

NEW CLUBROOMS

Opened At Weekend For Men Of Forces

Much interest was aroused among men of the three fighting services and girls belonging to the club, when large crowds visited the newly-opened premises of the A.N.A. Club in Wellington this weekend. On both Friday night, when the rooms were used for the first time, and on Saturday, those present made full use of the excellent facilities offered, and all spent a thoroughly enjoyable time.

There is no doubt that the new club in Willis Street is a vast improvement on that previously occupied. It is a club in the true sense of the word, offering recreational facilities, as it does, to men of the Army, Navy and Air Force. Besides the large ballroom, there is an "overflow" dance room, with loudspeaker, to accommodate the large number of dancers, a spacious combined cafeteria and lounge room, sports room, kitchen and cloakroom.

The walls throughout are painted in a cool pastel green and bowl lights give a softened lighting effect. The chairs and tables in the cafeteria are painted blue and primrose yellow, and at the weekend lovely bowls of flowers added a homelike touch to the room, which was arranged in one part with deep, comfortable chairs and lounges, tables and magazines. In the kitchen, from which light meals and morning and afternoon teas will be served, modern cooking appliances are installed. There is an adequate hot-water system, gas ovens and large toaster, plenty of cupboard space and tables.

Appointments in the games room are not yet completed, but by the middle of the week they will be ready, and here men may enjoy billiards, table tennis, quoits, darts and card games. If they wish to write letters, note-paper provided by the club will be available. In the men's cloakroom a pigeonhole system of shelves makes the business of dealing with many hundreds of greatcoats and hats a simple one. Two cloakrooms are available for the use of girl members.

Besides being open on Friday and Saturday night, the club was open to the men all day yesterday, and will continue to be open all days of the week from now on. An official opening ceremony is planned to take place shortly.

MEN OF THE FORCES

150 Enjoying Sunday Hospitality

On Sunday last 150 men from all arms of the fighting services gathered in the lounge of the Wellington Y.M.C.A. to enjoy the hospitality provided for them by women of the Khandallah Presbyterian Church, under the leadership of their president, Mrs. Hudson. The chairman was Mr. J. G. Smith, who was accompanied by Mrs. Smith, and associated with him were the Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Scott and Mr. C. A. R. Brunt.

In welcoming the men Mr. Smith mentioned that a free membership was extended to all men of the forces, and that all the facilities of the Y.M.C.A. were open to them at all times. It might be of interest to know that Y.M.C.A. huts were established in 11 military camps, and six in Air Force training centres. In the Air Force camps the Y.M.C.A. conducted a post office which was kept open all hours, whereas the official postal service was restricted to the usual Post Office hours. This extra facility provided by the Y.M.C.A. was much appreciated. Mr. Smith mentioned that already there were 13 Y.M.C.A. secretaries overseas with the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

A pleasant musical programme was provided, vocal items being given by Mrs. Fettes, Mr. O. Dyer and Mr. J. P. Mackay, the accompanists being Miss Isa Anderson and Miss Finlay. A vocal

ARMY HOSTEL

Aucklander's Gift

OWNER'S GENEROUS ACTION

An offer by Mr. H. J. Butcher to provide two floors of a building in Poynton Terrace, off Pitt Street, free of rent for five years or longer, to be used as a hostel for men of the fighting services, was accepted at a meeting of the executive and finance sub-committee of the Auckland Metropolitan Patriotic Committee recently. It will provide accommodation for 58 men.

In recommending that the generous offer of Mr. Butcher should be accepted, the sub-committee suggested that the service of Mr. Butcher and of the president of the Commercial Travellers' Association should be co-opted. The augmented sub-committee should then be empowered to proceed with a campaign to endeavour to hand over the building properly equipped and free of cost to the controlling authority, the Metropolitan Committee.

It was also suggested that management of the building should be vested in the Commercial Traveller's Association. Application would be made to army headquarters for soldier personnel to act as cooks and stewards at the hostel. These would consist of one non-commissioned officer and four privates drawn from the National Military Reserve.

"Carrie Army Hostel"

A suggestion by Mr. Butcher that the hostel should be called the "Carrie Army Hostel" in memory of his late wife also was recommended.

Colonel T. H. Dawson said sleeping accommodation and bathrooms would be provided on one floor, and dining room, lounge and kitchen on the other. He emphasised that the hostel would be available for men of all fighting services.

item was given by Gunner W. P. Wade, and an elocution item by Mrs. Reid. A community sing led by Mr. Hindle and accompanied by Mr. Mann, was enjoyed.

A very acceptable gift to the tea was received from the Parkvale (Carterton) branch of the Women's Institute, which, having read in the paper of the teas that were provided for the soldiers each week, sent a box of cakes as a donation to the work. Musical honours and three cheers for the hostess, the friends who had so kindly come to entertain them, and the Parkvale branch for its very kind thought terminated a pleasant gathering.

The war was over. Hitler's death had finished it. And the corporal who had helped to lay well and truly the body underground was describing the scene.

"The Germans put the coffin down twenty-five times," he said.

"Twenty-five times" echoed his listeners. "What for?"

"Encores," said the corporal.

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Officer to Tommy: "Did you call the sergeant a rogue, a liar, a highway robber and a vagabond?"

Tommy: "I did, sir."

"Did you call him a 'double-dyed twister?'"

"No, sir, I forgot that."

Everyman's Hut

"Say not the struggle naught availeth,
The labour and the wounds are vain;
The enemy faints not nor faileth,
And as things have been, they remain.

If hopes were dupes, fears may be liars,

It may be, in yon smoke concealed,
Your comrades chase e'en now the flyers,
And but for you possess the field.

For while the tired waves, vainly breaking,

Seem here no painful inch to gain,
Far back through creeks and inlets making

Comes, silent flooding in, the main.

And not through eastern windows only

When daylight comes, comes in the light,

In front the sun climbs slow, how slowly,

But westward, look, the land is bright."

—Clough

Victories are won, and great things are accomplished not by the isolated efforts of the individual, but the combined efforts of the few or many, all striving towards a common objective under a supreme command. Each has his own particular task, the accomplishing of which is marked by his own individuality and none can do the other's work, yet for success each is dependent upon all the others. The final result is measured, not by the success or failure of the individual, but by the effect of the combined efforts of all.

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Team work, for that is what it really is, calls for the exercise of trust and patience—trust in the higher command and in fellow-workers, and patience to go on, even when one's own efforts appears to be in vain. It calls for personal sacrifice, and the setting aside of personal desires, the willingness to suit one's own identity for the good of all, and the final success of the undertaking, but the reward is the assurance of a fight well fought, a race well run.

May God enable us all throughout the Empire, to go on trusting Him, submitting ourselves to His correction, His guidance and instruction and testing, until we come forth as a people fitted to do His will on earth and owning His Son as our Redeemer and King.

Mr. Les Taylor has now taken over the work at the Hut, and is using the quiet time to get settled down, renewing old friendships and forming new ones. May he prove a blessing to the men with whom he will come in contact.

Diggers in Palestine plant seeds outside their tents. Evidently they are digging in.

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