FOCUS ON SPORT



Boxing Notes.

The Northern Military District Boxing Championships were held at the Town Hall, Auckland, on Monday, 4th October. Some very interesting bouts were staged, though some of the men vere obviously not fit. The following are the winners of the various weights:

Heavy.—F. Zimmerman (E.V.D.) Light-Heavy.—I. Proctor (N.A.M.R.) Middle.—W. Helleur (1st Div. Artly.) Welter.—P. Kelly (Mob. Camp). Light.—R. W. Thompson (N.M.D.S.I.)

Feather.—A. Gordon.

Bantam.-R, A. King (7th A.S.C.)

N.Z. Combined Services Championships.

The above championships will be held in Auckland on October 25th and 26th at the Town Hall. The cream of the various Services will be represented and some willing and interesting bouts will be held for the Dominion Services titles. The N.M.D. team is training hard and expect to win at least three titles.

W.A.A.C. Golf Tournament.

On Thursday, October 7th, the W.A.A.C.'s got together at the Remuera Goli Club, when a Match play round off the stick was played in conjunction with a Medal Round. In the Match play round two teams were selected, designated as the Sparrows and the Larks, the former winning by 6 to 5. The Medal round was won by Sergeant Walters, of the Northern District Signals, who returned a good card.

N.Z. Servicewomen's Basketball Tournament.

Held in Auckland on October 1st and 2nd, this tournament was declared to be a distinct success, the winning combination, Northern 1st team, being undefeated throughout the tournament. This team later added to its laurels by defeating the Auckland Representative Team by 9 goals to 6.

Maori Battalion Scoops Pool.

All but three of the eleven events in the New Zealand Division's swimming championships in the Middle East were won by teams or single competitors from the 28th Maori Battalion. The Maoris won three relays, all the free-style sprints and the backstroke events. The former N.Z. champion, Whareaitu, won the 100 yards freestyle and the 100 yards backstroke.

FLIES.

From the minute you wake to the moment you doze,

It's flies, flies, flies!

Buzzing your eardrums and tickling your nose,

Gnawing around your eyes.

When your hands are engaged how in hell do they know

They can settle in for a free open go? While all you can do to dislodge 'em is—blow .

Stiffen the blasted flies!

Fixed on the tucker from breakfast to tea,

Flies, flies, flies!

Pick up your teacup and what will you see?

Stir it, and what will arise?

Flies round the ceiling in swarming parade,

Launching their squadrons in raid after raid,

While swatting you ask: "Why the hell were they made?" Stiffen the blasted flies!

Maddening humans and torturing beasts,

Flies, flies, flies! Swarming in clouds to their devilish feasts,

Drawing the crows to the prize

What a world this would be if old Noah, the nark,

While cruising about in his selfcontained ark,

Had seen that one couple did NOT disembark! Stiffen the blasted flies!



UNBEATEN... the Northern Command No. 1 team, which recently won the Services tournament. Sergeant C. Lewis, J. Cross, J. Laurie, K. Buchanan, B. Scott, J. Peni, J. Massicks, D. McElwain, V. Taylor, M. Tangye, G. McKeown, R. Holloway.