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NEW ZEALAND POLICE GAZETTE.

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WELLINGTON, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 1931.

PERSONS WANTED.

WHANGAREI.—**Man** (name unknown), accused of obtaining £25 from Benjamin Babe by false pretences (see Police Gazette, 1931, page 179): It has been ascertained by the Mangonui police that **Alexander Wallace Copley** (referred to in Photographs, 1922, page 99) and **Leonard Stanley Dunford** (referred to in Photographs, 1928, page 71) borrowed Basil Fleming's motor-car, and with three other men drove away from the Waiotira Agricultural Show after the offence referred to was committed. One of these men tried to have complainant's cheque cashed at Tauraroa store. Copley and Dunford are to be interviewed regarding the offence.

QUEEN STREET WHARF (AUCKLAND).—10th instant, on warrant for deserting from the s.s. "Matakana," **N. E. Hare**, age about thirty-five, height 5 ft. 8 in., cook, native of England, medium build.

QUEEN STREET WHARF (AUCKLAND).—10th instant, on warrant for deserting from the s.s. "Matakana," **F. O. Nellist**, age about twenty-six, height 5 ft. 7 in., steward and scullery-man, native of England, slight build.

AUCKLAND.—11th ultimo, on warrant of commitment to Auckland Prison for three days in default of paying £1 5s. balance of fine and costs for a breach of the Motor Regulations, **Frank Macovini**, age twenty-six, height 5 ft., bricklayer, native of Austria, strong build, fair complexion, brown hair, blue eyes.

AUCKLAND.—**John Francis Schrodski**, default of maintenance, may assume the name **Miller** or **Stewart**. (See Police Gazette, 1931, page 63.)

AUCKLAND.—2nd February last, for forgery, **Woman** (name unknown), age about forty, height 5 ft. 6 in., slight build, pale fair complexion, fair hair, long thin face, gold between two front teeth; dressed in a navy-blue dress with black braid on it, black shoes with clasp, white stockings, and large black straw hat; nervous manner. On above date a boy (name unknown) presented at the Bank of New Zealand, Symonds Street, a cheque for £30, purporting to be signed by Ernest Lister, 41 Watling Street, Mount Eden. The cheque was cashed by William Joseph Murray, a bank official. Next day a similarly signed cheque for £45 was presented at the bank by another boy, who was detained whilst inquiries were made, and it was then ascertained that the cheques had been stolen from Mr. Lister's cheque-book and his signature forged. The latter-mentioned boy, who acted in good faith, was given sixpence by the woman referred to and requested to take the cheque to the bank and get it cashed. **No warrant.**

AUCKLAND.—27th ultimo, on warrant of commitment to New Plymouth Prison for three days in default of paying £2 8s. fine and costs for having an unlicensed radio-set, **Edward Wright**, height 5 ft. 7 in., bricklayer, slight build, dark complexion, small eyes, large nose, wrinkled face.

TE AWAMUTU.—2nd ultimo, on warrant of commitment to Auckland Prison for twenty-four hours in default of paying 15s. costs for not having adequate foot-rests on his motor-bicycle, **Papa Henry Puaha**, age about twenty-six, height 5 ft. 9 in., labourer, good build, copper complexion, dark hair, brown eyes; dressed in a dark tweed suit; well spoken; a Maori. He was in possession of a motor-bicycle, registration No. 5:646.

WHAKATANE.—19th ultimo, on two warrants of commitment to Whakatane Prison for fourteen days on each in default of paying £6 10s. 6d. fines and costs for fishing for trout in an illegal manner, and fishing without a license, **Waka Hakeke**, age about fifty, height 5 ft. 10 in., labourer, strong build, copper complexion, black hair, brown eyes; deaf; shabbily dressed; a Maori.

MATAMATA.—24th February last, on warrant for false pretences, **F. Boyne** (name probably fictitious), age about thirty, height about 5 ft. 7 in., showman, stout build, dark complexion and hair, brown eyes; dressed in a dark-brown suit and felt hat. Accused obtained £9 from Gertrude Bertha Cutter, boardinghouse-keeper, by means of a valueless cheque for £10, which he tendered in payment for board. The cheque-form had been stolen from Benjamin Stanley Watkinson, farmer, Cambridge. The accused was one of four men who apparently frequent agricultural shows, &c.

MATAMATA.—13th ultimo, on warrant for failing to maintain his wife, Pearl Griffiths, **Frank Griffiths**, age twenty-four, height about 5 ft. 7 in., labourer, native of New Zealand, thin build, dark complexion and hair, hazel eyes, long thin features, toes deformed; dressed in a navy-blue suit and tan shoes. There is also a **distress warrant** to be executed upon his effects. His photograph is filed.

NAPIER.—Between the 17th and 27th ultimo, on warrant for breaking and entering the dwelling of William Rowland Havell, carpenter, 40 Georges Drive, and stealing a sewing-machine (recovered), value £20, **Frank Edward Yates**, age thirty-two, height 5 ft. 7½ in., salesman, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh complexion, brown hair, blue-grey eyes, moles on right side of face; dressed in a plum-coloured suit and fawn felt hat. On or about the 20th ultimo accused, who had an office in the Forester's Hall, and purported to be an indent-agent, engaged a carrier to assist him to remove from complainant's house (the door of which he opened with one of his keys) the sewing-machine, which he subsequently sold at Browne's Auction Mart for £5. (See Police Gazette, 1930, page 212, and Photographs, page 22.)

HASTINGS.—23rd ultimo, on two warrants of commitment to Napier Prison for fourteen days on each in default of paying £3 10s. (£1 15s. on each) fines and costs for assisting a prohibited person to procure liquor, **George Leckie**, alias **John Leckie**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1931, page 228.

PALMERSTON NORTH.—3rd ultimo, on warrant of commitment to Palmerston North Prison for seven days in default of paying £2 15s. fine and costs for being found on licensed premises during prohibited hours, **Alfred John Hart**, age forty-two, height 5 ft. 8 in., baker, medium build, ruddy complexion; bad feet, and sometimes wears sand-shoes.