

MISSING.

TE AWAMUTU.—Since the 18th November last, **Robert Palmer**, age twenty-six, height 5 ft. 10 in., farmer, native of New Zealand, medium build, sallow complexion, fair hair, blue eyes, scar on left thigh; dressed in grey or blue trousers and grey coat. He was last seen on 18th November last when his father left him at Frankton Junction Railway-station. He was to entrain there for Auckland to join the Air Force. When located he is to be induced to communicate with his father, Corrie John Palmer, farmer, Hairini, near Te Awamutu.

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MASTERTON.—Since the 22nd October last, **Sefton Stuart Anderson**, age twenty-six, height 6 ft. 1½ in., linesman, native of New Zealand, strong build, fresh complexion, wavy dark hair, blue eyes; dressed in grey tweed trousers, yellow and black hooped football jersey, and black heavy lace-up boots with heavy rubber soles. While fishing at Cape Palliser he was swept off the rocks, and his body has not been found.

04/1/1940

PERMITS TO PROCURE FIREARMS REFUSED.

WANGANUI.—A permit to procure or import a firearm is not to be issued to the person named hereunder without reference to the Commissioner of Police, Wellington: **Arthur James Reid**, labourer, age twenty-three, residing at 39 Brunswick Road, Aramoho. (See Police Gazette, 1930, page 522.) (P. 22/520/2638.)

WELLINGTON.—A permit to procure or import a firearm is not to be issued to the person named hereunder without reference to the Commissioner of Police, Wellington: **Brian Telford**, age nineteen, residing at No. 32 Moxham Avenue, Wellington. (P. 22/520/2639.)

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

Resignations.

- No. 3226. Constable Goile, Karl Ernest. 31st January, 1940.
 No. 3438 Constable Street, Walter Edward. 2nd February, 1940.
 No. 3576 Constable Rowe, Charles Gordon. 2nd February, 1940.
 No. 3346. Constable Galloway, James Ian George. 2nd February, 1940.
 No. 3429. Constable Sinclair, Bertram Ernest. 4th February, 1940.
 No. 3565. Constable Gibbs, Isaac George Bennett. 4th February, 1940.

Memorandum.]

Section 16, Offenders Probation Act, 1920.

The following copy of a memorandum received from the Controller-General of Prisons is published for the information and attention of members of the Force concerned.

D. J. CUMMINGS, Commissioner of Police.
 Wellington, 6th February, 1940. (P. 40/152.)

Memorandum for
 The Commissioner of Police,
 Wellington, C. I.

SECTION 16, OFFENDERS PROBATION ACT, 1920.

Attention has been drawn to a difficulty which Probation Officers at provincial centres experience in collecting moneys ordered to be paid by offenders convicted and ordered to come up for sentence when called upon, and who automatically are admitted to probation under the provisions of section 16 of the Offenders Probation Act. Cases of this nature occasionally occur when the Probation Officer is not present in Court and the offender not infrequently leaves without a proper understanding of his obligations and that his case comes within the jurisdiction of the Probation Officer.

I should be pleased if you would kindly instruct the Police at Courts, other than those where the Senior Police Official is Probation Officer, that when an offender is convicted and ordered to come up for sentence when called upon (in the absence of the Probation Officer) and is ordered to make restitution or pay Court costs, the offender be directed to report as early as possible to the Probation Officer in order that he may be handed a probationary license and receive instructions regarding his obligations under the Court order. In cases where no order for restitution or costs is made it will be unnecessary to instruct the offender to see the Probation Officer.

B. L. DALLARD,
 Controller-General of Prisons.

Police Letter-box—Change of Number.

TIMARU.—The letter-box number for correspondence for Police District Headquarters, Timaru, has been changed from "15" to "507."

The list of letter-box numbers published in Police Gazette, 1932, page 676, is to be amended accordingly.