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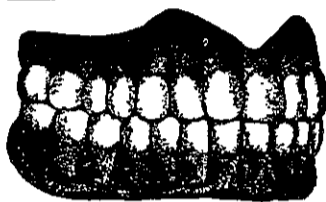
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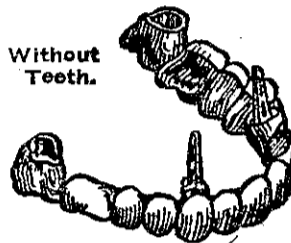


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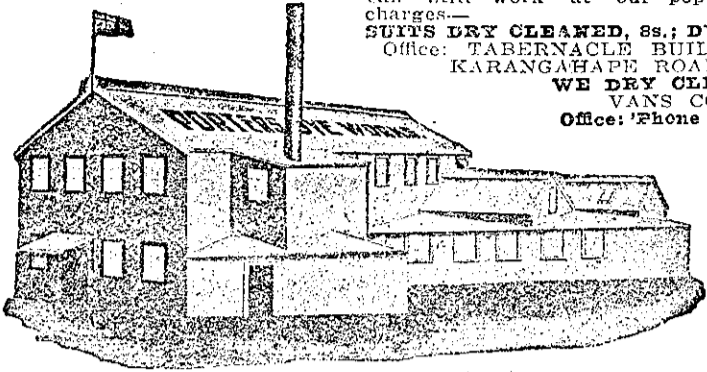
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WELLINGTON.

Wellington R.C.'s Autumn Meeting—Luke Showing Proficiency Over Hurdles—Promising Jumpers Under J. H. Prosser's Charge—Additions to F. J. Carmont's Team at Foxton.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

With the Easter racing campaign in full swing in various parts of the country, the tracks at Trentham bear a somewhat deserted appearance, but there are a few "beachcombers" keeping their horses at home in view of forthcoming engagements. Mr. McGlashan, the W.R.C. caretaker, has the training tracks in excellent trim, and horses possessing the necessary qualifications and stamina that count so much in the success of the thoroughbred have every facility provided to bring them up to concert pitch. The approaching autumn meeting of the Wellington Racing Club, which is scheduled to take place on the 15th and 17th inst., gives every promise of proving very successful.

For health reasons, and acting on the advice of his medical adviser, the local owner Mr. H. W. Brown is retiring from racing for the time being. "Harold," as he is familiarly called, has had a successful run as an owner, and his large-heartedness in all matters appertaining to the turf will always remain a pleasant memory with those who have made his acquaintance. Mr. Brown is a comparatively young man, and there is reason to believe that at a later period he may again be found taking an active interest in the sport.

The Trentham Gold Cup, to be run on the second day of the Wellington R.C.'s autumn meeting, is expected to provide a stirring contest. The anticipated meeting of Amythas and Sasanof will in itself arouse considerable interest. There are quite a number of well-informed critics who are prepared to see Mr. F. S. Easton's horse the victor should the pair meet in the event in question.

There is nothing amiss with Swanee River, who was withdrawn from her C.J.C. engagements. The Demosthenes—Northern Rose filly will be on hand to take part in the local meeting this month.

F. Higgott is busy at Otaki with Luke, who is shaping particularly well in his efforts over the small sticks. All going well in the interim this bearer of Mr. C. F. Vallance's colours will be a starter in hack hurdling events at Trentham.

Mr. W. R. Kemball will have a big team racing at the Wellington R.C. meeting this month. With such a large number of horses in training—approximately 26—the Wairarapa sportsman requires to keep them busy in order that they may uphold the prestige of his establishment.

J. H. Prosser is keeping Gold Sout busy at Porirua, and the veteran trainer is still of the opinion that the best has not yet been seen of this horse over the obstacles. The son of Gold Crest figures in the hurdling events at Trentham.

With Goldstream, Gold Sout, Chummy and Gratitude, the Porirua stable of J. H. Prosser shelters a quartette of horses that should pay their way over hurdles during the next few months. The horses named are all possessed of some jumping qualifications, and there is every reason to anticipate that they will pay their way.

In Wake (Kilbroney—Somniform) and Insurrection the Messrs. V. and E. Riddiford have a couple of two-year-olds that should run with some success at Trentham. Both juveniles can show some pace, and their future is held in high esteem by those concerned in their welfare.

The local owner who races as P. Soames is represented in the Trentham Gold Cup with Battle Song, Bonnie Maid and Battle Array. If Amythas and Sasanof are to be defeated in this event the winner may probably come from one of this trio in Joe Ayer's stable.

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White Hart at Marton, has a fine type of the thoroughbred in Equitable, a two-year-old by Hallowmas from that good mare Equitas. The genial "Sam" is under the impression that he has got hold of another excellent performer.

In addition to competing in the Trentham Gold Cup, Amythas will take part in the North Island Challenge Stakes. The son of Demosthenes should be seen under favourable circumstances at Trentham.

F. J. Carmont, at Foxton, is putting into work a couple of rising two-year-olds in a gelding by Absurd from Sequin and a filly by All Red from Lady Moutoa, from whom big things are expected in the racing line. Both youngsters are owned by Mr. F. S. Easton.

E. Penman, the Otaki trainer, has Student and Detroit in good racing trim. Both horses are at Feilding this week. The latter is fast coming back to form, and when the tracks become softer the old fellow can be depended upon to keep his opponents busy.

Mr. C. C. Biel, owner of Arlington, has Sea Foam (California—Waikoura) very well at present. It would occasion no surprise to find the chestnut mare getting amongst the winners in the near future.

In Temaie (Yankee Jack—Torpedo mare) the Rangitikei sportsman Mr. S. R. Hammond has a useful type of racer. The four-year-old, who is being trained by "Jim" Coyle at Marton Junction, is receiving a thorough preparation for future events.

Mr. Watt, the owner of Erin's Isle, has decided to race his horse over longer distances than he has hitherto been competing in.

"Mick" King, at Bulls, has a couple of promising representatives in training, viz., Rajput (Rokeby—Ranee Nuna) and Miss Love (General Latour—Petit Tor). Both horses are doing well in their training work, and their turn should come in the near future.

WAIRARAPA.

Lord Nagar Responsible For Pleasing Work—Cyresian Hitting Out Well—Snub Still Enjoying a Well-Earned Spell—Masterton-trained Horses Well Represented in Manawatu Stakes.

MASTERTON, Monday.

The recent meeting of the Masterton Racing Club resulted in a profit of £637 1s. 4d, which must be considered satisfactory for a one day fixture.

Mr. H. W. Brown, whose horses are trained by A. McAulay, at Tauherenikau, intends shortly to retire from racing, and his horses, including the crack performer, Arrowsmith, are to be sold.

Lord Nagar is doing pleasing work at Opaki, and Mr. Kemball's jumper will be in first-class trim when asked to sport silk.

Cyresian is looking fresh and well after his lengthy spell, and is going along nicely in his work at Tauherenikau. The son of Elysian—Cyrma has shown by his gallops that he has not lost any of his pace.

J. T. Jamieson has Grecian Girl in regular work at Opaki, and the daughter of Field Battery—Grecian Maid, should not be long in winning a race for her owner, Mr. A. McDonald.

The steeplechase course at Opaki is being got ready for the approaching season, and local trainers are waiting to give their jumpers a try out. Several horses which were seen out over hurdles last season are to be given a trial over the steeplechase country.

T. Pritchard had his hand broken when he met with the mishap at the Masterton meeting, and it will probably be some time before he will be able to ride again.

Mr. L. S. Nicol, of Masterton, has sent his Waimangu—Merrie Chimes two-year-old to C. Pritchard at Trentham, to be prepared for future engagements.

Snub is still resting, and it is not likely that he will be taken up again this season. The son of Martian—Lady Disdain has been a very consistent performer since being purchased by Mr. Kemball, and has paid his way well. Several weight-for-age races have been won by him both in this Dominion and in Australia.

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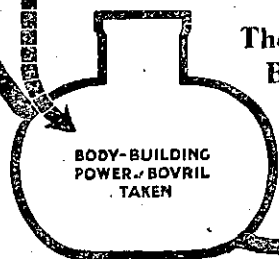
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The following Masterton-trained horses are left in the Manawatu Stakes:—Miss Gold, Hymestra; Affection, Rieuse, and Little River. In the Sires' Produce Stakes, Raceful, Rieuse and Little River are engaged.

A. Crawford has a nice stamp of galloper in O'Rane (Elevation—Lethe mare). The five-year-old gelding has been doing well in his work at Tauherenikau lately, and promises to turn out useful. Mr. R. N. Barton, of Featherston, owns the gelding.

The two-year-olds owned in the Wairarapa have so far not proved themselves up to the standard of previous years, although several have won races. The best seen out so far is the Australian-bred Weldone, owned by Mr. Kemball, of Masterton. The Welkin—Landrose colt has won several races since coming to the Dominion, and may add still further to his successes before the season ends. Rieuse and Little River are a pair of Opaki-trained juveniles which have shown winning form. Several two-year-olds are in training at Tauherenikau, and although so far they have not got on the winning list, a successful career is predicted for them. Among those showing promise in their work are La Paloma and Vivation. The former is by Hollowmas—Helen Portland.

SOUTHLAND.

Kokowai in Regular Work—Anton Reported Lame—Glensponse and Mazama to be Raced Over Hurdles—Primum and Silver Peak to Compete at Trentham and the Royal Meeting at Riccarton—Fleetham Probably to be Given a Chance Over Hurdles—Dorian Goes Amiss—Dunmure Being Treated to a Spell.

INVERCARGILL, Monday.

The weather has again settled in fine, with the result that the tracks at the various centres of the home province are all very firm again. At the conclusion of the Riverton fixture, a number of horses will be thrown out of commission, the remainder being kept moving in view of the Ashburton, South Canterbury and Dunedin J.C. gatherings to come.

When J. B. Pearson returned from Riccarton with Warlike, after the Southland R.C.'s meeting, his recent purchase, Kokowai, was left behind in charge of P. T. Hogan. The All Red mare is now working regularly with the Rorke's Drift Lodge string.

The owner of the juvenile, Listening Post, fully intended racing the Solferino gelding in the Plunket Nursery Handicap at the Wellington autumn fixture, but overlooked the date of entry. It is probable that Mr. Russell will have Listening Post railed back to Invercargill after the C.J. C. meeting, to undergo a spell at home quarters. A half sister to the speedy Solferino—Eager Eyes youngster, in the shape of a filly foal by Balboa, is thriving apace under Mr. Russell's personal attention. The local owner may add Matilda (Rokeby—Crimson Rose) to his stud this year.

The Australian-bred Anton was lame after working one morning this

week. His owner decided to blister the son of Stanton, and turn him out in company with Eleus, who is now enjoying a well-earned spell.

When the Riverton fixture is over, several horses are to be schooled over the battens, the number including Glensponse and Mazama. The latter should develop into a useful timber topper if conformation and action go for anything. Glensponse promised well when tried out last season.

Clothilde was sent away to race in the Maiden Plate at the Tuapeka Country Jockey Club's meeting. The daughter of Rokeby and Camille will probably retire from the turf after next week, having been booked to Kilbroney, in company with her half sister, Camaieu.

Following on his trip to the Wellington R.C.'s autumn meeting, Silver Peak and Primum will halt on the homeward journey, and take part in the Royal meeting at Riccarton. The latter is very useful, and the son of Nassau may have a chance in the ten furlong hack event to be promoted by the Canterbury Jockey Club in honour of the Prince of Wales.

The Winton Stakes winner of the current season, Vice-Grand, by Vice-Admiral—Filbrona, was added to the list last week, and is now making a good recovery from the operation.

An unnamed rising three-year-old by Pallas from Order, is working on the Southland R.C.'s tracks in company with Mr. Stone's horses. The half brother to Marching Order and Special Order, who gallops in an attractive manner, is intended to compete in the Winton Stakes next season.

The imported stallion, Fleetham, despite the fact that his feet give trouble, is standing up to his work under P. T. Hogan. The son of Picton is fining down nicely and galloping in a determined manner. There is just a chance that the sturdy horse from overseas will be schooled for hurdle racing when the tracks become more yielding. He is just the stamp of horse to succeed at the jumping game, and there are a number of proficient jumpers in Hogan's establishment to try him with.

The Martian—Greek Maid gelding Dorian, went wrong on Monday last. Mr. W. T. Hazlett's gelding promised well one time, but seemed to lack dash of late.

The Pallas gelding, Brooksdale, and his stable companion, Glensponse, will probably be raced over hurdles at the Ashburton country fixtures. Brooksdale is looking very well at present, and should be cherry ripe by the time the Dunedin winter meeting comes up for decision.

The Otautau sportsman Mr. A. Chisholm is expected to arrive in Auckland this week from England with a consignment of three thoroughbreds, two fillies and a colt. The latter is owned by Mr. Chisholm, but the fillies were purchased to the order of two Canterbury sportsmen.

The two jockeys injured at the Southland R.C.'s meeting last week, T. O'Connor and J. A. Rowland, are making satisfactory progress towards recovery, but will be unable to resume their calling for some time yet. The latter was lucky that his leg was not broken when Buller nearly kicked him off Mazama at the post for the Winter Oats Handicap. Buller very nearly succeeded in landing the Ric-

carton apprentice A. Ellis in a similar manner on the opening day of the fixture.

The novice steeplechaser Dunmure, in P. Hogan's stable, is being treated to a short spell, which accounts for his absence from the Riverton meeting.

Mr. W. Stone has had several offers for Silver Peak and Primum respectively, but they are not attractive enough to tempt him to part with either of his useful gallopers.

TURF TOPICS.

Geoffrey, winner of the A.R.C. Onslow Stakes, is a December foal.

Mr. Kemball's horses go straight from Ellerslie to Trentham this week, and will probably reach there on Thursday.

Khartoum's withdrawal from the A.R.C. Brighton Hurdles was reported to be due to that gelding getting a kick from another horse after his arrival at Ellerslie.

On Saturday afternoon Mr. Kemball's Bonnetter won the President's Handicap of a mile and a quarter at Ellerslie in 2min. 7 4-5sec., and at the Wairarapa meeting Multaine, one of his representatives, won the Easter Handicap in 2min. 7 1-5sec.

It is understood that the owner of a winner at Ellerslie on Saturday backed his horse straight out and also backed the winning double, Marconi and Gazique, and thus had a good day. Anyone who imagines the "poor bookies" had a good time are much mistaken.

Some of those who backed Rekanui for the Brighton Hurdles and then rushed in and supported Mill o' Gowrie when Rekanui was scratched, are very sore. Rekanui is understood to have met with an accident.

Mr. H. Coyle, handicapper, was present watching the form at Ellerslie in view of the fact that the handicaps for the Wellington meeting are due this week and that the Avondale weights also had to be issued on Tuesday.

Record and very fast times have been registered all along the line in Australia, and Randwick and Riccarton have made fresh history in that respect. Arrowsmith's narrow margin win in the Great Easter Handicap in 1min. 25 1-5sec. is an Australasian record for seven furlongs.

The New Zealand Jockey's Association are evidently disinclined to await the result of the next meeting of the New Zealand Racing Conference, without some assurance from the president of that organisation, and they have issued a circular letter to that effect.

A. McFlynn was in good form on Saturday at Ellerslie, on Matatane (Oaks), Geoffrey (Onslow Stakes), Humbug (G. N. Champagne Stakes), Tigritiya (2nd Easter), and Vagabond (3rd Eden Handicap.) T. Glover won two races by narrow margins on Tinohoro and Tama-a-roa. J. O'Shea won on Bonnetter, Robinson on Gazique, and R. Manson on Marconi.

Mr. Fred Earle, K.C., with his recently purchased filly, Dovelet, by Malter—San Dove, came nearly landing the Onslow Stakes with her. The winner, Geoffrey, Dovelet, Dunedin, Bright light, Tresor and Illumination—six of the eleven starters—were bred in Australia.



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PROGRAMME.

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1. DISTRICT HANDICAP (Saddle) of 50sovs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 10s. One mile and a half.
2. STEWARDS' HANDICAP (Harness) of 80sovs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a half.
3. HAWKE'S BAY TROTTING CUP (Harness) of 250sovs. Nomination, 2sovs, acceptance 3sovs. Two miles.
4. ROYAL HANDICAP (Saddle) of 80 sovs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Nine furlongs.
5. HASTINGS HANDICAP (Harness) of 90sovs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a half.
6. PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP (Harness) of 120sovs. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 2sovs. One mile and a quarter.

For full programme see "Referee" of March 17.

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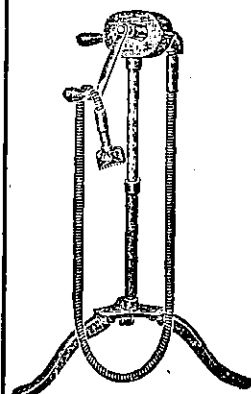
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TUESDAY, MAY 4, 1920.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1920.

- 1. HACK HANDICAP of 70sovs; second horse to receive 12sovs, and third horse 8sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 20s. Six furlongs.

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FIRST DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1920.

- 1. TRIAL HURDLE HANDICAP of 250 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. Hack conditions. One mile and a half. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1920.

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THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 1920.

- 1. GREENFIELD HURDLE HANDI-CAP of 450sovs; second horse to receive 90sovs, and third horse 45 sovs from the stake. One mile and a half. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 5sovs.

- 2. TAIERI HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Hack conditions. Minimum weight 7.7. Seven furlongs. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 2sovs.

DATES OF ENTRIES, ACCEPTANCES, ETC., WITH AMOUNTS TO BE PAID.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 1920.

Table listing racing events and their amounts: Trial Hurdle Handicap, Brighton Handicap, Birthday Handicap, etc.

WEIGHTS DECLARED for Otago Steeplechase and Otago Hurdles. SATURDAY MAY 22, 1920.

WEIGHTS DECLARED for First Day.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 1920.

Table listing racing events and their amounts: Trial Hurdle Handicap, Brighton Handicap, Birthday Handicap, etc.

Weights declared for Second Day to appear in Otago Daily Times.

Acceptances at noon.

Table listing racing events and their amounts: Silverstream Handicap, Provincial Handicap, etc.

Weights declared for Third Day to appear in Otago Daily Times.

Acceptances at noon.

Table listing racing events and their amounts: Greenfield Hurdles, Taieri Handicap, etc.

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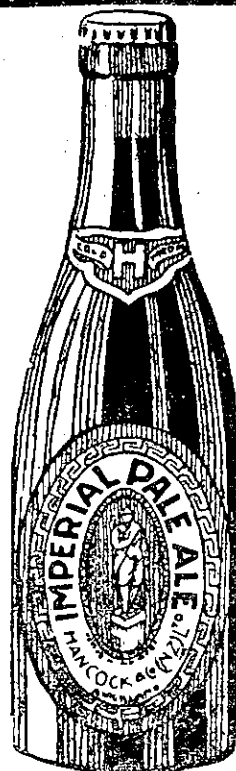
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RACING REVIEWED

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

EASTER MEETING.

HUMBUG WINS CHAMPAGNE STAKES.

MATATANE THE GREAT NORTHERN OAKS.

EASTER HANDICAP WON BY GAZIQUE.

Under conditions favourable in every way for the sport the Easter, or autumn, meeting of the Auckland Racing Club, and the 46th in its history, was commenced on Saturday. There was a record attendance, a record turnover on the totalisator for the time of year for a single day's racing, good average fields of decidedly useful horses, which represented all parts of the Auckland province and all the provinces of the North Island and leading racing centres in each. There was also, it has been estimated, the largest attendance of racing enthusiasts which has ever graced the pretty Ellerslie racing arena at this time of year, and they came from all parts of the Dominion, a few from the South Island. Ministers of the Crown, members and ex-members of Parliament, prominent officials and members of racing clubs in the North Island, and leading owners and studmasters from different centres were to be met with at every turn, and all parts of the grounds were patronised. Under the pines in the vicinity of the old mile post, and away from the fence dividing the lawn and grandstand enclosure to the shifted Derby stand, now called the free stand, there was a great muster, and the people were brought more prominently into notice in that quarter.

The re-arrangement of the grounds behind the stands, enlarging the enclosures, has not been effected too soon, and the improvements in that respect and the increase in the catering departments generally were appreciated. With the electric totalisators working up to their capacity the investments of the people were taken with very little left to complain of, and there is not likely to be any congestion if people will only do their business early. The totalisator staff handled £90,980 during the afternoon on the eight races, giving an average of £11,372 10s. per race, and on the Easter Handicap the sum of £19,012 10s. was put through. The investments for the day exceeded the sum handled on the first day last year by £23,283, and were £12,157 in excess of the turnover on Easter Monday of last year, which was the previous autumnal record for New Zealand.

There was some good racing during the afternoon, and the starting of Mr. O'Connor was up to that official's best form. No long delays occurred and the horses generally appeared to be on their best behaviour. Mr. Spence and his staff had the business of their departments well under control. Mr. F. Marks was in his place once more at the scales, assisted by Mr. H. Massey, and Mr. Selby, who was put out of action at the summer meeting through a kick from a horse, was again on duty as clerk of the course. Mr. MacMahon was the officiating stipendiary steward, and Mr. Murchison, the newly-appointed official, was also present. A number of minor matters engaged the attention of the stewards during the afternoon. Mr. Macmanemin's handicapping resulted in a number of close finishes, and two dividends were just over and two others a little under £10, and in the other handicaps they were below £5. A little over that sum was paid on Matatane, the Oaks winner, and the smallest dividend of the day on Humberg, the winner of the Champagne Stakes. Mr. A. Hill had the grounds looking in perfect order, and the course itself was in excellent condition, which can be gathered from the fact that for the time of year the races were run fast, and this notwithstanding a good carpet of grass covered the course. The successes of visiting horses and the prominence of others throughout the afternoon was very noticeable. Six of the eight races were carried off by horses from a distance, and visitors secured some of the place money as well. There were some

well-deserved wins, that of Marconi in the Brighton Hurdle Race being overdue, and Gazique, the best horse, won the Easter and rewarded his Gisborne owner for his many visits to Ellerslie. First favourites ran prominently, but only two actual favourites won.

There were ten starters for the President's Handicap, Esthonia and Tinopai being the best supported, but it was a good betting race, and Woody Glen, Punka and Bonnetter each had strong followings. Six of the ten starters carried overweight. Isingarch lost her rider after going seven furlongs, and an enquiry elicited the information that there was some interference from another horse, but no blame was attributed to any particular horseman. Nightingale, the rider of Isingarch, was not seriously injured. Esthonia and Tinopai looked likely to fill leading positions about two furlongs from home, but Bonnetter was taken to the front and came away in the home stretch and won by four lengths from Esthonia, who finished better than Tinopai and beat her by half that distance, Blue Cross and Cynic being just behind the Waikato mare, the last-named after running in the rear a long way closing up the gap and getting into the middle of the field. Bonnetter ran the mile and a-quarter in 2min. 7 4-5sec. The daughter of Boniform was recently purchased by Mr. Kemball from Mr. Gerald Stead, and was ridden by J. O'Shea.

There were only four starters for

from home, it looked as if he would maintain his advantage to the end, but he struck a hurdle at that stage and Gluetanus, who was running well, got up to him through the mishap and raced him hard. Meanwhile Marconi came along and, maintaining his pace, passed the pair and won by four or five lengths, a neck separating Deviation and Gluetanus, while Explorer was close up, fourth, and Thrace, who after running along well in the early part, dropped back going along the back of the course, was reasserting himself in the home run and was fifth. The lighter-weighted placed ones, however, carried too many guns. Mr. Jackson, Marconi's owner, has stuck persistently to the aged son of Soult and trained him himself for his later engagements, and it seemed hard luck for his old mentor, C. Coleman, to train the second horse on this occasion. It is understood that Mr. Jackson had a good win apart from the stake, and no one will begrudge it him. The race was run in 3min. 48 3-5sec.

The scratching pen was busy, with the result that of the nine carded for the Great Northern Champagne only five started, and as could be expected with Humberg, the best two-year-old disclosed by form in New Zealand, on hand he was certain to be favourite. The good-shaped and quality-looking son of imported Absurd, despite the white face and four white stockings which he displays, had given evidence on the track of being in form, and though Landslide left the barrier



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the Great Northern Oaks. There are seldom more. Mr. George Currie provided the favourite in Rose Queen, by King Rufus from his imported mare Roscommon, but Mr. Kemball's Miss Gold, by Lucullus from Recoup, was nearly equally supported, and then came Mr. H. M. Campbell's Merry Moment—Hope Diamond filly Matatane, who had a very rough time on the trip from Napier by steamer, and was thought unlikely to start, her trainer a few days before being very pessimistic on the subject. A lot of people were put off backing her in consequence, but she was always in front and as the pace was made slow over the first part of the journey—indeed, for a mile—she got well warmed up for business and rattled home over the last half-mile in 51sec. and beat Rose Queen by two and a-half lengths, Missgold, who had not been trained for a distance, after making an ineffectual effort to get up being eased up in third place four lengths off, while Mr. R. Elliot's Princess Charming was close up, fourth. By the conditions of the race 50sovs. goes to the breeder of Matatane, who has run some fair races previously. Defunct Merry Moments was lost to us all too soon, and is said to have had but few chances.

Though Thrace had the substantial impost of 12 7 he carried nearly 1600 more of public investments than Explorer and Waimai, and considerably more than that sum more than Notability. It was left to others less supported to fill the places, and with Deviation (by Elevation from Waiethe, a one-time noted performer) still leading with a commanding advantage about a couple of furlongs

smarter than any of the five runners, with a furlong gone Humberg supplanted him in the lead, and from thence out had everything his own way and won easily by two lengths from Blackmail, who, finishing on beat Landslide, who also gave of his best, by the same distance, with Miss Muriel and Lovelight, in order, further back. The race was run in 1min. 14 2-5sec. and Humberg ran on so like a stayer that he should prove good for later engagements in the season and in contests with older horses, and next season with those of his own age. He is a well-behaved colt, and his fortunate possessor, Mr. A. B. Williams, a regular supporter of racing in leading parts of the Dominion. Mr. Currie, Humberg's breeder, was present, and has occasion to be pleased with the colt, and 100sovs. which goes to the breeder became his portion of the stake.

After Bonnetter and King Abbey had been taken out of the Easter Handicap twelve stood their ground, and the friends of Uncle Ned sent him out first favourite, carrying nearly £1000 more than was invested on Tigritya, who it was all along thought would share favouritism with the Auckland-owned gelding Hymestra, however, came greatly into favour during the week, and especially after the showing of Bonnetter, with which mare he had been galloping. The combination Taiamai and Rockfield same in for a lot of support, too, and had over £2000 invested on them. Maioha, Te Oro, Queen Abbey and Bo-Peep came next in order, then General Advance and Gazique, the least backed being Ruatara. Ruatara carried 4lb. overweight, Te Oro 11lb.,

General Advance 2½lb., and Gazique and Hymestra each 1lb. over. A good start was effected, and Hymestra was racing on the outside of the field, with Ruatara and Tigritya in the centre nearly on terms, the last-named dropping back at the five-furlong post, where Ruatara was leading and continued to lead with Hymestra in company to the straight, where the last-named took charge and was followed by Tigritya, who headed him a little over a furlong from home, a hard race between the pair ensuing a little further, when Gazique was seen coming and the Gisborne-owned son of imported Gazeley had the measure of the All Black mare over the last half-furlong and won by half a length, Hymestra being a length and a-half away, third, with Ruatara close up, fourth, and General Advance and Uncle Ned fifth and sixth respectively. Maioha and Bo-Peep met with bad luck early in the race, running in the rear most of the way. Taiamai was seventh, Maioha eighth, Rockfield, Queen Abbey, Bo-Peep and Te Oro being the order of the others passing the winning post. The various stages of the race were: Quarter-mile 24 2-5sec., half-mile 49sec., five furlongs 1min. 1 1-5sec., full distance 1min. 39 3-5sec., which time has been twice previously beaten in the race—last year by Uncle Ned and in 1916 by Chortle. Hockley, the rider of Maioha, was suspended later in the day for striking McCornack, rider of General Advance, immediately after the horses were pulled up after the race.

Eleven two-year-olds came out for the Onslow Stakes, the Bezonian—Purity filly Pure Laziness being made favourite, with the upstanding and commanding-looking Linacre colt Dunedin second fancy, the imported colt Limelight and Celmisia being the next best fancied. Pure Laziness had every chance, as she got out well, and so had Illumination, but Dunedin did not seem equal to going the pace. Geoffrey led Illumination and Dovelet into the straight, and when the last-named tackled him he ran about a little but still struggled on and won by three-parts of a length, Puze Laziness two lengths off, with Celmisia and Dunedin fourth and fifth respectively. Illumination was sixth, Geoffrey and Dovelet each carried a little overweight. The winner is a December foal by The Sybarite (imp.) from Irish Mist (imp.), while Dovelet is by Malster from San Dove, also bred in Australia and purchased at the autumn sales last year, as were Dunedin, Brightlight, Tressor and Illumination, six in all of the eleven runners. Mr. E. W. Alison owns Geoffrey, who was purchased on his breeding, but does not fill the eye well and came nearly being turned out for a term instead of being raced so early.

A field of nineteen came out for the Nelson Handicap, and quite a number were well supported, Queen Abbey's full-brother Tinohoro being selected for most support, with Formalin, Rebuff and War Tank most befriended of the others. Tinohoro led over the last six furlongs, but had a hard tussle with the Elysian gelding Explode, who he only beat a neck, the outsider Prince Rufus getting within half a length, while War Tank (the topweight), Hessian and Mountain Gold were the closest of the others. Gatherer got well away, but was not able to go on with the pace far. The race was run in 1min. 40 2-5sec., less than a second slower than the Easter Handicap.

The curtain was rung down with the Eden Handicap, the Hon. E. W. Alison's pair, Lord Kenilworth and Archie, being made a strong order. Mill o' Gowrie, who had been withdrawn from the Brighton Hurdles after some backers had supported her for that race when Rekanui was scratched, was made second favourite, Vagabond, Trespass and Prince Charleroi being also very well supported. Crowhurst, Clonmel and then Mill o' Gowrie led, and Trespass joined the last-named in the straight, Crowhurst, Ohinewairua (who went out wide), Tama-a-roa, Vagabond, Prince Charleroi and Lord Kenilworth each coming into view as the field ran home. Tama-a-roa and Crowhurst had a battle royal and the first-named won by a head, Vagabond, finishing on, was a length and a-half away, third, Prince Charleroi fourth, Lord Kenilworth and Trespass together next, Archie, Ohinewairua and Clonmel being those to follow. Mill o' Gowrie, Winsome Arch and Lady Glen were the last three to finish. The race was run in 1min. 28sec. Tama-a-roa's friends received a nice dividend, but if heads had been the other way Crowhurst would have paid a much better. The race brought a good day's racing to an end.

The results were:—

come out for that event. No Surrender was elected a little better than even money favourite, Tenacious being most fancied of the others. Tirau went to the lead at the start but came to grief at the sod wall opposite the stewards' stand, Battletide taking up the running, with Jacarander. No Surrender and Tenacious following in that order. The last-named commenced to make up his leeway racing up the hill but the first fence at the top brought him down. Jacarander displaced Battletide in the lead before the final round was commenced No Surrender being in third position as they jumped the double in front of the stand. Going along the back, Battletide, again went to the front while No Surrender improved his prospects. Battletide fell at the first obstacle on the hill, but was remounted, while No Surrender easily held Jacarander safe, eventually winning by 100yds, Battletide being 2½ lengths away third.

Hymestra had a slight call over Queen Abbey in the betting on the Hui Handicap, while Crowhurst, Ruatara and Rockfield carried heavy investments on their respective numbers on the totalisator. Crowhurst was first to show out from an even despatch, with Queen Abbey at the head of the others. An exciting set-to ensued between the pair, while Hymestra came with a rattle over the final furlong but could not reach the leaders, Crowhurst accounting for Queen Abbey by three parts of a length, Hymestra being half a length away third. Rockfield was fourth and Ruatara next.

Trespass and Active declined their engagements in the Auckland Welter Handicap, leaving a field of nine to dispute supremacy over the mile course. General Advance, who had been responsible for a good performance in the Easter Handicap on Saturday, was made a very warm favourite, Archie, Woody Glen, Comedy Prince and Mill o' Gowrie all finding plenty of admirers in a splendid betting race. Archie led along the back from the favourite, and was first to turn for home, where General Advance was still in second position. In a sterling finish General Advance, who was capably handled by J. O'Shea, defeated Archie by half a neck, Bitholia being two lengths away, third. Woody Glen was fourth and Farce next.

The results were:—

STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 400sovs. One mile.
 2—P. W. Scally's b g Esthonia, 3yrs, by Elysian—Baronia, 8.9 (J. O'Shea) 1
 8—J. Hetet's br g Tama-a-roa, 6yrs, 7.3 (Glover) 2
 7—W. R. Kemball's b c Trespass, 3 yrs, 7.4½ inc. 1½lb over (Conquest) 3
 Also started: 4 Lord Kenilworth 8.9, 1 Maioha 8.6, 3 Tinopai 8.1, 6 Matatane 8.2½ (inc. 4½lb over), 9 Te Oro 7.9 (inc. 6lb over), 10 Tabasco 6.10½ (inc. 3½lb over), 5 War Tank 6.10 (inc. 3lb over).
 Won by half a head, a head between second and third. Tama-a-roa was fourth. Time, 1min. 40sec.

MANGERE HANDICAP of 275sovs. Six furlongs.
 1—R. Hannon's br g Tinohaka, 3yrs, by Quin Abbey—Freedom mare, 9.4 (Robinson) 1
 17—R. T. Reid's b g No Bother, 4 yrs, 7.2 inc. 2lb over (McTavish) 2
 10—M. Wells' br g Loved One, 3yrs., 7.7 (Dennison) 3
 Also started: 4 Oak Abbey 8.9 (inc. 1 lb over), 2 Explode 8.8, 5 Finkop 8.6, 6 Salvaless 8.3, 7 Winsome Arch 8.3, 3 North Loburn 8.5 (inc. 5lb over), 16 Penona 8.0, 13 Sanacre 7.10, 15 Stammer 7.8, 21 The Packman 9.3½ (inc. 24½lb over), 13 Vauxhall 7.8 (inc. 1lb over), 11 Prince Rufus 7.3, 19 Ma Copper 7.3, 12 Brodrick 7.3, 8 Tom Moore 7.0, 22 Homeric 7.0, 9 Lord Bruce 7.10

(inc. 10lb over), 20 Walton 7.0, 15 Utu 7.0, 14 Actrice 7.0.

Won by one and a half lengths, two and a half lengths between second and third. Time, 1min. 15sec.

VICTORIA HANDICAP of 400sovs. Five furlongs.
 5—R. Elliot's br f Miss Muriel, by Lucullus—Lady Bobs, 7.7 (E. Manson) 1
 1—E. Alison's br g Landslide, 9.3 (Hewitt) 2
 1—E. Alison's b c Illumination, 6.12, (Downing) 3
 Also started: 4 Celmisia 7.4, 4 Lovelight 7.2, 6 Commission 7.5 (inc. 4lb over), 2 Pure Laziness 7.5 (inc. 5lb over), 7 Bright Light 7.8 (inc. 9lb over).
 Landslide and Illumination were bracketed. Won by a length, two lengths between second and third. Lovelight was fourth. Time, 1min. 0 3-5 sec.

GREAT NORTHERN ST. LEGER STAKES of 1000sovs; first horse 600 sovs, second horse 200sovs, third horse 100sovs, breeder of winner 100 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
 3—W. R. Kemball's b f Miss Gold, by Lucullus—Recoup, 8.8 (J. O'Shea) 1
 1—G. M. Currie's b f Rose Queen, 8.8 (Rayner) 2
 3—W. R. Kemball's b g Rebuff, 8.7, (Conquest) 3
 Also started: 2 Tinohoro 8.10.
 Won by a length, seven lengths between second and third. Time, 3min. 5 sec.

ST. GEORGE'S HANDICAP of 1000 sovs; second horse 200sovs, and third horse 100sovs. One mile and a half.
 2—Mrs. E. A. Lindsay's o g Uncle Ned, 6yrs., by Marble Arch—Lady Gladys, 9.0 (Hewitt) 1
 3—R. Hannon's br g Mangamahoe, aged, 7.9 (McTavish) 2
 5—Hon. E. W. Alison's ch m Taimai, 4yrs., 9.0 (Deeley) 3
 Also started: 1 Vagabond 9.2, 6 Gazique 9.2, 4 Bonnetter 8.0, 8 Punka 7.6, 7 Cynic 6.7, 9 Blue Cross 6.11 (inc. 4 lb over).
 Won by half a length, three-parts of a length separating second and third. Cynic was fourth. Time, 2min. 34 3-5 sec.

AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE of 500sovs. About three miles.
 1—H. G. Dingle's ch g No Surrender, 6yrs., by Salvadan—Victorine, 10.2 (Keepa) 1
 5—C. A. Green's b g Jacaranda, aged, 9.7 (Warner) 2
 3—B. E. Hart's blk g Battletide, aged, 10.8 (Henderson) 3
 Also started: 2 Tenacious 11.0, 4 Tirau 10.2, 6 Fireway 9.7.
 Tirau, Tenacious and Battletide fell, the last-named being remounted and ridden into third place. Won easily by 100 yards, two and a half lengths between second and third. Time 6min. 14 sec.

HUIA HANDICAP of 500sovs. Six furlongs.
 3—J. Crane's ch g Crowhurst, 5yrs, by Rokey—Happy Valley, 7.11, (E. Manson) 1
 2—R. Hannon's br m Queen Abbey, 4yrs, 8.2 (Glover) 2
 1—W. R. Kemball's ch h Hymestra, 9.4 (J. O'Shea) 3

Also started: 5 Rockfield 8.10, 4 Ruatara 7.11, 6 No Mistake 6.9 (inc. 2lb over), 7 Clonmel 6.10½ (inc. 3½ lb. over), 8 Lady Glen 6.10½ (inc. 3½lb. over).
 Won by three parts of a length, half a length between second and third. Rockfield was fourth. Time, 1min. 14 sec.

AUCKLAND WELTER HANDICAP of 400sovs. One mile.
 1—R. Elliot's br g General Advance, 4yrs., by Advance—Electra, 9.7, (J. O'Shea) 1
 2—Hon. E. W. Alison's br g Archie, 3yrs, 9.1 (Hewitt) 2
 6—C. M. Emanuel's ch g Bitholia, 3yrs., 8.0 (Rogers) 3
 Also started: 5 Mill o' Gowrie 9.13, 3 Woody Glen 8.5, 4 Comedy Prince 8.0, 6 Farce 8.0, 7 Glen Canny 8.0, 9 Heslan 8.0.
 Won by half a neck, two lengths between second and third. Woody Glen was fourth. Time, 1min. 40sec.

THE WINNING PAYMENTS.
 The following is a list of the winning payments to be made over the A. R.C. Autumn Meeting:—W. R. Kemball, £1230; R. Hannon, £730; E. A. Lindsay, £700; C. J. Bennett, £700; A. B. Williams, £600; R. Elliot, £600; H. M. Campbell, £550; J. Crane, £420; J. Hetet, £370; P. W. Scally, £370; J. O. E. Jackson, £350; H. G. Dingle, £350; G. M. Currie, £400; Ian Duncan, £200; K. S. Williams, £230; Ewen W. Alison, Jun., £200; Ernest Alison, £200; Hon. E. W. Alison, £170; C. A. Green, £100; A. Murdoch, £100; R. T. Reid, £50; B. E. Hart, £50; D. Twonhill, £50; Fred Earl, £50; A. Booth, £50; C. M. Emanuel, £30; Mervyn Wells, £25; W. G. Emeny, £25; H. D. Matthews, £25; E. A. Price (breeder of winner of G.N. St. Leger), £100. Total, £9025.

The most successful trainers at the Auckland R.C. autumn meeting were W. Hawthorne (Bonnetter, Missgold), R. Hannon (Tinohoro, Tinokaha), and C. Coleman (Miss Muriel, General Advance), each of whom was responsible for two winners. W. Stone (Matatane, J. O. E. Jackson (Marconi), J. H. Jefferd (Humbag), C. Morse (Gazique), F. Gilchrist (Geoffrey), J. H. Wallace (Tama-a-roa), P. W. Scally (Esthonia), S. G. Lindsay (Uncle Ned), J. Williamson (No Surrender), and N. Cunningham (Crowhurst) each trained a winner apiece.

WAIRARAPA RACING CLUB.

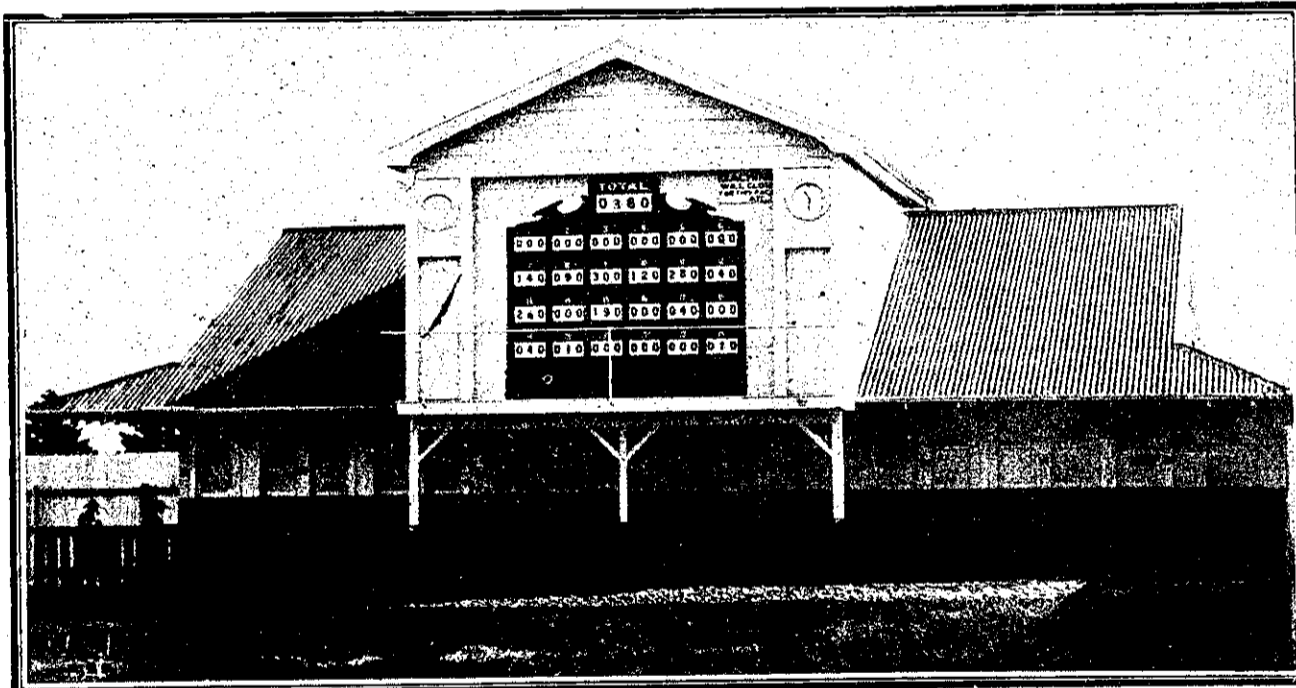
A SUCCESSFUL MEETING.

MR. KEMBALL'S HORSES WIN THREE RACES.

(From Our Wairarapa Correspondent.)

The most successful autumn gathering held by the above club took place on the Tauherenikau course on Saturday. The attendance was large, and the investments on the machine constituted a record, £31,120 being put through, as against £13,658 on the first day of the meeting last year. However, last year the races were held in March, and did not attract the holiday crowd. A feature of the day's racing was the good performance of Mr. W. R. Kemball's horses, three wins and a second going to the Masterton owner. K. Tucker, the stable horseman, was in fine form in the saddle, and his handling of Multaine in the principal event was his best effort since coming to New Zealand from Australia. The mare was badly left, and seemed to have little chance, but Tucker gradually made up his ground and won decisively with his mount at the finish. Both horse and rider were heartily cheered on returning to the birdcage. The club's secretary, Mr. C. J. Carlyon, was a busy man throughout the day, but he found time to be courteous and attentive to visitors. Several hot favourites were beaten during the day, and in only two events was the public's first choice successful. Mr. Ulic Shannon, the club's new judge, had some close finishes to decide, but gave every satisfaction, his placings not being questioned. The starting was good, and in most cases the small fields went off in line. The course was in splendid order, and some fairly fast times were recorded.

Mannish, Huarenga and Miss Pan were withdrawn from the opening event, leaving ten to face the starter. Gold Pan was made a good favourite, but he did not begin well and never got near the front. Grecian Girl led from a good start, with Californian and Vasilkov at the head of a bunched

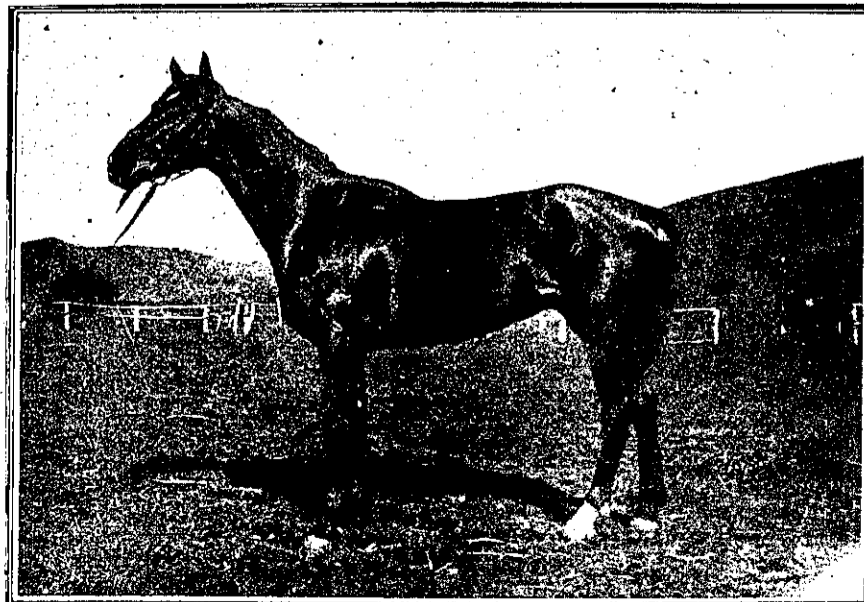


The new totalisator house at the Rangitikei Racing Club's course at Bulls. The excellent facilities and accommodation which this new building afforded patrons at the recent annual meeting were evidenced on both days and resulted in a record totalisator turnover for the club of £58,279.

AN ADMIRAL AND A GENERAL ON THEIR BREEDER'S (MR. J. KEMP) PROPERTY AT AWBITU, AUCKLAND, PHOTOGRAPHED BEFORE THEY CHANGED OWNERSHIP LAST WINTER.



Mr. R. "Elliot's" b g GENERAL ADVANCE, 4yrs., by Advance—Electra, winner of several races in the Auckland province this season.



Mr. H. Cotter's br g ADMIRAL ADVANCE, 4yrs., by Advance—Volee, who is now in training in Sydney.

with him. At this stage the favourite's victory was being loudly proclaimed, but when called on for a final effort he failed badly. Nearing the post Right and Left and Delight drew clear, and the former, staying on better, won nicely by a length. Right and Left has been a very consistent performer this season, but this marked his best race to date. Delight stayed on better than was generally anticipated, while Chrysostom was galloping over Winter Wind, who stopped over the concluding stages. Moorfowl, who would have carried Sir Geo. Clifford's first colours, has again developed knee troubles, and it will be some time before she races again. By getting over the six furlongs in 1min. 12sec. Mr. G. L. Stead's colt established a fresh record for the race.

Taunaha, probably from having H. Gray in the saddle, was backed down to a little better than level money for the Autumn Plate. In the early stages of the race his chance looked almost hopeless, and even turning into the home straight he was still third from last. Flight Commander showed a bold front till within a furlong of the post, where he cried a go. Then Nightraider had his chance but failed to sustain his run. This left the issue to Starland, Kilgour and Taunaha, all of whom had come from a long way back. Finishing on well Taunaha scored decisively by a length from Kilgour, who was almost on terms with Starland.

All of the acceptors with the exception of Hetaua saddled up for the Great Easter Handicap, and a well-conditioned lot they were. By reason of his brilliant track work Onslaught was installed a firm favourite, but even so no fewer than six of the thirteen competitors were entrusted with over a thousand pounds on the machine. Taking his first opportunity Mr. Woods got them away in good line. Chimera, Radial and Brackenfield taking up the role of pacemakers. This trio were in front when the field straightened up for home, and when with only a furlong to go it was seen that Brackenfield had the measure of Chimera, Radial, Fiery Cross, and Sunart, his supporters were on good terms with themselves. It was not to be, however, for Arrowsmith threaded his way through a beaten field, and fifty yards from the post only Brackenfield headed him. Sustaining his great effort the English-bred horse just got up in time to win by a head. Soon after the start Arrowsmith appeared to get a bump which sent him back nearly last. Even at the home turn there were eight or nine horses in front of him. Gray was fortunate to get an opening on the rails, otherwise he could never have got up. Altogether, Arrowsmith's was one of the most brilliant efforts ever witnessed at Riccarton, and with average luck he would have won easily. The time recorded, 1min. 25 1-5sec., got well inside the New Zealand record. Brackenfield and Chimera both ran quite up to expectations, while Radial, Fiery Cross and Sunart all performed well. Onslaught, on the other hand, was never prominent, being one of the last to finish.

There was not a great deal of interest taken in the Russley Plate, which attracted 14 second-rate two-year-olds. Mr. C. G. Dalgety's pair, Reproachful (on whom H. Gray was up) and Jazz were backed down to an absurd price, which they quite failed to justify by results. Triboulet looked like coming home by himself till tackled by Little River, who had his measure after a short struggle.

As was generally anticipated the Sockburn Handicap proved little better than an exercise canter for Sasnof. Gray kept him just behind Bondage and Royal Star till well into the home straight, and without being called on for a serious effort the favourite won by half a length from Bondage. Glentanner got left quite a dozen lengths, and after racing up to his field faded out a long way from home.

Cashmere, with H. Gray in the saddle, was backed down to about level money for the Gimcrack Handicap, despite the fact of there being 18 starters. The favourite was not too well placed in the early stages, and a furlong from the post it looked as if Adopted and Satisfaction would fight out the finish. Coming with a graet run on the outside of the course Cashmere cut the leaders down and got up in time to win nicely by half a length from Adopted. This marked Hector Gray's fourth win for the afternoon.

The day's racing wound up with a great run on the outside of the course Melee in the Courtenay Welter. The latter was overhauling All Ready fast

over the last furlong, but just failed by a head. Old Gold, the favourite, was always well placed, but failed over the business end.

The results were:—

KILDEE HURDLE HANDICAP of 250 sovs. Two miles. 1—Exors. late W. J. Douglas' ch g Kohu, 6yrs., by Espartero—Te Puia, 11.5 (R. Thompson) 1 2—P. Delargey's b g Hylans, 12.9 2 5—C. P. Buckenham's b g Bomb-proof 10.3 3 Also started: 3 Kilboyne 10.9, 4 Prince Delaware 9.13. Won easily by two lengths, eight lengths between second and third. Prince Delaware dislodged his rider at the last fence. Time, 3min. 49 1-5sec.

CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 1000sovs. Six furlongs. For two-year-olds. 3—G. L. Stead's blk c Right and Left, by Merry Moment—En Parole, 8.10 (R. Reed) 1 2—W. G. Stead's b f Delight, by Demosthenes—Sunlight, 8.8 2 1—Sir Geo. Clifford's br c Winter Wind, by Antagonist—Wind-whistle, 8.10 3 Also started: 4 Chrysostom 8.10, 6 Askari 8.10. Won handily by a length, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min. 12sec.

AUTUMN PLATE of 300sovs. One mile. 7—W. Richmond's br c Taunaha, 4 yrs., by Demosthenes—Mangaroa, 8.7 (H. Gray) 1 1—R. A. McKenzie's b g Kilgour, 8.7 2 5—G. L. Stead's br g Starland, 8.7 3 Also started: 9 Admiral Talbot 8.7, 2 Nightraider 8.7, 6 Flight Commander 8.7, 4 Some Kid 8.7, 7 Clean Sweep 8.7, 8 Link Up 8.4, 10 Starlike 8.4, 11 Mystified 8.4. Won by a length, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min. 40 1-5sec.

Bitters 8.4, 8 Irish Elegance 7.13, 14 Henriette 7.12, 2 Steepholm 7.11, 4 Kilcalm 7.8, 9 Gossard 7.7, 13 Nautiboy 7.2, 15 Dutch Courage 7.0, 10 Caliburn 7.0, 17 Plastic 7.0, 16 Judaea 7.0, 11 Will Oakland 7.0, 12 Hands Off 7.0, 18 Dorcas 7.0.

Won by a neck, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 1min. 12 3-5sec.

COURTENAY WELTER of 300sovs. One mile. 5—R. McKay's br g All Ready, aged, by All Red—Aerina, 8.10 (F. E. Jones) 1 3—G. L. Stead's b g Melee, 10.11 2 1—R. A. McKenzie's b g Old Gold, 9.1 3

Also started: 2 Hetaua 10.6, 6 Mandrake 8.8, 7 Tyne 8.3, 4 Sedd-el-Bahr 8.2, 9 Recorder 8.0, 8 Sisypus 8.0. Won by a head, a length between second and third. Time, 1min. 40sec.

FEILDING JOCKEY CLUB.

EASTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

THE CUP WON BY IMARIBBON.

JUTLAND WINS MANGAONE HANDICAP.

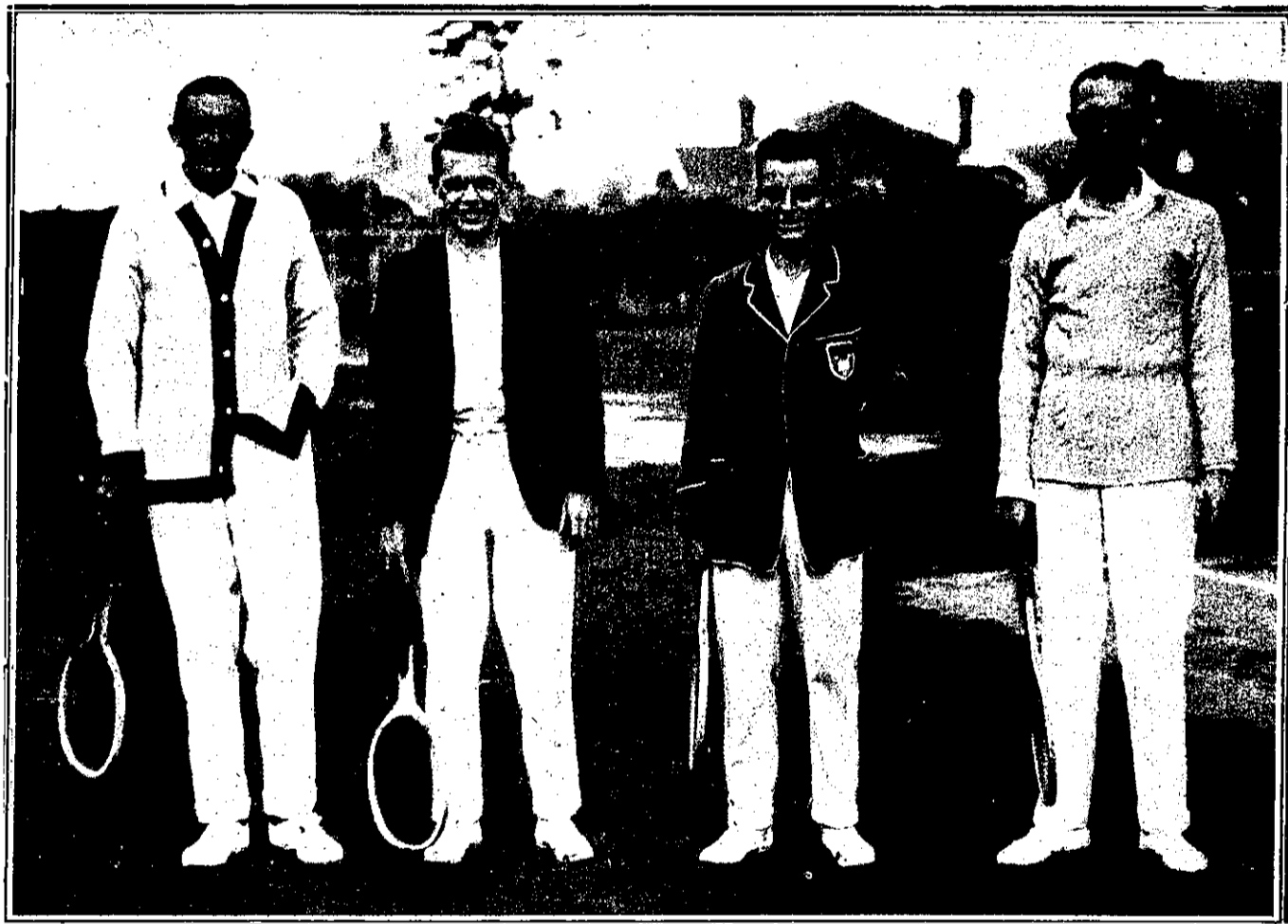
(From our Travelling Correspondent).

Splendid weather was experienced for the opening day of the Feilding Jockey Club's Easter meeting. The attendance constituted a record, visitors rolling up in large numbers from all parts of the country, and in consequence the grandstand accommodation was totally inadequate. Owing

Risingham were responsible for the pace, but Imaribbon, who is owned by Mr. J. J. Corry, the Mayor of Blenheim, and is trained by A. Rore at Spring Creek, won cleverly at the finish from Nobleman, who headed Risingham a few yards from the post, Client, on the outside, just failing to get up. The win was very popular, for both Mr. Corry and his trainer are held in high esteem by sporting enthusiasts throughout New Zealand. Jutland put in a slashing run in the Mangaone Handicap, winning a fine race from All Over, who was just in front of Sweet Memory, who had been responsible for the pace set, leading into the straight.

Mr. G. E. Curry was present in the capacity of stipendiary steward, and he had a few minor incidents to attend to. N. K. McDonald was cautioned for coming over on to Whetoki during the running of the Onepuhi Hack Welter. P. Hunt, who rode Kyoto, complained that B. Morris, on Philomela, had interfered with him during the running of the Taonul Hack Handicap, but after hearing evidence from those immediately concerned the allegation was found to be groundless, and Hunt was informed that he should be more careful in making complaints in the future.

An investigation was also held with regard to the ownership of Haversack prior to that mare competing in the last race, as the lease to Mr. Wellwood appeared to still be in existence. After enquiries had been made the



Two members of the British Isles Davis Cup Team photographed with two prominent North Island players (in centre) whom they met in an exhibition match at the Eden and Epsom Tennis Club's grounds, Auckland. From left: A. E. BEAMISH (British Isles), DR. J. T. LAURENSON, of Auckland, A. WALLACE, of Taranaki, ex-New Zealand tennis champion, and A. H. LOWE (British Isles).

GREAT EASTER HANDICAP of 1500 sovs. Seven furlongs. 2—H. W. Brown's br h Arrowsmith, 5yrs., by Chaucer—Sagitta, 8.13 (H. Gray) 1 8—F. S. Rutherford's b g Brackenfield, 4yrs., by Boniform—Gargaron, 7.7 2 3—C. F. Vallance's br f Chimera, 7.13 3

Also started: 5 Michaela 8.12, 10 Fiery Cross 8.10, 1 Onslaught 8.9, 4 Radial 7.13, 7 Early Dawn 6.10, 9 Sunart 7.10, 6 Golden Bubble 7.9, 11 Mustard Pot 7.2, 12 Gamecock 7.0, 13 Sleepyhead 6.7. Won by a nose, a length between second and third. Time, 1min. 25 1-5 sec.

RUSSELY PLATE of 300sovs. Five furlongs. 3—Little River, 7.11 (F. Corlett) 1 5—Triboulet, 7.11 2 5—Bebehead, 7.9 3

Also started: 1 Reproachful 7.13 and Jazz 7.9 (coupled), 4 Border Knight 7.11, 10 Fabrouit 7.11, 12 Belltop 7.11, 2 Fortune Teller 7.9, 7 Sunbath 7.9 and Pussfoot (coupled), 8 Wangan, 9 Orange Mart 7.9, 11 Strelitzia 7.2. Won by two lengths, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 1min. 1 1-5sec.

SOCKBURN HANDICAP of 300sovs. One mile and a quarter. 1—W. G. Stead's br g Sasnof, 5yrs., by Martian—Ukraine, 10.8 (H. Gray) 1 4—J. S. Barrett's ch f Bondage, 7.2 2 2—H. Friedlander's b g Royal Star, 8.4 3

Also started: 3 Glentanner 6.7. Won by a neck, three lengths between second and third. Time, 2min. 5 4-5sec.

GIMCRACK STAKES of 200sovs. Six furlongs. 1—Cashmere, 7.13 (H. Gray) 1 5—Adopted, 7.13 2 3—Satisfaction, 7.12 3

Also started: 7 Algidus 8.13, 6 Orange

to the congested state of the enclosure many people did not obtain a view of the racing.

The racing throughout was first-class, the finishes in several of the events being in doubt right up to the moment the winning line was crossed. The handicapper, Mr. J. E. Henrys, came in for considerable praise as a result of the capable manner in which he had concealed the winners, for only three actual first favourites won during the afternoon, but the dividends returned were on the meagre side and in no instance did they reach double figures.

The totalisator returns for the afternoon reached the substantial sum of £54,401, as against £44,374 on the opening day last year, an increase of £10,027.

Zola had a somewhat easy win in the Kawa Kawa Hurdles, the Sweet Simon gelding finishing in fine style.

Blackhead, a fine upstanding chestnut half-brother to Bobrikoff by All Black, scored easily in the Maiden Stakes. This colt, who is a typical thoroughbred, has a C.J.C. Derby engagement to fulfil next November. He is a member of W. Price's team at Hawera, and more successes should come his way. He led all the way.

The field for the Cup comprised eight runners, of which Red Ribbon was considered unbeatable, while Risingham was also well fancied. There was some spirited speculation, over £8000 being invested on the race. Moutoa Ivanova, Imaribbon and

mare was allowed to start, and as she did not win no further action was taken. But for the incident mentioned everything passed off very well.

THE RACING.

The ball was set rolling with the running of the Kawa Kawa Hurdles, which attracted a field of twelve runners. In a good betting race All Talk was favourite, with Zola next in demand. The horses got away to a good start with the exception of Sweet Tipperary, who was fractious at the post. Passing the stands on the first round All Talk, Movement, and Vigolo comprised the leading division, while Sweet Tipperary was tailed off. The same positions were maintained going around the back, where Zola could be seen coming fast. The latter had All Talk's measure coming into the straight, and galloping kindly in front won nicely by a length from the favourite, with the outsider of the field, Sail Home, who put in a fine finish, two lengths further away. Sir Donald was fourth and Yankee Jack next. Movement parted with her rider (J. Kaan) at the last hurdle, but fortunately the horse named escaped with nothing worse than a severe shaking.

The old adage "the bigger the field the greater the certainty" was again exemplified in the Maiden Stakes, which was contested by twenty-one horses, of which Black Head, a fine stamp of a two-year-old by All Black

from Gossip, and consequently a half-cut in and ran out across the whole field. Then Miss Love, who had been badly placed in the early stages, began to move up, while Philomela also joined issue. An exciting finish resulted in a victory for Miss Love by half a length, with Kyoto, whose rider lost his stirrup, a similar distance away, third. Utuwai was fourth, and Rienzi fifth.

Parorangi was withdrawn from the Mangaone Handicap, leaving a field of five runners. This event was noted for the evenness of the betting. Inah, Jutland, All Over and Sweet Memory carried well over a thousand pounds each on their respective numbers on the machine, while the investments on Egmont Park were only a few pounds short of four figures. When sent away on their mission Sweet Memory was well clear of her field, the Wellington-owned sprinter still being in front at the entrance to the straight, where she began to tire. Half-way up the running Jutland took the lead, and, stalling off a strong challenge from All Over, won easily by one and a-half lengths, Sweet Memory being half a length away, third. Inah was close up, fourth.

For the Ongo Hack Handicap, a capital betting race, Ruddy was made a good favourite, with Tempo and Irapuka almost equally supported. At the start Idleness and Minsk were hopelessly left. Tempo was first out, but was soon passed by Irapuka, with Passin' Through close up. The latter pair were in the lead at the entrance to the straight, Irapuka being first to straighten up for the run to the post, and, vigorously ridden, lasted long enough to win by a head from Ruddy, who was a length in front of Passin' Through.

The racing was brought to a close with the running of the Halcombe Welter, which provided the biggest betting race of the day, over £9000 being invested on the machine, a record for the afternoon. Kinsem, who carried close on £3000 on her number, was a hot first favourite, while Lingerie was second choice with nearly £2000. The race needs very little description, for M. McCarten hopped Kinsem out smartly and kept the Autumnus filly going. When challenged the three-year-old won by a neck from Borealis, who beat Lingerie by a length, with Idle Talk

and Gold Problem close up, fourth and fifth respectively. The results were:—

KAWA KAWA HURDLES HANDICAP of 200sovs. One mile and three quarters.
 2—W. Rayner's br g Zola, aged, by Sweet Simon—Zaida, 11.5 (E. Copestake) 1
 1—F. J. Lysnar's b g All Talk, 6 yrs., 10.8 (F. Flynn) 2
 12—A. Atwood's ch g Sail Home, aged, 9.0 (Langton) 3
 Also started: 6 Movement 11.13 (J. Kaan), 3 Goldstream 11.12 (H. Burt), 8 Yankee Jack 11.5 (A. McDonald), 9 Sweet Tipperary 10.6 (T. Young), 10 Poltogue 9.9 (West), 11 Hautawa 9.0 (Tricklebank), 4 Vigilo 9.0 (McBrearty), 7 Sir Donald 9.0 (Lorrigan), 5 Signorella 9.0 (Howden).
 Won by a length, two lengths separating second and third. Sir Donald was fourth and Yankee Jack fifth. Time, 3min. 20 1-5sec.

MAIDEN STAKES of 200sovs. Five and a half furlongs.
 1—W. Higgin's ch c Blackhead, 2 yrs., by All Black—Gossip, 9.0 (M. McCarten) 1
 5—L. H. Collinson's b g Achilles, 4 yrs., 9.0 (W. Bell) 2
 6—P. Rossmead's b m Princess Marion, 9.0 (A. McDonald) 3
 Also started: 9 Vindictive 9.0 (O'Halloran), 11 Form 9.0 (R. Hunt), 12 Banogue 9.0 (O. McCarten), 8 Lord Desmond 9.0 (T. Carmont), 15 Lenata 9.0 (B. Morris), 7 Crucelle 9.0 (J. Kaan), 19 Elegant 9.0 (A. Tricklebank), 17 Husbandry 9.0 (McDonnell), 21 Roi-whai 9.0 (P. Holman), 14 Lady Penza 9.0 (T. Young), 10 Lord Formby 9.0 (W. West), 4 Rangata 9.0 (A. Olliver), 3 Prodigal 9.0 (H. Goldfinch), 18 Zanol 9.0 (G. Langton), 13 Student 9.0 (L. Penman), 16 Maritza 9.0 (J. Howden), 2 The Digger 9.0 (B. Olliver), 20 Bombala 9.0 (W. Tamplin).
 Won easily by two lengths, one length between second and third. The Digger was close up fourth. Time, 1 min. 9 1/2sec.

FEILDING CUP HANDICAP of 750 sovs. One mile and a half.
 4—J. J. Corry's br m Imaribbon, 6 yrs., by Gay Spark—Grey Ribbon, 7.10 (G. Carmont) 1
 5—W. J. Phillips' br g Nobleman, aged, 8.8 (B. Morris) 2
 2—W. Higgins' b g Risingham, 4 yrs., 7.10 (H. Goldfinch) 3
 Also started: 3 Client 9.8 (M. McCarten), 1 Red Ribbon 8.10 (A. Olliver), 7 Bonnie Maid 8.9 (W. Bell), 6 Marquetteur 8.1 (O. McCarten), 8 Moutoa Ivanova 7.10 (McCormack).
 Won by half a length, the same distance between second and third. Client was fourth. Time, 2min. 36sec.

ONEPUHI HACK WELTER HANDICAP of 250sovs. One mile and 54yards.
 1—M. Bradley's b g Simon, aged, by Sweet Simon—Sylvia Park mare 8.11 (B. Morris) 1
 3—J. G. Duncan's b m Fulca, 4 yrs., 9.1 (W. O'Halloran) 2
 4—J. Reeve's b m Catalani, 4 yrs., 8.3 (McDonnell) 3
 Also started: 5 Army Service 9.4 (P.

Hunt), 8 Mimire 8.13 (R. Hunt), 7 Valencia 8.11 (H. Goldfinch), 2 Moutoa Camp 8.9 (O. McCarten), 6 Whetoki 7.11 (G. Carmont), 9 Whizz Bang 7.11 (W. Tricklebank).
 Won by two lengths, one length between second and third. Moutoa Camp was fourth. Time, 1min. 47 1-5sec.

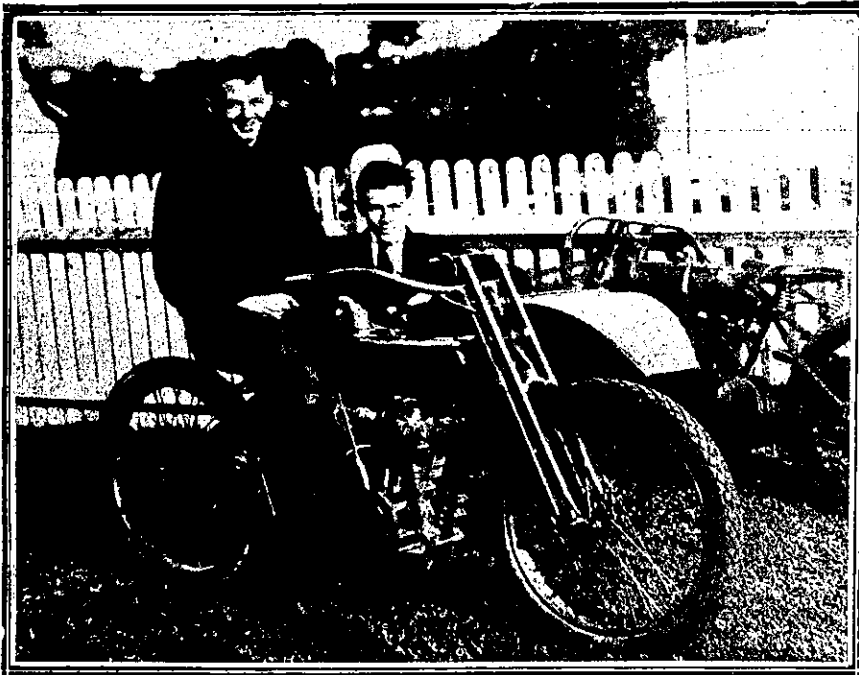
TAONUI HACK HANDICAP of 200 sovs. Seven furlongs.
 3—A. M. Williams br f Miss Love, 3 yrs., by General Latour—Petit Tor, 7.1 (J. Barry) 1
 5—Mr. Herbert's ch m Philomela, 4 yrs., 8.3 (B. Morris) 2
 9—H. R. Barrett's blk g Kyoto, 4 yrs., 7.6 (R. Hunt) 3
 Also started: 2 Parorangi 8.8 (M. McCarten), 1 Empyrean 7.13 (R. Hunt), 6 Sweet Song 7.6 (E. Rowlands), 4 Utuwai 7.6 (G. Carmont), 8 Rienzi 7.2 (McCormack), 7 Belle o' the Camp 6.10 (A. Hare).
 Won by half a length, the same distance separating second and third. Utuwai was close up fourth and Rienzi fifth. Time 1min. 29 1-5sec.

MANGAONE HANDICAP of 400sovs. Six furlongs.
 2—Jos. Campion's blk g Jutland, 5 yrs., by Advance—Brown Spec, 7.13 (O. McCarten) 1
 1—J. Bull's b g All Over, 6 yrs., 7.12 (B. Morris) 2
 2—J. Mack's br m Sweet Memory, 4 yrs., 7.1 (G. Carmont) 3
 Also started: 4 Inah 8.12 (M. McCarten), 5 Egmont Park 7.9 (McCormack).
 Won by one and a half lengths, half a length between second and third. Inah was a neck away fourth. Time, 1min. 14 2-5sec.

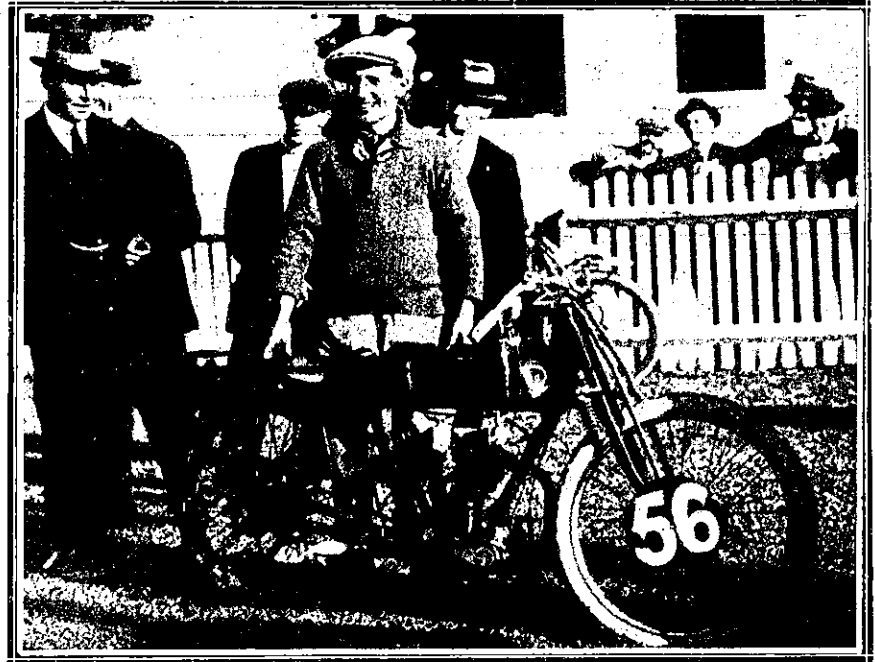
ONGO HACK HANDICAP of 200sovs. Five and a half furlongs.
 3—T. O'Donnell's b g Irapuka, 3 yrs., by Our King—Iranui, 8.3 (O. McCarten) 1
 1—J. Bull's b g Ruddy, 5 yrs., 9.13 (B. Morris) 2
 4—R. E. Laurent's blk g Passin' Through, 3 yrs., 8.2 (R. Hunt) 3
 Also started: 5 Sir Fanciful 9.3 (A. Olliver), 2 Tempo 8.13 (M. McCarten), 9 Yankee Dan 8.3 (B. Olliver), 7 Lady Paula 7.8 (G. Langton), 6 Idleness 7.8 (J. Barry), 10 Miralma 7.1 (A. Hare), 8 Minsk 6.13 (G. Carmont).
 Won by a head, one length between second and third. Miralma was fourth and Idleness fifth. Time, 1min. 8 4-5 sec.

HALCOMBE WELTER HANDICAP of 350sovs. Seven furlongs.
 1—T. A. Duncan's b m Kinsem, 3 yrs., by Autumnus—Nicotine, 8.9 (M. McCarten) 1
 3—F. R. Waller's b g Borealis, 4 yrs., 8.10 (W. Bell) 2
 2—W. Richmond's br m Lingerie, 5 yrs., 10.3 (W. O'Halloran) 3
 Also started: 6 Omahu 9.1 (B. Morris), 8 Toa Tere 8.12 (A. McDonald), 4 Haversack 8.4 (R. Hunt), 5 Gold Problem 7.13 (A. McCormack), 7 Idle Talk 7.11 (P. Hunt).
 Kinsem led all the way, and lasted long enough to win by a neck, a length separating second and third. Idle Talk was fourth and Gold Problem fifth. Time, 1min. 29 1-5sec.

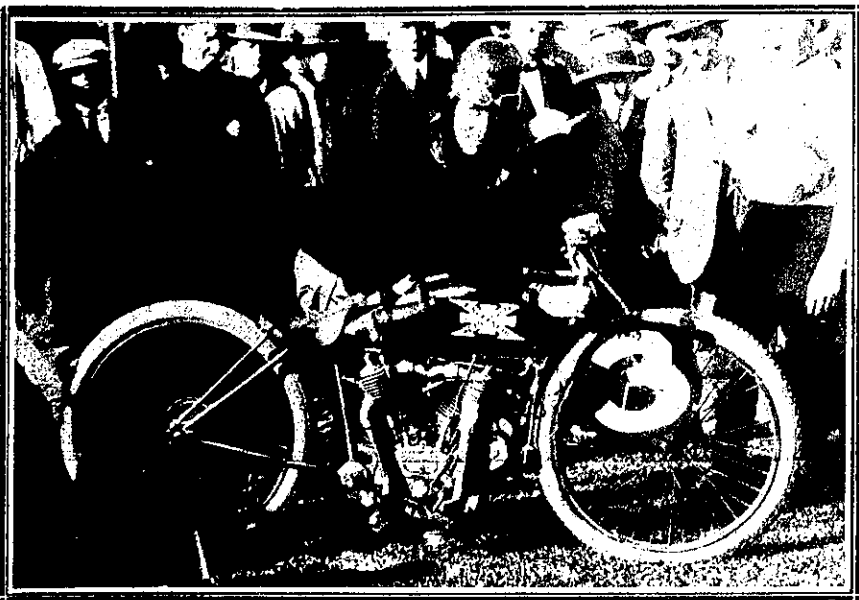
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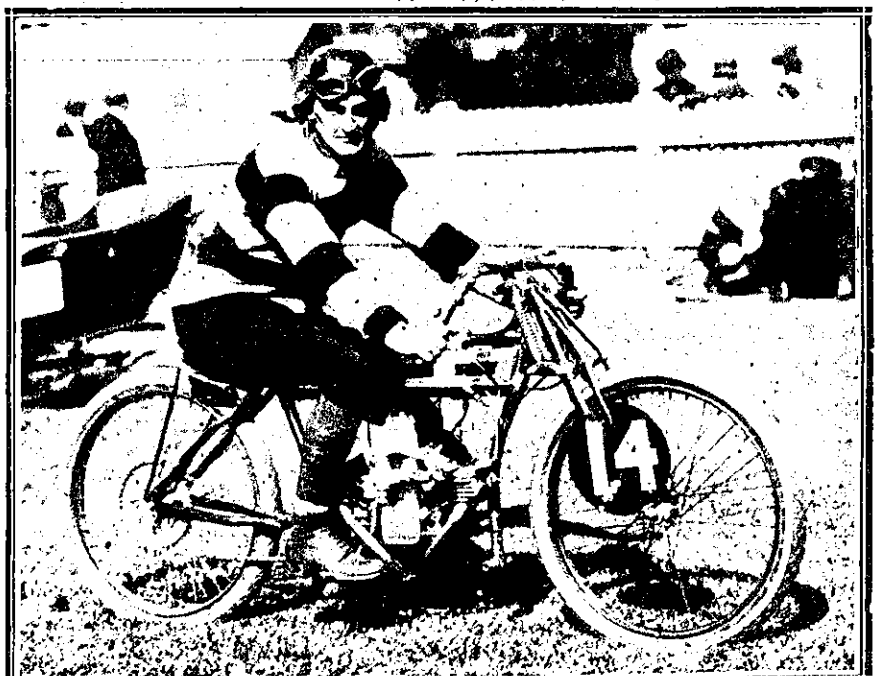
L. STERICKER (7 h.p. Harley-Davidson), who accounted for the Side-car Handicap, (ten laps).



F. SYKES (3 1/2 h.p. Royal Ruby), winner of the Takapuna Handicap (seven laps).

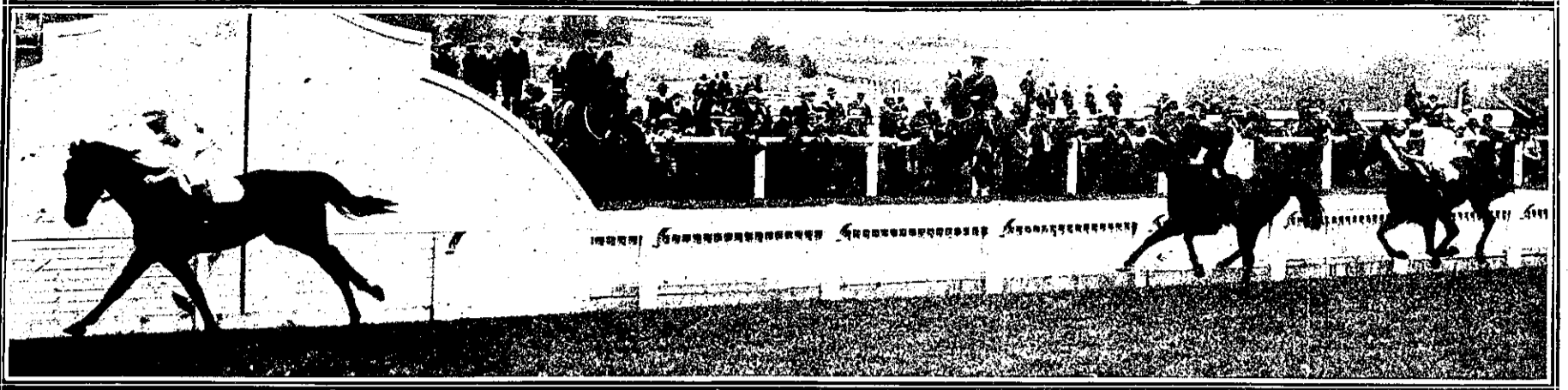


S. WHITEHEAD (7 h.p. Excelsior), who won the Easter Handicap (15 laps).

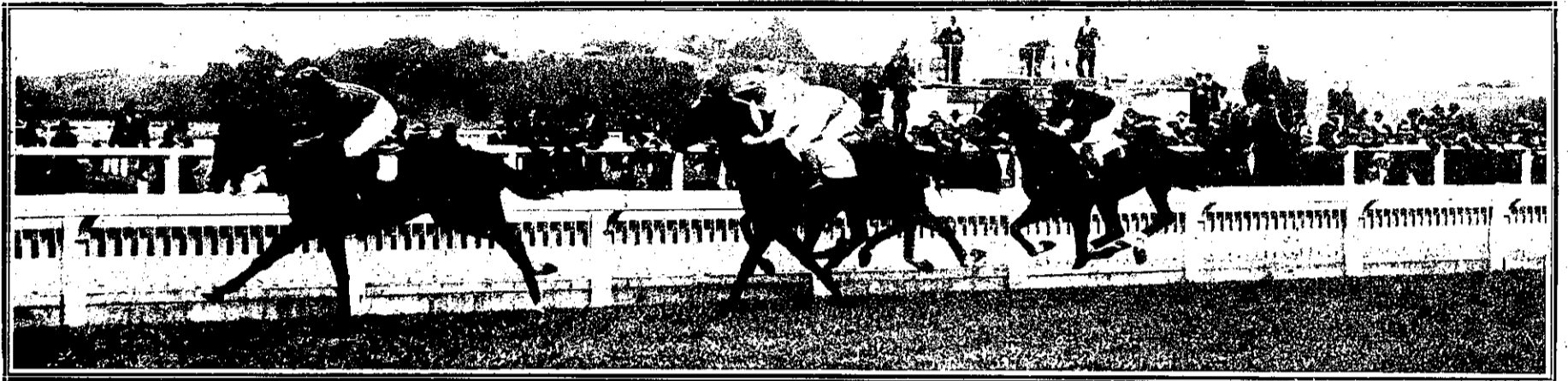


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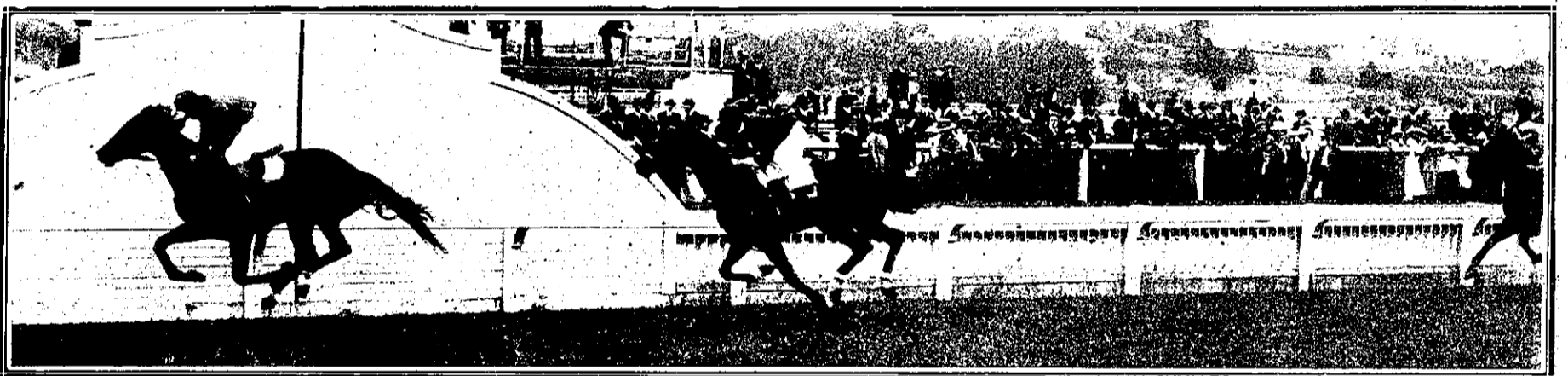
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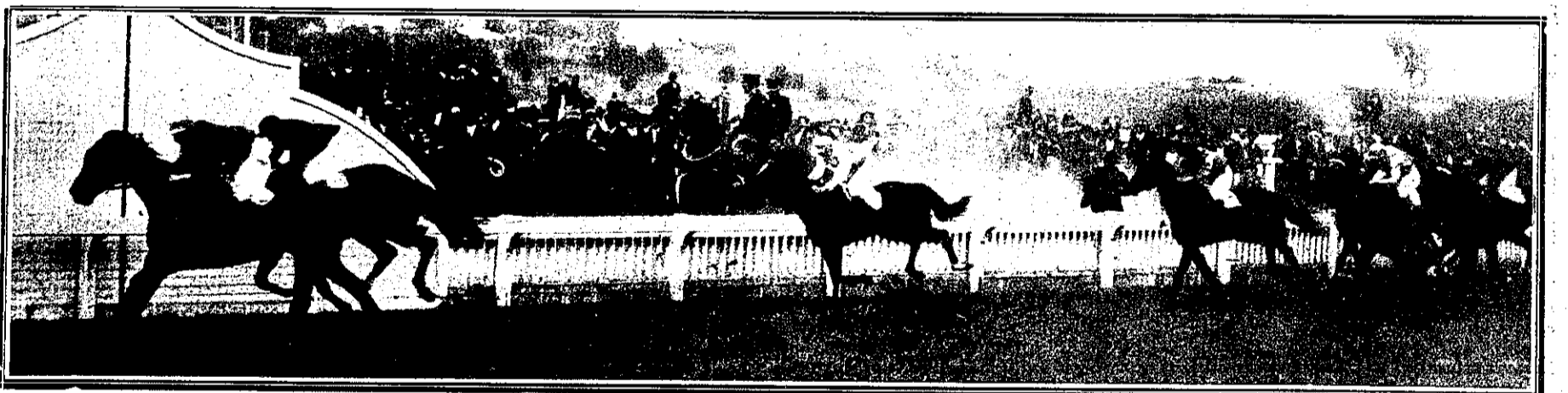
BONNETTER (J. O'SHEA) SCORES A RUNAWAY VICTORY FROM ESTHONIA (McCORMACK), WITH TINOPAI (T. GLOVER) THIRD, IN THE PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP (1 1/4 MILES).



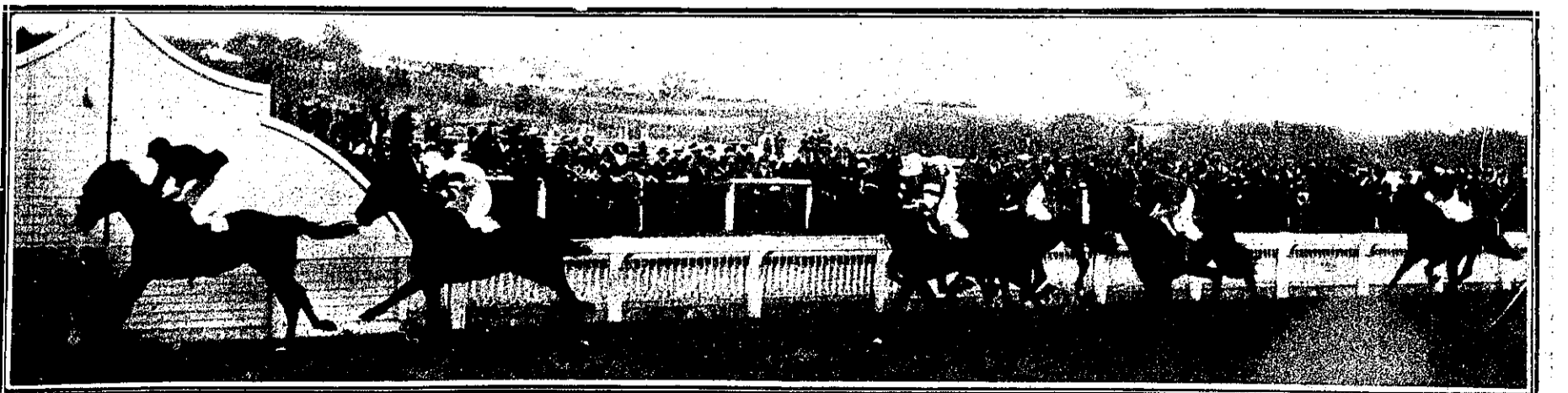
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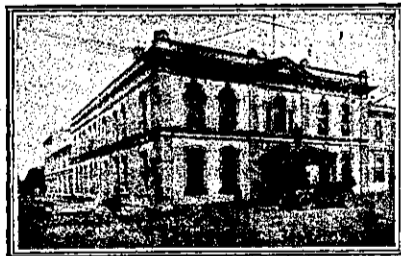
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TURF GOSSIP.

Lord Desmond, who is the property of a Wellington sportsman, and formerly was trained by F. Carmont, is now to be trained by W. Millen at Normanby.

The well-known Wanganui sporting writer, Mr. W. S. Corby, who has been laid up for several weeks with an attack of pleurisy, is now making a good recovery from his serious illness, which fact will be welcomed by his many friends.

Brownie Carslake, the Australian jockey, is so well appreciated in Great Britain that for the current racing season, he has been able to accept no fewer than three retainers for first, second and third calls respectively. Carslake will ride Tetratama, the unbeaten grey colt, by Tetrarch from Scotch Gift, in this season's English Derby.

Owing to the dearth of boys some of the trainers have been forced to ride their own horses at work at Elwick racecourse, Hobart, Tasmania.

The hurdler Orleans, who has been taken up after a prolonged spell, is being hacked about by Mr. Alex. Browne. The son of Conqueror will later on be sent to Foxton, where he will be trained by F. Carmont.

Some good horses are finding their way to Java (says the Melbourne "Punch"). One of the latest to leave for that part is the Australian Cup winner, New Tipperary, who was shipped from West Australia to his new home the other day. Kenilic left Melbourne early in the year for the same country, and a smart Sydney pony performer in Little King has also been bought for Java.

Mr. A. J. Toxward informs me that Star Lady, who went in a suspensory ligament when competing in the last New Zealand St. Leger, is getting all right again (writes "Sir Lancelot" in the Wellington "Post.") She has been entered by Trainer Attwood for the Awapuni Gold Cup, but her owner does not consider she is class enough for such company at the present time.

Blue Metal, who won the Summer Cup at Randwick in 1899 and 1900, and was second in 1901, is reported by "Pilot" of the Sydney "Referee" to be still alive, though rising 27 years.

Bayard, the bay hack which has been selected from practically the whole of the Commonwealth as the most suitable mount for the Prince of Wales while in Australia, was on view every day of the Royal Easter Show in Sydney.

Biplane's two-year-old brother, Winged Victory, and the same horse's yearling sister, are being sent within the next few days, from Melbourne to Sydney to be trained by W. Booth. Both are owned by Mr. N. Falkiner, and though Winged Victory has done a little racing, he has not yet shown any form.

At a sale of racehorses at Newmarket, Melbourne, last month, Lucknow was passed in at 1900gns., King Offa at 900gns., Eusebius at 2750gns., Kaleidoscope at 140gns., Agar at 150gns., Escombe at 240gns., and Colonel Chutney at 140gns. Colonel Chutney was subsequently sold privately to S. O. Wood.

The well-known Australian racehorse, Westcourt, broke down badly when contesting the Rawson Stakes at the Rosehill autumn meeting, Sydney, on March 20. The mishap occurred when Westcourt was nearing the distance, and he was immediately pulled up by his rider, W. McLachlan. It was with difficulty that he was got to the saddling paddock. The trouble was found to be in the off foreleg.

J. E. Madden, one of America's leading breeders disposed of 76 mares and 35 yearlings by auction at his stud farm, Hamburg Place, Fayette County, in January. The mares realised 100,225 dol. (£20,045 at old rates), and the yearlings about 25,000 dol. (£5000). In America they even clock the auctioneers. In mentioning the sale a Lexington exchange says that the selling time for each mare averaged 2min. and for the yearlings, 1 1-3min. Nothing was passed in, and the highest price realised was £1400 for a nine-year-old brood mare by Ogden.

At the South Australian Jockey Club's meeting in Brisbane on March 20, Lord Nangar, who won the Second Division of the Welter Handicap (one mile), in a field of sixteen starters, returned his supporters a dividend of close on a century.

Giving evidence in the racing case heard in Melbourne last month in which Charles Wheeler, trainer, claimed £700 from Mrs. Widdis in respect of the training of Patrobas, who won the Melbourne Cup in 1915, Wheeler said that Mr. Widdis collected £5000 in bets for wins in Sydney and Melbourne by Patrobas in 1915. Wheeler added that he had collected 10 per cent. from other owners of winnings. He collected £200 because Hitachi won a two-year-old race at Caulfield in 1915, and £210 because Green Cap won the October Stakes at Caulfield in 1916. Mary Wheeler, wife of the plaintiff, said that the late Mr. Widdis had told her that he had to pay R. Lewis, jockey, £1000 on one occasion for riding Patrobas.

Describing Poirrel's brilliant win from the ex-New Zealand candidate, Bunting, in the Rosehill Handicap (one mile and three furlongs), in Sydney, on March 20, the "Sun" says:—Kennaquhair was favourite for the Rosehill Handicap, with Poirrel next in demand. The Destroyer and Sandbee ensured a fast-run race, and after taking charge at the half mile, Sandbee was still in front entering the straight, where Poirrel was in sixth position. Coming on the outside, the gallant little horse struggled along in fine fashion with his welter weight, and was in third position at the distance, but still nearly a length behind Bunting, who had now run to the front. Getting every ounce out of him, Bracken brought Poirrel along on the outside and got up just in time to win by a head in record time (2min. 20½sec.), for the course. Just at the finish, Emblematic, when in fourth place, stumbled, and Mahoney went over his head. It looked as if there would be a nasty accident, but the horses' hoofs missed the prostrate jockey, who, although stunned for a time, escaped serious injury. Ard-na-ree, who was well backed, bolted during his preliminary, and the stewards permitted his withdrawal from the race, so his supporters got their money back.

HARRIERS FOR NEW ZEALAND.

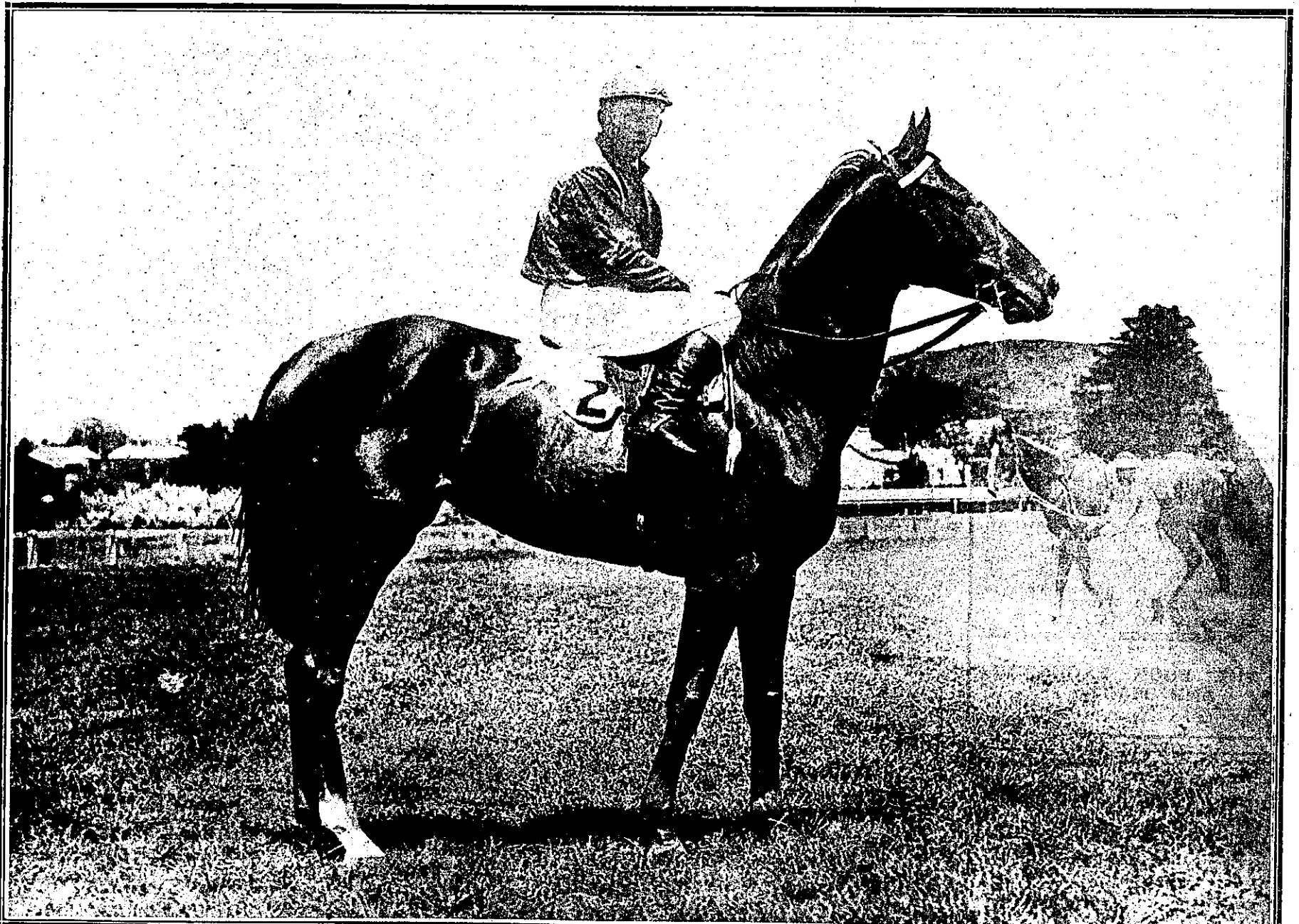
The following letter which recently appeared in the English sporting paper "Horse and Hound," under the above heading, will be read with interest by all hunting enthusiasts in the Dominion:—

"As a means of helping hunting in one of our colonies, I feel sure you will give this letter publication in your paper, where harrier men will have a chance of seeing it, and no doubt, should they have hounds to draft or dispose of at the end of the present season, they might be prepared to come to the assistance of a New Zealand Hunt. In 1908 the late Mr. Berry-Tovr, then secretary to the Instow Harriers, North Devon, sent out to Mr. Wynn Brown, Master of the Waikato Hounds (used for hare only), Cambridge, Auckland province, New Zealand, two harrier bitches in whelp. They whelped on the voyage out or in quarantine. Mr. Wynn Brown received the bitches and whelps safely, and they turned out to be everything that could be desired. He wrote Home to Instow about a year ago, saying his pack had been kept going "somehow" during the war, but was at a very low ebb. Unfortunately, none of the North Devon hounds were left, and he asked for more, but for various reasons, as will be understood, this demand could not then be met."

"He now wants, as soon as possible, two couple of bitches in whelp and a stallion hound. Knowing his country as I do (it was through me that he had the two bitches in 1908), I would suggest not too big or heavy a hound; for visibility, lightly marked, or old English tan, and hounds used to moorland or rough country. Needless to say it would be preferable for future breeding purposes that the bitches should be unrelated, say a couple of bitches, second or third season (not over), from different packs, and a dog hound of the Cotley type from another."

In conclusion I should state that the Waikato Hunt are prepared to pay the market value for hounds. Any Harrier pack, therefore, who are prepared to help, could write to Mr. Wynn Brown direct, or communicate with me.—I am, etc., Arthur Leslie, Westwood, Liskeard, Cornwall, January 14th, 1920."

Notable Performers on the New Zealand Turf.— No. 93: WAIUTA.



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Mr. Hanley, of the Waikanae stud farm, leaves for England almost immediately for the purpose of securing one of the leading English stallions. It is understood that more than one highly-priced thoroughbred is under offer to him.

The death is reported from Melbourne of Mr. W. Glasscock, who was well known in sporting circles in the "eighties" (says the "Age"). Mr. Glasscock, who was an amateur cross-country rider, piloted Don Quixote to victory in the Grand National Hurdle Race, the son of Don Giovanni carrying 11st. 13lb., which impost has stood as the heaviest successfully negotiated in the history of the race. Mr. Glasscock was also a successful trainer of jumpers for many years subsequent to the success of Don Quixote.

Mr. Richardson Clark, the District Coroner, held an inquiry at the Paramatta Courthouse, Sydney, on March 12, touching the death of Joseph Richard Walker, a jockey, who died as a result of injuries received at Gosford races on February 17. Medical testimony was to the effect that Walker was admitted to the hospital suffering from a bruised chest and shock, and that death took place on the following day as a result of a ruptured liver. The deceased's brother, Loyal Aubrey Walker, stated that the deceased was riding Carmray in the Novice Handicap at the Gosford races on February 17. A black horse fell first, and his brother's mount was the next to come down, immediately followed by another horse, which fell right on top of the deceased. The course was a safe one, and there was only a small field. Rose May Walker said that her husband had been a jockey for about 15 years, and was of sober habits. He did not speak after the accident. The coroner recorded a finding of accidental death, and said that the fatality was not due to any fault of the course.

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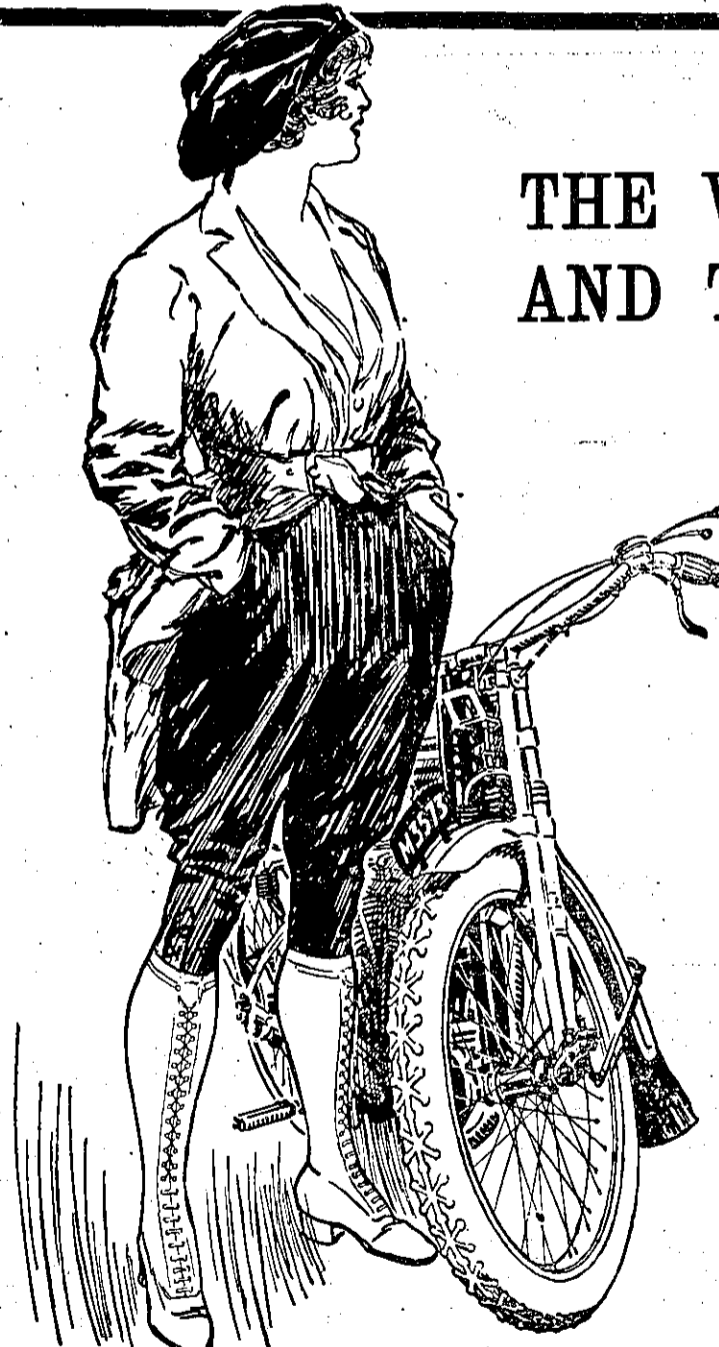
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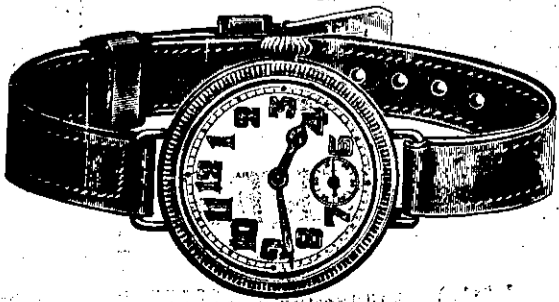
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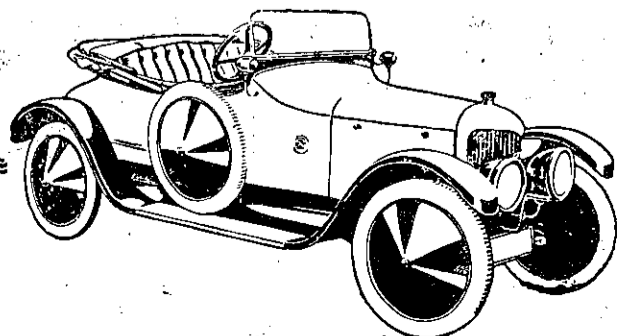
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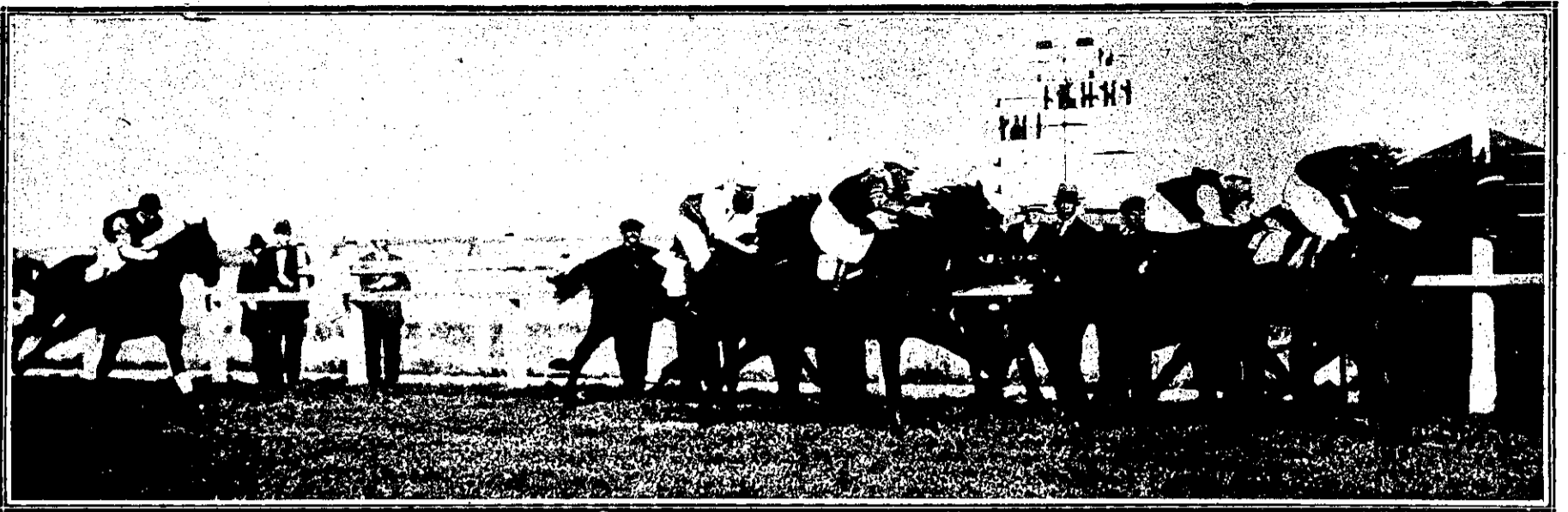
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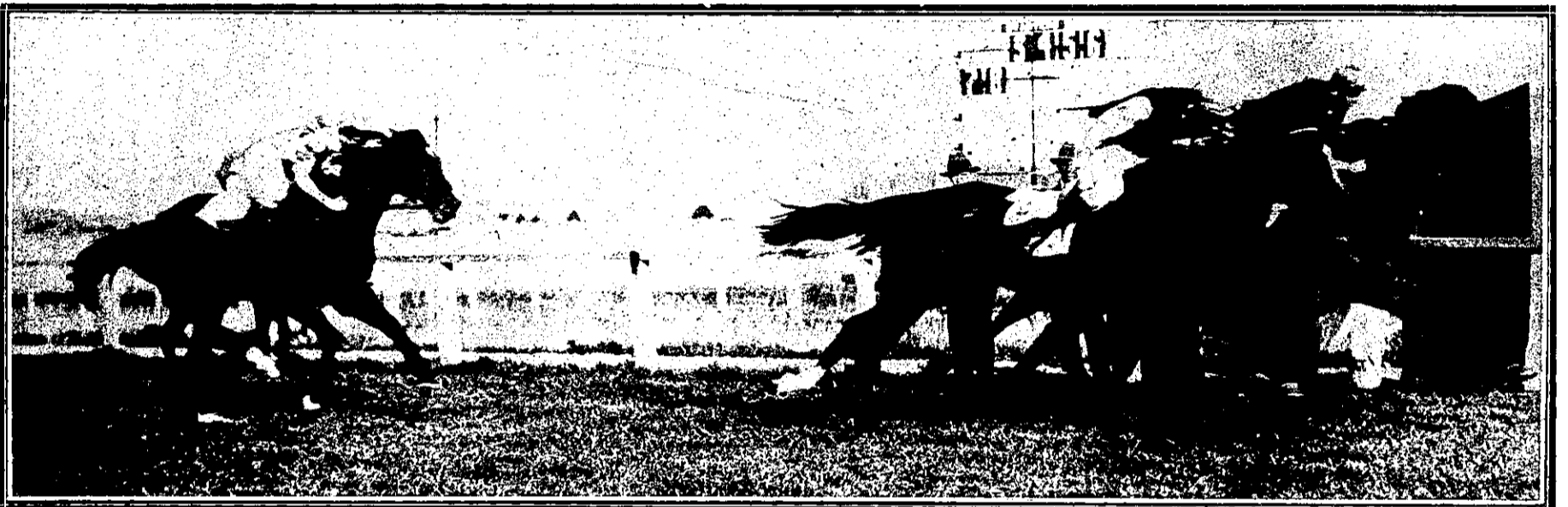
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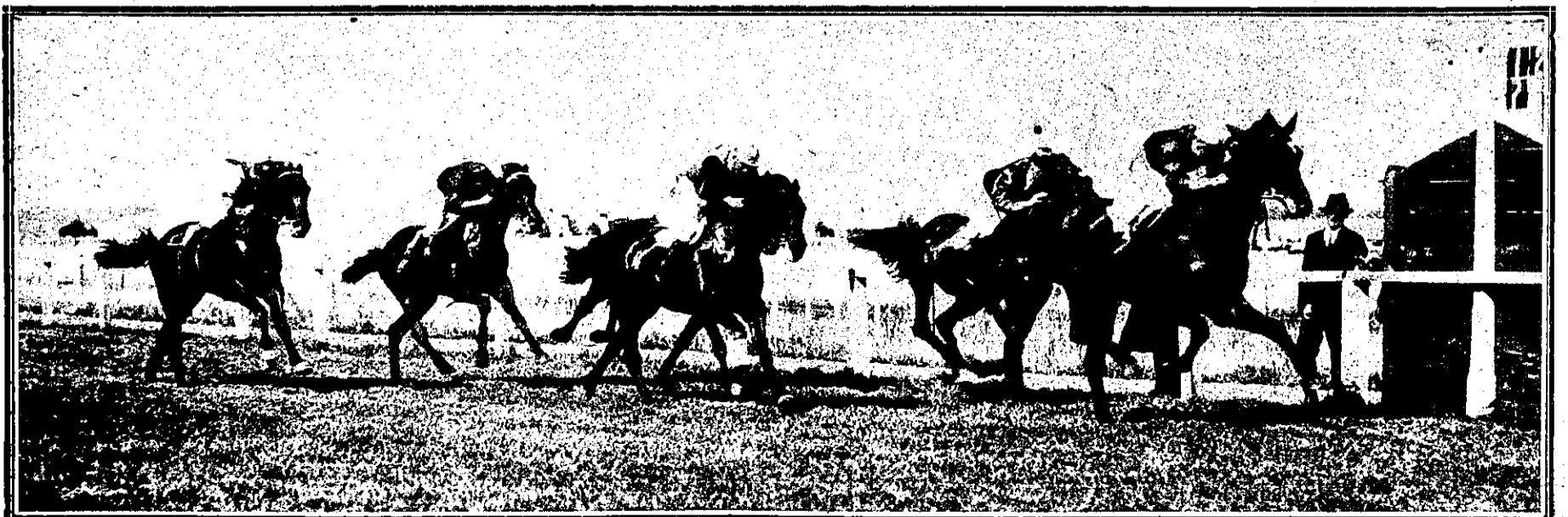
THE FINISH OF THE PUKEHOU HACK WELTER (8½ FURLONGS)—RISINGHAM (A. McFLINN) SCORES A COMFORTABLE WIN FROM EMPYREAN (M. McCARTEN), WITH SELF ALLIANCE (H. GRAY) THIRD.



A CLOSE FINISH IN THE RAUMAI WELTER (SEVEN FURLONGS)—ALL OVER (B. MORRIS) WINS FROM RAILAND (A. OLIVER), WITH TIRANA (H. GRAY) THIRD.

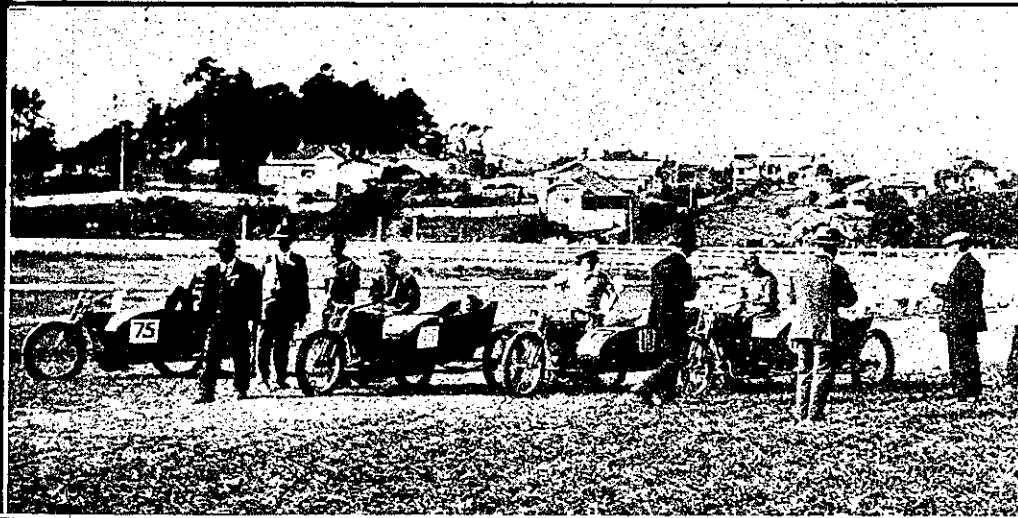
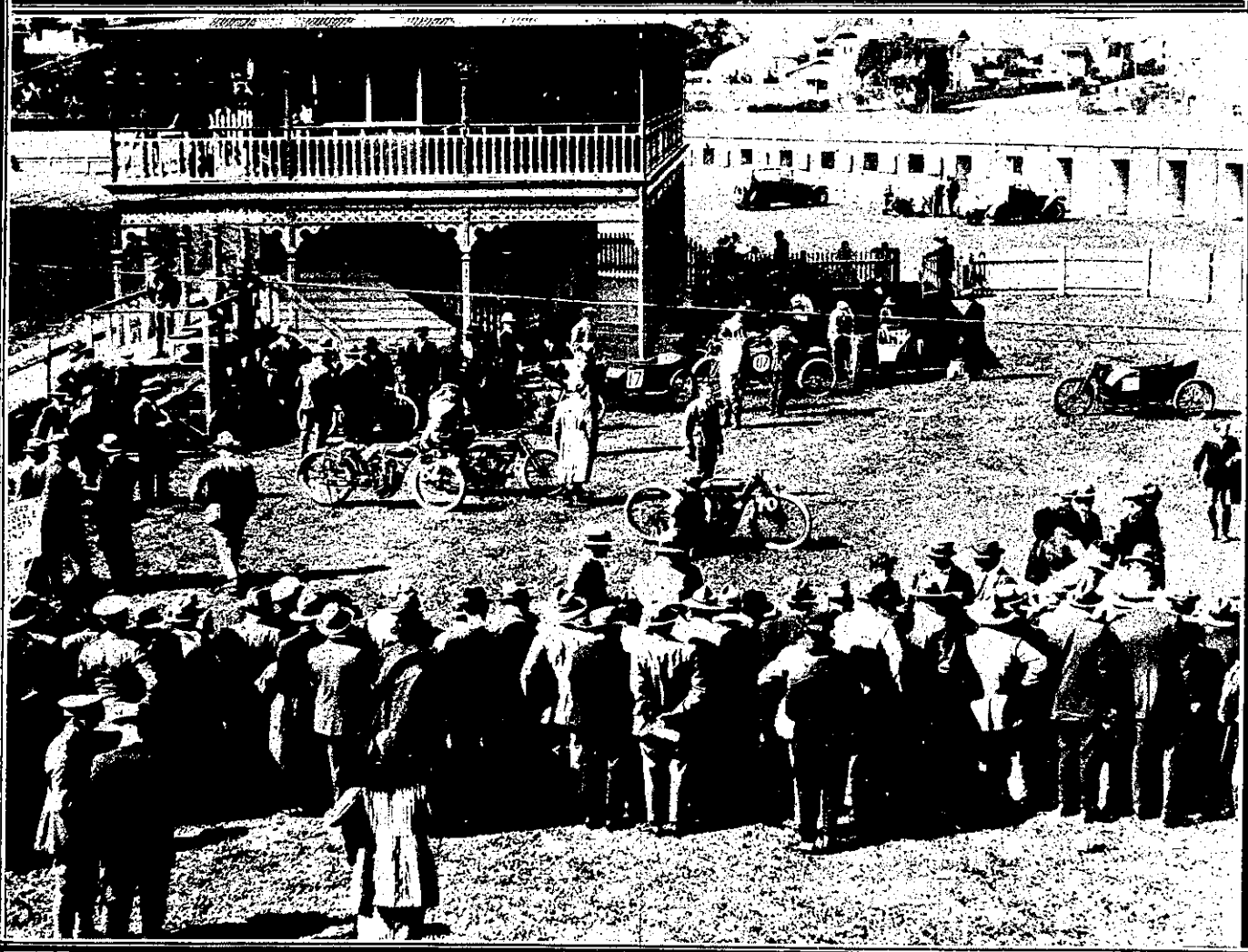
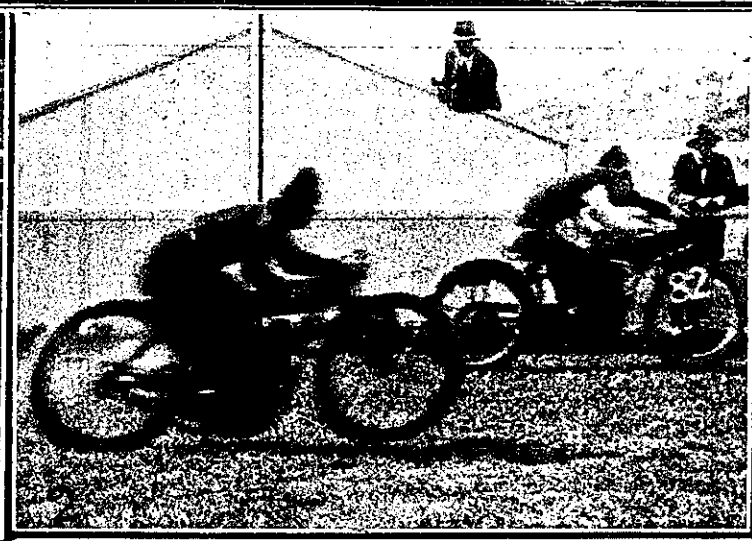
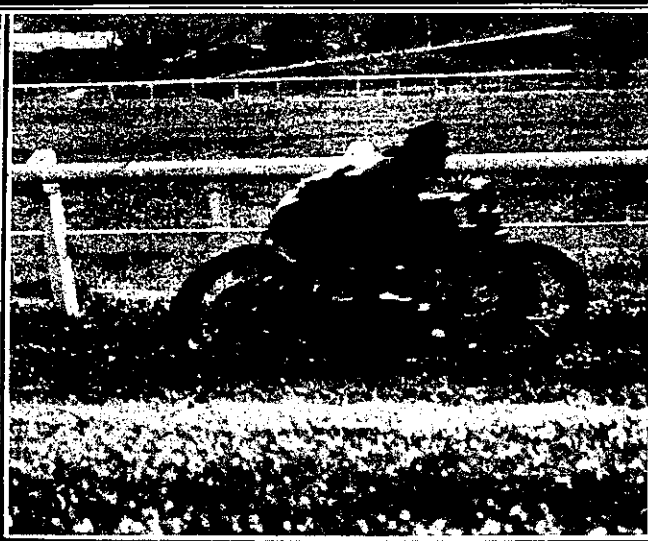
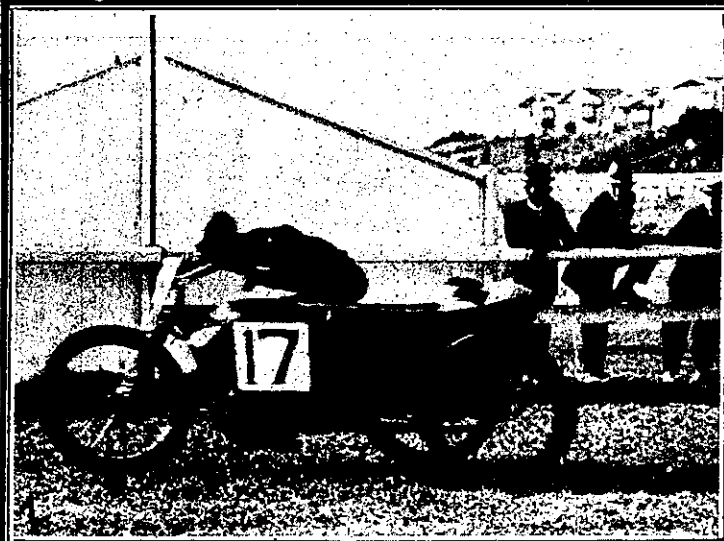


NURSING SISTER (A. OLIVER) WINNING THE RANGITOTO HACK HANDICAP (SIX FURLONGS) with PAONU (K. Tucker), in centre, TEMPO (next rails, almost obscured in picture), MARCH ON (G. Carmont), on outside, HEPTA (H. Young) and PARORANGI (A. McFlinn) following next in the order named.



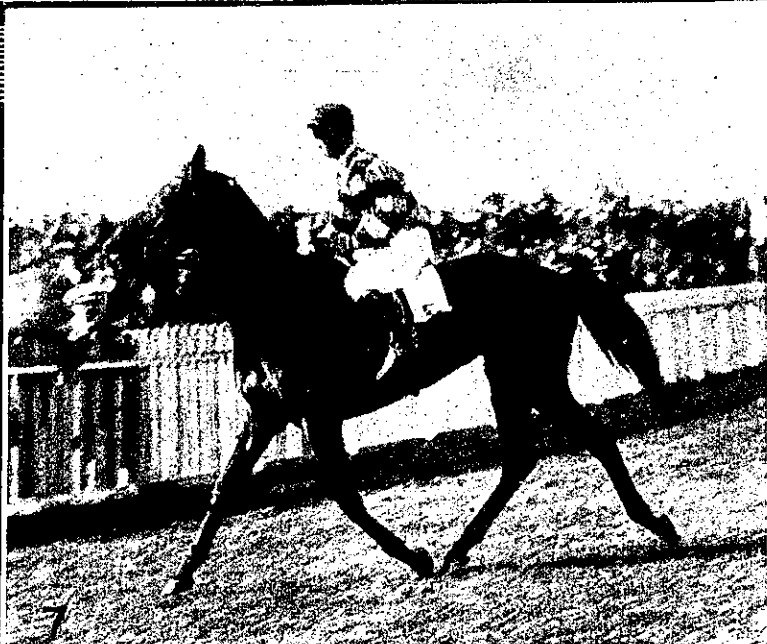
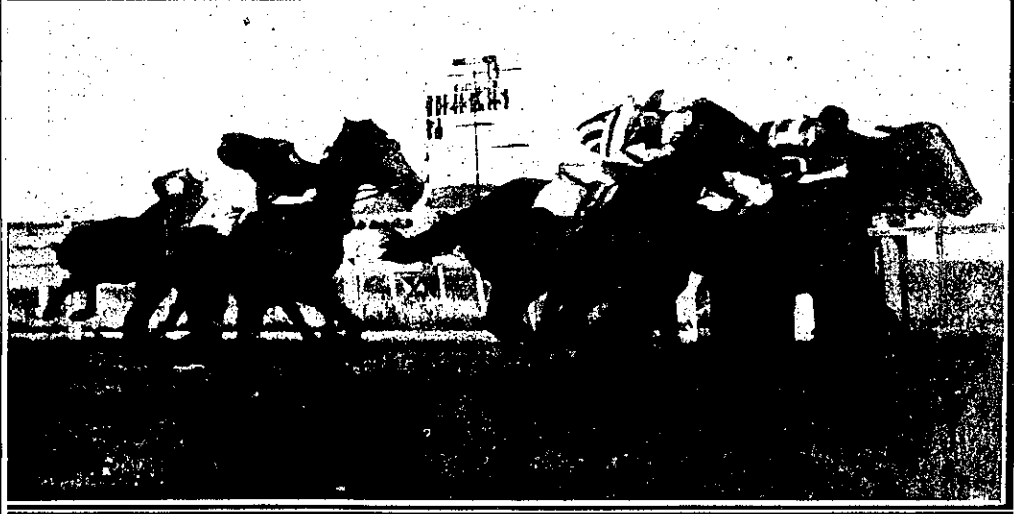
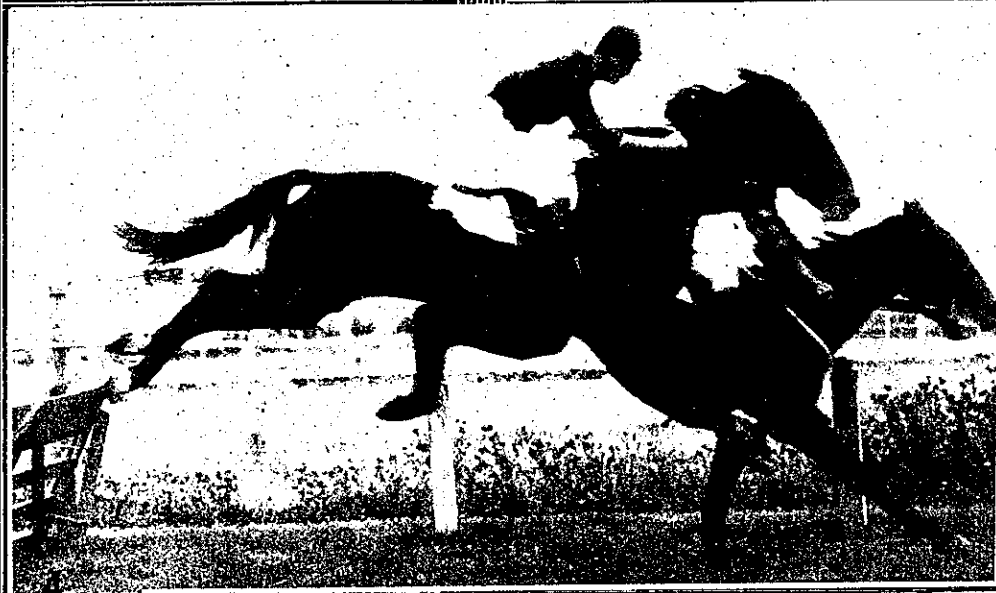
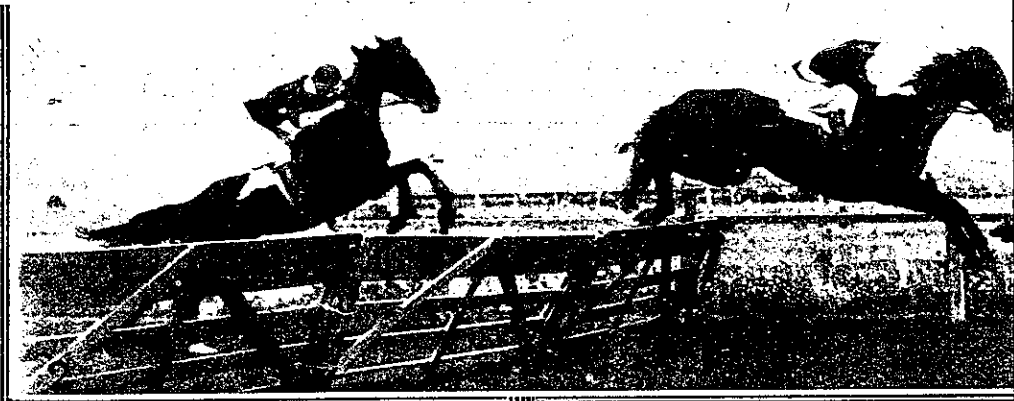
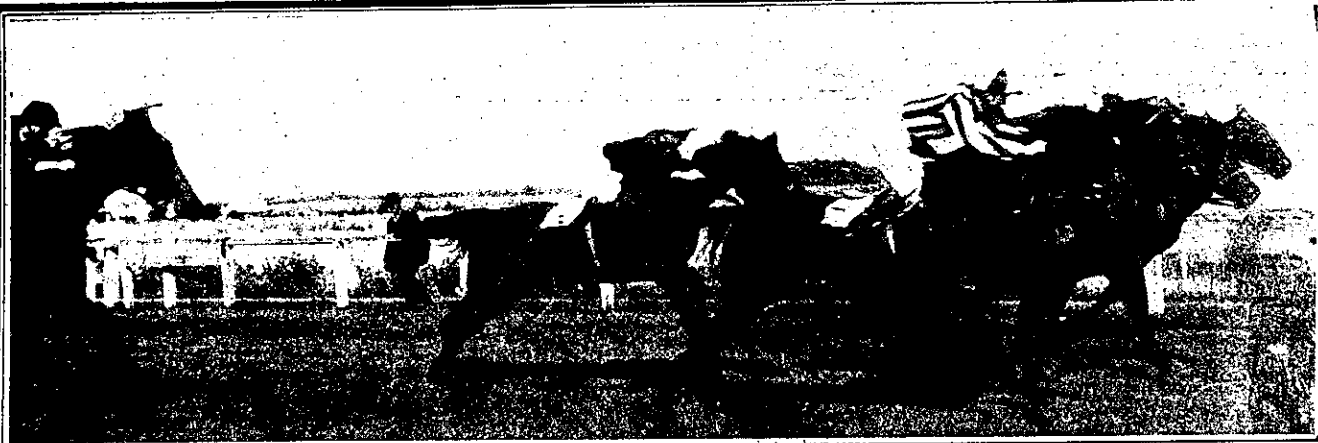
SIMON (H. YOUNG) SCORES A DECISIVE VICTORY IN THE MAIDEN HACK HANDICAP (SEVEN FURLONGS), WITH MISS LOVE (A. REED) SECOND AND CATALINI (H. GRAY) THIRD.

A Further Series of Views Taken at the Auckland Provincial Motor Cycle Club's Recent Sports on Takapuna



1. L. STERICKER (7 h.p. Harley-Davidson) winning the Side-car Handicap (ten laps). 2. P. COLEMAN (7 h.p. Indian) just about to overtake J. BLAKELEY (7 h.p. Indian) in the Takapuna Handicap. 3. H. SOUTER (7 h.p. Henderson) overtakes J. BLAKELEY (7 h.p. Indian) in the President's Handicap. 4. M. PAUL (7 h.p. Harley-Davidson) wins the A.P.M.C.C. Handicap (eight laps.), in which he was disqualified for riding a machine other than the one for which his handicap was declared. 5. A VIEW OF THE BIRD-CAGE AT THE TAKAPUNA RACECOURSE SHOWING A NUMBER OF COMPETITORS AND SPECTATORS. 6. Competitors assembled at the starting point for the Lightweight Handicap (six laps), won by F. SYKES (3½ h.p. Royal Ruby). 7. Just before the start of the Side-car Handicap (ten laps), won by L. STERICKER.

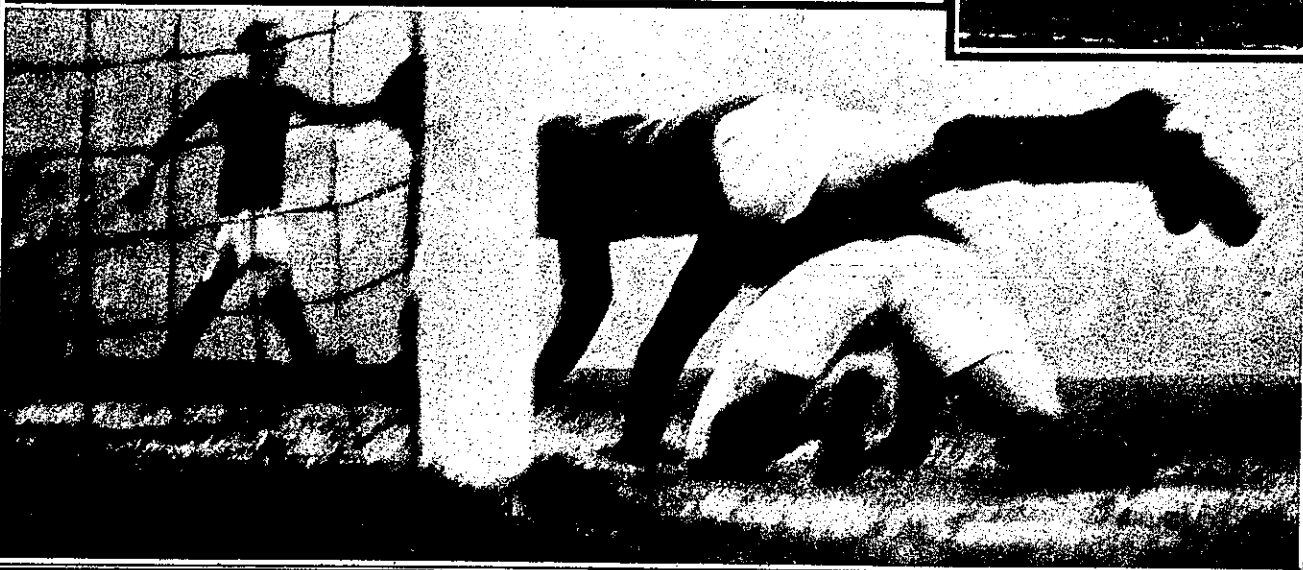
Interesting Snapshots on the Concluding Day of the Rangitikei Racing Club's Annual Meeting



1. Racing for positions just after the start of the Fraser Memorial Stakes (one mile and a distance). 2. KHARTOUM (H. Copestake), the winner, leading NGAKANUI (A. Ward) and SIGNOR (A. Easton) finished second and third respectively, at the last fence in the Sandon Hack Hurdle Race (1½ miles). 3. A group of lawn patrons—Mr. Beasley, Mrs. Beasley, Mrs. McDonald, and friend. 4. GEORGE DIAMOND NAP (McBrearty) the first time over the hurdle just after entering the straight in the Sandon Hack Hurdle Race (1½ miles). 5. Messrs. H. A. Goodall (secretary), J. Cameron (J. Cameron) and J. Cameron. 6. THE FINISH OF THE FRASER MEMORIAL STAKES (ONE MILE AND A DISTANCE)—MOUTOA IVANOVA (A. Reed) wins from LOVEMATCH (H. Young), with OLD GOLD (M. McCulloch) second. 7. MOUTOA IVANOVA (A. Reed) returning to scale after her victory in the Fraser Memorial Stakes. 8. Mr. W. Higgins' b g RISINGHAM, 4yrs., by Rokeby—Rose Red, winner of the Pukehou Hack Welter (8½ furlongs) and the Pukehou Hack Welter (8½ furlongs).

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1. Accomplished Arab Pony which Shaes Hands.—Roakbar bidding his master good-morning with true Eastern dignity at Mr. E. R. Calthorp's stud farm at Loughton, Essex (Eng.) 2. A Long-billed Curlew—a red bill almost as long as its body, is one of the latest additions to the London Zoo. It barks like a dog. 3. No Engine Required—An elephant making easy work of pushing a freight car. The onlookers are held spellbound for this queerly assorted pair will waltz turns in swinging on a rope. It is said that the gorilla was nurtured in Africa by a negress. The illustration shows the boy "Little Johnnie" and the gorilla swinging on the rope. 5. The Kingsland Gate, known throughout the Old Country as "The Donkey King," with some of his stock at the Caledonian Market, Islington. Sometimes he takes as many as 200 donkeys to the road loose like sheep. His "mokes" are in great demand with the costers. 6. Wild Horse at the London Zoo. A Privalshis Wild Horse, which recently arrived at the London Zoo. This type is from the desert of Mongolia.



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.

Mr. Louis von Tempisky and Miss von Tempisky, of Honolulu, are visiting Mrs. Kettle, Napier.

Never say, "It is nobody's business but my own what I do with my life." It is not true. Your life is put into your hand as a trust for many others beside yourself. If you use it well, it will make many others happy; if you abuse it, it will harm many others beside yourself.—J. M. Pullman.

Mr. and Mrs. Checkley, of Ashburton, are on a holiday visit to Auckland. They intend seeing the Waitomo Caves and the thermal districts.

Mrs. P. Mulcahy, of Vogel Street, Wellington, who was for some time engaged in war work in France and England, has returned home.

Mrs. F. E. Baume has returned to Auckland after a holiday in Wellington and Rotorua. Her sister, Miss Levy, who arrived recently from America, is staying with her.

The delegates to the Victoria League Conference, which recently sat in Auckland, were: Mrs. Ferguson, Dunedin; Mrs. Carey Hill (hon. secretary), Mrs. Helene Cross, and Miss Nixon, Christchurch; Mrs. J. P. Luke, Wellington; Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Mason, Wanganui; Miss Williams (hon. secretary) and Miss A. Gray, Gisborne; Mrs. C. Burgess, New Plymouth; Mrs. Mellors (hon. secretary) and Mrs. Palmer, Manurewa. They were entertained at a most enjoyable harbour excursion by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Napier one afternoon, and were also the guests of Lady Lockhart at an "At Home." Mrs. Wilfred Rathbone, Parnell, was another hostess who entertained them pleasantly.

In a letter from New York to Mr. Phil Finkelstein, of J. C. Williamson Ltd., Miss Jennie Brennan, the well-known ballet mistress, said: "We are, of course, rushing round, firstly getting the newest ballroom dances. We are fortunate enough to be taking lessons in the newest dances from the world-famed 'Maurice,' who is at present dancing in New York with his famous partner, Florence Walton. We are enjoying the lessons very much. The fee for a single lesson, you'll be interested to know, is fifteen guineas for a little over an hour. New York is crowded. It is most difficult to obtain accommodation—prices kite high; clothes most beautiful, but terribly expensive. Prohibition doesn't seem to be making very much difference. All the restaurants, cabarets, etc., seem to be just as crowded as they were last year, and people seem to be dancing just as much, and most delightfully. We go to London next week for a while to get the latest novelties there. The theatres are crowded. Kathleen MacDonnell is to open next week in New York with a new play. Cyril Keightley is to be her leading man. Clyde Cook has made a hit at the Hippodrome, dancing. He appears, amongst other things, as 'Puck' in a fairy ballet. We visited last night the new picture palace called The Capital. It cost millions of dollars to build, and even for New York is most wonderful. They present here a gorgeous revue and pictures. The price we paid in English money was seven and sixpence each."

"La Fille du Tambour Major" is the opera the Wellington Amateur Operatic Society have decided to produce this year. Rehearsals will commence this month. For many years this spectacular opera held the Australasian record with a hundred consecutive performances in Melbourne (in which Miss Nellie Stewart figured as the drummer boy). Twenty years ago it was played throughout New Zealand by the Pollard Company. Mr. Tom Pollard will direct the Wellington production.

The engagement is announced of Miss Cecile Larner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Larner, of "Elmstone," Remuera, Auckland, to Mr. Lawson Field, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Field, "Homebush," Gisborne.

Lady Carroll, of Gisborne, has been interesting herself for some weeks past in equipping a team of poi dancers, who are to represent the East Coast tribes in Rotorua at the Maori welcome to be accorded to the Prince of Wales.

The wedding took place on March 17, of Miss Claire Alice Blissard, youngest daughter of Mr. George S. and the late Mrs. Blissard, of Idaho, U.S.A., to Mr. Harold Wallis Shackelford, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shackelford, "Winchelsea," Mt. Eden, Auckland. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. H. Laws, principal of the Methodist College, Remuera. Mrs. M. Paget was matron of honour, and Mr. John N. Shackelford, groomsmen. Mrs. Blissard travelled through New Zealand and Australia with the first Chautauqua party.

Professor Brown and Miss Brown, of Auckland, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Russell, Knowlescourt, Papanui.

The engagement is announced in a southern exchange of Miss Jeanette Bidwill, only daughter of the late Mr. C. R. Bidwill and Mrs. Bidwill, of Tawaha, Featherston, to Mr. O. H. Beetham, of Brancepeth, Masterton.

Mrs. C. Dunlop, who recently returned to Gisborne, has been visiting in England, Ireland and Egypt, and other countries of interest, and was a member of the first party of tourists to visit the battlefields in France after the war.

Miss Helen Rawson, lecturer and assistant professor in the Home Science Department, Otago University, has returned to Dunedin after a visit to the United States, Canada, and England. Miss Rawson, who was awarded a Cambridge Travelling Scholarship, left Dunedin last August, and during her absence visited many colleges and institutions that have a bearing on her work.

Mrs. Farnall has returned to Auckland after a lengthy stay in Christchurch, and leaves in three months' time on a trip to England.

Miss Edith Fairchild, who has held the position of matron at hospitals in France and England during the whole of the war, and who has received the R.R.C. (first class), as well as other decorations, is in Wellington at present visiting her sister, Mrs. C. Pearce, Hobson Street.

Mrs. J. C. Williamson and her daughter Tootles, are passengers for America and England by the Megantic, which they joined at Sydney. They were presented with many beautiful flowers, their cabin being decorated by Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Hara with pink roses, carnations, and asters. It is Mrs. Williamson's intention to tour England, Ireland, and Scotland before going on to Paris, where her daughter will take up art. Before leaving Sydney, Mrs. Williamson presented to the National Gallery, Longstaff's portrait of her daughter Marjorie.



Fair enthusiasts photographed on the lawn at the recent Rangitikei Racing Club's meeting at Bulls.

Mrs. T. H. Lowry, O.B.E., has resigned the position of president of the Hawke's Bay branch of the British Red Cross Society, as she is leaving shortly on an extended trip to the Old Country. Mr. W. P. Griffith spoke in eulogistic terms of the excellent work carried out during the war and up to the present by Mrs. Lowry, whose efforts would always be remembered by the soldiers. The resignation was accepted with regret.

The wedding took place at Havelock North on March 10 of Miss Annie Dunbar McHardy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. McHardy, of Blackhead, to Mr. Leslie Hill Larner, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Larner, of Remuera, Auckland. The bridesmaids were the Misses McHardy, Dora Horton, Larner, and P. Larner. The best man was Mr. R. B. Mason, and the groomsmen Messrs. C. Gifford-Moore (Palmerston North), J. Kennedy, and D. Kennedy. The bride wore a frock of accordeon-pleated georgette, with corsage of Honiton lace. Her train was lined with lemon georgette, and her veil fastened with orange blossoms. The bridesmaids wore frocks of a golden shade of crepe de chine, with side panels edged with fringe and made with draped bodices. Their picture hats were of bronze tulle wreathed with autumn-tinted flowers, and they carried bouquets of autumn flowers. The Rev. Simcox, assisted by Canon Lush, performed the ceremony, which was choral, the girls from Woodford House forming the choir.

With a dancing Prince and a dancing General travelling towards Sydney, maids and matrons alike are stitching in every spare moment, says a writer in the Sydney "Sun." Not alone are the velvets, silks, satins, brocades, and taffetas in the vanguard of fashion, but beaten gold and silver lace, and all the other wondrous fabrics that read like the story of King Solomon's gifts to the Queen of Sheba have been pressed into the fashioning of frocks for wearing between the hours that run from darkness to midnight and after. It has been whispered that tulle is to be again the ubiquitous shoulder wrap. Bodices on ball gowns are to be just wisps of things—beauty and quaintness that is a mere thought to the cover-up style which haunts the dreams of to-day's dancers. So tulle will billow round the shoulders, veiling beauty, but not concealing it. These wee Parisian bodices may be quite correctly fashioned of black, or perchance some deep shade of coloured velvet, brocade satin, or gold and silver lace lined with a contrasting colour, and swathed or cut to pattern, just as you please. Sleeves have vanished almost altogether, but if predilection hankers after coverings for the arms, the sleeve must really be a sleevelet, just the merest suggestion hat stops long before it has reached a length of seven or eight inches.

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The engagement is announced of Mrs. Gladys Henning, widow of the late Second-Lieutenant W. Henning, M.C., and youngest daughter of Oswald Coates, Auckland, to Major F. S. Esk Sandford, Rose Bay, Sydney. Mrs. Henning, who did invaluable war work, was driver in charge to Hornchurch Convalescent Hospital.

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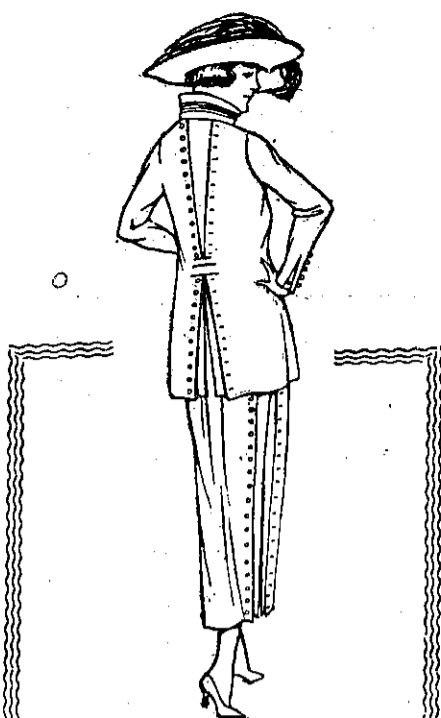
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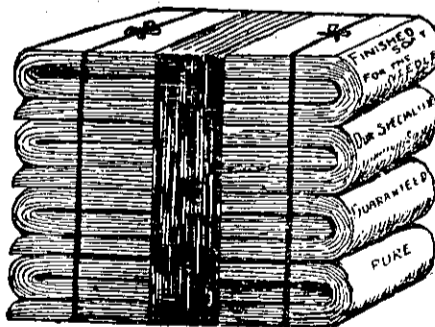
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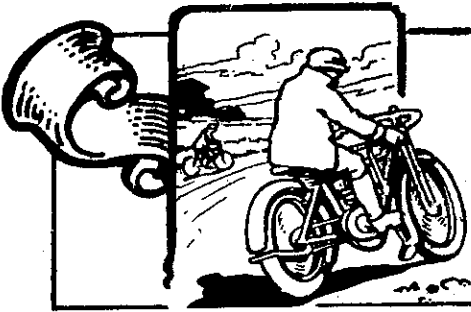
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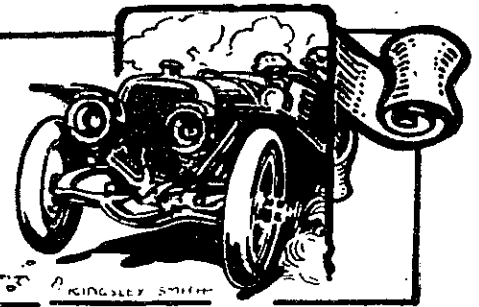
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Photographs of private motorists in their cars, snapshots taken while on tour, or accounts of motoring trips and other items of interest to car-owners, will be inserted in these columns if posted to "New Zealand Sporting and Dramatic Review," P.O. Box 52, Auckland.

It is reported from France that the well-known aviator Sadi-Lacoinde has been timed to fly 1100 yards over a measured course at the amazing speed of 227 miles an hour.

In order to guard to a certain extent against the exploiting of strangers by taxi-car drivers the Christchurch City Council has framed a regulation requiring all licensed drivers to have affixed in their cars a schedule of fares on which also appears the license number of the car.

Reserved judgment was given at Nelson in a case in which a man was charged with driving a motor car on the Haven Road at a speed greater than 12 miles an hour, contrary to the Nelson city by-laws. The magistrate, Mr. Evans, held that the by-law in question was unreasonable and void, and dismissed the information.

An aerial mail will be despatched from Auckland for Kaitiāia on Friday, April 9. The seaplane will descend at Russell, Whangaroa, Mangonui, and Awanui River, where school children and others will be given an opportunity to view the machine. Mr. G. Bolt will pilot the seaplane, which, weather permitting, will return to Auckland on the same day.

Sir Arthur Brown, who flew the Atlantic, has been in Australia for some time, and it was his intention to come to New Zealand and to give a number of lectures on his very remarkable flight. He has, however, now written to a friend to say that he cannot come to New Zealand at present as he has received a telegram from the Vickers firm recalling him to England. He has hopes, however, of visiting New Zealand in about six months' time.

An innovation is being made by the Auckland Taxi-Owners' Association which should be of great benefit to the public. A shipment of badges of special design has been imported, and these are being fixed on the front of taxis which belong to the association. The badge is the shape of a star, and this will enable people to identify taxis in the daytime. At night a blue light shows through the centre of the badge if the taxi is for hire. Many people desirous of hailing a car are afraid to do so in case it might not be a taxi, but the badges now being introduced should overcome this difficulty.

The Mount Cook Motor Company is now negotiating for an aerial service to Mount Cook. With this end in view Mr. R. L. Wigley, manager for the company, informed a Timaru "Herald" reporter that the company had decided to largely increase its capital. He had just returned from a visit to Christchurch, where he had interviewed the officials of the Canterbury Aviation Company with regard to the establishment of an aerial service between Timaru and Mount Cook. It is proposed that Captain Dickson will make a flight from Christchurch to the Hermitage. A landing will in all probability be made at Fairlie, whence the route will be taken to Braemar. From Braemar the aviator will make a thorough aerial tour of this great scenic country and return to Braemar en route for Christchurch. The Mount Cook Motor Company intends to pursue the matter of aerial transit further than it has at present been carried in New Zealand, and it hopes, if reports are favourable, to employ the latest in aerial liners—probably an eight-seater machine—for the trip from Timaru to the Hermitage. At the Hermitage a drome will be established, where a machine or machines—most probably three-seaters—will be kept for the benefit of tourists, so that the grand scenery of the Alps can be visited easily and a comprehensive bird's-eye view obtained with the maximum of ease.

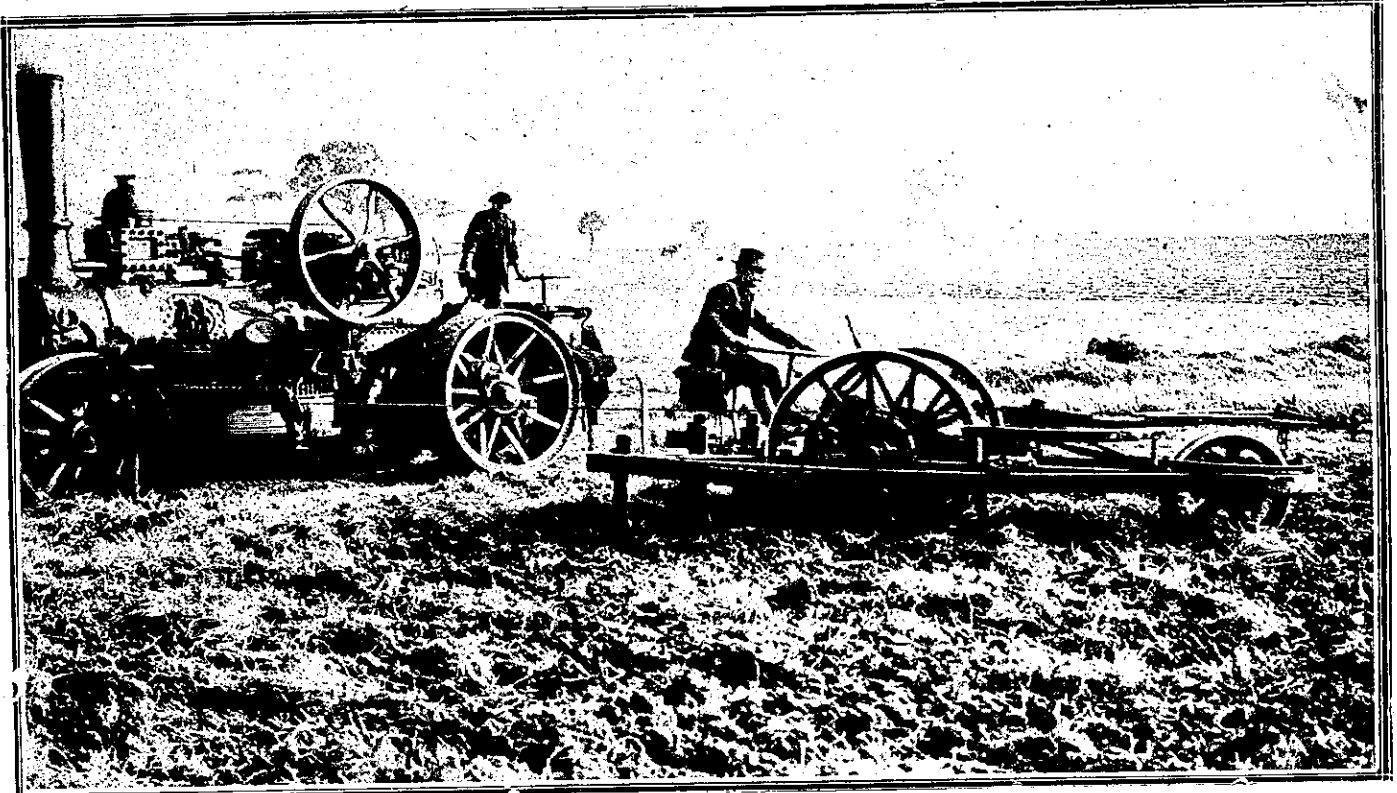
What a remarkable long-distance rider A. T. Goullett (Australia) is! His successes in six days' bicycle contests are unique in the history of these events. Year after year he has been winning these races for the last decade. As far back as 1912 he, teaming with P. Hehir, established an Australian record by covering 2085 miles 1680 yards in the six days. During the past three months Goullett has, with a team mate, carried off two such events in New York. In December, paired with E. Madden, he was successful in the big annual Madison Square Garden event, and now it is cabled that, partnered with J. Magin, he has again proved his superiority by winning another race of the same description, the prizes for which totalled £1500.

The Wairarapa Automobile Association has decided to complete the fencing of the Rimutaka roadway to the summit—a distance of one mile—and similar work on the other side of the mountain is under way.

Mr. C. M. Banks, a vice-president of the New Zealand Union and a delegate from the Wellington Automobile Club, has found it necessary, owing to pressure of business, to resign his position on the union executive.

The horse is gradually giving place to the motor wagon on the wharves at Wellington, shippers apparently realising the value of rapid transit. Not only are the large lumbering power vans to be seen wending their clumsy way, but innumerable small fry bustle in and out, everything being perfectly ordered by the wharf officials, remarks the "Post." Already comment has been made on the work of the electric and motor tractors used for hauling goods on the wharves. There are now nine of these midgets, and the rapidity and ease with which they haul huge loads, sometimes up to 10 tons, attracts much attention. Undoubtedly they are a valuable adjunct to the wharf equipment, and their use will become more popular every month.

Owing to the increasing price of heavy-powered motor cycle side-car outfits, it is questionable whether they will hold their popularity. The next two or three years will decide the fate of this class of vehicle—whether it is to remain the popular form of cheap transport or be smothered by the advance in cheapness of first cost of cyclecars and cheap light cars. With a view to determining the relative efficiency of the above classes of vehicles it is proposed in England that a 1000 miles trial be held over the Scottish roads, to decide which is the most satisfactory and economical type of these vehicles from the users' point of view. Only standard types permitted, and the classification to be according to retail selling price. No doubt such a test would be productive of great interest, particularly if each vehicle were in charge of a trade expert. The probabilities are that on present market figures the side-car outfit would score, but all the same the data obtainable would be interesting and instructive.



A new method of ploughing. The plough is of the usual variety, but the power is obtained from two large traction engines. On the underside of each engine is a large drum around which is wound a stout cable, and when the engine is in motion the plough is drawn across from one side of the field to the other. To draw the plough back to the other side the engine on the far side of the field is used. The illustration shows the plough about to commence the return journey. It will be noticed that the engine which has just drawn the plough across is now at rest.

"The time has come," states the Hon. D. H. Guthrie, Minister for Lands, "when we shall have to adopt some means by which we may be able to road undeveloped lands, whether held by Maoris or Europeans, and, in consideration of the benefits accruing to those lands, load them with a fair share of the expense." No details in regard to the proposal are yet available.

A novel motor tyre non-skid chain has been patented in America and is creating interest amongst motorists. The device can hardly be called a "chain." The links, which are interchangeable in case of breakage, are flat on the running surface. The entire link is "U" shape, the tyre fitting into the opening of the "U." The face which strikes the road is two inches square and is corrugated. Extra links may be added in a twinkling to make the chain fit a tyre of any size. When properly applied the chain will be noiseless. It will act as a tyre protector, and it is claimed that when the tyre is removed after the chain has been used for a season the tyre will be in the same condition as when the chain was applied. In case of puncture it will not be necessary to repair the tyre—the broad links of the chain make a smooth running surface and the car may be driven to the nearest garage without the slightest injury to tyre or rim. The rim or the tyre is not damaged. It is estimated that the chain for 30-inch tyres will weigh approximately 14lb. when manufactured from malleable cast iron. The idea is certainly striking, and if it can accomplish what is claimed by its inventor would prove a great boon to motorists.

The Manawatu branch of the Motor Garage Proprietors' Association of New Zealand is considering the holding of a motor show in some important centre in Wellington province. The matter was brought before a meeting of the Manawatu A. and P. Association, and it was decided that the finance committee should meet the representatives of the Motor Association. In connection with the holding of the display it was decided to communicate with Mr. R. W. Dalton, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner in New Zealand, to obtain his opinion regarding the probability of the proposed English display of motor cars to be given in New Zealand being held at an early date.

As an aftermath of the race meeting at Trentham, there was a field day at the Petone Court, when a number of motor car owners, drivers, and motor cycle riders appeared to answer charges of exceeding the speed limit of 15 miles an hour, as laid down in the borough by-laws. Mr. R. C. Kirk appeared for the prosecution, and the sum of over £50, including costs, was added to the coffers of the council. The "trap" in which the offenders were caught was laid between the Grand National Hotel and the Petone railway station, and the offences took place on January 22—a race day.

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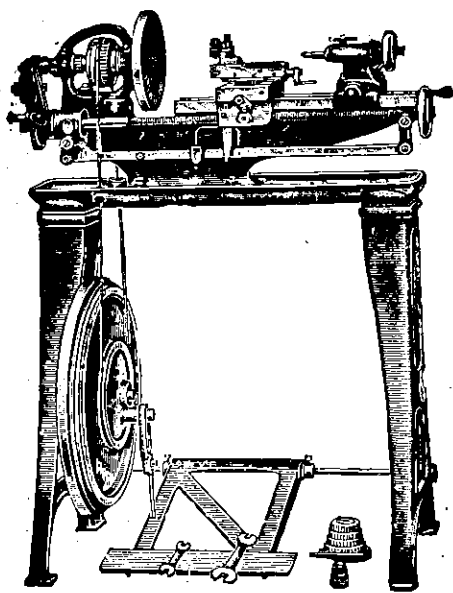
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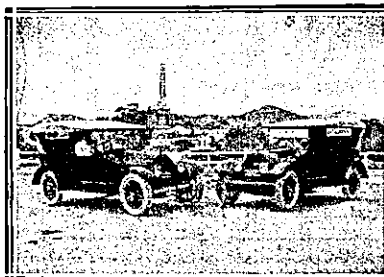
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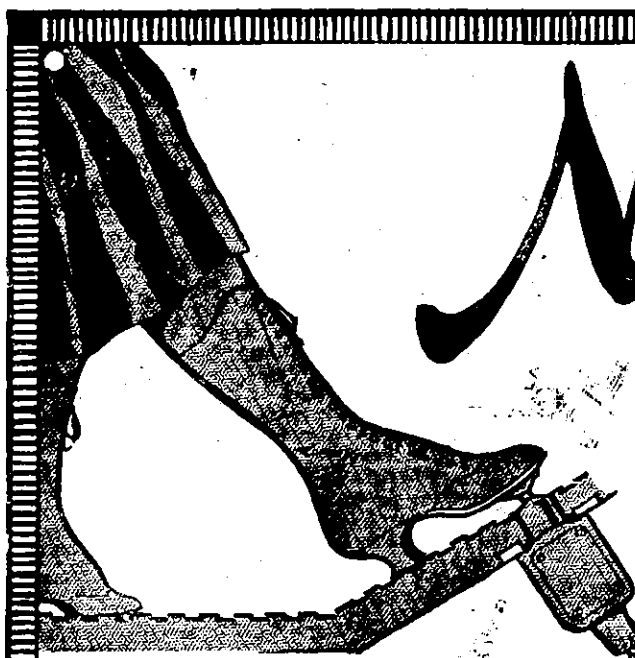
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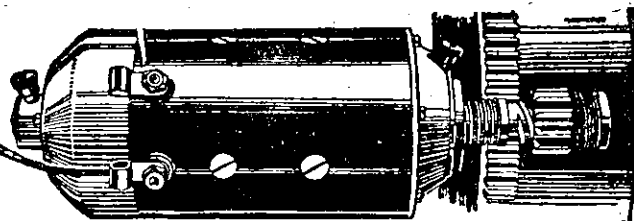
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Another penalty in connection with the motor car record trip from Auckland to Bluff was inflicted at Milton Magistrate's Court, when William S. Miller was charged on two counts with driving a motor car at excessive speed, dangerous to the public. Mr. Gilray appeared for defendant, and pleaded guilty on his behalf. The magistrate (Mr. Bartholomew) said he had dealt previously with defendant in charges preferred against him. There were good reasons for the two informations laid against defendant, and he could only regard the run as a speed trial pure and simple. Defendant was fined £10 on each charge, with 14s. costs.

Discussing the proposition of a flight from New Zealand to Australia, Captain L. J. N. Mackay, late of the Royal Air Force, said he considered there were no insuperable difficulties. The atmospheric conditions over the Tasman Sea were probably more favourable than those of the North Atlantic, being less likely to be disturbed by such long periods of fog and storm. Of course, a very good machine would be necessary. Those used by the late Sir John Alcock for his Atlantic flight and by Sir Ross Smith for his journey from England to Australia were Vickers-Vimy-Rolls, and both were land machines. In the opinion of Captain Mackay, the best type of machine for long-distance sea flights was the Porte flying boat, which had been used very successfully during the war for anti-submarine patrol work. The special value of this class of machine for ocean flying was that it could alight and keep afloat even if there were a fairly heavy swell. During the war a Porte machine, which was compelled to alight in the North Sea, weathered a fairly rough sea for 24 hours. This flying-boat was quite

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At the inquest concerning the death of James John Donovan, a returned soldier, who was killed by a motor car on the Parawai Road, Thames, when returning from the races, the evidence showed that the accident occurred a short distance from the racecourse gate. A large number of race patrons were walking from the

course towards the town. The deceased went out on to the road to intercept a taxicab, owned by Henry Francis Roe, of West Street, Auckland, who was plying for hire. Other pedestrians also went out on to the road to stop the car, the driver of which indicated that he would turn round. The deceased slipped and fell in front of the car, which passed over his body. He was conveyed to the hospital, where life was pronounced to be extinct. Several witnesses, including the traffic inspector, gave evidence that the car was travelling at a reasonable speed, and that the driver used every caution. A verdict of accidental death was returned, no blame being attachable to anyone. The jury added a rider recommending the local authority to introduce a new by-law, providing for stopping places to be indicated along the main road from the racecourse. The deceased was aged 30 years. He was a widower, and he leaves two daughters.

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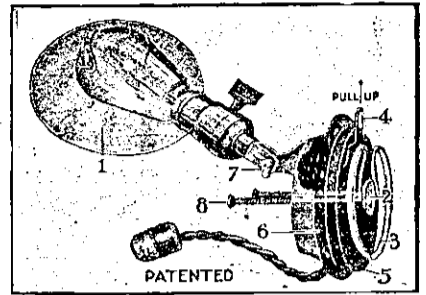
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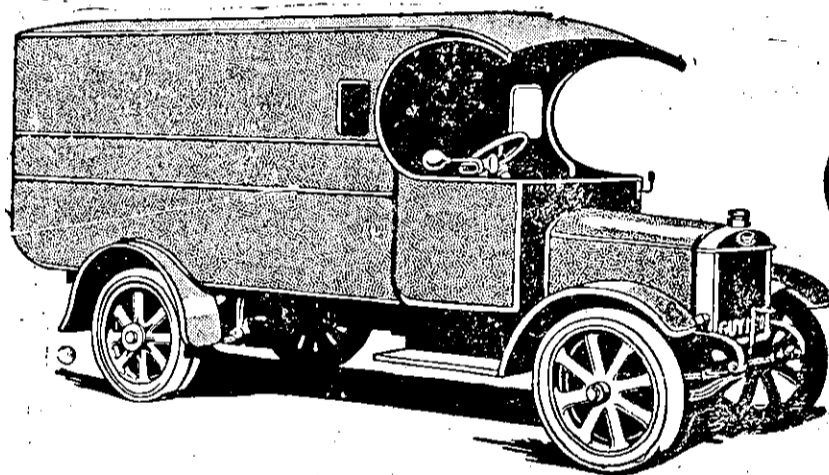
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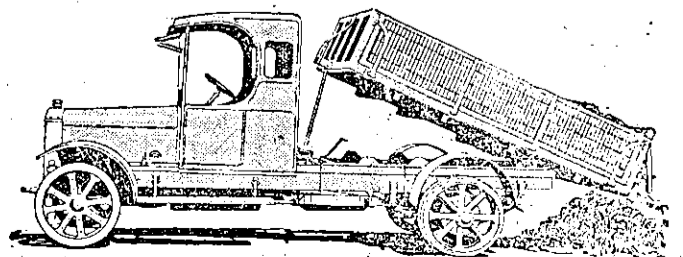
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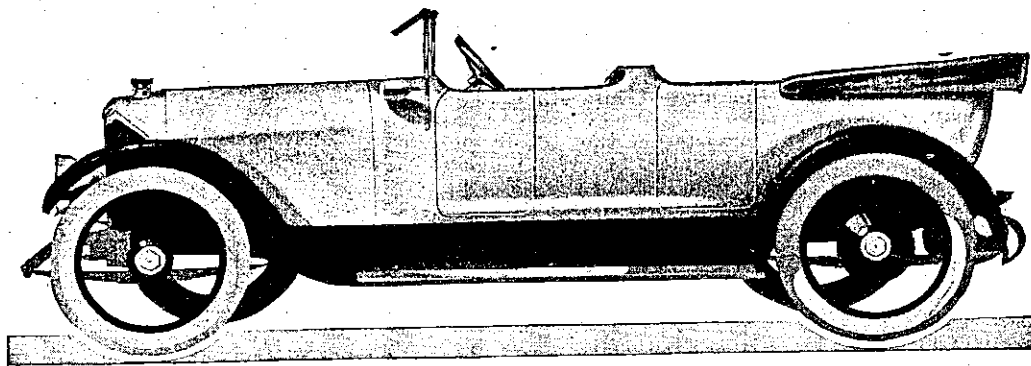
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GREENROOM GOSSIP

London "Opinion" is reminded that the revival of "The Mikado" gave a man the opportunity of working off a chestnut the other day. Requiring in a hurry a copy of the "book" of Gilbert's best-known work, Rutland Barrington dashed into a music shop, and hastily demanded: "Mikado libretto." "Pardon?" said the assistant, blankly. "Mikado libretto," snapped Barrington impatiently. "Pardong, senior," stammered the young man, "me no spika Italiano."

Mr. George Tallis, of J. C. Williamson, Ltd., received a cable message from London intimating that Miss Muriel Starr had been engaged to create the leading role in the London production of "The Man Who Came Back," which was recently played by her in this country. The engagement was made at the suggestion of Messrs. J. C. Williamson, Ltd. Miss Starr made her farewell appearance in Melbourne early this month in "The Silent Witness."

"Norbelle" in the "Bulletin": I think Augustus Neville, now with Allan Wilkie in Maoriland, was virtuous in more plays consecutively than any other Australian mummer. Charles King put up a fresh-off-the-ice bellowdrama every week in Brisbane for four years on end, and, with only one or two slight breaks through illness, Gus Neville was the beauteous hero all the time. It must have been a strain to be aggressively virtuous in 200 consecutive plays. Everything was perpetrated, from "East Lynne" to "Silver King." In the tremendous list of "Bad Girls," "Good Girls," and shandygaff maidens, the record shows "Message from Mars," "Trilby," "Lady Godiva," "Allah's Orchard," "Face at the Window," "Little Lord Fauntleroy," "Struck Oil," "Camille," and "Fun on the Bristol." For months after the season closed Neville couldn't ask you to have one without casting his eyes up to Heaven and mentioning his dear old mother. By way of variety he was King Charles in Nellie Stewart's picturisation of "Sweet Nell."

Moon and Morr's, who make such a hit in the J. and N. Tait, Bailey and Grant pantomime of "Mother Hubbard" at the King's Theatre, Melbourne, are regarded as the most proficient simultaneous dancers on the stage. For most of their adult life they have been dancing in unison, and they can tell of strange tales of rehearsal before they attained their present brilliancy. It took them several months to produce their big dance to their satisfaction, but their reward came when they tried it out before several vaudeville managers, who competed with one another in booking the turn, one finally securing the two artists for a long contract as an unprecedented salary.

One of the features of "The Better 'Ole," Bairnsfather's musical comedy, which is due here shortly, are the interpolated songs and dances, which are introduced in such a manner that they blend naturally into the warp and woof of this most amusing play. Soldiers without singing—at least, British soldiers without singing—are not to be imagined for the future, which was made abounding plain by Mr. Dennis in his "Singing Soldiers," so it is no infringement of the dramatic verities to find Old Bill, 'Erb and Alf—wonderfully faithful types of the British Tommy—enjoying a song or dance when the occasion offers. The play also introduces the "Fascination Jazz," which has Miss June Addell (who figures as Victoire) as the chief exponent; and Old Bill makes merry in a lugubrious fashion in the song "She Venus de Milo to Me." Other songs introduced are "The Fight Where the Best Man Wins," "Somewhere in France," "Washing Day," and "Dreamland." The New English Comedy Company which is to present "The Better 'Ole" is headed by Mr. Lionel Walsh as Old Bill, and his chief supporters will be Mr. Harry Young as 'Erb and Mr. Hubert Lee as Alf. Other members of the company are Miss Dorothy May, Miss Lena Henry, Miss May Hewlett, Messrs. Arthur Bertram, Edward Kaye, and Ernest Rich. The company's tour commenced at Invercargill at Easter, and will work northward during the following three or four weeks.

"An English play at last." This summed up the expression of the viewpoint of the audience at the first-night performance of "Tilly of Bloomsbury" at the Theatre Royal, Melbourne. "Tilly of Bloomsbury" is quite unlike the American type of play to which Australian managers have had to have recourse during the war. There isn't a "crook," a telephone, or a bedroom scene throughout the three acts; yet some of the scenes are so funny that the audience laughed themselves tired.

If the popularity of the music is any criterion of success, "Kissing Time" at Her Majesty's, Melbourne, is one of the biggest hits since "The Merry Widow." Music sellers in Melbourne report that the sale of the scores of this piece is the biggest since Lehar's opera was staged in Melbourne.

WELLINGTON NOTES.

(By "Lorgnette.")

WELLINGTON, April 2.

The attraction at the Grand Opera House for Easter week is Miss Kate Howarde's Dramatic Company in the wonderfully successful laughter maker, "Possum Paddock." It is described by Australian critics as a riot of mirth and merriment. "Possum Paddock," with its heart-to-heart story of life in the great "outback," has so far had a career that may safely be described as meteoric. Originally produced at the Theatre Royal, Sydney, it ran for six weeks to packed houses. In Melbourne it achieved a seven weeks' success. Adelaide and Brisbane were also played to capacity business. It is noteworthy of the Adelaide season to state that owing to inability to get a theatre Miss Howarde was not to be denied, and engaged the Exhibition Grounds for the season. A great



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stunt, because owing to the heat people would not go indoors, the result being that on the closing performance over six thousand people paid to see the show. "Possum Paddock" is presented by a company of sixteen specially-selected Australian artists, notable amongst whom are Mr. Fred McDonald, the inimitable Dave in "Our Selection," Mr. Jack Kirby, and Miss Kate Howarde, who has written and produced it.

The Wellington season of "Possum Paddock" will run from the 3rd to the 17th April. The other dates booked are:—Auckland, April 30-May 3; Hamilton, 4; Wanganui, 6; Hawera, 7; Palmerston North, 8; Dannevirke, 10; Hastings, 11; Napier, 12 and 13; Masterton, 14; Ashburton, 17; Timaru, 18; Oamaru, 19; Dunedin, 20-28; Invercargill, 31-June 1; Gore, 2; Balclutha, 3; Waimate, 4; Christchurch, 5-15. It is possible that other towns will be played after the above tour is completed.

MUSIC NOTES.

(By "G" String.)

A few months ago there was published a book by Miss Ethel Smyth, entitled "Impressions That Remained."

The well-known lady composer has many interesting things to tell of some famous people she has met. Brahms, with whom she became acquainted in 1887, she venerated as a composer but disliked personally. His jokes, she says, left much to be desired. They were apparently too coarse. The same, by the way, was said of Beethoven by his friends. Clara Schumann was much more to Miss Smyth's taste. So was Elizabeth von Herzogenberg (the clever wife of a composer who narrowly missed greatness), until Miss Smyth quarrelled with her. Miss Smyth seems to have quarrelled with people rather easily. Suppose it was the temperament. Apart from Brahms, of whom she admits she hardly writes with justice (the great master seems to have offended Miss Smyth by speaking of her as "the young lady who writes sonatas and doesn't know counterpoint"), she also had a "brush" with Joachim, giving him a "piece of her mind" (by letter). Her relations with Tschalkowsky, Henschel, Sir Walter Parratt and others appear to be much more pleasant.

Somewhere about four centuries ago—the exact year cannot be fixed—Thomas Tallis, "the father of English cathedral music," was born. His

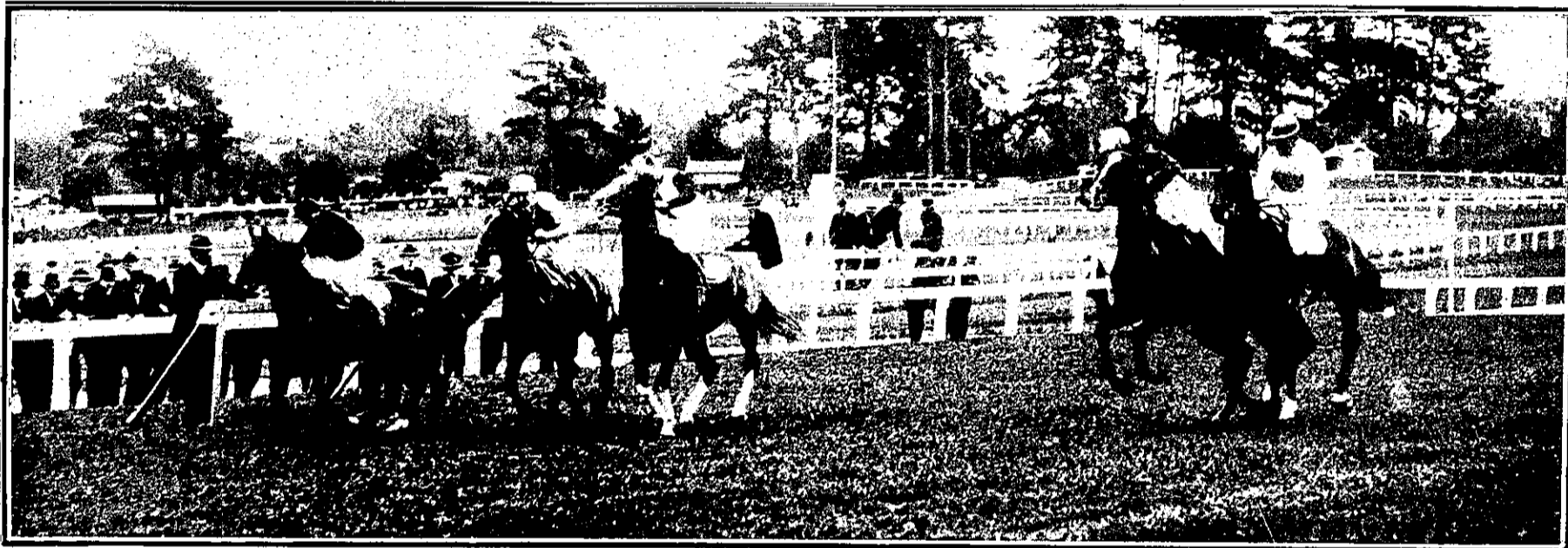
beautiful "responses" are still in use, and now and again some of his anthems get a hearing. In his time Tallis was rated as almost the equal of the great Italian genius Palestrina. His technical mastery was extraordinary. One of his compositions, a motet entitled "Spem in Alium Non Habui," is written in no fewer than 40 real parts (most choral music, especially modern choral music, is rarely in more than four parts). Some argue from this that part-singing in the 16th century must have been considerably ahead of what it is to-day. But it could hardly have been so. A hundred and fifty years later, when better training methods would have been evolved, Bach's compositions, even under his own skilful direction, appear to have been badly done, judged by modern standards, and in Beethoven's time no choral forces were able to manage satisfactorily the last part of his immortal ninth symphony, which modern choirs sing without much difficulty. Tallis probably never heard his forty-part motet, or if he did he could scarcely have been pleased with the result, for in his other works he confined himself to the modest number of parts most of his contemporaries favoured.

Champagne Stakes and Brighton Hurdles Day at Ellerslie.

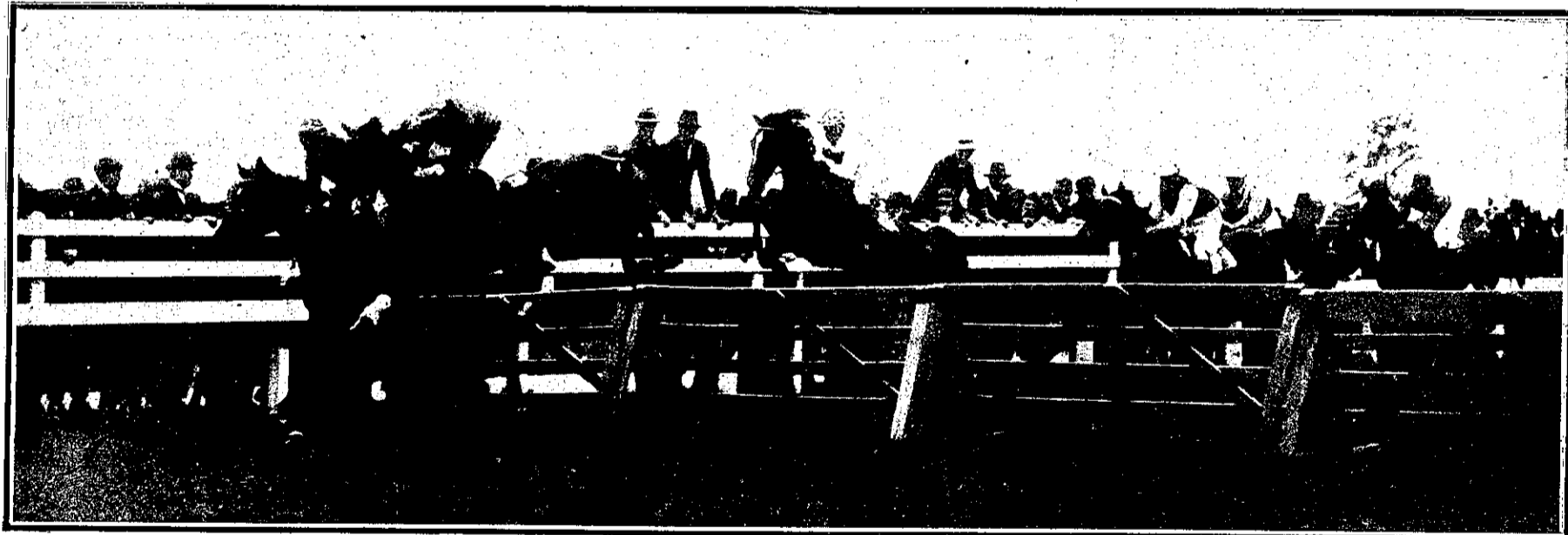


GEOFFREY (A. McFlinn) after accounting for the Onslow Stakes (five furlongs.) The other horses are DOVELET (B. Deeley), who finished second, and CELMISIA (C. Reed), who was fourth.

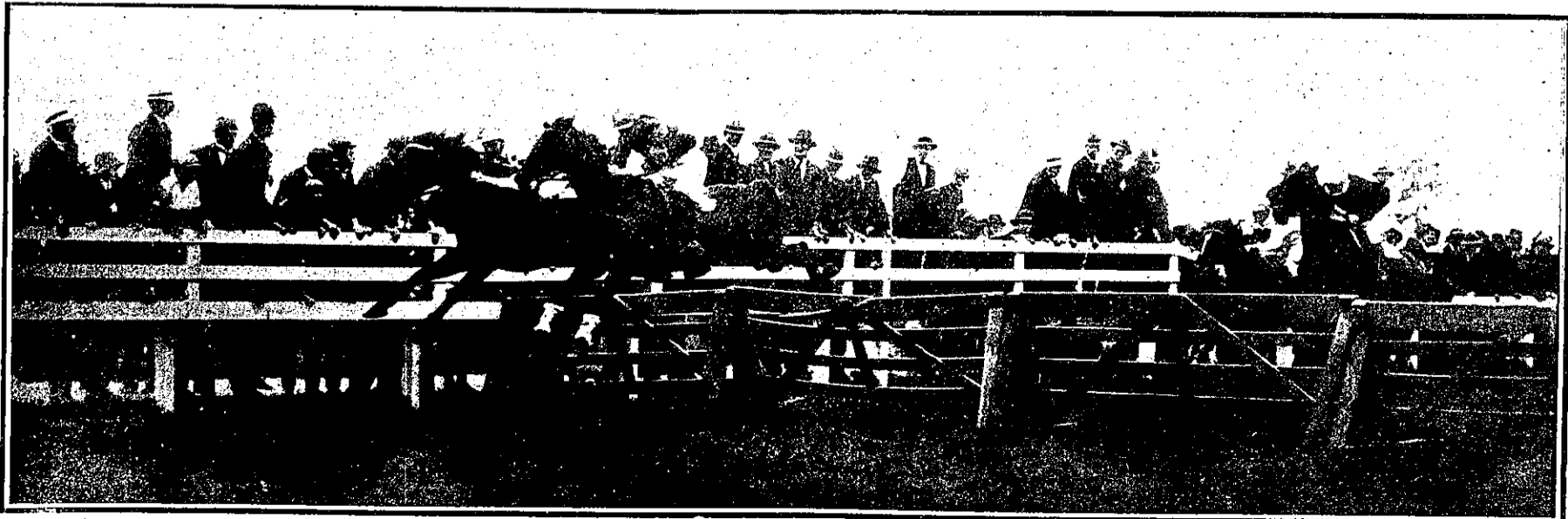
MATATANE (A. McFLINN) RETURNING TO SCALE AFTER HER VICTORY IN THE GREAT NORTHERN OAKS (1½ MILES).



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AT THE LAST FENCE IN THE BRIGHTON HURDLE RACE (TWO MILES)—DEVIATION (E. Warner), next rails, leading GLUETANUS (F. Preston), MARCONI (R. Manson), the winner, and EXPLORER (J. Preston).

THE STAGE

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

"LIGHTNIN'" IN FULL FLASH.

"Lightnin'" is flashing vividly at His Majesty's Theatre to the accompaniment of peals of laughter. Large audiences are giving a hearty reception to the quaint play which is so skilfully enacted by a special J. C. Williamson company, headed by Mr. John D. O'Hara, on whom supreme interest is centred in the character of Lightnin' Bill Jones. There is nothing of the American crook element about "Lightnin'." Written by Winchell Smith and Frank Bacon (authors of "Turn to the Right"), it is just a homely, wholesome drama with a long trail of humorous situations cleverly drawn in and shaded with a little pathos. The scene is set at Reno, the place with the tempting facilities for divorce. The basis of the comedy is the location of the Calivada Hotel, which is built right on the border line of California and Nevada. This border line runs through the building, so that the guests by merely stepping from one side of the room to the other can change their address. Most of the guests at the hotel are there merely to carry out the residential requirements under the State law of Nevada in order to secure a divorce. At the same time they can truthfully give it out to their friends that they are sojourning in the salubrious climate of California. For instance, the sheriff from Nevada tries to serve a warrant on a man in an hotel office. The offender merely takes two steps to the right and is across the line. "Don't you know any more about law than to try to serve me with a Nevada warrant when I'm in California?" he asks derisively. Mrs. Bill Jones, wife of Lightnin' Bill—a term of polite sarcasm on account of his slowness—is the licensee of the hotel, and the possibilities of developing it by reason of its peculiar position, are seized on by a party of speculators. They induce Mrs. Jones to accept worthless stock in payment for it, but Lightnin' (warned by John Marvin, whose mother has been similarly swindled) refuses to clinch the deal. At the same moment he offends his wife by indiscreet candour about her dress, and the speculators incite her to sue for a divorce, which will play into their hands by doing away with the need of Bill's signature. Thanks to his own native shrewdness, he acts as his own counsel, confounds the conspirators and becomes reconciled to his wife. A word about Bill. He is the world's greatest prevaricator. He is anything that anybody ever mentions and is never caught tripping—a spy, a lawyer, a soldier (the first to enlist in any war), a prospector in the original Californian rush (some years before he was born), and a bee driver (he drove a swarm through the desert in the depth of winter and never lost a bee!). In fact, there's nothing that Bill hasn't done or couldn't do. "I'll fix it," is his slogan. Mr. John D. O'Hara made a popular triumph of the character, the personality of the irresponsible, lying, drink-addicted but adorable old reprobate being expressed to an artistic nicety. Every exaggerated remark was given telling effect by his quiet methods, while the occasional note of pathos was unerringly struck, his capture of the audience being complete. It was a thoroughly delightful study, making "Lightnin'" a wholly enjoyable play to watch. Miss Diana Wilson is another constant joy in her interpretation of the part of Margaret Davis, a divorcee, whom she represents in a distinctly original manner, adopting with her striking appearance a languishing air and wheedling voice for her conquest of the judge. Her comedy work in the court scene was capitally done, and she made herself a presence to be reckoned with whenever she was on the stage. Mr. Frederick Esmelton gave a diverting sketch of the susceptible judge, his surrender to feminine beguilement being conveyed with much humour. Mr. Robert Toms as the likable John Marvin, made a very favourable

impression, acting with sincerity and fervour, so much so in the court scene that the judge asks him, "Are you pleading the case or making love to the witness?" Miss Marion Marcus Clarke as Mrs. Bill Jones excellently typifies the homely, trusting old wife, and Miss Lizette Parkes puts all her natural sweetness into the role of Mildred Buckley, the Jones' adopted daughter. Mr. John Beck did quietly amusing work as the sheriff who finds the border line somewhat of a problem. Others in a prominent cast are Messrs. Ian Maclaren, Arthur Cornell, Thomas W. Lloyd, Edwin Lester, H. H. Wallace, and Fred Cambourne.



MR. ARTHUR CORNELL, a prominent member of the cast in "Lightnin'."



MR. JOHN D. O'HARA, in his inimitable role of Lightnin' Bill Jones.

OPERA HOUSE.

The matinee and evening performances at the Opera House on Easter Monday were attended by record crowds, a happy bill-of-fare being provided by the Fuller management to suit the holiday mood. Vaudeville cum revue is judiciously mixed, and the many visitors to town find the blend entirely to their liking. Amongst the newcomers were the Gazzahs—a man, boy and girl—the senior member giving a clever display of juggling and balancing with all sorts of articles, from a hair to heavy cannon balls, the act winding up with a flag transformation scene. Margaret and Willie were also seen in neat acrobatic evolutions. Miss Essie Jennings and Mr. Jim Gerald specialised in one of their original burlesque turns, which included a Scotch skit and a Pierrot interlude, with a dramatic recital and eccentric dance by Mr. Gerald. Mr. Walter Jackson and

Miss Pollard gave an agreeable vocal offering, the former accompanying at the piano. Miss Pollard opened with "The Minstrel Boy," followed by her partner in a popular ballad, and concluding with a duetted version of "The Lost Chord." The sensational act of the bill was that provided by Archie and Gertie Falls. The Harry Burgess revue was a breezy medley of fun and nonsense entitled "The Manless Isle," set in a Chinese atmosphere which was capitally sustained in the staging and dressing. Mr. Burgess created plenty of merriment with his comicalities, and as usual he had Mr. Les Wharton and Mr. Gus Franks as



MR. THOMAS W. LLOYD, who plays Rodney Harper in the "Lightnin'" production.



MR. FRED ESMELTON, who takes the part of the Judge in "Lightnin'," the J. C. Williamson Easter attraction at His Majesty's Theatre, Auckland. Mr. Esmelton also produces the play.

shipwrecked seamen to help him in supplying absurd situations. Mr. Ernest Crawford and Miss Linda Dale sang most acceptably "You and I." Mr. Ernest Lashbrooke and Miss Thelma Duff featured a Chinese dance which was well applauded. The attractions of Miss Lola Hunt and Miss Ivy Moore were well set off, and the ballet made up a big portion of the success.

From the "Green Room," Sydney: According to reports received privately in Sydney at the end of February, Dorothy Brunton is no longer single. She is Mrs. Nathan, and her hubby a New Zealander.

Mr. Fred Esmelton, the judge in "Lightnin'," is an Australian who has returned after twenty years' stage experience in America. He has also made a name for himself on the films, having played leading parts with Elsie Ferguson, Norma Talmadge, Catherine Calvert, Billie Burke, and other screen stars.

Mr. John Farrell is business manager for "Lightnin'."

The matinee attendance at Fuller's Opera House on Easter Monday broke the records for the past twenty years.

The Auckland Amateur Operatic Society are rehearsing Gilbert and Sullivan's "Iolanthe" for production in September.

A young Australian artist who has scored a decided success in "Tilly of Bloomsbury" is little Dorothy Seacombe, who plays Amelia, Tilly's little sister.

Mr. Claude Flemming, who produced "As You Were" at the Tivoli for H. D. McIntosh, has left for London to play the leading baritone role in "The Southern Maid" at Daly's Theatre.

Miss Natalina McCallum, the young New Zealand soprano, has accepted an engagement to sing before the Prince of Wales at Wanganui.

The owner of "Lightnin'" wants £20,000 for his cinema rights.

Miss Ethel Morrison, last here with the Muriel Starr Company, is spending a holiday in Wellington.

Miss Dorothy Manville, a young Londoner, plays the title role in "Tilly of Bloomsbury."

Mr. H. R. Roberts plays opposite Miss Emelie Polini in the Tait's latest success, "Kindling."

The J. C. Williamson pantomime, "The Sleeping Beauty," is in Sydney for Easter.

A London correspondent to the Sydney "Sun" writes of two favourites: Apart from sporadic appearances in variety in London, Miss Ada Reeve has not been seen since she came back from her long Australian and South African tour. She comes back to a stage which is singularly devoid of musical comedienness with the true verve. There were some, but they married wealth, or converted themselves into orthodox leading ladies, or else just faded out. London felt, therefore, that it could kiss Miss Reeve for coming back again, and it is seldom that an artist has been able to step back into just the old place in a single night, or for that matter in a whole cycle of nights. As "Medorah" she finds herself in the odd situation of an Eastern princess, condemned to a husbandless life because she cannot conform to the rule of the Sultanate that she must turn the scale at 200lb. avoirdupois. Contrary to the advice that most of us, including President Wilson and Mr. Rockefeller, could give her, she goes to the States to find some method of gaining flesh, and plenty of it. One might say that her chances of matrimony grow slimmer and slimmer, just as we would have predicted, although not quite so slim as the plot of this play, for then the fair lady would have collapsed altogether. At the point when she is beginning to get edges and sharp points she falls in with the son of a steel magnate, who, fortunately, happens to be no worshipper of obesity, and that's the story. Apart from Miss Reeve's success, the new piece, which is put up at the Alhambra, specially designed for large and dressy spectacles, brings W. S. Percy forward. Even now, however, the clever Australian comedian does not get the big chance which is bound one day to come to him. The makers of "Medorah" failed to put the jokes in—the real funny jokes, that is to say. The few there are for Percy were obviously made by himself, because he recognised that there was a vacuum somewhere. Of his work, "The Times" says that "it was remarkable how many laughs Mr. Percy managed to raise with so little material. One day he will get a real 'fat part,' and then he will come into his own." It will be observed that the critics as well as the managements are keeping their eyes on the Australian.

AROUND THE MOVIES.

FILMS WORTH SEEING.

"The Better Wife," the latest select vehicle for the statuesque Clara Kimball Young, is a story of absorbing human interest, which deals with an everyday problem of married life—what sort of a woman makes the best wife? The unfaithful spouse of an unsuspecting husband dies under tragic circumstances, and a lovely girl devotes her life to the child left motherless, thereby finding the way to love of the father. He is obsessed by memories of his first wife, and cannot see the joy that is his for the asking, until the truth is brought home to him that he has worshipped at an unworthy shrine. Nigel Barrie plays the father adequately. Little Ben Alexander has a delightful child's part in the story.

Pauline Frederick's latest Goldwyn, "The Peace of Roaring River," is a denunciation of matrimonial newspapers. The story gives the experiences of a young girl in the depths of poverty and despair, who sees an oasis in the shape of an attractive advertisement for a wife, and corresponds with the enquirer. The advertisement turns out to be bogus, the handiwork of a jealous lady, and the girl arrives in the "elegant home" out West to find it a mountain shack, and she is suspected of attempted blackmail. Pauline Frederick in rough garb is a novel spectacle after her usual gorgeous finery, and she rises to emotional heights in this story unequalled in any of her previous efforts.

"Bringing Up Betty" is the latest World feature, starring Evelyn Greeley as a badly-spoiled young person, who gives her avuncular guardian a bad time in the course of her upbringing. Being a young lady of many charms and with expectations, she has many varied suitors, and it is uncle's problem to get rid of them. A deep dyed-in-the-wool villain and an accomplice with "bottled hair" nearly wreck her life, but Mr. Right comes along and takes charge of Miss Waywardness, with mutual satisfaction. A nice, entertaining little story, and Evelyn is—just Evelyn, and more could not be said in the way of praise.

A universal appeal to humanity at large is contained in Fannie Ward's latest triumph, "The Cry of the Weak." For sheer emotional intensity sustained from first to last, and a dramatic climax that stands out high-pitched, it is a triumph of film achievement. Incidentally, Fannie Ward herself says it is her best work. The general public, always prone to raise a loud and clear voice of protest when picture prices are raised, have little knowledge of the cost of films. An enlightening fact was revealed in a recent court case, when mention was made that a certain feature to be released shortly cost £2500 for one print and New Zealand rights of exhibition. In the last two years the cost of film has doubled.

International Attractions announces the Shackleton Expedition films and slides, with a special lecturer touring with the pictures. The films are undoubtedly the most wonderful history of Polar achievement ever shown, and are the work of that artist among cinematographers, Capt. Frank Hurley. Until their exhibition the world had a very hazy idea of polar hardships; since the films have been shown the same world is still staggering under the revelations they have made.

Mr. E. J. Carroll's Australian (British) productions, "The Lure of the Bush," "The Sentimental Bloke," "The Moods of Ginger Mick," and "The Man From Kangaroo," are conclusive evidence that the best American standards can be rivalled and even surpassed in the British Dominions. "The Man From Kangaroo," in 7000 feet, with "Snowy" Baker in the lead, is said to be a particularly fine example of the Australian (British) product.

There are some brilliantly-drawn character types in "Tilly of Bloomsbury," which J. C. Williamson, Ltd., are staging at Melbourne Theatre Royal. Ian Hay has adapted the comedy from his story, "Happy-go-lucky," and the stage version has made real, life-like people of the characters in the book. "Each of them," said the "London Times" in its "notice" of the play, "has been met

with by any of us. The audience recognise them immediately. They are as old friends, brought before us under the happiest of auspices." Ian Hay has gone to New York to produce the comedy there.

The many letters we have received and the anxiety expressed right through the grand opera loving section of our community should more than guarantee the J. C. Williamson, Ltd. in presenting Wagner's "Lohengrin" and "Tannhauser" to us, writes "Orfeo" in Melbourne "Punch." The chorus of the present Grand Opera Company, which, by the way, put up a record season in New Zealand, is up to all the requirements of Wagnerian choral work, and, we think, principals would soon be found. For our part, we consider full houses are guaranteed. The works of one who was a rebel to the Prussian Government, with a price upon his head, should be heartily welcome here.

Archie and Gertie Falls terminated a very long programme at the Opera House matinee on Monday (revue coming first on the bill at the afternoon performances), and so great is their hold on public favour that in spite of it being the third week of these unique acrobats there wasn't one in the audience to leave before the end.

Mr. W. A. Low, manager of the Dominion Educational Film Company, reports pleasing success everywhere with the first picture, "The Land we Live In," which covers a comprehensive tour of New Zealand from the North Cape to the Bluff. At the matinees the school-children have attended in great numbers, the headmasters of the various schools realising the geographical and educational value of the film. It will be shown in Auckland about the end of this month.

An echo of "The Man From Kangaroo" the latest E. J. Carroll film was heard in the Wellington Magistrate's Court, when Henry Westgate, manager of the Empress Theatre, was charged with causing a display outside the theatre which resulted in the pedestrian traffic being impeded. The circumstances of the case were that on March 6, the proprietors of the theatre produced the picture entitled "The Man From Kangaroo," and by way of advertising the picture decorated the front of the theatre with foliage and a cage containing a number of parrots. On the evening of Saturday, March 6, a large crowd collected to gain admission and became so great that the ordinary pedestrian traffic was unable to pass. The police case was that the decorations in the lobby of the theatre, including the parrots, were really attracting the crowd, who had no intention of seeing

the picture. For the defence, Mr. G. G. Watson submitted that the case should be dismissed as no breach of the by-law had been committed. As a matter of fact, the proprietors of the theatre had received permission from the City Council to exhibit the parrots and to decorate the lobby of the theatre. The proprietors anticipated large patronage and informed the police of this, and also requested the Department to send a constable along to assist in regulating the traffic. As had been expected, a large crowd attended, and the manager, with three assistants, endeavoured to regulate the traffic. Sub-inspector Emerson, who prosecuted, admitted that the manager of the theatre had communicated with the police asking for assistance. After hearing the evidence the Bench dismissed the information.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.

AVONDALE RACES.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 1920.

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Race trains will leave Auckland for Avondale at 10.25 a.m., 10.35, 10.45, 10.55, 11.5, 11.20, 11.25 a.m., and 12.18 p.m. These trains will stop at Newmarket and Mt. Eden only.

A race train will leave Mt. Eden for Avondale at 10.35 a.m., and a race train will leave Newmarket for Avondale at 12.15 p.m. These trains will stop at Mt. Eden, Kingsland, Morningside and Mt. Albert, if required.

Race trains return Avondale to Auckland at 4.47 p.m., 5.0, 5.11, 5.24, 5.40, 5.50, 6.0, 6.8, and 6.15 p.m. These trains will stop at Mt. Eden and Newmarket only.

A race train will leave Avondale for Auckland at 6.43 p.m., and stop at Mt. Albert, Morningside, Kingsland, Mt. Eden and Newmarket, if required.

The usual 12.29 p.m., 3.10 p.m., and 4.43 p.m. trains, Henderson to Auckland, will NOT run.

The usual 11.30 a.m. and 3.42 p.m., Auckland to Henderson, and the usual 5.12 p.m., Auckland to Swanson trains will NOT run.

The usual 4.22 p.m., Auckland-New Lynn train, will run through to Henderson.

The 6.15 p.m. train, Auckland to Henderson, will run through to Swanson.

For further particulars, see handbills.

BY ORDER.

New Releases This Week:

LYRIC—

"The Better Life" - CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG

STRAND—

"Peace of Roaring River" PAULINE FREDERICK

GRAND—

"Bringing Up Betty" - EVELYN GREELEY

1—Screenland Jottings, No. 13.

2—Ground will be broken this week for the 250,000dol. residence for Mary Pickford at Fremont Place, Los Angeles, facing Wilshire Boulevard. Miss Pickford also will build a "cosy nook" at Santa Monica. It will cost 100,000dol., and be of Old English design. The building itself will cost 150,000dol., the site 50,000dol., and the furnishings another 50,000dol., according to Miss Pickford's mother, who made the announcement.

3—Madame Maeterlinck is to be given a chance to star in the plays her husband will write for Goldwyn, according to an announcement from the Goldwyn Studios. Her husband is Monsieur Maurice Maeterlinck, the "Flemish Shakespeare," author of a number of books and plays, including the "Blue Bird" and the "Life of a Bee."

4—George Eastman, founder of the immense Kodak Company, has donated a large sum of money for the institution of a college in America, where a special study will be made of the relation between a picture and its accompanying music. So perhaps in a short time our feelings will no longer be lacerated by the sight of the death of little Willie to the strains of "A Perfect Day."

5—Snowy Baker's Australian picture, "The Man From Kangaroo," has received some gratuitous advertising during the Wellington season, as the manager of the Empress Theatre has been proceeded against for causing a block in the traffic. Some idea of the sensation that the picture has caused may be gauged from that occurrence.

On Saturday night, June 5, the official Commonwealth and State Gala performance, tendered by J. C. Williamson, Ltd., in honour of the Prince of Wales, will be given at her Majesty's Theatre, Melbourne. The production will be "The Bing Boys on Broadway."

The next musical comedy to be put into rehearsal by J. C. Williamson, Ltd. is "The Maid of the Mountains," which has broken all London records, with the exception of "Chu Chin Chow." The "Merry Widow," with its 770 consecutive performances, had previously held the record for musical comedy, but "The Maid of the Mountains" has already beaten that record by several hundred nights. Mr. George Highland, the producer of "The Bing Boys on Broadway," will also produce "The Maid of the Mountains."

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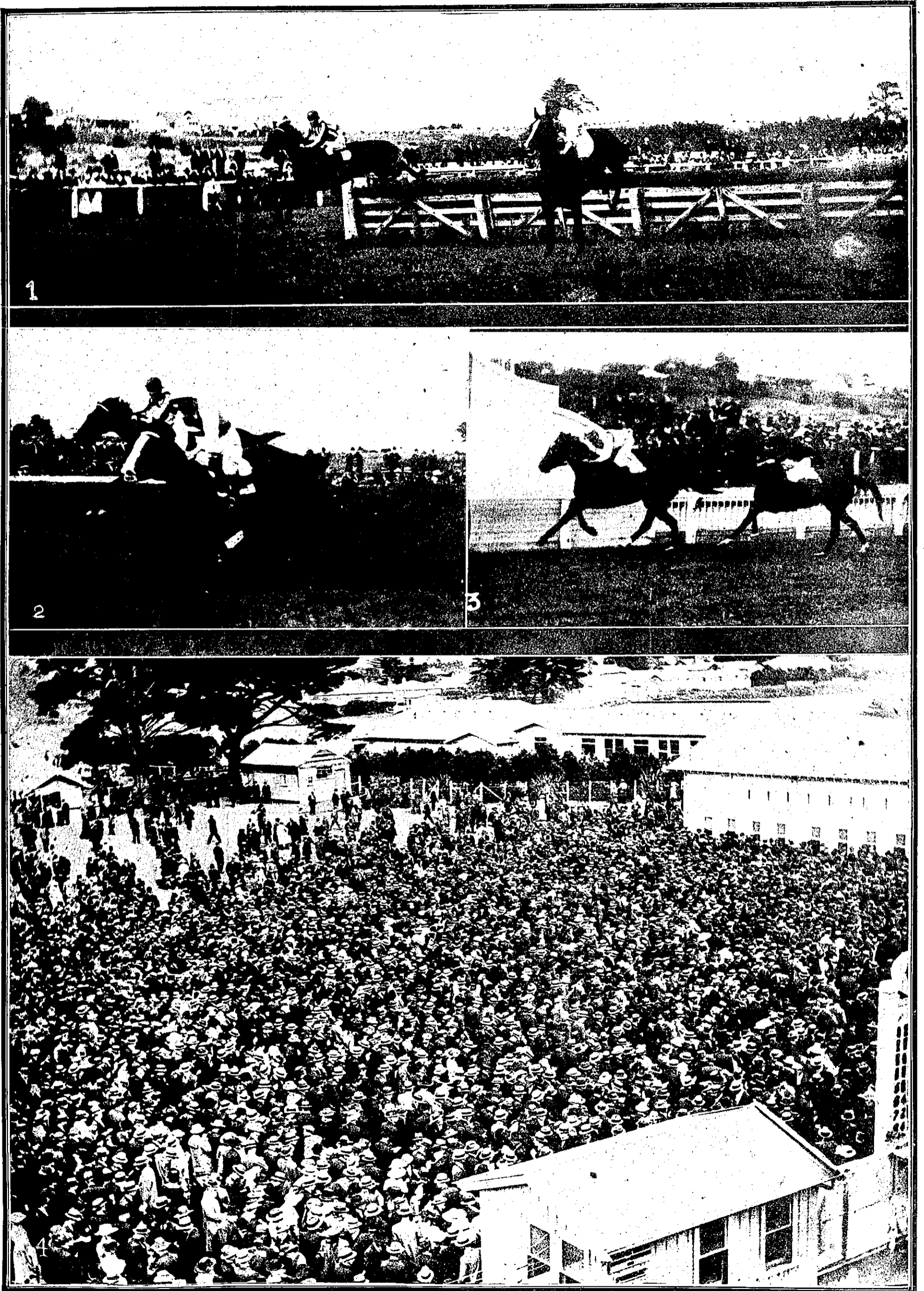
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1. BATTLETIDE (Henderson), on left of picture, and JACARANDA (Warner) negotiating the first fence of the double brush in front of stand in the Autumn Steeplechase (about three miles.) 2. TIRAU (Roach) leading BATTLETIDE (Henderson) over the water jump in the Autumn Steeplechase. TIRAU came to grief at the next obstacle. 3. MISS GOLD (J. O'Shea) defeats the favourite, ROSE QUEEN (Rayner) in the Great Northern St. Leger Stakes (1 3/4 miles). 4. A VIEW OF THE OUTER ENCLOSURE AT ELLERSLIE ON EASTER MONDAY, SHOWING THE HUGE CROWD ASSEMBLED IN FRONT OF PORTION OF THE TOTALISATOR.



RACING FIXTURES, 1920-21.

April 7, 10—Avondale J.C.
 April 9, 10—Greymouth J.C.
 April 14—Reefton J.C.
 April 15, 17—Wellington R.C.
 April 17—Hororata R.C.
 April 21, 22—Manawatu R.C.
 April 28, 29—Hawke's Bay J.C.
 May 4, 5—Marlborough R.C.
 May 6, 7—Ashburton County R.C.
 May 12, 13—Egmont R.C.
 May 13, 14—South Canterbury J.C.
 May 20, 21—North Otago J.C.
 May 20, 22—Wanganui J.C.
 June 1, 3, 5—Dunedin J.C.
 June 3, 4—Otaki Maori R.C.
 June 3, 5, 7—Auckland R.C.

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

Thursday, April 8.

Weights first day Manawatu R.C. autumn.
 Handicaps second day Avondale J.C. autumn.
 Acceptances second day Avondale J.C. autumn, by 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 10.

Acceptances Manawatu Trotting Club's annual, at 6 p.m.

Monday, April 12.

Acceptances first day Manawatu R.C. autumn and final payments 12th Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes and 16th Manawatu Stakes, at 9 p.m.
 Nominations all events and forfeit Hawke's Bay Stakes Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn, at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, April 14.

Nominations Marlborough R.C. autumn.

Wednesday, April 21.

Weights second day Manawatu R.C. autumn, at about 7.45 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Manawatu R.C. autumn, at 9 p.m.

Thursday, April 22.

Weights first day Marlborough R.C. autumn.

Friday, April 23.

Nominations Egmont R.C. winter, at 8 p.m.
 Handicaps first day Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn.

Friday, April 23.

Nominations Dunedin J.C. winter, at 5 p.m.

Monday, April 26.

Acceptances first day Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn, at 8 p.m.
 Handicaps second day Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn, by 8.30 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn, by 9.30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 28.

Acceptances first day Marlborough R.C. autumn.
 Handicaps second day Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn, at 8.30 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn, by 9.30 p.m.

DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

The successful character of the Dunedin Jockey Club's winter meeting last year afforded a striking illustration of the popularity of this leading South Island jumping fixture, which provided some stirring contests over hurdles, across country and on the flat during the three days' racing. Encouraged by the wide patronage extended the club on that and other occasions, the officials have decided upon some substantial increases in stake money in connection with the forthcoming winter meeting, which is to take place at Wingatui on June 1, 3 and 5, when the majority of the leading jumpers in the Dominion are certain to make their appearance at the D.J.C.'s headquarters. On the opening day chief interest will be centred in the Otago Steeplechase Handicap, of 1000sovs., about three miles, when a keen contest may safely be anticipated for the rich stake offered. The leading flat event will be the Birthday Handicap, of 750sovs., 1½ miles, which stake has been increased by no less than 250sovs. since last year. The Tradesmen's Handicap, of 400sovs. (formerly 300sovs.), six furlongs, is not likely to escape owners of sprinters, while other first day's flat events are the Winter Welter Handicap, of 300sovs., one mile; Jumpers' Flat Handicap, of 250sovs., 1¼ miles; for hurdle and steeplechase horses that have started at least three times in hurdle races or steeplechases in New Zealand and completed the course at least once at time of starting; and the Brighton Handicap (hack conditions), of 200sovs., one mile. The Trial Hurdle Handicap, of 250sovs., 1½ miles, and the First Hack Steeplechase Handicap (hack conditions), of 250sovs., about 2¼ miles, complete the first day's programme.

The principal event on the second day will be the Otago Hurdle Handicap, of 700sovs., two miles, in which an increase of 200sovs. in stake money has been made. The cross-

country performers will again be seen in action in the Wingatui Steeplechase Handicap, of 500sovs., about 2½ miles, while the Provincial Handicap, of 400sovs., 1¼ miles, will form the chief attraction on the flat. The Second Hack Steeplechase Handicap (hack conditions), of 225sovs., about 2¼ miles, affords a further opportunity to contenders for cross-country honours to pick up a valuable stake, while the remainder of the second day's programme is made up with the following flat events:—Wai Rongoa Handicap, of 300sovs., six furlongs; Silverstream Handicap (hack conditions), of 200sovs., seven furlongs; Invermay Welter Handicap, of 250sovs., one mile; and the Janefeld Handicap (hack conditions), of 200 sovs., six furlongs.

On the third day the Dunedin Steeplechase Handicap, about 2¼ miles, the stake for which has been raised from 500sovs. to 600sovs., will command chief attention. The Greenfield Hurdle Handicap, of 450sovs., 1½ miles, will furnish a final opportunity to the hurdle division to annex a substantial stake at the meeting, while the leading flat horses at the gathering will be occupied with the King George Handicap, of 500sovs. (formerly 400sovs.), one mile, and the Empire Handicap, six furlongs, which latter event has been raised to 350sovs. in value. Other concluding day's events are the Farewell Handicap, of 250sovs., seven furlongs; Third Hack Steeplechase Handicap (hack conditions), of 225sovs., about 2¼ miles; Taleri Handicap (hack conditions), of 200sovs., seven furlongs; and the Domain Handicap (hack conditions), of 200sovs., six furlongs.

Nominations for all events will close with the secretary, Mr. H. L. James, Dunedin, on Friday, April 23, at 5 p.m.

HAWKE'S BAY TROTTING CLUB.

INAUGURAL TROTTING MEETING.

The Hawke's Bay Trotting Club will hold their inaugural trotting meeting on the H.B. Jockey Club's racecourse, Hastings, on Saturday, May 1, when a programme of six events will be decided. The principal race will be the Hawke's Bay Trotting Cup (harness), of 250sovs., two miles, while the other events are as follow: President's Handicap (harness), of 120sovs., 1¼ miles; Hastings Handicap (harness), of 90sovs., 1½ miles; Stewards' Handicap (harness), of 30 sovs., 1½ miles; and District Handicap (saddle), of 50sovs., 1½ miles. Nominations for all events close with the secretary, Mr. G. P. Dickson, P.O. Box 145 Hastings, on Friday next (April 9), at 8 p.m.

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174 ACRES—THAMES VALLEY. Going concern. In the pick of the Plains. All in grass and crops, two windmills on property. Six-roomed house, with every modern convenience; barn, stable, implement shed, 10-ball cowshed, with machines. Everything absolutely up to date. Stock and implements consist of 75 cows, 7 horses, 36 calves, 1 bull, 45 pigs, ploughs, harrows, spring cart, buggy and all necessary implements and dairy utensils. This property is within one mile of township and Dried Milk Factory. Price, £82 10s. per acre. (2145)

200 ACRES—LOWER WAIKATO. Deceased estate. All river flats, in grass and rough feed. Good fattening country; 1½ miles from station. Outbuildings are good, but there is no house. It is well fenced. Price only £25 per acre. Terms arranged. This property is as good as any Thames land selling at £60 to £80 per acre. It is well worth inspecting. (M.)

62 ACRES—THAMES VALLEY. Going concern. All in English grass and five acres of oats. Drained swamp; divided into nine paddocks with wire and live hedges. Watered by bores. Six-roomed house; good outbuildings, three-plant milking machine; 35 cows, bull, 10 pigs, 12 heifers. All necessary implements. Price, £90 per acre. Terms. (2333)

139 ACRES—RAMA RAMA. Going concern; 60 acres in grass, 10 in crops, 5 bush, remainder rough feed; nicely sheltered. Watered by creeks and good springs; two miles from station. Five-roomed house and all necessary outbuildings. Will carry 30 cows and other stock. Stock includes 10 cows, 12 horses, bull, fowls; carts, mowing machine, disc and harrows, etc., 45-gallon separator, cream cart. Price, £20 10s. (2266)

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162 ACRES.—Three miles from Kapakapa Railway Station. Unimproved. All ploughable. Road all metalled to the property. Price, only £4 10s. per acre. Government valuation is £3 10s. for rating purposes. This shows the value. (B.)

162 ACRES—BUCKLAND. All in grass and crops and small orchard; well divided into separate paddocks. Watered by running stream. The property has three road frontages; 1½ miles railway station and saleyards. Cattle factory takes the supply. Now milking 40 cows; would carry 60. This is good. Price, £65 per acre. House of six rooms and outbuildings. (H.)

58¼ ACRES—POLLOCK. All been ploughed and partly sown in grass. All flat country. Creek runs through the property. Two miles Pollock. A wharf is on the farm. Four-roomed house. Price, £15 per acre. Would consider town property as payment. (B.)

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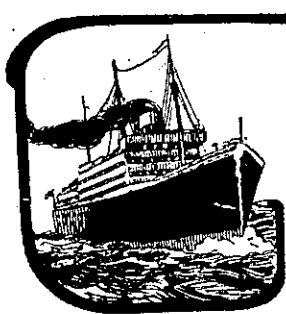
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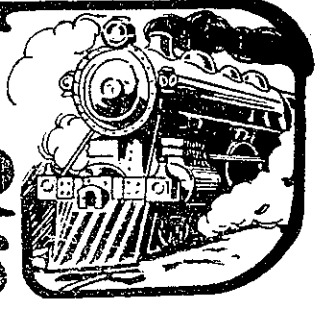
620, THE LOOMS, NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND.

Mr. W. J. Dawson, in his new book entitled "The Father of a Soldier," tells the following story of Sir Harry Lauder:—I went to a theatre one night to hear Harry Lauder. His son, on whom all his hopes were set, had been killed in action a week or two earlier. He was absent from the stage for two nights; on the third he resumed his part, saying that he believed his son would have wished him to go on doing his bit. The part that he had to perform was the cruellest test of courage that could be imagined. The scene was set at the Horse Guards; a company of men in khaki marched past to the gay lilt of martial music; Lauder sang a song about the boys coming home. Conceive the situation: his own son lay dead, and

he had to sing of the boys coming home! It seemed as if the management should have cut this song; every canon of decency demanded it. But the song was the best thing in the performance; to have omitted it would have deprived the public of a pleasure, and Lauder himself would not have agreed to its deletion, for it would not have been "doing his bit." He sang it with every nerve drawn taut. His stern set face, deeply lined; his trembling lips and stiff attitude, witnessed to the strain he suffered. But he sang it to the end without faltering, and left the stage amid the sympathetic silence of his audience. That silence was their tribute to one of the rarest acts of courage that the stage had ever witnessed.



TOURIST AND TRAVELLER



HERE AND THERE.

Mr. and Mrs. Neville Newcomb and family, Auckland, left for England by the Athenic.

Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie Smith, Masterton, left by the Athenic on a trip to England.

Mr. R. D. Welch and Mrs. Welch, Hawera, are leaving shortly on a visit to England.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hyams have returned to Sydney after a stay in Wellington.

A proposal to raise a loan of £20,000 for the erection of a bridge over the Thames River at Puriri was carried by 94 votes to 53.

The Prime Minister, Mr. W. F. Massey, is making good progress towards recovery from his recent operation and hopes to resume his normal duties after the Easter holidays.

The Prince of Wales, now en route to New Zealand, is in his 26th year. He was born on June 22, 1894, and his 26th birthday will be celebrated while he is in Australia.

Mr. W. H. Hamer, engineer to the Auckland Harbour Board, has left on a trip to England. Mr. D. Holderness will act as engineer to the board during his absence.

Owing to a partial breakdown in health Mr. C. R. Smith, the general manager for New Zealand of the Alliance Assurance Company, intends leaving shortly for California on a lengthy holiday. He is to be accompanied by Mrs. Smith.

Mr. A. Hansen, principal light-keeper at Tairaroa Head, is being retired on superannuation after a service of some 45 years. Mr. Hansen is the oldest of the light-keeping staff in New Zealand, and it is his intention to settle in Wellington.

Mr. George Bernard Shaw refused an offer of 1,000,000 dollars for the moving picture rights of his plays, on the ground that the sum would be greatly reduced by the American and British taxation.

Thirty-two acres of land in the Tauranga district, on which 500 lemon trees are growing, recently changed hands at £187 10s. per acre, a price which is believed to be a record for the Bay of Plenty.

It is stated that accommodation at Rotorua is fully booked for both Easter and the Prince's visit. The Grand Hotel at Rotorua has been taken over by the Government for the use of the Prince and his suite, thus limiting the accommodation for other visitors.

It is reported in Melbourne that dressing for the Prince of Wales will be on conventional lines. The outfit for a civilian will cost, at present prices, upwards of 60 guineas. The King clings to the frock coat, which is regarded by many people as correct for ceremonial occasions. There was a time when the frock coat—with belltopper and etceteras—was regarded as the only possible dress for an English gentleman. Times have changed, and manners, also, and the Prince of Wales favors the morning coat. In Australia this style of coat has been known as the "Beaufort." The newest models are made with one button, or two, at the most. Full dress will be worn on the day of the Prince's arrival in Melbourne—that is to say, Naval and Military officer, University, civic, and other officials will wear ceremonial dress, with all decorations and appurtenance.

Mr. Donald Robertson (Public Service Commissioner) will relinquish the duties of his office at the end of April and, with Mrs. Robertson, will leave on a trip to England by the Remuera on May 24.

Widespread regret throughout the Public Service of New Zealand has been expressed at the death at sea of Mr. George Allport, late Secretary for Marine while on the way to Sydney. Mr. and Mrs. Allport were proceeding to London on a long-anticipated trip to meet their only child, Mrs. Strauchon.

Speaking in the Supreme Court at Masterton with reference to the high land values at present ruling, the Chief Justice (Sir Robert Stout) said that he did not think the present wave of inflation could last. He added that it was impossible to say what land values would be three years hence, and he accordingly adjourned for that period a case he was dealing with, as the judgment in the case would depend upon the value of an estate in three years' time.

Sir Neville Howse, recently addressing the Red Cross workers in Orange, (N.S.W.), related an interesting story of a remarkable coincidence which happened at Gallipoli. After referring to different stories of how a soldier's life had been saved by a Bible given him by his mother, and how the course of a bullet had been deflected by a love-letter from a soldier's wife, he assured the Orange war workers that the following pretty little story was absolutely true. One day on Gallipoli an Australian colonel was badly wounded and sent to hospital. Surgeon-General Howse sent to the depot for a set of pyjamas, and in course they arrived at the hospital, nicely folded, with the coat buttoned up. While an attendant was unbuttoning the coat, a rustling noise was detected in the pocket, and on investigation a note was found from an Australian war worker, bearing a name and good wishes. The lady's name was eagerly looked for, and to the great surprise of all, it was the colonel's mother. "The colonel was so overcome with emotion," said Sir Neville, "that he wept like a little child."

Recently two persons of alleged "water divining proclivities" visited Hastings, and publicly announced their willingness to locate water (states the "Hawke's Bay Tribune"). In answer to their advertisement, several local residents, who no doubt had their mind's eye centred on the prospects of a drought, at once availed themselves of the offer, and paid a fee of £3. Up to the present, however, there has been no appearance of the "water diviners," and their victims, it is reported, are now endeavouring to divine their whereabouts.

A PROGRESSIVE WELLINGTON FIRM.

HORNIG'S OF CUBA STREET.

An announcement of considerable interest to the football fraternity will be found elsewhere in this issue. We refer to the business of Mr. W. Hornig, of Cuba Street, Wellington, whose establishment has for years been noted as the chief outfitter's



SPRINGTIME SPLENDOUR IN ENGLAND.—A FIELD OF NARCISSI IN THE VALLEY OF THE AVON, WITH THE PLUM TREES IN BLOSSOM OVERHEAD.

The death took place recently of one of Hawke's Bay's best-known settlers, Mr. Michael Edward Groome, J.P., for many years owner of the Te Onepu station, near Te Aute, which is now occupied by his son. Mr. Groome took a keen interest in public affairs, and for a number of years he was secretary of the Hawke's Bay Hunt Club. He retired from sheep-farming a short time ago owing to failing health.

Considerable excitement was occasioned at the Matawhero saleyards the other day by a bullock, which became restive in the pen, and, charging at the bars, lifted a heavy gate off its hinges. The spectators, who had been following the auctioneer's efforts, beat a hasty retreat as the infuriated animal charged down the alleyway, dragging the gate, still balanced on its neck. Swinging round the beast jammed half a dozen persons up against a fence, but fortunately the animal's head prevented the gate being pushed close against the fence, a fact which it was generally considered saved those concerned from injury. The animal was eventually yarded elsewhere, and relieved of its weighty obstruction.

Dr. John R. Elder, M.A., of Aberdeen, has been appointed to the chair of history in the University of Otago.

A case of special interest was decided at the Magistrate's Court at Wanganui, when a young man was charged with being on licensed premises at a time when they were required to be closed, the defendant not being an inmate, servant or lodger on the premises, or a bona fide traveller. The evidence of the police was to the effect that the constable met the defendant speaking to another man at the entrance of an hotel a little after midnight. The defendant said that he had been invited by a soldier friend who was staying at the hotel to spend the evening with him. He did so, and was in the act of saying "good-night" at the entrance when the policeman came up. His Worship accepted the defendant's explanation, and said that the defendant, if he were not the lodger's bona fide guest when he entered the premises, became so during a stay of a couple of hours. The defendant's stay upon the premises was not in contravention of the provisions of the Licensing Act, so he dismissed the information.

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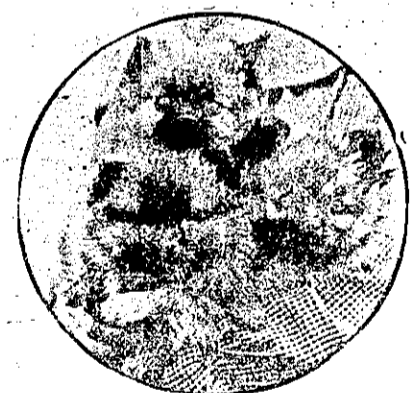
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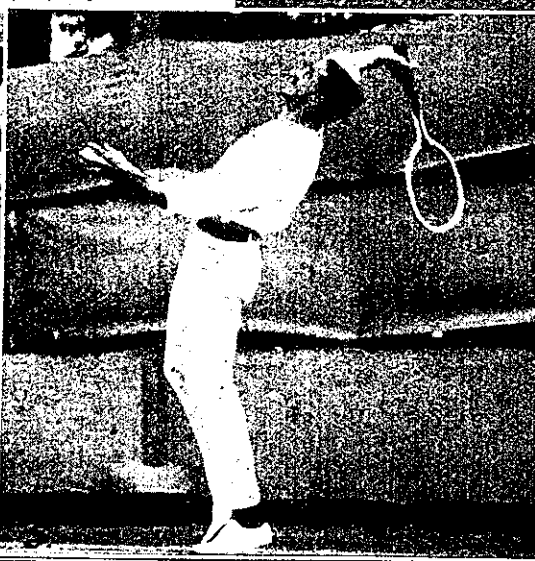
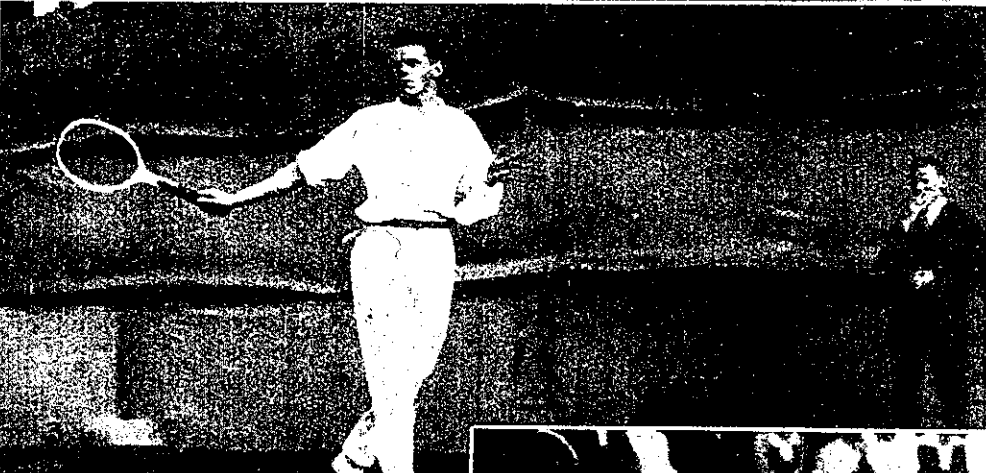


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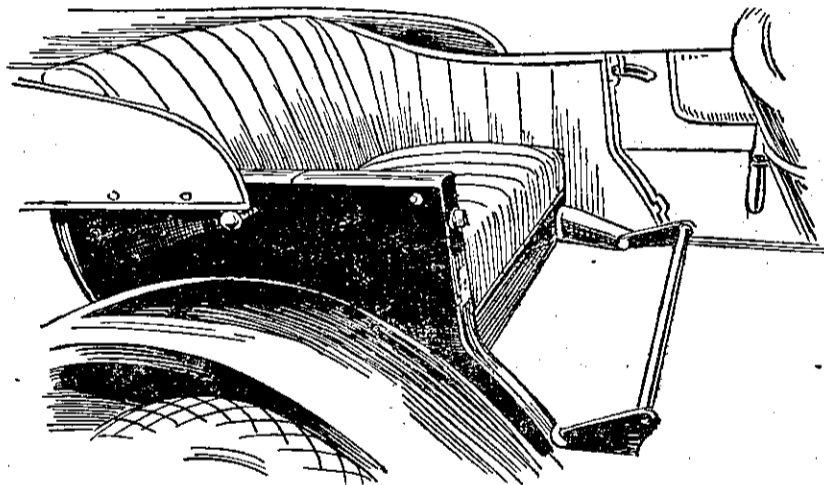
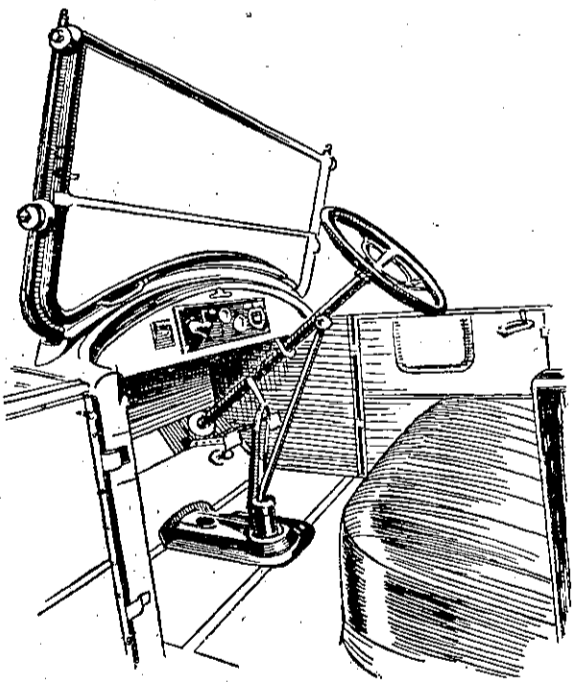
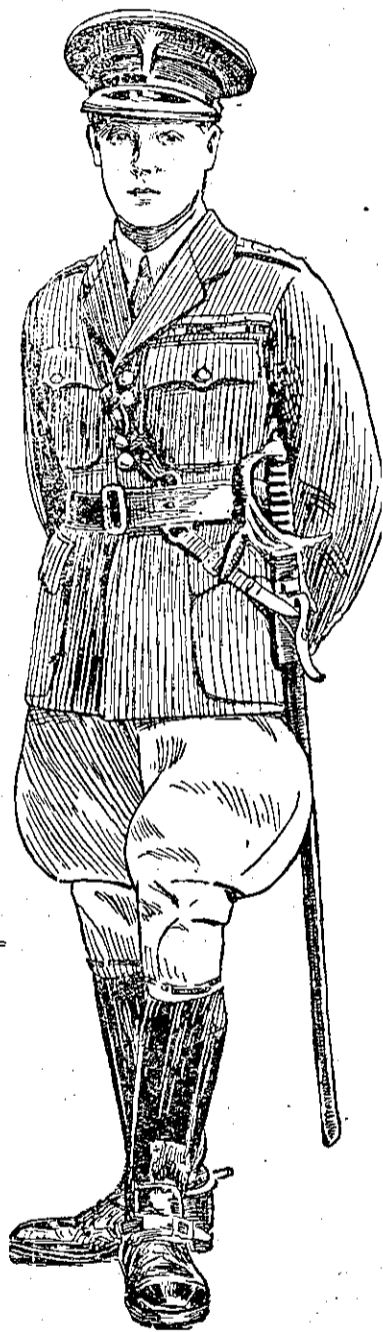
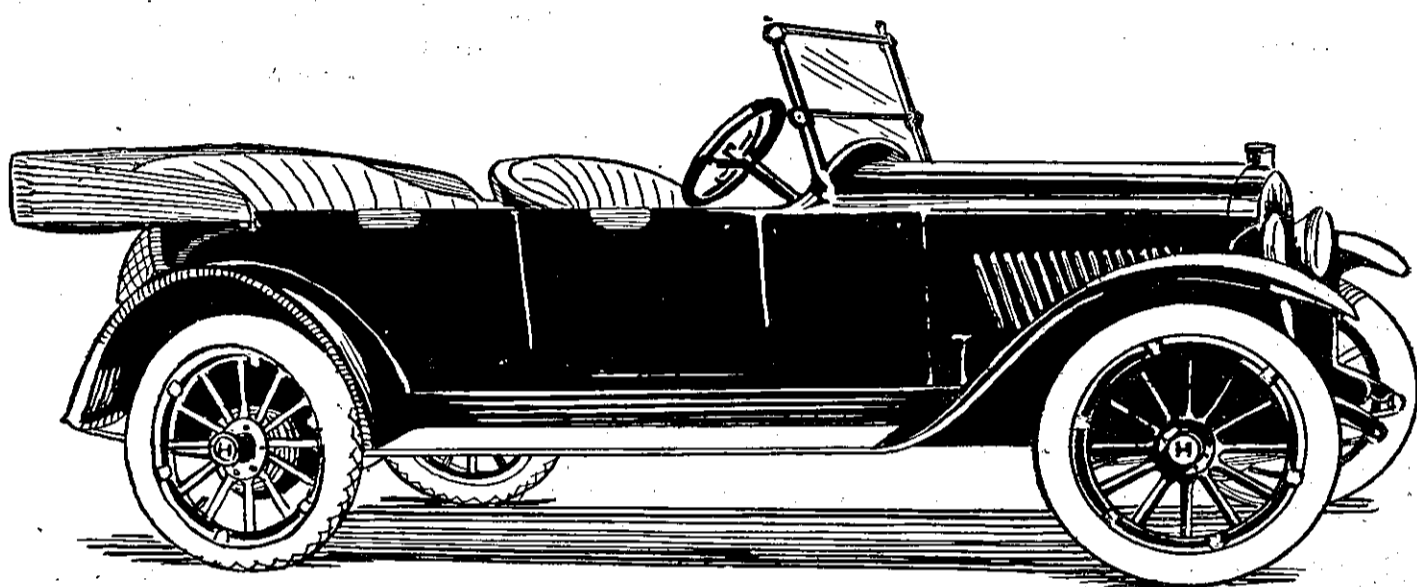


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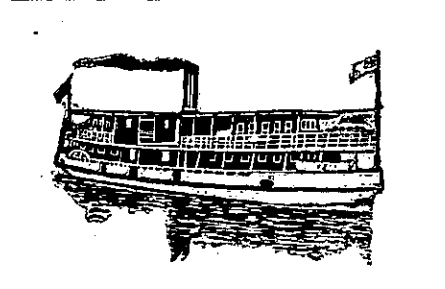
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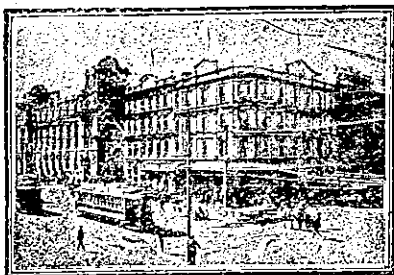
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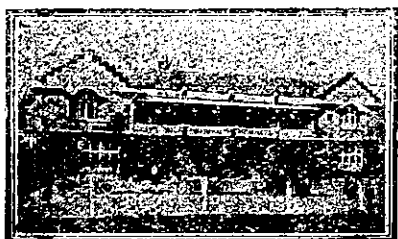
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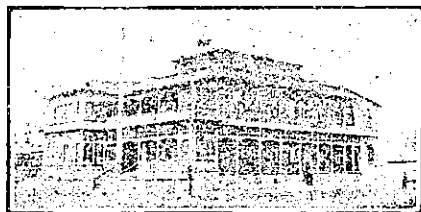
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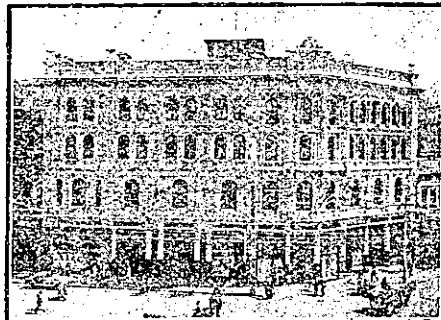
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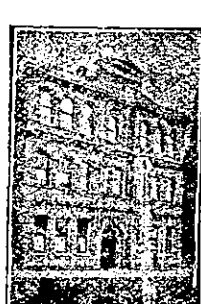
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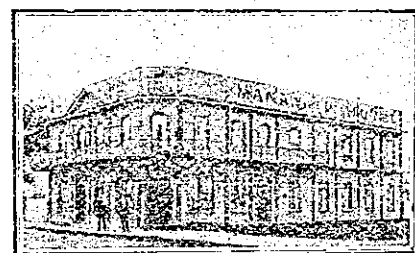
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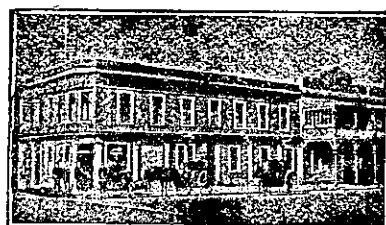
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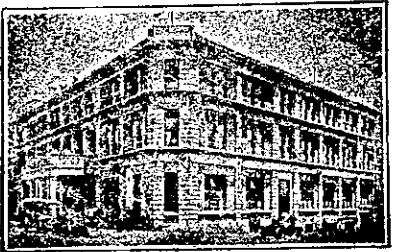
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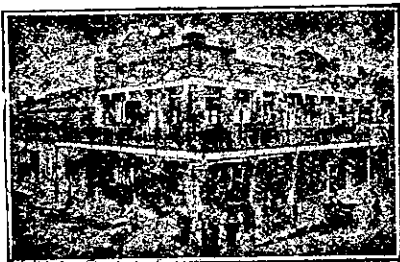
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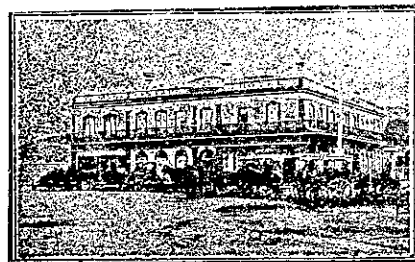
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