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ROACH TO CAPT. SIGNALS FIFTEEN...

TOPICAL TATTLE..... As time draws near we have to thank our Signalmen for their invaluable services rendered as N.C.O'shas anyone since Goffy about since his cross country hike...they say they call the girls back in Auckland 'khaki-wacky' these days... we believe a barber in a nearby French village advertises 'Army haircuts repaired'.....

NOTHING EVER HAPPENS IN OUR CAMP.....but what you hear makes up for it.....

The RSM looked down the barrel, swung the rifle round to the owner and barked: 'Take a look at that rifle, you.' 'Gee whiz,' muttered the cook, peering down the barrel 'got a hole right through it.'

for the competition for the GOC's Cup to commence all eyes are focussed on the doings of our Rugby team. They are training hard and gradually moulding into a team which will bring the trophy our way.....J.Ra (Johnny) Roach Canterbury Rep 1941-42 is Captain of our team and J.Mc Taylor is to be Vice Captain. 'Mac' has represented Waikato for 9 consecutive seasons. He was emergency Forward North Is. 1939....played in the 1939 trials.....played for the Rest against N.Z. in 1939This paper feels that the team is in very capable hands and it behoves us sideliners to give them all our supportlet us form a cheer team for Sat. June 26.....

JUST AS WE WERE GOING TO PRESS LAST WEEK WE RECEIVED A BELATED ENTRY TO OUR PREVIOUS WEEK'S COMPETITION..... it was from the Adj. and although it was not correct it was the closest (and only) solution. The entry read 'Get out of my path or I'll fall-off.' We had in mind giving the Adj. the prize which would have been his 10 cents entrance fee but as he failed to enclose this fee we had no option but to disqualify his entry.....

MARRIED SOLDIERS DO NOT TELL ANY MILITARY SECRETS TO THEIR WIVES.... WED MEN TELL NO TALES..... (or do they?--Ed.)

EDITORIAL.....

The 'Kiwi' news sheet of Tuesday. June the First gave publicity to a very successful race meeting held recently at Haggis Park.... On the evening of April 29th we held an indoor 'race' meeting in our mess hall complete with a tote, starting barrier, bells, balloon and official card. Further, during May we held a second big meeting on a specially floodlit outside track with of course all the previously mentioned fixtures..our 25 cent tote on this occasion handled approximately 700 dollars. The Blue and White shield (manufactured out of case-wood and an old shell case..it locks the product of a jeweller) is presented and held by the owner of the horse winning the 'big' race until the next meeting. This 'sport' is not new, but the 'Kiwi' story is able to give one the impression that the Haggis Park Club is the first on this Island to introduce this pastime.....We are consulting our solicitors Messrs Street, Street, Street and Tarr as to what action we should take against 'Kiwi' for publishing a statement which allows such wide interpretation to be placed upon it....To a certain extent we are ourselves to blame.....we Signals are very modest folk....

DON'T FORGET THE SMOKE CONCERT

WATCHER...."What I say is, life ain't all you want, but it's all you 'ave; so 'ave it, 'appy!"

WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

CRICKET...

A PLEASANT DAYS SPORT WAS THE ORDER OF THE DAY WHEN A TEAM FROM 'E' SECTION PLAYED H.Q. AT CRICKET ONE DAY RECENTLY ON THE VILLAGE GREEN. THE GAME RESULT -ED IN A FIRST INNINGS WIN FOR 'E' SECTION.....

Details:-

'E' Section 1st. inns. 85
 Regan 10, Ball 21 not out,
 Davies 23.....
 2nd. Inns. 18 for 3 wkts.
 Morrison 18 not out,
 Tolley 10.....
 Bowling..Sinclair 1 for 5
 Tarr 2 for 11, Clausen 3
 for 14, Wilson K.H. 3 for
 27, Denton 4 for 24.....
 Headquarters. 1st Inns. 63
 Wilson K.H. 29, Sinclair
 15, Hanson 15...
 2nd Inns. 77 for 6 declar
 -ed...Cameron 22, Hanson
 29.....Bowling McCool 6
 for 36, Smith F. 7 for 42
 Ball 2 for 32...

Since the opposite paragraphs were written 'Kiwi' has given liberal space to the last meeting of the Blue and White Racing Club and with this in view we have decided not to take any further action with our proceedings, but to congratulate them on their interest in our doings.....

LIARS COMPETITION

JUST FOR A LITTLE BIT OF FUN. AMONGST OURSELVES WE'VE DECIDED TO HOLD A 'LIARS' COMPETITION....write out your entry right away and send it in before Saturday..there is no entry fee and the prize a carton of 200 cigarettes of your own choice for the best entry which will be published in the next edition..BT'S UP TO YOU.....

SIGNAL TERMS EXPLAINED..

CIPHER..A system devised for delaying messages....
 SECURITY.....see braces..
 FREQUENCY...A method of measuring consumption in the Serjeants' Mess.....
 LEAK CIRCUIT..(Suppressed by Editor.)
 'Q'.....wait.....
 RUNNER...Slow means of dispatch.....

COMING EVENTS.....

On Thursday night of this week the Racing Club is to stage another popular meeting...the committee has been busy and the machinery is in motion for a big show. The evening has been arranged so that it will not clash with any other functions in the Area.....

Saturday evening June the 26th promises to be the occasion of another good show...the opening of our new 'Rec' hut is to take place...A smoke concert on the lines suggested recently by the 'Niaouli News' should go with a bang.....

THE FOLLOWING IS A COPY OF A LETTER ALLEGEDLY SENT TO THE
 MY OFFICE.....

Dear Mr Headquarters,

My husband was induced into the Signals long months ago. I didn't received no pay from him since he was gone. Please send my elopement as I have a six months old baby and he is my only support and I knead it bad every day to buy us food and keep us inclosed. Both sides of my parents are very old and I can't suspect anything from them. My mother has been in bed with the same doctor for thirteen year and won't try another. My husband is in charge of a gonophone. Do I get any more than I am going to get? Please send me a letter and tell me if my husband made an application for a wife and child and send me wife form to fill out.
 P.S. MY husband says he sets in the Y.M.C.A. every night with the piano playing in his uniform. I think you will find him there.

SEND IN YOUR ITEM FOR THE NEXT BUMPER ISSUE RIGHT AWAY.....

'IT'S A MOUSE TRAP!'

The other week-end our roving reporter found Tom Scott busy with a hammer, packing case and nails and surrounded by a substantial crowd.....'What is it?' one asked 'IT'S A MOUSE TRAP' came the chorus..... To make a long story short this unusual looking contraption was tested in the cook-house and the reward was a packet of quite liberal dimensions....Since then the 'Q' staff has had it working over time with a haul (at the time of going to press) of 5 rats and 16 mice...and the machine has also paid a visit to the genuine people for other models to be made....We believe it's to be known as the 'SCOTT SUPER RAT CATCHER MK.I.'.....



I RECKON THIS NIAOULI NEWS HAS GOT SOMETHING THERE'.....

(AN OPEN LETTER)

MESSRS KIRKPATRICK Ltd.
ELSON.

Sirs,

We would like to draw your attention to what seems a gross and awful mistake. We have your jams on our tables daily and they are labelled 'Plum and Apple', 'Raspberry and Apple', 'Black and Apple', 'Apricot and Apple' etc. etc. Well the point of our story is that to-day we came across a tin just labelled 'FINCE'.....what, no apple?

Yours for the duration,
The Niaouli News.

UP PRESS.....

On the information of all concerned Mr Goff has just advised us that the mice in this area have a great affinity for under-ments....well his at least....for, in the last few days he has had two pairs completely ruined through the depredations of these pests....(Editors Note...To date he is the only complainant....Has he got something that we haven't?.....)