian, and a famous football star of a few years ago.

The report that has been going round that Messrs. Frank Charlton and Mr. Borneo Gardiner are members of the Sir Harry Lauder Company is not correct. The members of the company referred to are: Miss Muriel Window (the little "peacock" of vaudeville), who can sing, whistle, squeak and chirrup like a bird, and is a wonderful imitator; Mr. Eddie Montrose, the comic Broadway clown, who brings back memories of other great clowns; Laurie Kennedy and Dorothy McBride, cello and piano; the Creightons, jugglers; Miss Heather Belle, a graceful Scotch dancer, and Mr. Richard Keers, who controls a full orchestra.

A matinee organised by Miss Ada Reeve for the Anzac Comforts Fund and held at the Standard Theatre, Johannesburg, realised £163 for the fund, including £30 for a signed photograph of Miss Reeve, put up to American auction by herself and bought by Miss Freda Godfrey. The theatre was crowded in every part, the Australasians of the town wishing to show honour to their countrymen and to pay their tribute of gratitude to Miss Reeve, who has such a warm corner in her heart for the Anzacs.

According to the Hokitika "Guardian," Sir Harry Lauder has a sister residing in Westland—at Kokatahi—and in a few months the Scottish comedian will visit the Coast and spend a few days with his relative.

The name of Mrs. Robert Brough appears in the cast of "Caesar's Wife," the new Somerset Maugham play produced in London.

"We have had the most wonderful tours," writes Miss Dorothy Gardner from the Hotel Rissik, Johannesburg. "Forty weeks last year, and this tour will be about fourteen months by the time we have finished, and crammed business everywhere. Mrs. Steele is an employer of the best, who puts her company's comfort always first, so that she deserves all the good she gets. How I long for New Zealand sometimes! I expect to be further away than I am now before I come back. Give my love to its green hills and blue, blue sea, and tell it I am often homesick, despite the call of the veldt, and the wonderful, wonderful open spaces, and their shadows and lights, that 'claw' one to Africa."

Louis Pitt, music teacher in the Newark (N.J.) Central High School, believes that "jazz" should be in the tonal curriculum of that institution. He made sure by asking the pupils to vote on the subject. They affirmed his view by acclamation. Now, instead of "Old Kentucky Home" and similar lugubrious ditties, they are getting "Won't You Shimmy With Me?" "Ja-Da," and other syncopated classics. Mr. Pitt gives reasons for his new departure as follows: "The pupils need 'jazz.' They come to me from a Latin class, perhaps with a mathematics class looming ahead of them, and they want something to swing them back to normal, something that will quicken and sustain their interest. They seem to have found it in these popular songs."

Madame Johnston-Topliss, whose exceptional vocal art causes her to be in keen demand at high-class concerts, is at present in Auckland after fulfilling engagements with the New Plymouth Male Choir for their two concerts. The local papers point with pleasure to her signal success, her programmed songs extending to three-fold numbers, and at the conclusion of the season Madame was warmly thanked by the conductor for her admirable work. Says one well-known critic: Madame Johnston-Topliss provided a rare vocal treat for her listeners. Her soprano voice is of excellent quality and purity, and wide in range. Her singing is marked by the uttermost simplicity of manner or superb dramatic delivery, exactly as the subject requires. Madame was recalled eight times in all, and was presented with a beautiful bouquet. Her encores were all charming, and their varying character revealed the versatility of the singer in treating dramatic, grave, light and joyous subjects.

The Topsy Turvies, a company formed by Mrs. F. G. Barton, of Barton's Circus, have commenced a tour of the Dominion. The personnel includes Toa, the boy contortionist; Dorothy, the dream girl; Lee Toy Chung, magician; the Fredo Boys; Professor D'Almaigne, hypnotist; and Percy Carr, comedian.

Miss Daphne Knight has bought the New Zealand rights of "Gwenwyn of the Lonely Tower," a fanciful story in dance written by Mr. H. Hector Bolitho, the progressive young Auckland penman. The play which is to be produced in due time is a phantasy interpreted by dialogue and original and unusual ballets conceived by the author.

"It is said that a man is too old at 60—an old fogey," says Lord Curzon, leader of the House of Lords. "I have reached that unfortunate age. But when I see men like Clemenceau (78), Mr. Balfour, Marshal Foch and Mr. Lloyd George—who has only four years to go before he becomes useless—the best old fogies leading the Peace Conference, I am consoled."

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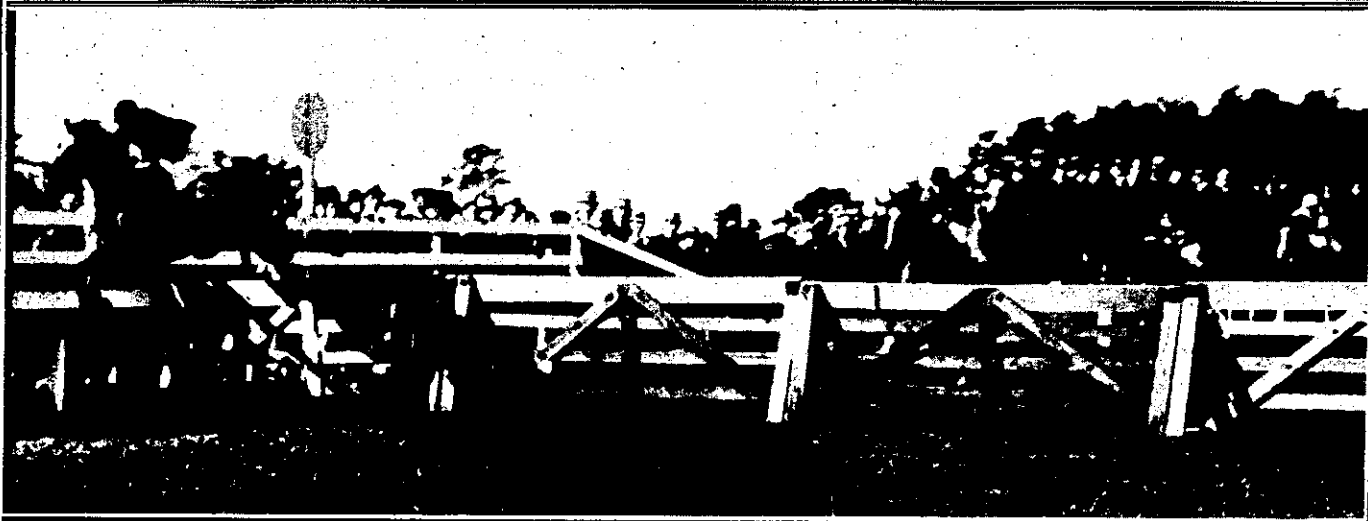
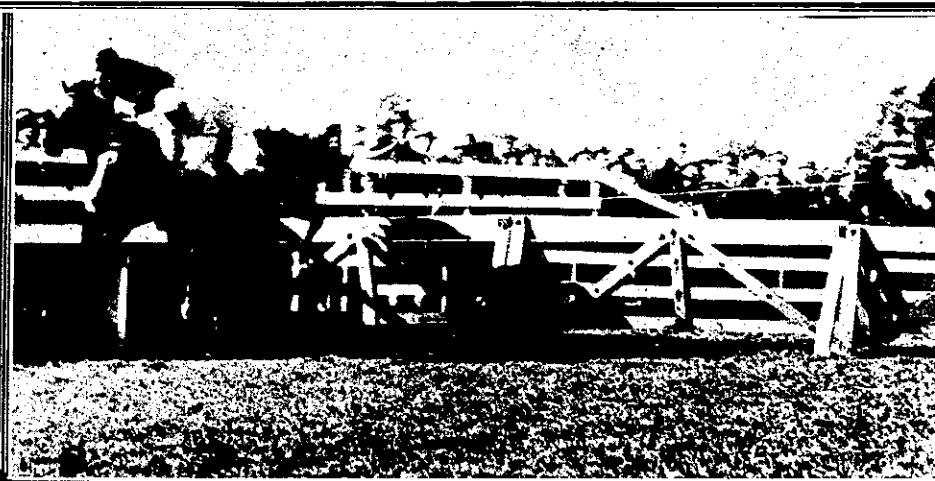
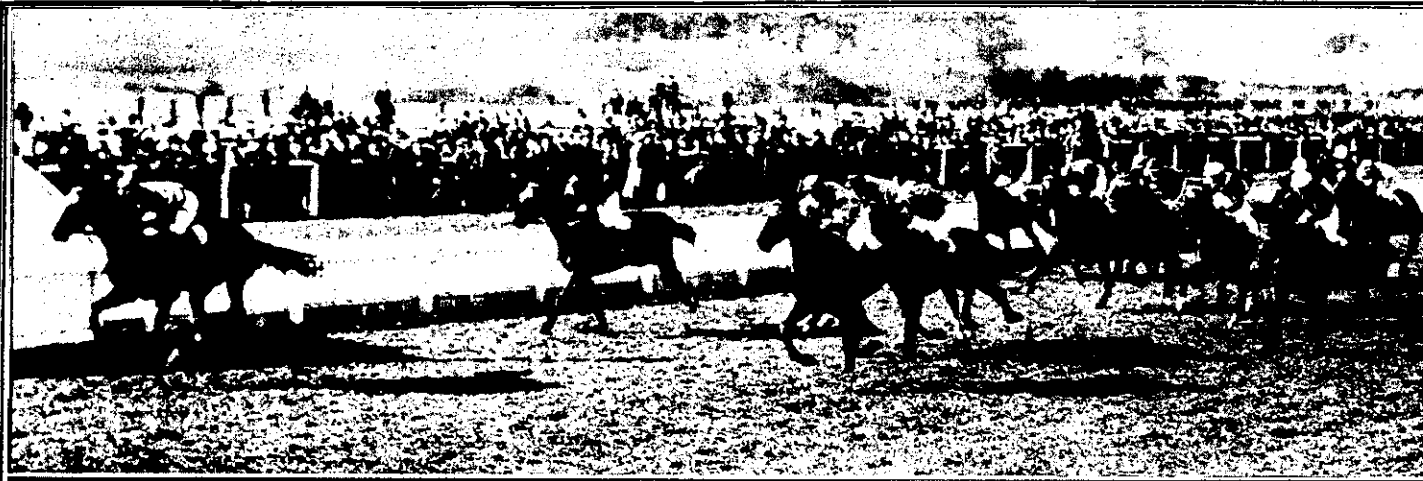


MRS. F. S. McRAE, winner of the Ladies' Championship Singles, Open Handicap Singles, and Handicap Doubles (with Mrs. W. Bendall) at the recent Croquet Tournament held at Palmerston North.



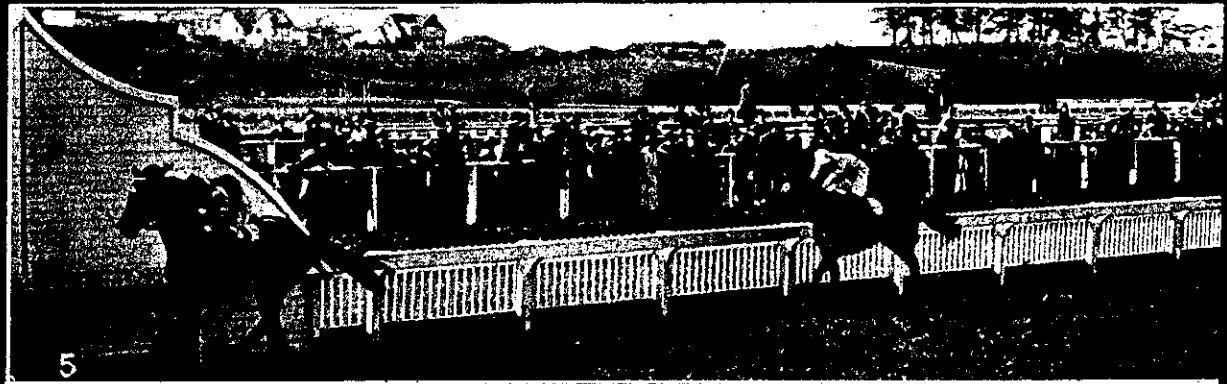
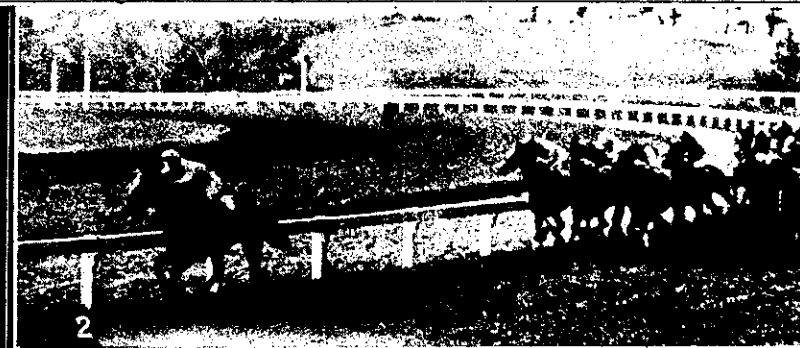
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The Close of the 1918-19 Racing Season at Ellerslie---Interesting Snapshots at the Auckland Racing Club's Win



1. PIERROT (W. Ryan) scores a decisive victory in the Ranfurly Welter Handicap (one mile), with GENERAL STEPHEN (R. E. Brown) second and RANGI AROHA (next rails) third. 2. A muera Hurdle Race (two miles)—THRACE (S. Henderson), the winner, has a slight advantage of DITTO (J. Roach), with ART (Douglas) in third position. 3. The first time over the hurdle in the Remuera Hurdle Race—DITTO leading SLEIGHT OF HAND, PARAOA, ART and THRACE in that order. 4. MASTER LUPIN (A. McDonald), after his meritorious victory in the Great Northern Steeplechase candidates ready to leave the birdcage to contest the big cross-country event. 6. HOUSEWIFE (J. Buchanan), after her surprise victory in the King George Hurdle. The second and third horses are PARISIAN DIAMOND (H. Gray) and WHITE BLAZE (B. Morris). 7. Horses returning to scale after the decision of the Ranfurly Welter—PIERROT (the winner), GENERAL STEPHEN (second) and RANGI AROHA (third). 8. ALTERATION (H. Gray), after accounting for the Cornwall Handicap (1¼ miles) on the opening day. 9. JACARANDA (Flynn) comes to the top of the double in front of stand in the Hunt Club Cup.

Snapshots on the Opening Day of the Auckland Racing Club's Great Northern Meeting at



1. View of portion of the totalisator at Ellerslie during speculation on a race. 2. The big field negotiating the bend into the straight in the Jervois Handicap (seven furlongs). COMEDY PRINCE (W. Ryan) wins easily from HINEAMARU (Goldfinch), with GATHERER (Manson) third. 3. COMEDY PRINCE returning to scale after his win. The second and third horses are HINEAMARU (Goldfinch) and GATHERER (Manson) respectively. 4. Great Northern Handicap in the birdcage. 5. The finish of the Jervois Handicap (seven furlongs)—COMEDY PRINCE (W. Ryan) wins easily from HINEAMARU (Goldfinch), with GATHERER (Manson) third. 6. View of the race in progress. 7. Messrs. Spriggins, of Wanganui, and C. Christie, of Dunedin. 8. TENACIOUS (E. Rae) returning to scale after winning the Maiden.

TOURIST AND TRAVELLER

HERE AND THERE.

The Governor-General the Earl of Liverpool and the Countess of Liverpool, who are to pay a visit to Samoa and the Cook group, left Wellington by the Moana, and will make their first landing at Rarotonga. The Tutaneikai (Captain Post) will await them there, and take them round the islands. Their Excellencies, who are accompanied by the Hon. Dr. Pomare (Minister for the Cook Group) and Mrs. Pomare, Lieutenant Garland, M.C., and Lieutenant Milton, A.D.C.'s, and Mr. G. F. Dixon, official reporter, expect to be absent from Wellington for about six weeks.

The Hon. R. Heaton Rhodes, M.P. for Ellesmere, is expected to leave England in the course of a few days for New Zealand.

Major J. B. Hine, M.P. for Stratford, returned to New Zealand last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar-Jones and Miss M. Edgar-Jones, Timaru, are leaving for Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Blyth, of Wanganui, have left on a four months' tour of Canada and the United States.

Mrs. W. Turnbull, Wellington, left by the Ionic last week on a visit to England.

Major David Gibbs, D.S.O., of the engineer's department of the Wellington Harbour Board, returned to New Zealand last week after over four years' war experience.

Dr. Thacker is the first graduate of Canterbury College to become Mayor of Christchurch, and also the first "old boy" of Christchurch Boys' High School to attain that position.

Mr. B. L. Salmon has been elected secretary of the New Zealand Football Association for the fourteenth year in succession.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest H. Davis, Auckland, leave this week by the Niagara on a two months visit to Honolulu.

Mr. H. D. Forsyth, managing director of the Eltham Dairy Company, left by the Moana en route for America and Europe. He was accompanied by Mrs. Forsyth.

Mr. W. Thomas, of the Dominion Laboratory staff, has been granted six months' leave of absence, and left for London by the Ionic on a business and pleasure trip.

Lieutenant R. Liddlelow, a returned soldier, was appointed secretary to the Victorian Electrical Commissioners, out of 109 applications. The position carries a salary of £450 per annum. Lieutenant Liddlelow was for some time in the employ of the Consolidated Goldfields, Reefton, before leaving for the front.

Mr. and Mrs. Studholme (Ruanui) are leaving very shortly on a visit to England. They intend returning before the end of the year.

The senior assistant at the Christchurch Technical College, Mr. W. G. Aldridge, has been appointed director of the Southland Technical College, out of 20 applicants.

Brigadier-General H. W. Grimwade, who has seen active service with the Australian Forces, was a through passenger by the Niagara, accompanied by his wife and family.

Mr. F. G. Matthews, private secretary to the Minister for Defence, has been granted the honorary rank of captain while so employed. Captain Matthews recently returned from active service.

The official return of casualties in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force for the whole period of the war shows a total of 16,661 dead and 41,317 wounded.

Free passes for six months on the Wellington trams are to be given to returned soldiers who have lost legs during the war. The City Council gave this concession on the application of the Wellington Returned Soldiers' Association.

Corporal Dick Harris, formerly well known in press circles in Wellington and Christchurch, returned from England by the transport Rimutaka. He was with the N.Z.E.F. in France from Messines up till just before the retaking of Bapaume (when he was on leave), and was slightly wounded as the result of a shell explosion.



Not in the Arctic regions, but endeavouring to secure a brace of ducks on the Huntly swamp for his friends.

Capping ceremonies at Canterbury College will be resumed this year, the students have been given permission to have their procession through the streets of the city on June 20.

A deputation from the Franklin Agricultural Society is to wait on the Prime Minister on his return to New Zealand with a request that an experimental farm be established in the Lower Waikato district.

Mr. F. Pirani, in the course of an address at Hastings, referred to the excellent work of the Shakespeare Hut in England. In this connection the highest possible praise was due to Miss Ballantyne, of Hawera, and Mrs. MacHugh, of Auckland, who parolled the streets of London last thing at night and raked in all "diggers" to the hut. During all their work these ladies had never been made the butt of abuse of any description from any of the New Zealanders.

Second-Lieutenant Gordon T. Dawson, who has been absent on active service for the past four years and a-half, has now returned to Dunedin, and is resuming his old position on the local staff of the South British Insurance Company, Limited.

Mr. C. H. Howarth, consulting engineer, of Wellington, and an artist of repute, left for England and America by the Ionic, accompanied by Mrs. Howarth. It is his intention to give exhibitions of his paintings of New Zealand scenery (chiefly scenes of the Mt. Cook district, the Wanganui River and the thermal regions) in London and New York.

"Remember, a good boxer makes a good soldier. I have never known a good boxer who has not been a good soldier."—Major Sweetzer at the presentation of prizes after the boxing tournament at Trentham Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Le Lievre, "Oinako," Akaroa, and their four daughters leave by the Paparoa on June 16th on an extended tour of England and the Continent. They expect to be away about two years.

Mr. William Cable, a member of the Wellington Harbour Board, Mrs. and Miss Cable and Miss Hunter left on a trip to America and England by the Moana. Mr. Cable is proceeding abroad on business, and is likely to be away over six months.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Manson, Palmerston North, accompanied by Miss Manson and Miss A. Palliser, joined the Niagara at Auckland. Mrs. and Miss Manson and Miss Palliser will spend the winter at Honolulu, while Mr. Manson makes a business visit to the United States and England.

"The membership of the association is only 25,000 to 30,000," said Mr. W. B. McCallum, at a sitting of the New Zealand Returned Soldiers' Association in Christchurch. "Those figures may not appear large, but there are large numbers of men coming back to New Zealand and there is a leakage somewhere. The returned men should be made fully cognisant of the workings of the association."

Having found that there was a necessity to define the term "returned soldier," the Dominion Conference of the New Zealand Returned Soldiers' Association decided, on the recommendation of its Legal Committee, to adopt the following definition: "Returned soldier" shall mean those persons who have served in or with His Majesty's Forces overseas during the great war, and have been honourably discharged or are awaiting honourable discharge."

The two gold medals presented by Messrs. A. and G. Price, Ltd., engineers, Thames, for the best essays on "How New Zealand Manufacturers Can Best Help Our Returned Soldiers," from any boy or girl attending any college or school in New Zealand have been awarded to the following:—Girls: Winnie Catherwood, Featherston; boys: Ralph Wilson, Taupaki.

Amongst prominent guests staying at the Grand Hotel, Auckland, last week were Sir Timothy and Lady Coghlan, Brigadier-General H. W. Grimwade (Australia), Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sargood (Melbourne), Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Stead, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hewitt (Hastings), Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Woodhouse, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. C. Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. E. Rutherford (Canterbury), Major A. De B. Brandon, D.S.O. (Wellington), Mr. and Mrs. Justice Hosking (Wellington), Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Riddell (Hawke's Bay), Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. de Latour, Mr and Mrs. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Sherratt, (Gisborne).



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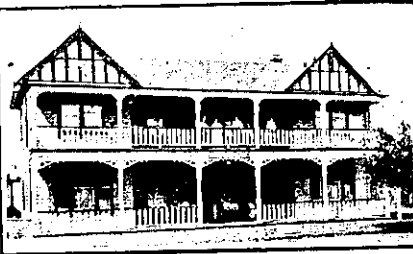
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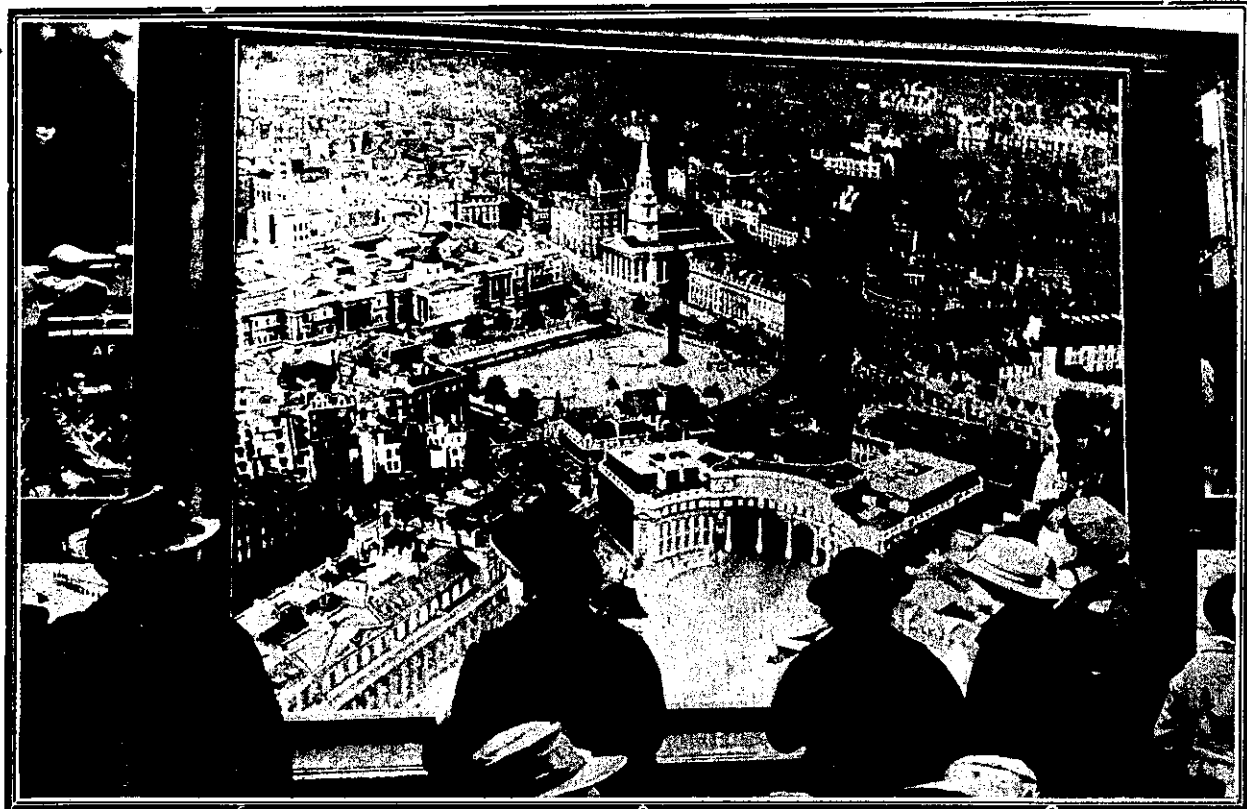
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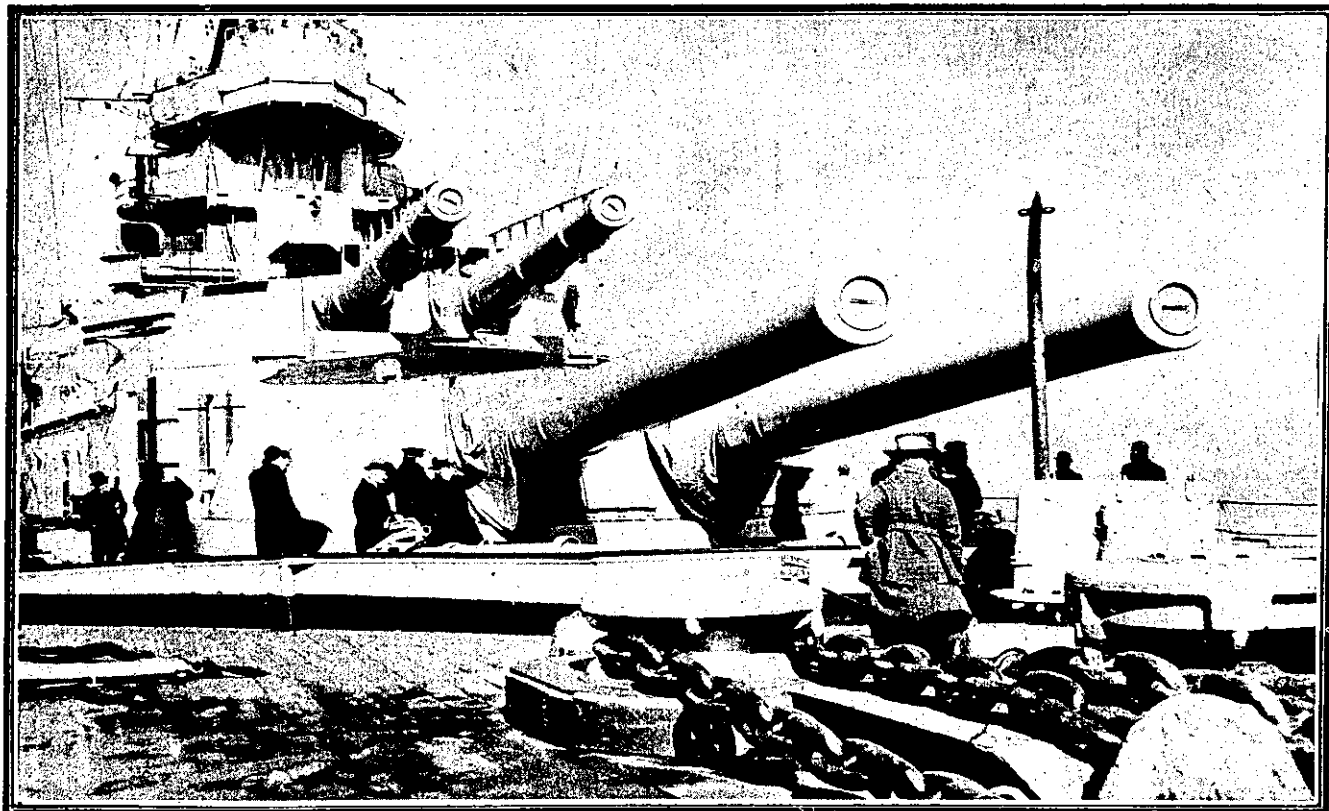
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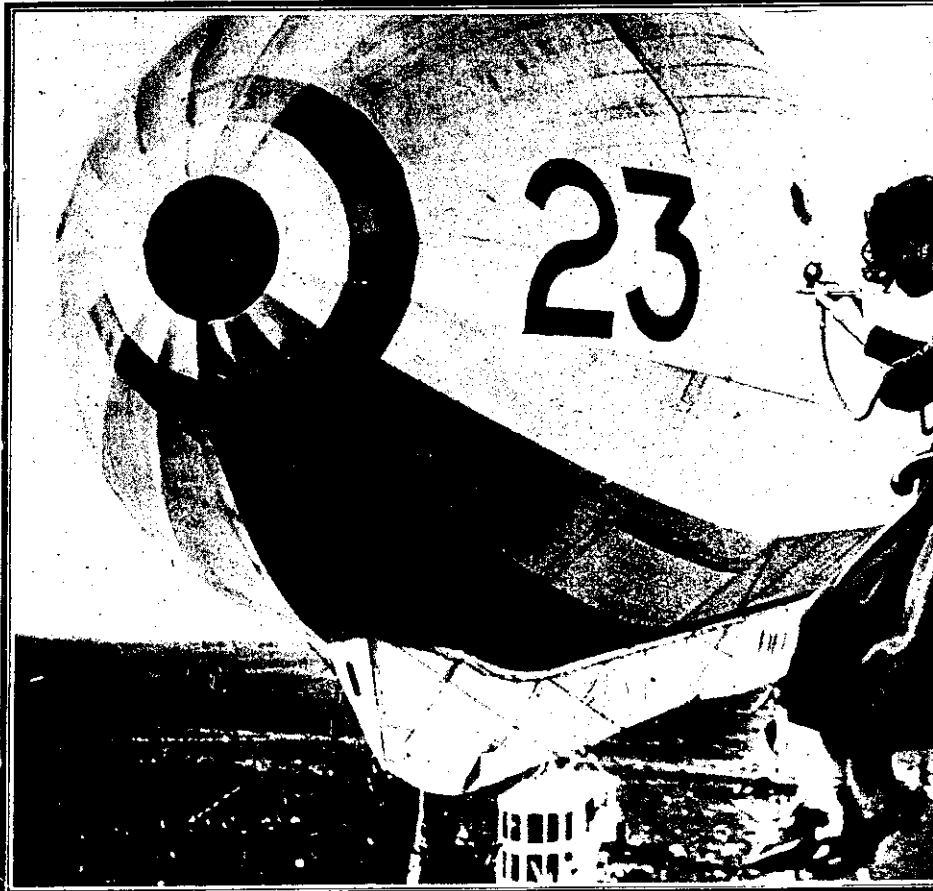
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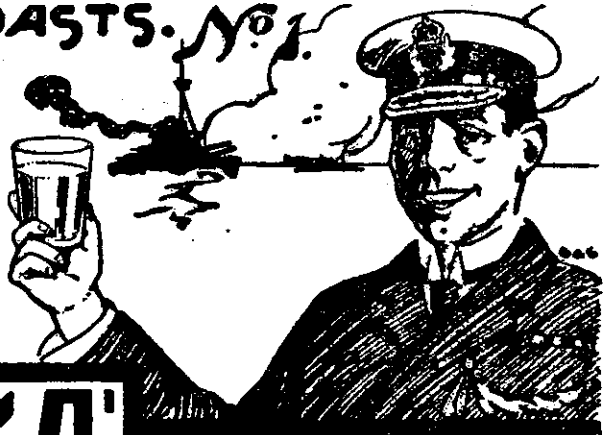
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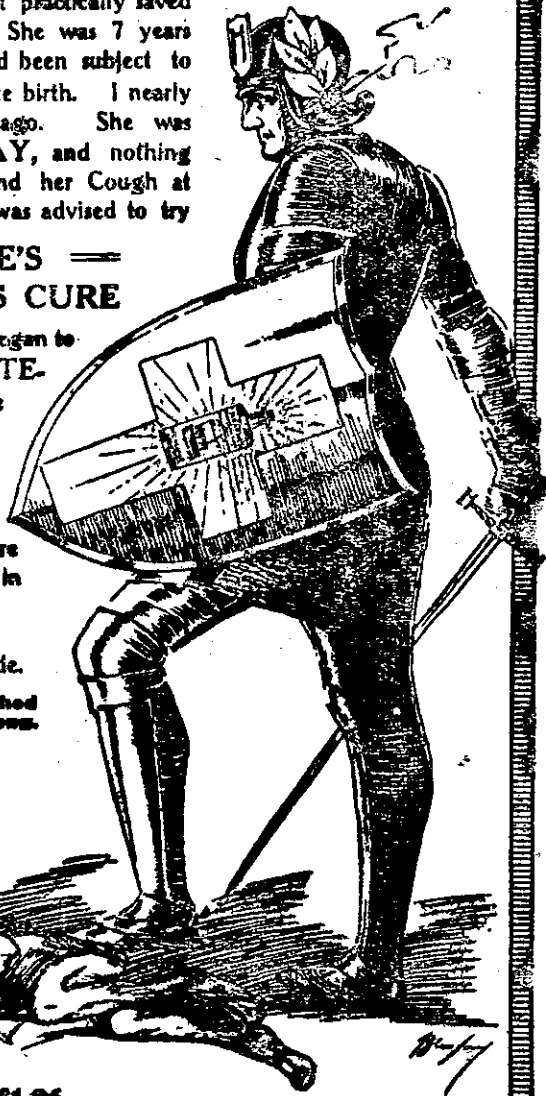
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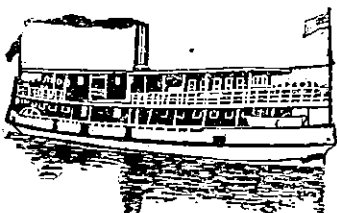
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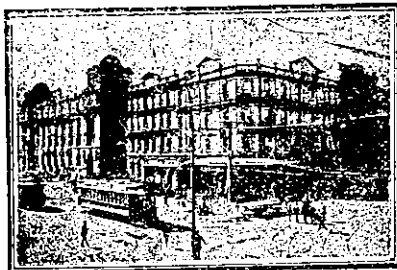
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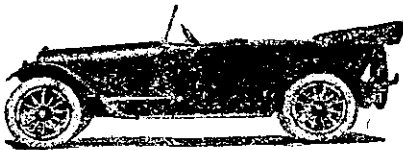
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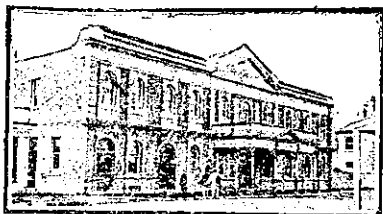
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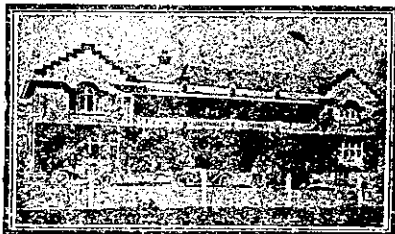
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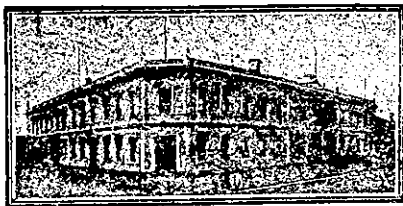
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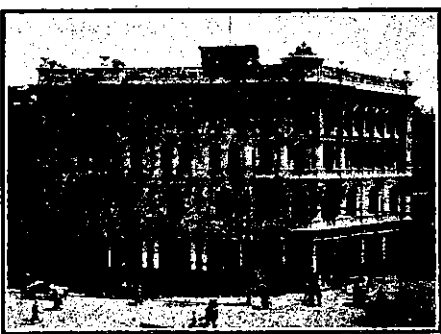
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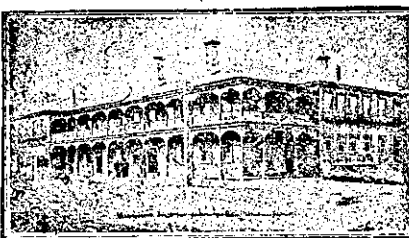
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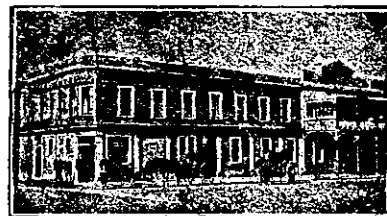
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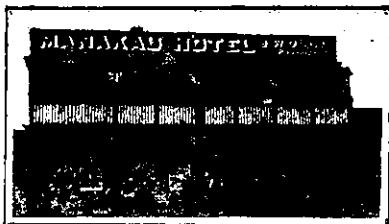
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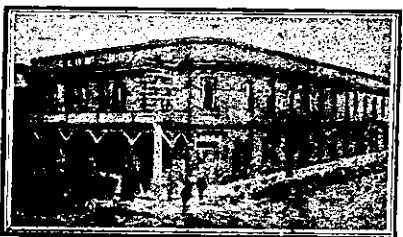


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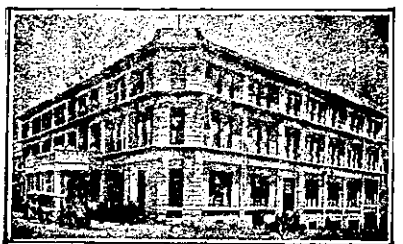


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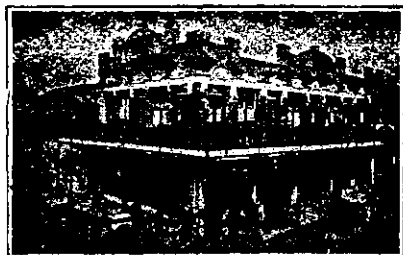
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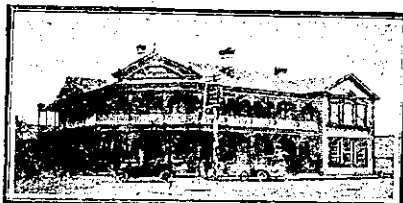
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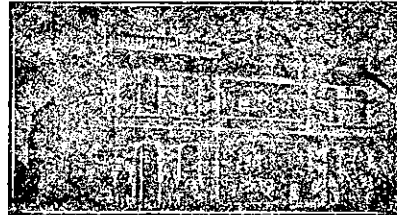
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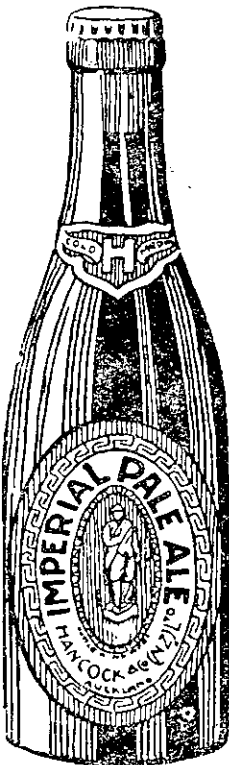
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