

AUCKLAND.—20th ultimo, on warrant of commitment to Auckland Prison for two months in default of paying £35 6s. arrears on a maintenance order for the support of his wife and two children, **Alga Percy Bailey**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1937, page 394. He may be released on payment of £14 17s.

*16/2/38 arrested 27/4/38*

AUCKLAND.—10th December last, for false pretences, **John Godfrey McArthur**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1938, page 37, and Photographs, 1929, page 30. On the 10th December last a man giving the name J. McCarthy, called at the warehouse of Cooke and Co., wine and spirit merchants, Albert Street, and obtained from the accountant, Kenneth George Eric Bush, ten dozen bottles of beer, two bottles of cocktail, and two bottles of port wine, value £8 11s. 11d. by falsely representing that he was attached to the shore staff at Devonport Naval Base. The photograph of **John Godfrey McArthur** has been identified as that of the accused, and he is to be interviewed. **No warrant.**

*interviewed 16/3/38.*

AUCKLAND.—13th ultimo, on warrant for failing to maintain his wife, Dorothy Baker, and children, Ireland Road, Panmure, **Rowland Coombe Baker**, age forty-four, height 5 ft. 9 in., clerk, native of New Zealand, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair turning grey, dark-brown eyes, large nose and ears, full lips, scar on forehead, scars on legs; usually dressed in grey trousers and light-fawn sports coat, and wears a wristlet-watch with his name on back; well spoken. (See Police Gazette, 1926, page 447.)

*WARRANT DANCELLED. 6/4/37.*

NAPIER.—28th ultimo, on warrant for false pretences, **Selwyn George Harris**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1938, page 27, and Photographs, 1931, page 30; may be dressed in a grey Petone sports coat, light-grey worsted sports trousers, and grey worsted coat-shirt (no hat). He is charged as follows: "On the 28th January, 1938, at Napier, with intent to defraud did obtain from the B.C. Clothing Co. £3 1s. 5d. in money and goods, valued at £4 6s. 7d., by falsely representing that a cheque for £7 8s., drawn on the National Bank of New Zealand, Napier, in favour of D. B. Clarke, and signed J. Parsons, was a good and valid order for that amount." Accused stayed with J. Parsons, carrier, Hastings Street, for a week preceding the commission of the offence, and the cheque referred to above is one of two cheques, Nos. Y. 22111 and Y. 22112, which were stolen from Parsons's cheque-book on the day the offence was committed.

*arrested see 16/2/38 25/5/38.*

WAIKURAU.—1st instant, for attempted theft from the office of the Central Hawke's Bay Power Board, Ruataniwha Street, **Man** (name unknown), age about thirty-eight, height about 5 ft. 9 in., medium build, dark hair going bald; dressed in a navy-blue suit and tan shoes (no hat). About 12.15 a.m. on the 1st instant a night watchman saw the man described above loitering in a right-of-way about 200 yds. from the Central Hawke's Bay Power Board's Office, and at 1.45 a.m. the watchman discovered that an attempt had been made to open the safe in the office mentioned by means of explosives. Gelignite, fuse, and a detonator were found near the safe on a sheet of writing-paper which was headed, "Midland Hotel, Masterton, Limited." **No warrant.**

FIELDING.—27th ultimo, on warrant of commitment to Wanganni Prison for fourteen days in default of paying £6 1s. fine and costs for negligently driving a motor-car, **Arthur Charles Fowler**, age thirty, height about 5 ft. 10 in., seaman, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh complexion, fair hair, blue-grey eyes. In December last he was a seaman on the s.s. "Port Hunter."

*in Scotland 4/5/38, Paid, 3/3/35*

JOHNSONVILLE.—20th December last, for escaping from Porirua Mental Hospital, **Toa Tomati**, age nineteen (looks twenty-five), height 5 ft. 9 in., labourer, Maori, strong build, slouching gait; dressed in a brown suit and felt hat.

*arrested 8/6/38.*

WELLINGTON.—23rd July last, that a summons may be served upon him for being found on the licensed premises of the Duke of Edinburgh Hotel during prohibited hours, **Thomas Knight**, age forty-four, height 5 ft. 6½ in., labourer and miner, native of England, medium build, fresh complexion, brown hair and eyes, pug nose, heart and arched back of right hand, clasped hands on left forearm, ring on left middle finger. (See Police Gazette, 1938, page 56.)

*see "P" 23/3/38 No further action 18/5/38.*

WHARF (WELLINGTON).—20th ultimo, on warrant for deserting from the ship "Rotorua," **Gerald Talbot**, age eighteen, height 5 ft. 9 in., steward, native of England, fair complexion and hair, blue eyes.

WHARF (WELLINGTON).—27th ultimo, on warrant for being absent from the ship "Kaimata" without leave, **James Edward Archbold**, age twenty-four, height 5 ft. 8 in., seaman, light-brown hair, grey eyes.

KAIKOURA.—4th instant, that he may be located and interviewed regarding the theft of a letter containing a £5 note, No. IK. 786134, the property of Kiriona Hamaira Faulkner, care of Public Works Department, Aniseed, **William Gardiner Ross**, alias **Barney Ross**, age about thirty-five, height about 5 ft. 9 in., labourer, strong build, fresh complexion, brown hair, blue eyes, cast in one eye; usually dressed in a brown suit; slovenly appearance; fond of drink. On the 17th June, 1937, complainant gave accused a letter addressed to "Miss Mary Evans, Box 10, Greenmeadows, Napier" (containing the £5 note) to register at the Mangamaunu Post Office the next morning. A few days later Faulkner asked Ross if he had posted the letter, and was informed that he had. When interviewed later accused stated that he had posted the letter without registering it, and subsequent inquiries showed that the letter had not been registered at the post office. When located the file is to be obtained from the Superintendent of Police, Christchurch, before he is interviewed. **No warrant.**

*see 8/6/38 interviewed 6/7/38.*

RANGIORA AND CHRISTCHURCH.—**Raymond William Butcher**, default of maintenance, &c., is now in Australia. (See Police Gazette, 1937, page 802.)

CHRISTCHURCH.—21st September last, for obtaining credit by fraud, **P. Morraine**, age thirty, height 5 ft. 8 in., salesman, native of New Zealand, medium build, pale complexion, curly fair hair going bald, blue eyes; wearing grey trousers and grey sports coat. Accused who stayed at the United Service Hotel from the 10th to the 21st September, 1937, obtained from the manager of the hotel, Bernhard Charles Boulton, credit to the amount of £21 2s. 6d. by fraud. He may be identical with **Colin Patrick Burns**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1937, pages 665 and 842. **No warrant.**

CHRISTCHURCH.—31st ultimo, that he may be located and his address supplied to the Pensions Department, Christchurch, **George E. J. Nickolls**, alias **Edward Francis Nicholls**, referred to in Police Gazette, 1934, page 28, and Photographs, 1914, page 48.

*No further action to be taken, 25/5/38.*

OAMARU.—25th ultimo, on two warrants for failing to maintain his wife, Edith Kathleen Dobson, and child, 58 Tees Street, **Albert Knut Dobson**, age forty-seven, height 5 ft. 8 in., carter and labourer, native of New Zealand, medium build, fresh complexion, brown hair turning grey, large nose, blue-grey eyes, long eyelashes, and long fingers; dressed in grey flannel trousers and sports coat, or a navy-blue suit. Arrears to 7th December last, £3. About two months ago he left Oamaru accompanied by Mrs. Annie Brown, and they travelled in the latter's Willy's Knight motor-car, registration No. 146,192. When arrested he is to be brought before the Court nearest to place of arrest.

*arrested 22/6/38.*

DUNEDIN.—12th ultimo, on warrant of commitment to Dunedin Prison for twenty-four hours in default of paying 17s. 6d. fine and costs for drunkenness, **James Bernard MacDonald**, alias **Bernard Aloysious O'Donnell**, age forty, height 5 ft. 10 in., marine engineer and seaman, native of Ireland, medium build, fresh complexion, dark-brown hair, blue eyes, tombstone, scroll, "Mary," and dragon on right forearm, "True Love," "Millie," pierced hearts, and woman's head on left forearm, scar on forehead, and on left elbow. (See Police Gazette, 1933, page 304.)

*paid 30/8/39.*

**APPREHENSIONS, PERSONS FOUND, ETC.**

DEVONPORT.—**William Harold Salter**, deserting Navy, has been arrested by the Wellington police. He assumed the name **Dick Spencer**. (See Police Gazette, 1938, page 92.)

FREEMAN'S BAY.—**John Ove Erik Tell**, deserting ship, has been arrested by the Queen Street Wharf (Auckland) police. (See Police Gazette, 1936, page 641.)

AUCKLAND.—**J. A. Syminton**, inquired for, has been arrested by the Auckland police. His correct name is **John Allister Syminton**. (See Police Gazette, 1937, page 679.)