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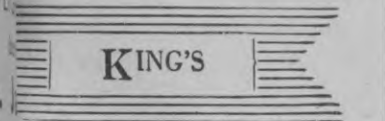
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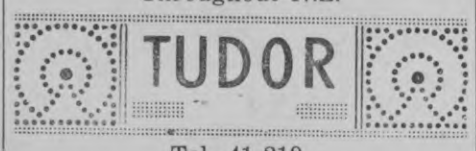
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Enemy Language

Ribbentrop refused to speak English to Sumner Welles because it is "an enemy language."

It appears that he has vowed that he will not use English until the war is over.

That's O.K. with us.
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MORAL: The almonds of life come to those without teeth—but if you happen to be a Nazi you don't even get the almonds.

Coals to Rome

The howl of protest that came from the Italians against the British action in banning the export of German coal to Italy was inevitable.

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STORY OF NAVAL ACTION

Renown's Encounter With Nazi Battleship

NEW ZEALANDER'S LETTER HOME

High seas which swept the deck and a fierce blizzard, which eventually obscured the target, were among difficulties encountered by officers and men of the British battle-cruiser Renown, when she recently successfully engaged the German battleship Scharnhorst off the Norwegian coast.

The story of the action, which materially damaged the enemy ship and put her to flight, is graphically told by a New Zealander, Surgeon Lieutenant Gordon Evans, who is dental officer in the Renown. Surgeon Lieutenant Evans is a son of Mr. J. H. Evans, Auckland. He received his secondary education at Auckland Grammar School, and, after graduating in dentistry from Otago University, he left for England. He joined the Royal Navy about 18 months ago.

Writing to his parents on April 15. Surgeon Lieutenant Evans said the Renown was patrolling off the Norwegian coast when a signal was received stating that a German force was heading north. They immediately set off south to catch the enemy, and on the following morning at 9 o'clock the crew was piped to action stations, where they remained all day.

"As the day went on it became a bit rough, getting worse toward evening," he stated. "We were pelting along into big seas at a fair speed, which made us take in a spot of water. The forward medical station, where I was posted, was one of the few dry places by morning, and there were a few casualties during the night as the result of chaps being flung about the ship by the sea.

"Terrific Roar."

"At 3.30 a.m., when it was just getting light, we were told to wake up, and at five minutes to four there was a terrific roar as we fired our first broadside. The enemy was caught napping, and we got off three broadsides before they opened fire. When they did start their fire was pretty good, but our skipper handled the ship beautifully and dodged most of it.

"When a salvo was fired by the enemy he watched where the shells fell and, when he saw the next lot of flashes, he headed the ship toward the first lot of splashes. By the time their shells landed we had changed position. The range when we opened fire was 16,000 yards, increasing to 30,000 yards, and eventually finishing at 24,000 yards. This shows that, though at the beginning they began to leave us, we soon started to catch them up.

"Eventually the German ship managed to escape in the blizzard, but before this we landed at least three of our 15-inch shells, each weighing about a ton, on her. They would cause a fair amount of damage. We hit the bridge structure with one and upset their firing control, because she ceased

fire for a while and later sent out ragged salvos from her after turret.

Cruiser Hipper.

"The cruiser Hipper was also with the battle-cruiser, but we were only firing our smaller stuff at her till she started to put a smokescreen around the Scharnhorst, then we let her have our heavy guns, but we could not see any results on account of the blizzard. We eventually ceased fire at about 6.25 a.m.

"Weather conditions were on the side of the escaping enemy," Surgeon Lieutenant Evans stated. "Visibility was very bad and waves were at times as high as the bridge."

The Renown did not escape scot-free, he said. One shell went clean through the ship and wiped out a few cabins, but failed to explode. Another passed through the mast, again without exploding. There were narrow escapes from splinters of high explosive shells bursting on the ship, but the only casualty was a first-lieutenant, who was struck in the foot by a 4-inch splinter. He later underwent an operation, at which Surgeon Lieutenant Evans assisted, for amputation of several toes.

NEW ZEALAND TROOPS IN EGYPT

Swimming Baths Opened

(N.Z.E.F. Official War Service.)

Plunging from the diving tower into 10 feet of clear, cool water, the general officer commanding the New Zealand Division in Egypt, Major-General B. C. Freyberg, officially opened today new swimming baths constructed in record time close to the New Zealand camp.

A swimming carnival followed. General Freyberg assisted with judging, and prizes were presented by Mrs. Freyberg. Results were as follows:—

33 1-3 yards invitation: Crump, 1; Johnson, 2. Time, 16.

33 1-3 yards open: Waddington, 1; Harp and Lovett, equal, 2. Time, 18 1-5.

100 yards invitation: Crump, 1; Johnson, 2. Time, 60 1-5.

100 yards open: McGibbon, 1; Henderson, 2. Time, 75.

Diving: McHardy, 1; Williams, 2; Tremewan, 3.

100 yards breaststroke: Webster, 1; Gillett, 2. Time, 88.

Interunit relay: Brigade H.Q., 1; Machine-gun Battalion, 2. Time, 1.53.

The baths took five weeks to build, cost £700. They are to be floodlit for evening swimming.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

The appointment of Lieutenant W. R. K. Morrison, N.Z.S.C., Adjutant of the 1st Battalion, Auckland Regiment (C.R.O.), as General Staff Officer, third grade, at headquarters of the Northern Military District, is announced.

Captain M. N. Wallace, N.Z.T.S., formerly Adjutant at Ngaruawahia camp, succeeds Lieutenant Morrison as Adjutant of the Auckland Battalion.

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News of Interest

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

The first fifteen played the Navy at Eden Park and won 6—3. The Air Force side had a great many scoring chances, but was unable to finish off good movements.

Results in other grade matches were as follows:—Junior Team: Lost to Manakau, 15—7. Third, Open: Won, 10—3 against Marist. Third Intermediate: Won, 6—3 against Otahuhu.

SELECTION OF SERVICES TEAM TO PLAY UNIVERSITIES.

The following Aircraftsmen were chosen to play for the Services:—Gibbs, McCready, Strachan, Bentley and Cato.

HOCKEY.

The Station Team lost to Albertians 3—2 after a very hard and close game. Sergeant Bowden scored two goals and played an outstanding game for the Air Force.

POSSIBLE OFFICERS.

AUCKLAND SELECTIONS.

Draft For Trentham Camp.

The selection of about 100 prospective officers having been completed by headquarters of the Northern Military District, the draft left last week to join the Advanced Training Company at Trentham. After undergoing a special course the men will be commissioned if they are considered suitable. For several weeks past some have been attending a course at the District School, Narrow Neck, while others have been selected direct from Papakura mobilisation camp.

They are:

Infantry.—Sergeants P. C. Ansley, J. G. Cutler, T. J. Casling-Cottle, M. E. Domel, A. E. Hogg, W. S. Jordan, T. C. Lindsay, J. K. Logan, S. J. McDougall, L. D. Nathan, W. W. Small, V. J. Tanner, G. V. Turnbull, S. E. Carr, Corporals F. S. Clark, J. F. Coleman, P. L. Christianson, R. H. Codling, S. B. Edmonds, H. B. Cotterall, S. S. F. Goodwin, G. H. Hawkesby, L. F. R. Jackson, B. G. Jackson, J. H. Money, H. B. Ashton, D. J. Ashley, R. B. Abbott, W. H. Burridge, J. Brown, J. R. Breen, P. J. C. Burns, B. B. S. Catron, C. B. Peacocke, L. A. Robert, I. C. Steele, P. A. Thorley, C. H. C. Warren, R. R. Wright.

Machine-gun Battalion.—Sergeant A. R. Cramond, Warrant-Officer J. C. Evans, Company-Quartermaster-Sergeant N. F. Gardiner, Sergeants J. W. Godfrey and W. R. Price.

Maori Battalion.—Sergeants A. Rota, A. Te Puni, J. Matchaere, W. Diamond, Corporals P. Taiapa, J. R. Ormsby, J. P. Tikao-Barrett, H. Hamiora, J. C. Henare, M. Panapa, D. O. Stewart, R. Rangi, K. Rika.

Engineers.—Private J. S. Berry.

Divisional Cavalry. — Lance-corporal M. B. MacKenzie, Corporal A. V. McKenzie.

ARTILLERY UNITS.

Artillery — Gunner W. A. Jeff, Lance-Bombardier F. E. McCallum,

Sergeant S. J. Kingston, Sergeant P. C. Savage, Sergeant E. C. W. Nathan, Lance-Bombardier R. H. Standish, Sergeant J. A. Edwards, Bombardier J. H. Young, Sergeant G. L. Haslett, Sergeant J. R. Tipping, Sergeant W. N. Carson, Sergeant A. J. Tillick, Sergeant J. W. Neale, Gunner G. Playfair, Sergeant A. H. Boyce, Bombardier R. A. C. Hollis, Bombardier L. W. Fleetwood, Bombardier P. W. Hilson, Bombardier C. M. Ollivier, Bombardier H. K. Parkes, Bombardier C. C. Pipson, Sergeant H. J. Bradford, Sergeant G. B. Morpeth, Quartermaster Sergeant J. R. H. Biss, Gunner R. J. Mouat, Bombardier V. G. Astley, Gunner H. G. Curran, Sergeant D. C. D'Arcy, Bombardier A. C. Stedman, Bombardier S. J. Wilson, Sergeant L. J. Cornwall.

Additional Names.

Additional names released later are Infantry.—Corporal H. K. Anderson, Privates C. E. Canns, C. R. Hargrave. Artillery — Sergeants P. P. Hutt, I. J. Johnston, H. F. Willis.

MILITARY FORCES.

OFFICERS APPOINTED.

The following appointments and promotions of officers of the New Zealand Military Forces were gazetted recently:

Major J. W. Barry, N.Z.S.C., relinquishes the appointment of Officer Commanding Central Military District School of Instruction, Trentham and is appointed Staff Officer, Training, Central Military District Mobilisation Camp, Trentham.

Captain J. M. Reidy, N.Z.S.C., relinquishes the appointment of Adjutant, Mobilisation Camp, Trentham, and is appointed Commandant, Central Military District School of Instruction.

Captain R. B. Schulze, N.Z.T.S., relinquishes the appointment of General Staff Officer, 3rd Grade, Central Military District, Wellington, and is appointed Adjutant, Mobilisation Camp, Trentham.

Lieutenant D. Curtis, N.Z.S.C., is appointed instructor, Central Military District School of Instruction, Trentham.

Lieutenant A. Molineaux, N.Z.S.C., is appointed General Staff Officer, 3rd Grade, Central Military District, Wellington.

CAMP TRAINING.

Following are the officers and non-commissioned officers of Class II. National Military Reserve from No. 1 (Auckland) Area, who will be attending the month's course of instruction at the District School, Narrow Neck as from June 1.—

Officers.—Lieutenant-Colonel R. Tilsley, Captain J. B. Cranston, Lieutenants R. D. Boyes, F. J. Sherwood, G. Aking, C. McManus, J. H. Catchpole, S. G. James.

Non-commissioned Officers.—A. J. Cracker, J. W. Brown, A. A. Steel, T. J. Ronald, A. E. Adams, T. Roberts, A. N. Blucher, W. Hamilton.

FURTHER PERFORMANCES BY THE GUARDS COY.

For patriotic purposes and for the sake of variety and good fun, selected members of the National Guards Coy. took part in tableaux and dance numbers during the programmes of two recent Sunday night concerts at the De Luxe Theatre. Acting on instructions from Major Eric Reeves M.C., O.C., Area 5, Pte. L. M. Buick-Constable who has had considerable stage experience in civilian life, arranged that the following Diggers, in co-operation with pupils of Miss Hazel Martin's Studios and members of the St. John Ambulance, were able to give a very good account of themselves: L/Cpl Pat Smith, Ptes. McKnight, Russell, Goldsmith and Ritchie.

In one advanced dressing station tableau, staged in connection with the local Sick and Wounded Fund, the boys were clothed in old uniforms that had been plentifully besmeared with orange mud, and torn to represent wounded just in from the field of battle. L/Cpl. Pat. Smith, who was supporting himself quite professionally on crutches, looked a sorry sight with a "shattered leg" beautifully bandaged by capable Red Cross sisters; Pte McKnight grinned cheerily from a "blood-stained" and tattered tunic, with his left arm in a sling; Pte. Goldsmith calmly smoked a fag whilst a nurse bandaged an arm and Pte Russell, whose face could hardly be seen, appeared to be a chronic case of "shrapnel in the head." Altogether it was a brave but grim reminder of what the men of the B.E.F. are putting up with in France.

These Sunday night concerts are always popular and it was a large and extraordinary enthusiastic audience that continually applauded the work of this small band of Home Defence boys, some of whom have been on active service since the outbreak of war.

FOR THE SOLDIERS

Repertory Concert Party At Palmer Head

By special request the Wellington Repertory concert party gave an afternoon performance recently for officers and men stationed at Palmer Head. As the men are on duty at night, it was necessary to give the concert during the day, 25 members of the party going out by car. The items were extremely popular, "Gay Paree" and "Waltzes from Firefly" receiving special applause. A number of sketches and choruses were presented and an orchestra provided the music. At the conclusion of the concert, Captain H. G. Thomas, commanding officer, thanked the performers for an enjoyable afternoon. Later they were the guests of the officers at afternoon tea. Mr. Eric Harrison was the producer, Mr. Lindsay Arlow controlled the lighting, Miss Marjorie Vause, the ballets and Miss Patricia Gledhill, the wardrobe.

Spinsters' Club.

Another enjoyable afternoon was spent on Sunday in Wellington, at the usual Sunday afternoon entertainment arranged for men on leave by the Spinsters' Club. More than 200 people were present in the studio and at tea time the men assisted the girls in serving a savoury buffet meal. A number of men from the Air Force were welcomed and besides the many soldiers present, there were several officers from Trentham Camp. Singing, music and

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games were enjoyed and there was an exhibition of fencing. Brackets songs, given by two of the men, were enthusiastically received.

Dance for Fort Dorset Men.

The fourth of a series of dances given by the Fort Dorset Officers' Association recently in the Seaton Junior Club. There were 100 dancers present and an orchestra supplied the music. The master of ceremonies was Captain John Marshall. A home-supper was served and the dancing under the direction of the president, Mrs. D. A. Carty, arranged for the evening's entertainment.

VICTORIA CROSSES AWARDED

First Of War To Captain Killed At Narvik

MISSING R.A.F. MEN HONOURED

British Official Wireless and Press

LONDON, June 14.

The first Victoria Cross for the war has been awarded to Captain Warburton Lee, who took the destroyer Hardy into Narvik in April on his own responsibility, was killed in the resultant action.

Other Victoria Crosses have been awarded to two members of the R.A.F., both of whom have been posted missing.

Captain Warburton Lee lost his ship in the first attack on Narvik, led his destroyer flotilla into the bay in spite of its occupation by the superior enemy forces. Falling on the wounded by a shell which hit the bow of his ship, the Hardy, his last words were "Continue to engage the enemy."

Victoria Crosses have been awarded to Flying Officer Donald Edwards, who was posted missing, and observer respectively of the formation of a formation of five Hurricanes which successfully attacked a vital bridge over the Albert Canal which was used by the Germans to enter Belgium. The awards were issued that the bridge was destroyed at all costs. A squadron of the advanced striking force was ordered to draw lots. Only one of the planes returned.

Flying Officer Garland was killed in Wicklow, Eire, in 1918, his home was in Yorkshire. Sergeant Gray was killed in 1914. Much of the success of the attack on the bridge was due to the fact as they led the formation in such a manner that the whole formation was successfully to attack the target, despite the heavy subsequent loss.

Captain B. A. W. Warburton-Lee, who, had he lived, would have celebrated last month 32 years in the Royal Navy, spent most of his sea-going career on destroyers.

As a cadet he passed out at the end of his term from the training ship, HMS. Taube, in December, 1912. At the beginning of the Great War he was a shipman in H.M.S. Hyacinth, and later on the Cape and East Africa. Later, he served as sub-lieutenant in the destroyers Maresfield, Mischief and Wrestler.

Apart from courses and periods of service in large ships, most of his time since 1918 has been spent in the Walpole, Valerian, Witch. He was serving in the Walpole when he was promoted captain in 1930, 1936.

Captain Warburton-Lee's first command in that rank was the cruiser HMS. Kinross as flag-captain and chief of staff of the vice-admiral commanding the Home Fleet. He joined the Hardy in February, 1938, and subsequently came over to the Effingham when she became the flagship. When the war broke out Captain Warburton-Lee was engaged in a tactical course, and it was a few months ago that he was appointed to H.M.S. Hardy as captain of the destroyer flotilla led by her.

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 Your many blessings, every gift will fly,
 You will be singing as the days go by."

People in many lands are toiling under burdens which threaten to overwhelm them. They are bowed under a cross so heavy that it seems as though they will never again be able to lift their eyes to behold the blue sky and the sunshine. We, here in our favoured land, have our difficulties, but as we think of those less fortunate than ourselves, how our hearts are drawn into insignificance, and our hearts in thankfulness to God for our well favoured conditions.

Think of the homeless refugees, deprived of everything in the world, a few hours, fleeing before the enemy and being crushed before the juggernaut of war. Think of the heroes of Flanders, doggedly fighting up against overwhelming odds, fighting every inch of the road.

Think of them waiting on the beaches to be taken off to the other side of the world, in the heart-breaking news that they must wait another day with its bombardment before their eyes are to embark. Think of them, day by day, risking their lives to take them off in little boats and to transport them to the other side of the world, to never more see home.

But think, too, of those who said to the troubled waters of the Channel, "Peace, be it there was a great calm." They were able boats to operate in the midst of the hand which drew a veil of fog over the scene and the eyes of the destroying angels. Even in these incidents we praise God for His goodness. And no matter how great the calamity may be, let us think of the "bearing His cross went to the place called Golgotha" uncomplained under its weight and as compelled to bear it for us.

Mr. Gordon Blair has not yet sufficiently to enable him to control of the work in the Hut, but he can do so Mr. Les Taylor taking the responsibility. He Taylor can sing very pleasantly and should prove popular at the next Sunday evening Mr. Taylor from the 15th chapter of the Gospel on "the lost coin," and out the guilt of all and the burden of anyone to better his confession before God apart from salvation through the crucified Christ. We remember Mr. Blair at this time and may soon be restored to the Hut and in the meantime appeal to the generosity of Mrs. A. Queree, of Wellington, an electric machine has been installed at the Hut, and has proved very popular. Mrs. Queree's husband was

THERE'LL NEVER BE A 'MORROW.

Come on, Diggers!
 There's a job to do.
 There's a clear call from the Empire
 To see this business through.
 Remember what your fathers did
 You can do again and better!
 Remember that the bloody Reich
 Is out to win the world—
 Let this be her vendetta!
 There'll be bloodshed,
 There'll be horror;
 There'll never be a 'morrow
 If once the Huns break through . . .
 So, come on, Diggers,
 Pull together—
 We've got a job to do!
 —Lindsay M. Constable.

WHITE RAIN.

The skies relented
 And on the dusty road there fell
 The sweet white rain.
 I let my head drop back, my mouth
 apart,
 And let it wash my face away.
 The men in front
 The men behind
 Did likewise.
 It was like a Mary—caress,
 So Beautiful, so Kind, so Gentle . . .
 I felt renewed.
 I straightened up
 And marched ahead with firmer step,
 And with clearer brain and vision
 Saw the scenery
 For the first time fully.
 The white rain fell
 And wet my tunic
 Drowned the dust
 And made the green grass brighter.
 Made my pack seem lighter . . .
 O, march on, soldier!
 And let the white rain fall.
 —Lindsay M. Constable.

THOUSANDTH RECRUIT

Featherston Street Depot

Since the recruiting depot in Featherston Street, Wellington, opened a little more than four months ago, 1000 men have enlisted there. It was half an hour before the depot closed on 6th instant that the thousandth recruit was enrolled, the last for the day. He happened to be James Philip Thurston, public servant, aged 22.

Mr. Thurston was handed a shilling by the recruiting officer, Sergeant J. Meldrum. A citizen who had heard that the office was about to enroll its thousandth recruit had given the officer a shilling with the request that it be presented to the recruit with a wish for luck. This gesture is a reminder of the famous formality of taking the "King's shilling," with which English recruits to the Army bound themselves to serve. During the Great War recruits in New Zealand were immediately given five shillings, but now they receive nothing immediately.

a frequent visitor at the Hut before he sailed with the Second Echelon, and all join in thanking her most heartily for her practical interest in the boys and in the work of the Hut.

YULE SMILE

THE COLONEL'S GOOD ONE!
 "While watching the German lines one day," said the old colonel, "I saw a German guarding an ammunition dump. Picking up a rifle, I fired a quick shot, knocking the cigarette lighter he was holding out of his hand.
 "I took careful aim and fired again—but I'm almost ashamed to tell you the rest of the story. I had to shoot five times before I spun the wheel of the lighter, lit it, and blew up the dump."

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Smithy, hard nut of the company, was stopped by an officer whom he had not saluted. "Why don't you show respect? I have hundreds of men under me, and they all salute me," said the officer.

"That's nothing," said Smithy. "Back home I had thousands under me, and they never saluted."

The officer (impressed): "What was your job?"

"Mowing the grass in the cemetery," replied Smith.

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Walking through the camp, the new militiaman passed a newly-fledged officer without saluting him. "Don't you know you must salute an officer?"

"Yes, sir," meekly replied the private.

"Right. So that you won't forget next time, you can start right away and salute me . . . a hundred times."

The private began. He had reached twenty when a senior officer butted in and inquired what was going on. The young officer blushing explained.

The senior officer smiled. "H'm. Very good. But all the time I've been in the Army I've always understood that an officer must return a salute. So we'll start all over again . . . and I'll see that it's done properly this time."

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The live-wire salesman walked into the factory and said to the manager: "I want to sell your men my course on 'How to put fire and sparkle into your work.'"

"Not much you don't," said the manager. "This is a shell-filling factory."

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"Good morning," said the tramp. "Has the doctor any old trousers he does not require?"

"No, I'm afraid they would not fit you," replied the lady of the house with a smile.

"I'm very handy with a needle," answered the tramp.

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"Well, if you must know," replied the lady, "I happen to be the doctor."

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UNIFORMITY IN ARMY TRAINING

Series Of Demonstrations By Special Platoon

MEN TO BE DRAFTED SOON AS INSTRUCTORS

A series of demonstrations at mobilization camps in the three military districts is being given by a platoon of the New Zealand Regular Forces, trained at the Army School of Instruction, Trentham. The object of the demonstrations is to bring about uniformity in all branches of military training throughout the Dominion. The platoon consists of 23 men who have recently been trained at the Army School as instructors and will shortly be drafted to camps to help train N.Z.E.F. troops.

Recently on the Army School parade ground the platoon gave a demonstration before third echelon troops from the Central District Mobilization Camp. All ranks attended a demonstration of squad drill and physical training in the morning, and in the afternoon officers and n.c.o.'s from the Mobilization Camp and some units not available in the morning witnessed a repetition of the syllabus. The splendid physique and efficiency of the platoon are outstanding characteristics and the smartness with which they carried out all movements was impressive.

For the squad drill they were under the command of Lieutenant G. F. McCulloch, N.Z.P.S., and for the physical training demonstration under Staff Sergeant-Major W.O.H. W. C. Douglas, N.Z.P.S. Both these instructors will accompany the platoon on its visits to other camps.

In the squad drill section Lieutenant McCulloch explained the method for teaching recruits various elements of marching such as the halt, about turn right and left turn, and wheel, and so on. During the afternoon session the platoon carried out several movements at the request of officers and non-commissioned officers in the audience.

After the squad drill the platoon changed into shorts, canvas shoes and gymnasium singlets for the physical training display. They carried out a large number of exercises and also demonstrated several organized games.

IMPORTANCE OF DRILL.

A short address on the importance of drill in military education was given by Major A. H. L. Sugden, N.Z.S.C., Officer Commanding the

Army School, before the commencement of the morning demonstration. Soldiers were not taught drill just to allow officers and n.c.o.'s to shout at them, but for three important reasons, he said. First, all military units moved from one place to another by orderly movement and that orderly movement could only be learnt by drill. Second, the teaching of drill on the barrack square laid the foundations of discipline, and the soldier learnt the importance of instant and instinctive obedience to orders. It had to be remembered that thorough training and good discipline meant fewer casualties in the field. Third, it taught self-control and endurance.

Speaking of the physical training display, Major Sugden said that in the Army method of teaching physical training, the object was not to produce bulging muscles, but to teach a man to move quickly and to produce in the soldier stamina and endurance. The physical training tables were designed to develop harmoniously every part of the body, including the heart and lungs (the most important) and other internal organs. Stressing the value of physical fitness, Major Sugden said it was no use troops being expert with the weapons with which they were armed if they were not in a fit state to use them when they arrived at the place where they would be used.

"The attainment of physical fitness lie with yourselves," he said. "Your instructors will teach you physical exercises and show you how they are performed, but the results on your own body depend on yourselves. In other words, it is up to every individual man to put his best into it. You officers and n.c.o.'s should ask your men to do the exercises themselves and not wait for the physical training period. They should regard it as a point of honour to make themselves physically fit."

TRAINING OFFICERS CONFER.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, 21st and 22nd May, the staff officer responsible for training in each mobilization camp, and officers commanding district schools of instruction, assembled at the Army School, Trentham, to watch certain demonstrations by the platoon and to exchange ideas on methods of training. Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. Conway, N.Z.S.C., General Staff Officer, and Lieutenant-Colonel J. R. Sherston, Army Headquarters, were present, and officers in attendance were as follows:—Northern District: Major W. Murphy, M.C., N.Z.S.C.; Major D. E. Bremner, M.C., N.Z.S.C. Central District: Lieutenant-Colonel A. S. Wilder, D.S.O., M.C., V.D.; Lieutenant-Colonel L. H. Jardine, D.S.O., M.C.; Major J. W. Barry, N.Z.S.C.; Captain J. M. Reidy, N.Z.S.C. Southern District: Major A. J. Moore, N.Z.S.C.; Captain R. J. Eyre, N.Z.S.C.

PAPAKURA INNOVATION

THREE CHANGES WEEKLY

Admission Charge Made

Seating 500, the up-to-date theatre which has been built at Papakura for officers, soldiers and nurses is now being used nightly for the screening of motion pictures. After the building itself was completed some time ago, there was a delay in acquiring the necessary apparatus. However, this has now been installed, and going to the theatre has already become a recognised and popular part of camp life.

Because it would take very few days for all those in camp to see any one picture, the programme is changed thrice weekly. Films being used are ones which screened in the city fairly recently, and there is no complaint from the soldiers about the entertainment being offered.

Admission of 6d. is charged and the theatre is open to anybody in the camp on any night. Before the opening of the theatre, it was the practice to offer concerts to the men by units, since the accommodation available did not allow general admission.

The interior of the theatre is thoroughly in accord with modern practice, although, of course, the walls are of wood. Up to dado rail height they have been painted light green and from there up to the lath form of ventilation are cream. Powerful electric fans have been placed at intervals along the walls to keep the air fresh.

Lights are suspended into cheerful shades and the footlights and side-lights are coloured, with alternative systems of switching them on in pattern. Coloured hangings relieve the sides of the screen. The chairs, although not padded, are comfortable, and far better than forms. Smoking is not allowed.

AIR FORCE BAND

Crowded houses attended the two concerts given in the Grand Opera House, Wellington, yesterday by the Royal New Zealand Air Force Band. The band which has been considerably strengthened, now has a strength of 57. The proceeds from the concert will be given to the Air Force Relations Committee and the Metropolitan Patriotic Fund.

The band paraded at Parliament Buildings at 2 p.m. and marched along Lambton Quay, Willis Street and Manners Street to the Opera House. The parade was under the command of Squadron Leader B. T. Shiel, with Flying Officer T. Kirk-Burnnand as bandmaster.

THE DEMOCRAT.

Her son had joined the Army as a private. On a visit to the barracks she stepped out of a magnificent car, looked approvingly at the sentry, and then said: "I want to see my son, the Hon. Launcelot Cholmondeley Regiment."

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ACE KILLED

Flying Officer Kain In Accident

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New Zealand's ace war pilot, Flying Officer Edgar James ("Cobber") Kain, D.F.C., is dead. Ad- vis effect has been received from Mr. R. G. Kain, Wellington, in a cable from the Air Ministry, which states that the death was the result of an air-ident. The profound sym- he Air Council is convey- and Mrs. Kain and family.

Flying Officer Kain's death received with deep sorrow first flashed into the news November as the result of a single-handed action in which he shot down a Dornier reconnais- e. Flying Officer Kain has figure symbolic of the cour- ing with which the succes- Anzacs of 1914-1918 have rms in defence of freedom- acy. Recently his record of t down 40 German planes with the best individual ts of the R.A.F.

Hastings 22 years ago. Fly Kain was educated at Croy- Day's Bay, Eastbourne, and at Christ's College h, where he was a boarder ouse from 1933 till 1935. he trained at Rongotai Wellington, under Squad- G. L. Stedman. He com- raining at Wigram Aero- church, where he took his ward the end of 1936. He land shortly afterward

with his parents. He qualified for the R.A.F. on arrival, and on December 21 of that year went into training camp at Blackburn. After three months here he was posted to Uxbridge, where he qualified as a pilot officer.

It was on November 10 that New Zealanders first heard how a young New Zealand pilot, whom Daventry described as "tall, dark-haired with a beaky nose," shot down a Dornier reconnaissance plane at a height of five miles above an R.A.F. aerodrome in France. He was subsequently identi- fied as Flying Officer Kain.

Story of First Fight.

Describing the fight, "The Times" said: "The young pilot took off alone and climbed steeply in the face of fire from a German gunner in the tail of the enemy machine. The New Zealander held his own fire till he was at close range, and then loosed a single burst which put out of action the enemy's port motor. The German banked, climbed again, and opened fire. The New Zealand pilot felt the bullets humming by his head. He then at- tacked again at a range of 250 yards with a long burst from his guns. He closed in to 50 yards and gave the Ger- mans full bursts.

"After nearly colliding with him, the Dornier plunged into a steep, straight dive, and the New Zealander followed at an incredible speed. A wing of the German plane struck a house and the machine crashed in the main street of a village with the engine full on. It tore a trench 10ft. deep and burst into flames. The bodies of the occupants were thrown 100 yards away."

Fragments of the Dornier machine were subsequently distributed as sou- venirs. Soon after this incident French troops conferred on Flying Of- ficer Kain, Lindbergh's nickname, "the flying fool," because his control of his machine was so perfect that he could "sweep off his comrades' caps."

Early in March Flying Officer Kain shot down a Messerschmitt, bringing his total to three. A correspondent of the "Daily Mail" wrote of him: "This amazing young man, who now has three Nazi machines to his credit, wanted to go up again on Sunday, but his commanding officer would not allow him. His mascot is a little jade image suspended from his neck, an old iiki, or Maori god."

Wounded in Leg.

Later in the same month he brought down two more Nazi planes and be- came the ace of the R.A.F. It was in this engagement that he had to land by parachute after his plane had been shot down in flames. He was later found to have several shrapnel holes in his leg. A correspondent of the Aus- tralian Associated Press with the R.A.F. wrote: "The ground staff 'wrote off' 'Cobber' when his blazing plane disappeared into a cloud bank, but he turned up in the mess of a tiny French village that night, his face brick-red from burning oil, his eyebrows singed, bandages on a leg and a hand, and his hair still streaked with oil."

On March 29 it was announced that His Majesty the King had awarded Flying Officer Kain the Distinguished Flying Cross for gallantry in opera- tions against the enemy. In a letter to his parents, written on February 11 he said that there was very little do- ing at the time of writing. He men- tioned that a few days previously B.B.C. representatives visited his post and took a recorded description of one of his flights on patrol. He afterward gave an account of two "scraps," which was also to be broadcast. "Life tends to get very boring out here with all this inactivity," wrote the airman, "but I expect when the weather im- proves things will begin to buck up."

In April his engagement to Miss Joyce Phillips, an actress appearing in repertory at Petersborough, was an- nounced. It was stated that the wed- ding would take place, possibly in June. Flying Officer Kain's mother and sister are at present on their way to England.

Tally of Planes.

With the outbreak of major hostil- ities on the Western Front last month, Flying Officer Kain again figured in the news. On May 23 his "bag" was reported to be 25. On May 27 it was reported that three R.A.F. pilots had shot down nearly 100 German planes between them in battles on the West- ern Front. "Cobber" Kain's bag was believed to exceed 40.

How he came to be called "Cobber" was a mystery to his relatives in Wel- lington, among whom he was known as "Eddie." They assume that it must have been bestowed on him by his Australian friends in the Royal Air Force, perhaps because of the alliter- ation and because he was a good com- panion to have along the highways of the sky.

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The club expresses appreciation of two hampers for supper received from the Upper Hutt and Masterton branches of the Women's Division of the Wellington District Farmers' Union.

Miss Dawn Mazengarb was in charge of the dancing on Friday night and Misses Valmai Richardson and Cardale on Saturday night.

NATIONAL CLUB HOSPITALITY

Arrangements for the entertainment of soldiers at the National Club on Sunday were in the hands of the following club members, under the super- vision of Mrs. Guy Johnston: Mes- dames C. M. Banks, J. M. Griffiths, R. Johnston, and the Misses M. Gould, S. Banks and L. Ivory. The club is becom- ing increasingly popular as evidenced by the numbers that make use of the comfortable rooms each weekend.

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A member of the Islington studios' technical staff who was engaged on the Gang's third film, "Frozen Limits," now at the State Theatre, has, during the course of his association with the boys, made a study of their pet gags perpetrated principally on visitors.

So, if you are lucky—or unlucky—enough to be received in the presence of the team Nervo and Knox, Flanagan and Allen, Naughton and Gold, look out for the following gags, which are almost certain to be played on you. Here they are, in order of precedence:—

Cutting the finger tops off your gloves. Putting a coat of black grease paint round the rim of your hat. Tying your shoe laces together. Drenching you with a concealed water squirter. Salting your coffee or tea. Bangers in your cigarettes. Putting a bag of water in your pocket. Wet sponges on seats. Cutting an inch off your trousers.

To their fellow-artists in "Frozen Limits" and in the Paladium crazy shows, the Gang has a special list of tricks of which many notable stars have fallen victims.

In this film Syd Walker unravels another human problem just as he did thousands of others over the B.B.C., London. In the "Band Waggon" series every week for twelve months Walker received thousands of post-cards in answer to his weekly appeal,

"What Would You Do, Chums?" and this lovable fruity, friendly, Cockney junk man with his tales of curious how-do-ye-do's comes to the screen in a film titled the question he has asked millions of radio fans, "What would you do, Chums?" at the State Theatre.

He relates in a hospital the story of a five-year-old episode and the question is what would you do in such a case? The logical reasoning of this junk-man-philosophy proved correct for the central character of the narrative appears unexpectedly as a nurse on the scene of the tale-telling, and once more this fellow of the world rejoices in another deed of goodness.

The supporting cast includes Cyril Chamberlain, Jack Barty, Wally Patch, Julian Vedey, Lenard Morris, Andrea Malandrinos, Peter Gawthorne, Gus McNaughton, Arthur Finn, and George Street.

The feminine lead is played by versatile Jean Gillie, the girl whose giggle in "Brewster's Millions" endeared her to a million hearts. She is young, very lovely, quite unspoiled by her success and with the powers of extraordinary acting ability for a comparative newcomer to the screen.

KING'S THEATRE.

"REBECCA."

OUTSTANDING FILM THRILLER
WITH CAST OF
BRILLIANT STARS.

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 Manderley, 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 overtones. 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

"HIS GIRL FRIDAY."

The year's wildest, wittiest whirlwind of romance is, according to ecstatic advance reports, contained in "His Girl Friday," which is being shown at the Tudor Theatre from Friday. Cary

Grant and Rosalind Russell are the principals, and Ralph Bellamy is featured. Well known for his work for comedy and fast-moving drama, Howard Hawks was the director.

From the Columbia studios, "Girl Friday" is brilliantly interwoven with romance and fun. Grant is as the maddest man who ever ran a newspaper, Rosalind Russell is his precious, captivating ace reporter, and Bellamy the fuming fretting insurance agent to whom the newspaper is engaged. Against a background of drama and tragedy, these three people move through exciting hilarious events which climax each other in a breath-taking manner.

"Five Little Peppers at Home" is the first New Zealand screening, an associate feature.

FORT DORSET.

KUTE HUT BIG DANCE FOR THE WOUNDED AND DISTRESS FUND.

The Fort Dorset Kute Hut Committee are giving a big dance on Wednesday, June 19th, at Assembly Rooms, Brougham Street, the proceeds of which will go to swell the Wounded and Distress Fund.

This dance has the full support of the Seatoun Red Cross who have expressed themselves delighted at the magnificent offer of the Boys' Own Club who offered their full support and cooperation. Les Henry's orchestra will be in attendance and a good evening of dancing is assured. All fellow citizens, sailors and airmen are invited to come.

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