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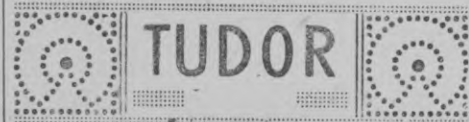
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**Stirring Broadcast to People of N.Z. by the Hon. W. Nash, Minister of Finance**

**NATIONAL MORALE**

**NO OCCASION SEEN FOR LOSS OF HEART**

The necessity for the maintenance of national morale in the present crisis was emphasized by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Nash, in an address last week. He said that if the morale of the people weakened their military and economic power was weakened also. He realized that inevitably initial reverses and seemingly impossible odds were prone to create a feeling in the public mind of temporary frustration and hopelessness. It was imperative that no such feelings should be allowed to emerge, no matter how dark the outlook might appear.

"When I spoke last week I said that in the situation in France and Belgium the British Commonwealth is faced with a crisis as grave as it has ever faced," said Mr. Nash. "That situation continues and probably will continue for some time to come. I do not wish to minimize its gravity; in-



THE HON. W. NASH

deed, it would be foolish to try and do so. I do most emphatically urge, however, that there is no occasion for any loss of heart. Above all, let us not allow anything in the nature of a panic to stampede us into foolish and irresponsible criticism and activity. After all, we have faced and have emerged successfully from many crises in the past. Those who remember the dark days of 1914-18 will recall that

the British Commonwealth faced times no less critical and overcome odds no less great than confront it today.

**Confidence in Allies.**

"It is absolutely vital if we are to play our part as we are expected to play it, that any tendency toward a feeling of hopelessness should be promptly and relentlessly stifled. That does not mean that we should ignore or minimize the difficulties we are up against. It does not mean that we should lull ourselves into a false sense of security, but it does mean that we should have confidence in the ability of England, France and our other Allies, and above all, in the ability of ourselves, to maintain the struggle with unrelenting vigour and firm resolve till victory is achieved.

"We have a war to fight on three fronts; We must put forward first the maximum military effort of which we are capable. We must mobilize secondly our entire economic resources in order that this effort may be sustained and strengthened. And thirdly—and no less important—is the necessity of maintaining the national morale, because if the morale of the people weakens, their military and economic power is weakened also. This is something which New Zealand and New Zealanders should take to heart at the present moment.

"An Old Country friend of mine has sent me a book by Sir John Orr and David Lubbock on 'Feeding the People in Wartime.' In the first chapter there are two striking sentences, 'the strength of the Home front depends upon the spiritual and physical stamina of our people. The spiritual is even more important than the physical.' Nothing must be left undone in this land of ours that will help Britain and her Allies. All our resources, material, mental and spiritual, must be drawn on to the limit to help. I am affirming that the health line, depending as it does on food, and the spiritual line, are more important than the Maginot Line.

"No sacrifice to help the Mother Country is too great to make. The Prime Minister has pledged all that we have. Our kinsmen at Home are facing difficult times, but with a united country, a united Commonwealth, with all individuals forgetting themselves in the enthusiasm for work and service, we can win through to commence again to build in our country and our Commonwealth the priceless freedom and liberties which can only come if built on the spiritual foundations of sacrifice, determination and selfless love.

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Of the interest taken in the Rugby tournament for the troops in Egypt and of the high standard of performance given by the N.Z.E.F. representatives there is further news in communications received recently from Egypt. In one of his letters Lieutenant-Colonel T. J. King, who has served on the Wellington and New Zealand Rugby Unions, said of one particular performance that he had never seen a New Zealand team play so well to instructions as the N.Z.E.F. team had done in that match. They played as a team and played really wonderful football. He and others, in their letters, make special mention of the outstanding form shown by J. L. Griffiths, and that player himself states that he has never felt fitter and better for football.

Of the fine impression made by the New Zealand team there is much evidence in the newspaper reports of the matches. The following extracts are taken from a report in the "Egyptian Mail" of the match in which the New Zealand team had a handsome win over the British Army-Air Force side at the Arsenal Ground:

The New Zealand forwards were the high light of the match—great, strong, husky men who were irresistible — and they played the winning tune of the day. Though they played hard, they played clean, and their team work was simply grand—altogether an example of the British Empire's manhood at its best.

Shortly before the start an amusing incident took place when a New Zealand soldier dashed on to the ground to recover a chair that had been left behind by the band. The struggle which ensued for the comfortable seat between many of his colleagues brought forth roars of laughter from the crowd (about 5000).

After a period of rushing tactics, L. Arnold cut through and sent on to Griffiths, who in turn passed on to Morrison. The All Black winger, although tackled on the line, managed to get the ball away to Wales, who had followed up in the usual Dominion style, and he threw himself over for the first try.

At a later stage Griffiths staged one of the many moves that have made him famous in the All Blacks. He secured from a loose maul and went zig-zagging through the British defence in amazing style that brought

the crowd to its feet but Gant brought his clever run to an end.

L. Arnold cut out several men before he was hauled down on the line. Parsons secured from the set scrum that followed, passed on to Wales, who again went through for a good try.

The powerful New Zealand threes were not to be denied and Morrison weaved his way through the defence to score a really brilliant try, which he converted . . . Morrison again electrified the crowd by taking the ball on the touch line, cutting in and dropping a beautiful goal from some 40 yards out.

Wales and Coull were a constant source of trouble to Gant with the speed with which they followed up the ball.

Eventually the brilliance of Griffiths, the All Black five-eights, was in evidence when he followed up one of his positional kicks, with a speed that was uncanny, to secure the ball again and fool the defence to go over for an excellent try, which Rollinson improved on to give the Kiwis a handsome lead.

Griffiths and Wynyard had the crowd on their feet again with a great movement and Wynyard actually crossed the line, but he was recalled for a forward pass.

After tea at the Gezira Sporting Club, the teams and officials went on to a cocktail party given by Mrs. Freyberg, wife of the Divisional Commander, where the draw for the autographed match ball took place . . . Immediately upon completion of the draw, Lieutenant-Colonel T. J. King (N.Z.E.F.) thanked the sponsors of the tournament on behalf of the N.Z.E.F., and then asked Mrs. Freyberg to present the other ball, used earlier on, which had been autographed by all the players to Lance-Corporal Griffiths, the New Zealand captain, "as a souvenir of the best Rugby tournament ever organised in Egypt."

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"The present struggle is not one which is confined solely and entirely to the men who constitute our fighting forces. There is a heroic and all-important part, but there is also a part which each and every one of you can play, and it is up to you all to do your level best to play it sincerely and well. Let each man and woman ask himself or herself whether he or she is doing all that can reasonably be done to assist the country's war effort. Remember that by carrying on whatever occupation you may be in, by putting your best effort into whatever job you are engaged upon, and, above all, by going about your work with calmness and confidence, you are making a real and vital contribution to the national effort."

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## SOLDIERS' ESTATES

## Exemptions From Death Duties

## STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Reference to the exemptions from estate and succession duties for soldiers' estates was made recently by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Nash. He said that judging from a report of a recent meeting of the Wellington Chamber of Commerce there was a certain amount of misunderstanding on the subject. He was anxious to have the exemptions which were made in last year's Finance Act (No. 2) clearly understood.

"That Act," said Mr. Nash, "made exactly the same concessions as were granted in 1915 in respect of the last war. No estate duty is payable on those parts of the deceased soldier's estate left to his wife, father, mother, and children up to the value of £5000 in respect of each beneficiary. In addition to that, the amount left by the soldier to each of those beneficiaries up to £5000 in each case is exempt from succession duties.

"It will be seen that this provision amply covers those persons who stand in a special relation to a soldier and are likely to be dependent on him. Where the soldier leaves his property to his wife, children or parents no duty whatever is likely to be payable except in the case of large estates, and even there duty is payable only on the balance after allowing the exemptions. If other relatives and strangers are the beneficiaries the usual exemption of the first £500 of each bequest or legacy from succession duty will still apply.

"The concessions," said the Minister, "are generous, but are amply justified, and I hope that they will be clearly understood by our soldiers, sailors and airmen as well as by the general public. Nevertheless, no one will suffer through ignorance of the provisions made as the Commissioner of Stamp Duties will allow the exemptions in every case without the necessity for any claim being made."

## REPORTED MISSING

## New Zealand Pilots

The following official casualty list was issued recently:—

Pilot Officer Ernest Elliot Howarth, reported missing, believed killed, in air operations on May 27. Next-of-kin, father, Mr. W. Howarth, 3 Baker Street, Dunedin.

Pilot Officer Gerald Montague Bailey, reported missing in air operations on May 28. Next-of-kin, mother, Mrs. N. F. Bailey, Piako Road, Gordonton, via Taupiri, and brother, Mr. B. E. Bailey, 5 Imperial Terrace, Kilbirnie, Wellington.

The Rev. A. S. Moffatt, Hinds, has received cable advice that his eldest son, Sergeant Pilot William Michael Florance Moffatt, is missing, states a Press Association message. Sergeant Pilot Moffatt joined the Royal Air Force in 1932, passing out at the training school at Cranwell in 1935. Two months ago he was posted for coastal defence at Wick-Caitness. He was married last July.

## PRISONER IN GERMANY

Advice that her son, Pilot Officer Robert Ian Bernard, recently posted as missing, was a prisoner of war in Germany was received today from the Air Ministry by Mrs. G. Tite, Remuera. The cable stated that information to this effect had been received by the Air Ministry from the International Red Cross Society.

Pilot Officer Bernard entered the business of his uncle as student after leaving Mount Albert Grammar School and was chosen for air force training while on a visit to Australia.

## OBITUARY

## Major G. A. Gibbs

Major G. A. Gibbs, Quartermaster and Staff Officer to the Director-General of Medical Services, Army Headquarters, Wellington, died May 29th in Wellington. Major Gibbs, who was 66 years of age, had been in retirement for some years, but at the outbreak of war he returned to his old post.

Major Gibbs, who was born in Portsmouth, England, in 1874, joined the Royal Army Medical Corps at the age of 14 and entered a training school at Aldershot. At the end of his training there and elsewhere he was qualified in every branch of the medical services short of gaining his medical degree.

In 1915 the New Zealand Army authorities asked for a R.A.M.C. warrant officer to be sent to this country to assist the late Surgeon-General Sir Robert Henderson, who had come out to take charge of the New Zealand Army Medical Services. The War Office in London selected Major Gibbs for the job. He arrived in New Zealand in October, 1915, and the following May was appointed lieutenant-quartermaster. He was promoted to captain and quartermaster in January, 1917, and in April, 1918, was appointed Deputy-Assistant Director of Medical Services. He was given the rank of major on December 1 of that year. In 1919 he was discharged from the R.A.M.C. and transferred to the New Zealand Army Medical Corps with the rank of major. He remained on the staff till 1931, when he retired on superannuation. He returned to Army Headquarters on September 23 last.

Major Gibbs played a very large part in the organization of the New Zealand Army Medical Corps during the last war.

He is survived by one son, Mr. G. A. Gibbs, Ngaio, and two daughters, Mrs. H. Shepherdson, Karori, and Sister Eileen Gibbs, of the Queen Alexandra Army Nursing Service, who is at present stationed in India. Major Gibbs will be accorded a military funeral tomorrow after Requiem Mass at the Basilica, Hill Street, at 10 a.m.

## REVUE AT FORT DORSET

## Repertory Concert Party's Show, "Paree"

The hall at Fort Dorset camp was filled to overflowing on May 29th, when the Wellington Repertory Theatre's concert party presented its bright revue, "Paree." Smart frocking, spark'ing ballet numbers and witty sketches kept the audience well amused. A good orchestra did its share toward making the show the success it proved to be.

The main numbers on the programme were: "Paris in the Spring," "Stranger in Paree," "Waltzes from Firefly," "An Apple for the Teacher," "The Rhythm of the Rain," "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" and "Paradise in Waltz Time." The burlesque dances caused much amusement, particularly the "Rushing Ballet."

Mr. Maddock acted as stage manager. Miss Marjorie Vause was ballet mistress and Mr. L. Arlow was in charge of the lights. The production was in the hands of Mr. E. Harrison

## Air Force Bands

While men in army camps were provided with bands, the men serving in the various air force stations were not so well situated, said the president of the Wellington Bands' Association, Mr. H. Gladstone Hill, in his annual report. In some of the aerodromes there were from 600 to 1000 permanent men, and efforts were being made to establish bands and orchestras in their midst.

## STAFF CHANGES

## Army Headquarters

## INCREASE IN WORK

Several changes in the General Staff, Army Headquarters, are announced. They have been made, according to General J. E. Duigan, C.B., D.S.O., to cope with the great increase in work in the branch of the General Staff since the outbreak of war, particularly in connexion with the training of the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force, perfecting plans for the defence of the Dominion, and carrying into effect the Government's recent decision to institute intensive training of the Territorial Force and the National Military Reserve.

Lieut.-Colonel A. E. Conway, N.Z. Staff Corps, who has been Director of Mobilization, has relinquished that post to take up the appointment of Director of Military Training. Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Goss, P.S.C., N.Z. Staff Corps, has vacated the appointment of General Staff Officer 1st Grade to become Personal Assistant to Major-General Duigan, Chief of the General Staff and First Military Member of the Army Board. Lieut.-Colonel J. R. V. Sherston, D.S.O., M.C., P.S.C., N.Z. Temp. Staff, becomes General Staff Officer 1st Grade.

Lieut.-Colonel Conway, the new Director of Military Training, served with the 1st Canterbury Battalion during the Great War. He joined the N.Z. Staff Corps after the war.

The appointment of personal assistant to the Chief of the General Staff is new in New Zealand. Lieut.-Colonel Goss is a graduate of the Royal Military College of Australia. He served with the 1st Battalion, Wellington Regiment, in France and Belgium in the last war. In 1930 he graduated at the Staff College, Camberley.

At the outbreak of war Lieut.-Colonel Sherston was farming in Hawke's Bay. Previously, he had served for 19 years in the Regular Army in India and England. He accompanied the 4th Hussars to France at the outbreak of the last war and served with them during the retreat from Mons and till the first gas attack at Ypres. Subsequently he held a number of staff appointments during the war, and in 1929 was brigade major, 1st Cavalry Brigade in India and served in that capacity throughout the operations in Afghanistan. He was then nominated to attend the Staff College, Camberley, where he graduated, and then held staff appointments in England till he came to New Zealand in 1926.

Major R. H. Quilliam, N.Z. Temporary Staff, has been promoted Lieut.-Colonel and appointed to succeed Lieut.-Colonel Conway as Director of Mobilization. Lieut.-Colonel Quilliam volunteered for service soon after the war broke out and joined the Mobilization Directorate at Army Headquarters in November. He served in the 2nd Battalion, Wellington Regiment, in the Great War. Before taking up duty at Army Headquarters, Lieut.-Colonel Quilliam was Crown Prosecutor and senior partner in the firm of Govett Quilliam, Hutchen, and Macellan, barristers and solicitors, New Plymouth, and chairman of the Taranaki Territorial Regimental Association.

## KAIN'S BAG NOW EXCEEDS 40

## Chief Ace Of The R.A.F.

LONDON, May 27.

Three Royal Air Force pilots have shot down nearly 100 German machines between them in the battles on the Western Front. The chief ace is a New Zealander, believed to be "Cobber" Kain. His bag exceeds 40.

## SUNDAY TEAS

## Given For Soldiers By Y.M.C.A. Auxiliary

Sunday week last another enjoyable tea was held in the Wellington Y.M.C.A. lounge for soldiers on leave from camp. The brightly arranged tables and bright fire helped to create a happy atmosphere. The hostesses were members of the Eastbourne branch of League of Mothers. Mr. C. Edwards was chairman and the guests of honor were Mrs. S. G. Shearer, president of the branch, and Mr. Shearer.

Nearly 100 men were present, and a happy speech one of them made. The hostess, on behalf of the staff present, for the very pleasant time had enjoyed, and expressed the thanks and appreciation of the soldiers for the work that was being done for every Sunday under the auspices of the ladies' auxiliary of the Y.M.C.A.

## MILITARY FORCES

## Latest Appointments

The following military appointments have been gazetted: Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Goss, New Zealand Staff Corps, is appointed personal assistant to Chief of General Staff, A.H.Q. Lieut.-Colonel E. Conway, New Zealand Staff Corps, relinquishes the appointment of Director of Mobilization and is appointed Director of Military Training, A.H.Q. Major R. H. Quilliam, New Zealand Temporary Staff, is appointed Director of Mobilization, and is granted the temporary rank of Lieut.-Colonel. Lieut.-Colonel N. S. Falla is appointed mandant of the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force base with the rank of Brigadier. Another appointment to the headquarters of the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force base is that of Colonel Stephen S. Allen as assistant mandant and secretary with the rank of Lieut.-Colonel.

## HOSPITALITY TO SOLDIERS

Men of the fighting forces were entertained at the National Club on a weekend recently and those responsible for the arrangements for men's entertainment on Sunday Mrs. R. O. Chesney, of the Hutt electorate, and several others. This activity, under the chairmanship of Mrs. C. H. Weston, is a much-needed want, especially on days, and it is hoped that their relations and friends will inform them in camp of the many facilities available for them at the National Club rooms.

## SOLDIERS' DANCE

The soldiers' branch of the Y.M.C.A. held a dance last Friday evening in their rooms on Lambton Quay. Though fairly small, these dances are becoming very popular, and a number of men from the Army, Navy, and Air Force were present. The hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. V. M. Hoggan. The pianist and Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Willert. Supper was served by the ladies.

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soms red,  
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ollow on after. And as this  
of self-sacrifice is working in  
parts of people, surely it must  
them to think of one great sac-  
ffered up at Calvary, when the  
f God was lifted up on a cross  
od. That sacrifice is unique in

here was no cause why He  
have offered Himself, except  
He loved those who hated Him,  
e desired to possess for Himself  
who had no desire to belong to  
nd it is unique also because  
scarcely for a righteous man  
e die, yet per adventure for a  
an some would even dare to  
t God commended His love to  
s, in that while we were yet  
Christ died for us." And as

he stress of their own suffer-  
ie hearts of men are softened  
the pleading of the One who  
r them—"Come unto Me, all ye  
-bour and are heavy laden and  
give you rest," may they be  
grace to yield to Him, to lay  
ives, their souls, their all at  
t of His cross, and receive at  
nds, "life that shall endless

g to leave and sickness, attend-  
Sunday evening was a little  
an usual, but after the sing-  
ood attention was given to Mr.  
lyard as he spoke on the text  
ot afraid of them that kill the  
and after that have no more  
hey can do. But I will fore-  
you whom ye shall fear: Fear  
which after he hath killed hath  
to cast unto hell fire; yea, I  
nto you, fear him." (Luke 12,  
4 and 5. The two destinies,  
n and hell, were pointed out and  
en were urged to make a sure  
e while there is yet time. May  
be given the needed grace to  
e for Christ.

Gordon Blair is still on the sick-  
nd our sympathy and prayers go  
o him at this time, and we trust  
the time is not far distant when  
hall have him amongst us again.

# Military Funeral

MAJOR G. A. GIBBS.

## Impressive Ceremony.

The funeral of Major G. A. Gibbs, Quartermaster and Staff Officer to the Director-General of Medical Services, Army Headquarters, Wellington, was held with full military honours on Friday morning, 31st May after Requiem Mass at the Basilica. There was a large attendance of the late major's fellow-officers, including representatives from Army Headquarters as well as many civilian friends. The funeral march was played by the Trentham Military Camp Band and the firing party consisted of members of the New Zealand Regular Forces from the Army School, Trentham. The Requiem Mass and the service at the graveside were conducted by the Very Rev. Monsignor T. Connolly.

At the conclusion of the church service the flag-draped coffin was placed on a gun-carriage drawn by mechanical transport, and preceded by the band and the firing party, the cortege moved along Hill Street to Tinakori Road. A special vehicle was required to carry the mass of flowers.

Upon arrival at the cemetery the band, playing the Dead March, led the cortege into the Soldier's Cemetery. After the firing party had fired three volleys over the grave the buglers of the Trentham Band sounded the "Last Post." At the conclusion of the impressive ceremony a representative of the Wellington Returned Soldiers' Association and military officers present dropped red poppies into the grave, while the lines "We Shall Remember Them" were recited.

The pall-bearers were Colonel F. T. Bowerbank, O.B.E., Director-General of Medical Services, Army Headquarters, Lieutenant-Colonel E. S. Finn, D.S.O., Director of Dental Services; Lieutenant-Colonel I. S. Wilson, M.C., Assistant Director-General of Medical Services, Army Headquarters; Lieutenant-Colonel F. Kemp, senior medical officer, Central District Mobilisation Camp, Trentham; Colonel F. M. Spencer, Officer Commanding the 2nd N.Z. General Hospital; and Lieutenant-Colonel M. B. Tweed, Assistant Director of Medical Services, Central Military District Wellington. The bearers were non-commissioned officers from the 2nd N.Z. General Hospital, Trentham. The late Major Gibbs served during the early part of the last war with the "Old Contemptibles," and the Wellington branch of the Old Contemptibles' Association provided bearers to carry the coffin from Major Gibbs's late home to the gun-carriage and then into the Basilica.

The chief mourners were the late major's wife Mrs. Gibbs, Mrs. H. B. Shepherdson (a daughter), Mr. G. A. Gibbs, jun. (a son), Mrs. Gibbs, jun., and Mr. Shepherdson.

Officers present included Colonel O. H. Mead, D.S.O., Adjutant-General, Army Headquarters; Lieutenant-Colonel A. B. Williams, D.S.O., Commander of the Royal N.Z. Artillery; Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. Conway, N.Z.S.C., Director of Military Training Army Headquarters; Colonel I. T. Standish, C.M.G., D.S.O.; Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. Salmon; Lieuten-

# POPULAR A.N.A. CLUB

## Record Number Of Men At Weekend Dances

The A.N.A. Club is the most popular rendezvous for men of the services on leave in Wellington, and at the weekend the club entertained the record number of 1100 men from the Army, Navy and Air Force.

The usual Friday and Saturday night dances were held, and once again the supper-room had to be pressed into service as a dance-floor for the overflow. Misses M. Hempton and R. Williamson were in charge of dancing on Friday night, and on Saturday night Miss Patsy Ashbolt was in charge. At the door in charge of introductions were Mrs. A. B. Smith and Mrs. G. Webb on Saturday, and Miss D. Harris on Friday. Mr. Middleton's volunteer orchestra supplied the music and Mrs. G. Webb played for the dancers in the supper room.

On Friday night members of the Navy League assisted, including Mesdames L. O. H. Tripp, P. Maclean, P. Hanna, P. Marshall, G. Goodwin, H. Johnson, Misses B. Cable, K. and E. Henry.

### New Service.

The A.N.A. Club has decided to extend its activities with more helpful services for soldiers. The first of these will be instruction in darning and mending, which are necessary accomplishments for a good soldier when he goes overseas. For the purpose of instruction women members will be in attendance at the clubrooms each Saturday afternoon from 2.30, beginning next week.

## CAMP ENTERTAINERS.

### ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE AT AT TRENTHAM.

That the men of the Third Echelon appreciate good entertainment was demonstrated last week when an excellent programme arranged by the executive committee of the Official Camp Entertainers was presented. Mrs. Chas. McDonald and her talented band of performers were responsible for this programme, each item receiving tumultuous applause accompanied by loud calling for the return of the performers.

Mr. Colin Davidson was stage manager, and he was assisted by Mr. W. Wotton. All the accompaniments were played by Mrs. Chas. McDonald. Others who took part were Miss Maur- een Hickford, Mr. K. McCauley, Miss Pauline Shotlander, Mr. Alec Dennistoun-Wood (solos), Mr. E. G. Kain (conjuring), Miss Molly Cook (Spanish dance), Miss Jocelyn Walker (pianoforte solos), Mr. Harry Painter (stories), and Mr. Buddy Longman and his doll "Jerry" (confidential ventriloquist talks).

Colonel Jardine thanked the executive committee and Mrs. McDonald for the entertainment amid cheering from the men, and after the singing of the National Anthem the performers were entertained to supper.

ant-Colonel W. R. Burge, M.C., Director of Ordnance Services, Army Headquarters; Majors Innes and H. E. Erridge and Captains Sutcliffe, Mellows, and Sharp, all Army Headquarters; Captain C. N. Devery, Headquarters, Central Military District; and Lieutenant G. F. McCulloch, M.B.E., N.Z.P.S., Army School, Trentham.

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#### SHORTER TRAINING?

#### STAFF OFFICER'S STATEMENT.

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These words from Lieutenant-Colonel R. B. Smythe (area staff officer for the Southern Military District) brought resounding cheers from the 143 men assembled with friends in the King Edward Barracks, Christchurch, before their departure for Papakura as a draft of the Third Echelon. Lieutenant-Colonel Smythe said that the possibility of trouble in the East meant the massing of colonial troops there and the likelihood of the Third Echelon being ordered overseas at short notice. He urged the men to take a personal interest in their training and to undertake individual additional study where possible.

When the foregoing was brought to the notice of the General Staff Officer of the Northern Military District, Lieutenant-Colonel L. Potter said he had no comment to make.

## N.Z. Air Force

### MORE TRAINEES

#### AIR SCREW SECTION

#### ORDERS TO REPORT.

The following recruits accepted for training in the air crew section of the Royal New Zealand Air Force have been instructed to report for training at the Levin Ground Training Depot as follows:—

#### PILOTS.

C. A. Armstrong (Auckland).  
B. V. L. Beadle (Dunedin), A. J. Black (Christchurch), A. W. P. Bird (Wellington).

A. M. Clark (Christchurch), A. B. Clark (Auckland).

C. F. Dare (Auckland), W. S. Dashwood (Feilding), L. St. G. Dobbin (Wairoa, Hawke's Bay).

G. H. Easton (Christchurch), W. S. Emmett (Marton).

L. J. Fairbairn (Christchurch), G. H. Fenton (Mangere East, Auckland).

J. H. Gazzard (Otautau), G. E. Guthrie (Parnell, Auckland), W. L. Gribble (Mount Eden, Auckland).

D. H. Hammond (Kaikoura), A. O. Hawkins (Auckland), A. R. Henderson (Greymouth), J. A. Hoffeins (Brooklyn, Wellington), C. H. Howard (New Plymouth), G. Hunter (Lower Hutt).

D. P. Janning Palmerston North), D. J. Jamieson (Christchurch), W. G. Jesson (Christchurch), G. A. Johnston (Dunedin).

R. K. Karsten (Nelson), E. J. Kean (Christchurch), J. M. Kerr (Timaru), H. C. Kimpton (Marton).

F. M. Laing (Wellington), B. E. Layne (Hamilton), D. F. Leffley (Dunedin), W. C. F. Leicester (Havelock North), R. G. Lindsay (Auckland), A. C. Long (Wellington).

A. C. Marks (Riccarton, Christchurch), B. W. Miller (Feilding), K. C. P. Morpeth (Kelburn, Wellington), F. T. Morgan (Eastbourne) R. C. Munro (Wellington).

L. B. McCarthy (Wanganui), L. M. McDonald (Paeroa), R. J. McFarlane (Auckland), G. J. McLeary (Napier).

K. M. Palmer (Te Puke), S. C. Parkes (Feilding), A. F. Potter (Riccarton, Christchurch).

A. R. Robinson (Christchurch), J. A. Robinson (Wellington), A. G. Russell (Bell Knowes, Dunedin), P. H. Ryan (Wellington).

W. J. Sandman (One Tree Hill, Auckland), R. A. Scragg (Napier), H. W. Shepherd (Palmerston North), F. A. Spark (Port Chalmers), E. St. J. Spicer (Remuera, Auckland), J. E. M. Steeds (Christchurch), G. S. Stevenson (Auckland).

R. D. Wanden (Wellington), P. S. Worsop (Auckland).

#### TRENTHAM CAMP ACCOMMODATION.

The mobilisation camps throughout the Dominion are now dealing with the largest number of men they have been called upon to accommodate since the outbreak of war, and in order to provide more room for Expeditionary Force troops at Trentham the Central Military District School of Instruction has been transferred to the Tauherenikau racecourse.

## MID-DAY SIESTA

### N.Z. TROOPS IN EGYPT

#### Summertime Relaxation

#### MOSQUITO NETS ISSUED

(N.Z.E.F., Special Service.)

EGYPT, May 5.

Following the summer custom of English troops stationed in Egypt, the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force has now adopted a new routine which provides for relaxation in the warmest part of the day.

Reveille, at half-past five in the morning, is half an hour earlier than previously. Tea and biscuits—a snack which the Army knows as "gunfire"—are provided immediately and training begins at six o'clock or shortly afterwards, continuing until eight, when breakfast is served.

Training is resumed at nine o'clock and is carried on until midday. After lunch there is an hour's complete and compulsory rest, and the remainder of the afternoon is free for sports or relaxation. There is a further hour of training immediately before tea, however, and "Lights Out" is sounded half an hour earlier. Late leave is being granted only on Friday and Saturday nights, instead of all through the week as has been the practice in the past, in view of the importance of the troops obtaining as much undisturbed rest as possible.

The new routine varies slightly in the different units, but basically it is universal throughout the camp. It may be relaxed if cool temperatures so allow, and may also be adjusted to suit the requirements of out-of-camp exercises. On Sundays the force continues its practice of luxuriously "lying in" until seven o'clock in the morning.

Although still a novelty, the routine has been accepted enthusiastically by the men. After the temperate climate of New Zealand, early afternoons in Egypt are uncomfortably hot for training, and the comparative cool of the mornings is far more pleasant for the heaviest part of the day's work.

Discomfort from the heat has been minimised in another direction by the adoption of hot-weather kit for both training and leave hours. Each man has been issued with three light, half-sleeved khaki shorts, two pairs of drill shorts, hose tops, puttees and light underwear. The combination of shirt and shorts is the universal dress for wear about the camp, while in leave periods the drill jacket and waist belt replace the open shirt.

Still another innovation is the issue to all ranks of voluminous mosquito nets, which can be suspended from cords stretched across the tent ceilings, completely enclosing the beds. It is in warding off flies that the netting is proving most useful at the moment, and the early afternoon siesta sees tents practically filled with the white, billowing drapery.

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share in this training scheme and when the expansion is completed at the end of this year, the annual output will be 900 pilots fully trained, 500 pilots partially trained, and 1500 observer and air gunners partially trained, all of whom will complete their training in Canada," said Mr. Jones. "It may not be generally appreciated that a large staff of ground personnel is required to man the various schools necessary to carry out our training commitments. All these men are performing an essential service and are contributing most effectively to the successful prosecution of the war. Without their whole-hearted and effective co-operation it would be absolutely impossible for New Zealand to provide her quota under the Empire air-training scheme. It must be obvious to everyone that unless adequate reinforcements are provided for the Royal Air Force that service cannot keep up the high pressure against the Germans which they are doing at the present time."

## APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND TRANSFERS GAZETTED.

### STAFF.

Lieutenant D. C. Powrie, N.Z. Staff Corps, relinquishes the appointment of Instructor, Central Military District School of Instruction, Trentham, and is appointed Assistant Area Officer, No. 8 Area, and Adjutant, 1st Battalion, The Taranaki Regiment, New Plymouth.

### N.Z. TEMPORARY STAFF.

Lieutenant H. a'C. G. Fitzgerald relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Trentham Military Camp,

and is attached to the Royal N.Z. Air Force Training Depot, Levin.

Lieutenant H. G. Simpson relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Trentham Military Camp, and is attached to the Royal N.Z. Air Force Station, Ohakea.

Lieutenant G. H. Gilbert, B.D.S., relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Burnham Military Camp, and is attached to the Royal N.Z. Air Force Station, Blenheim.

Lieutenant T. J. Dallas relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Trentham Military Camp, and is attached to the Royal N.Z. Air Force Training Depot, Levin.

The undermentioned to be Lieutenants, N.Z. Dental Corps, and are posted to the Army School of Instruction, Trentham:—

John Stewart Heath Kinnear, B.D.S. (N.Z.).

Kenneth Tripling Moss, B.D.S. (N.Z.).

Joseph Kenneth Hay, B.D.S. (N.Z.).

Colin Sutherland Brook.

Cecil Joseph McCaughan.

William Rutherford Hamilton,

B.D.S. (N.Z.).

Almond Edward Hope.

Andrew Dew Aitken, B.D.S. (N.Z.).

Alfred Clarence Dickens to be Lieutenant, N.Z. Dental Corps, and is appointed Dental Officer, Burnham Military Camp.

Lieutenant J. G. W. Crawford, B.D.S., relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Ngaruawahia Military Camp, and is appointed Dental Officer, Burnham Military Camp.

Lieutenant C. K. Horne, B.D.S., relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Ngaruawahia Military Camp, and is appointed Dental Officer, Burnham Military Camp.

Lieutenant (acting Captain), O. G. Hooton, B.D.S. (N.Z.), relinquishes the appointment of Senior Dental Officer, Ngaruawahia Military Camp, and the acting rank of Captain, and is appointed Dental Officer, Papakura Military Camp.

Lieutenant W. P. Skegg, B.D.S. (N.Z.), relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Ngaruawahia Military Camp, and is appointed Dental Officer, Papakura Military Camp.

Lieutenant J. S. Kinnear, B.D.S. (N.Z.), from the Army School of Instruction, Trentham, is appointed Dental Officer, Burnham Military Camp.

Lieutenant K. T. Moss, B.D.S. (N.Z.), from the Army School of Instruction, Trentham, is appointed Dental Officer, Burnham Military Camp.

Lieutenant J. K. Hay, B.D.S. (N.Z.), from the Army School of Instruction, Trentham, is appointed Dental Officer, Trentham Military Camp.

Lieutenant C. S. Brook, from the Army School of Instruction, Trentham, is appointed Dental Officer, Papakura Military Camp.

Lieutenant C. J. McCaughan, from the Army School of Instruction, Trentham, is appointed Dental Officer, Burnham Military Camp.

Lieutenant W. R. Hamilton, B.D.S. (N.Z.), from the Army School of Instruction, Trentham is appointed Dental Officer, Trentham Military Camp.

Lieutenant A. E. Hope, from the Army School of Instruction, Trentham, is appointed Dental Officer, Trentham Military Camp.

Lieutenant A. D. Aitken, B.D.S. (N.Z.), from the Army School of Instruction, Trentham, is appointed Dental Officer, Trentham Military Camp.

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"Call of the Rockies," screening at the State Theatre is a thrilling story of Ann Bradford (Iris Meredith) owner of the Circle C. Unable to pay her dues, Ann decides to auction off a half interest in her ranch. Matt Stark (Dick Curtis), a crooked land dealer holds Ann's notes. His efforts to buy the ranch have been refused and he instructs his lieutenant, Barlow (Eddie Cobb), and other henchmen to make sure nobody bids on the property.

Clint Buckley (Charles Starrett),

rides into town on the day of the auction, overhears Stark's directions to his gunmen, and decides to attend the sale. Barlow attempts to intimidate him, and a fight ensues from which Clint emerges victorious. His bid closes the auction and he and Ann ride off together for the Circle C.

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With Laurence Olivier and Joan Fontaine heading a cast of outstanding players and with a story filled with drama, suspense and mystery, David O. Selznick's latest production "Rebecca" is released by United Artists, and is screening at the King's Theatre. The film is brilliantly directed by Alfred Hitchcock, known internally as a master of intrigue, crime and mystery on the screen. "Rebecca" is the film version of the best-selling novel of the same name by Daphne du Maurier. It was prepared for the screen by Robert E. Sherwood and Joan Harrison and retains all the gripping drama of the original book.

Laurence Olivier, who last year made a tremendous hit as the hero of "Wuthering Heights," plays the role of Maxim de Winter, the socially prominent owner of Mandreley, the vast

Tudor estate where most of the action unfolds. To this house he brings his second wife, played by Miss Fontaine, a shy and unsophisticated person who can hardly be compared to the glittering and brilliant former mistress of Manderley, Rebecca, now dead. But though Rebecca is dead, her forceful personality and dramatic beauty still continue to dominate Manderley and to haunt the lives of those who wander through its immense rooms. Judith Anderson, as the sadistically cruel Mrs. Danvers, George Sanders as Jack Favell; Nigel Bruce, C. Aubrey Smith, Reginald Denny and Gladys Cooper are other important players.

Alfred Hitchcock, the director who brought a new status to screen intrigue and melodrama, has directed "Rebecca" with startling impact, with amazing subtlety as to character delineation and with rich dramatic over-Gladys Cooper are other important and engrossing swiftness from its initial scene to the final fadeout. Brilliant pictorial backgrounds include London streets, old taverns, a coroner's office, a boathouse facing a wind-swept bay on the coast of Cornwall, and the largest which depicted the Tudor estate, being two stories high and containing a drawing room, library, dining room, foyer and two upper storey wings.

## PLAZA THEATRE.

### "EVERYTHING HAPPENS AT NIGHT."

A completely different type of picture for Sonja Henie, screening at the Plaza Theatre, in this 20th Century-Fox film Darryl F. Zanuck presents the famed skating star in a combined dramatic and comedy role. Sonja's amazingly developed acting ability makes her perfectly at home in the story and of course there are sequences in which Sonja disports not only on skates but on the sheer, shimmering ski slides of the Alps. Although Sonja's role is essentially dramatic, light comedy touches are injected when Ray Milland and Robert Cummings, as two rival newspaper reporters, fall for her and fight for her love as well as for one of the biggest stories of the day. Directed by Irving Cummings with a deft touch, "Everything Happens at Night" is exceptional entertainment.

## TUDOR THEATRE

### "FOR FREEDOM."

When the war news is grim and the enemy gains a few points on the great world chequer board, we are inclined to forget the achievements of our own side. "For Freedom," now showing at the Tudor Theatre after its successful season at the Plaza, will help to jolt us into a realisation that there are two sides to Hitler's bid for world power. It stars the Battle of the River Plate, with New Zealanders participating, and the rescue by H.M.S. Cossack of the British prisoners on the German hell-ship Altmark. "For Freedom" is not a news-reel, nor a mere "March of Time" film. It surpasses even the best of these.

The players in "For Freedom" include the first officer and members of the crew of the Tairoa, members of the crews of the Africa Shell and the Ashlea, and that famed character ac-

tor, Will Fyffe. The Tairoa, Africa Shell and Ashlea were all sunk by Admiral Graf von Spee. Among highlights of "For Freedom" are sequences in the Battle of the River Plate, showing the Achilles, Ajax and Taurus in action, as well as sequences from the Altmark.

Alice Faye and Warner Baxter co-starred in "Barricade," the 20th Century-Fox drama screened at the Tudor Theatre.

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