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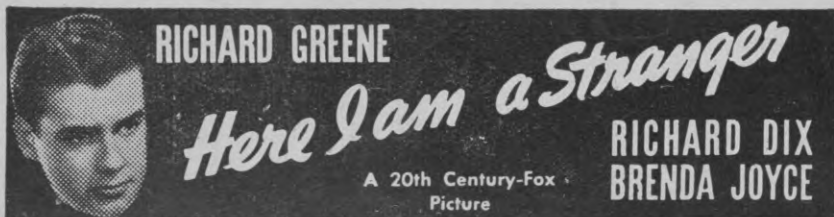


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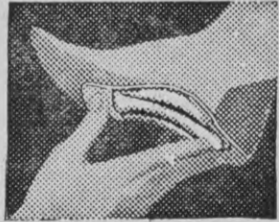
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**A Personal
Message to
Every Soldier**

From
Col. R. A. Row
D.S.O.
Commanding Central
Military District

Other writers have expressed, through the columns of “Camp News,” the necessity for a steady flow of recruits to maintain the 2nd N.Z.E.F. which is to serve overseas in the cause of democracy. There is no need to refer to the reasons that have brought about this second great conflict in which we are involved. Nor is it necessary to refer to the duty able-bodied men owe to the country and Empire in which they live. So far, you have done your duty by volunteering to serve your King and New Zealand wherever you are required, but it is now your further duty to make yourselves efficient soldiers.

It is all too common nowadays for people to express opinions on subjects of which they have very little or no knowledge, and it has been frequently said that a soldier can be fully trained in a few weeks. This is wrong, as no doubt most of you are now realising. Although the army of to-day is an army of specialists, the foundation of training is and always will be discipline. The efficiency of units is in direct relation to the standard of discipline, and, what is most important, the casualty lists of units bear a definite relationship to their standards of efficiency. The opinion has often been expressed that had the 1st New Zealand Infantry Brigade in 1915, when it landed on Gallipoli, been trained to the same standard of efficiency as the New Zealand Division in France in the later years of the Great War, the casualty lists would have been halved. With that opinion I entirely agree. Discipline is the foundation of efficiency, and efficiency means fewer casualties. Your training in Trentham is your preliminary training in preparation for the advanced work you will be given overseas. See to it that the foundation is sound, because on that sound foundation—for which, at times, the training may seem irksome—the final efficiency of your unit depends, and I repeat, on that efficiency, the casualty lists.

To officers I would say this: You carry a heavy responsibility—the lives of the men you command. A mistake on your part, or hesitancy in a critical situation, may mean the loss of valuable lives. This is largely a matter of training, and it behoves you to take advantage of every opportunity offered to improve your knowledge of the art of war. Officers are also directly responsible for the welfare of their men, and it is a matter of honour with officers worthy of their commissions that the welfare of their men come before any thought of themselves. Their motto is “Selfishness.” Without thorough training an officer cannot do justice to the men he commands. The principles of war are the same to-day as in the days of Hannibal, but the application of those principles and the tactical handling of troops and weapons both in and out of battle have changed very considerably and are subject-matters for much intensive study before an officer is capable of doing his duty to the men he commands.

In conclusion, a soldier's life is a real man's life, demanding and bringing out all the very best in a man—tolerance, leadership, endurance, courage, consideration for others, and giving in return true comradeship, such is very seldom experienced in civil life, and adventure. My advice to you young soldiers is at all times to do your jobs cheerfully and to the best of your ability, whatever job that may be. Be loyal to your comrades and your unit, play the game, and always remember you represent New Zealand.

Ricochets

The sink of iniquity: German pedoeing of unarmed neutrals.

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Berlin radio announces that girls can marry dead men. no escape?

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In Europe spring will be part of Leap Year.

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New Zealand knows her France will rise to the occasion.

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War sees exodus from Street. Evacuation of The

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News item: “Strength threatened.” We'll have strength of that.

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Holidays are the slacks girls.

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Hitler specialises in sabre-

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Nazi outburst warn us that in the roaring Forties.

A.N.A. CLUB EVENINGS

The attendances at the A.N.A. Club, Wellington, prove popularity of the Friday and day night dances is steadily increasing as the club becomes better known. More than 300 attended on last week, and an enjoyable evening spent by members of the club.

If the troops are not out of that time, it is proposed to dance in the Town Hall on February 24.

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SEARCH FOR CHEST DEFECTS

X-Ray Photographs Of Soldiers In Camp

"Take your breath in, keep your shoulders down, hold your breath; thank you." Just as much time as it takes to say these words is occupied in taking an X-ray photograph of the chest of any of the men now in the Central District Mobilization Camp, Trentham. Sixty to 70 are being put through daily. The purpose of the X-ray photographs is to reveal early tuberculosis, if any, or other chest defects in troops enlisted to serve overseas.

The men stand stripped to the waist, chest against a plate and the X-ray photograph is taken within a few seconds and then passed through to the developing room which is part of the newly completed general hospital X-ray block at the camp.

The regimental number of each man is on the plate as he is photographed and appears on the X-ray plate when it is developed.

The whole of the work is done by the men of the Medical Corps—taking of men's personal records, photographing and developing. The negatives go to the Wellington Public Hospital for interpretation by a radiologist and chest specialist.

In six weeks it is hoped to put 2000 men through this test.

The negative and result of interpretation will be filed with each man's papers at the Records Office in Wellington.

The blood type of each man is defined and entered in his paybook. As a soldier always keeps his paybook on him, means that in the event of his being wounded and requiring a blood transfusion his book can be consulted, the blood type noted and a donor of the right type made available without delay.

Soldiers' Pay Allotment System

REGULATIONS EXPLAINED.

SUMS BANKED FOR SINGLE MEN.

"There seems to be some misconception of the regulations operating whereby soldiers are required to allot portions of their pay," said the Minister of Defence, the Hon. F. Jones.

The Minister said it had been decided that a minimum allotment of 2s. a day when in New Zealand and 4s. 6d. a day when overseas be made, and arrangements had been made whereby, in the case of single men with no dependants, these moneys are lodged to a Post Office Savings Bank account.

"In certain specific cases," said Mr. Jones, "an unmarried soldier may desire that the moneys be paid to a near relative or to a source other than a Post Office account, and if this desire is indicated on the allotment form which every soldier is required to fill

in, due consideration will be given to each case. In all such cases the allotments must be made to duly accredited persons."

In the matter of remittances to soldiers overseas of moneys that they have allotted and continue to allot to persons in New Zealand the procedure to be adopted is the same as that for any overseas remittances for commercial or other purposes.

For The Soldiers Lower Hutt Activities

A branch of the Wellington Patriotic Association has been formed at Lower Hutt. The meeting, which was largely attended, was called by Mrs. J. W. Andrews, Mayoress. Mrs. Andrews was appointed president, and Mrs. W. P. Carter secretary. A strong committee was set up. The branch has spent two days furnishing and completing hussifs for the Second Echelon, and members are now engaged in knitting work in their own homes. The next work of the branch will be the packing of parcels of comforts for New Zealand men overseas.



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NEW CANTEEN FOR TRENTHAM

Bar Sixty Feet Long

By the middle of February there will be complete in the Central District Mobilization Camp at Trentham a canteen which will have a 60ft. bar. The concrete foundations have been finished for the canteen, which will be 120ft by 50ft, with an extension wing 17ft by 85ft.

The supper-room of this building will be 120ft. long and almost as wide as the building. It will provide all the eating accommodation that the camp is likely to need. There will be a milk bar, 16ft. long, and a servery, 26ft. by 11ft. The beer store will be 32ft. by 17ft. There will be a corporals' room with slide on to a bar and measuring 25ft. by 16ft.

There will be a kitchen and food preparation rooms, covering 37ft. by 17ft. of floor space, and embodying all the latest equipment for the hygienic and speedy preparation of light supplies.

The building will be well lit and heated, and when complete will be one of the most handsome among the many large structures that are now a feature of this modern camp.

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SAFE ARRIVAL

First Echelon in Egypt

The safe arrival in Egypt of the first echelon of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force was announced on Monday night by the Deputy-Prime Minister, Mr. Fraser. The British Navy, he said, had again demonstrated its protective strength in safely conveying troops from the outposts of the British Commonwealth of Nations. The soldiers travelled in ships of the best class, and the naval escort was not only adequate but most imposing. The success of the organization associated with the embarkation of the troops in New Zealand was also mentioned by Mr. Fraser, who took the opportunity to define the Government's attitude on the general question of publicity as it affects the war.

"On behalf of the Prime Minister and the Government, it gives me great pleasure to announce that the First Echelon of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force has disembarked safely in Egypt," said Mr. Fraser. "The British Navy has again demonstrated its protective strength in safely conveying troops from the outposts of the British Commonwealth of Nations. It has done so in this instance just as efficiently as it guarded the transportation of the British Expeditionary Force across the English Channel to France.

"It is a great source of gratification and thankfulness to us all that our men have arrived safely, and, we are informed in good health and excellent spirits. They have gone overseas with the high purpose of serving personally in the struggle for democracy and civilization.

Stand For Freedom.

"They have literally, along with so many brave men from the United Kingdom and the other British Dominions, and in co-operation with our gallant French Allies, entered the lists against forces which if triumphant would overthrow everything that the people of New Zealand hold dear in our political, social, economic, moral and spiritual life, and which would reduce our country to the position of a vassal State, and our people to a condition of hopeless servitude.

"These gallant pioneers who have answered the call—a call inseparable from our nationhood, excited admiration when they marched through our cities on the eve of departure. They are typical New Zealanders—mostly by birth, some by adoption—and they have decided to stand shoulder to shoulder with the fighting men of every nation which is prepared to take a stand for international freedom because they hate bondage.

"The people of the Dominion will be glad to know that our soldiers travelled in ships of the best class. Having had the opportunity of inspecting them personally along with the Minister of Defence, I can vouch for that fact. Every possible provision was made for their comfort and well-being and they were generally provided for in a manner fit for men who are ready to perform the most immediate and by far the most important service possible in this nation's behalf. The naval escort was not only adequate but was most imposing.

Expeditious Dispatch.

"So many people were responsible for the organization necessary so successfully to complete the embarkation of the New Zealand soldiers that I could not even attempt to thank them individually. The community effort involved the service of many, including all those engaged in transport, and the workers on the waterfront and elsewhere. In this connexion there were some fine performances. The expeditious dispatch of a transport from Lyttelton necessitating all night work on the part of many men was an outstanding example. Comforts in great variety and in substantial quantity were placed on all ships by the National Patriotic Fund Board, and the generous-hearted citizens who made these gifts possible deserve our thanks. On behalf of the Government and the people of New Zealand I most sincerely thank all who assisted.

"This is a fitting opportunity to say a word on the subject of publicity in New Zealand as it affects the war, and

specially our own war effort. Everybody encounters rumours, sometimes of a most disturbing character, but generally merely mischievous. It is unfortunate that there appears to be no means of preventing the spread of these, but I earnestly counsel everyone to cultivate a habit of mind which will discourage their circulation.

Attitude To Publicity.

"The Director of Publicity has suggested that I should, in a few words, make plain the Government's attitude on the general question of publicity. It is not only our desire, but our set purpose, to give to the people of the Dominion the maximum of information consistent with the fullest regard for the safety of our troops and ships. For instance, every informed person in the community knew that troops had departed overseas, but it was our responsibility to prevent the publication of anything in any form which would be calculated to help the enemy to locate their position or to estimate the strength of the ships of war which formed part of the convoy. It is our responsibility to protect our men in every possible way, and, therefore, we adopt every conceivable precaution, and the people of our country must remember that we are at grips with an enemy in Nazi Germany which is as crafty in warfare as it is cruel and unscrupulous in the pursuit of its international ambition.

"The task ahead is as stupendous as it is necessary," said Mr. Fraser. "That the people of New Zealand will prove equal to it I have no doubt. Neither have I any misgivings regarding their determination to make any necessary sacrifice to secure the triumph of that international righteousness on which only lasting and honourable peace can be based."

IN MIDDLE EAST

Troops Proceeding To Positions

It was announced in a Daventry broadcast last night that the Australian Imperial Force and the New Zealand Expeditionary Force had begun to arrive in the Middle East, and were proceeding to their positions.

A War Office communique stated that the health of the troops was excellent, and that they were in high spirit.

On their arrival the A.I.F. and N.Z.E.F. received a message of greeting from the King.

MR. EDEN'S WELCOME

New Zealanders First Ashore

MESSAGE FROM KING

The troops were welcomed by the Secretary of State for the Dominions, Mr. Eden, who flew from England.

The first troops to land were the New Zealanders. They came down the gangway to the strains of "Auld Lang Syne," played by pipers.

The King, in his message, stated: "I know well that the splendid traditions established by the armed forces of New Zealand and Australia will be worthily upheld by you. I send you a warm welcome and best wishes for the future."

Major-General Freyberg's comment on the men under his command was typical: "I will wager any military experience I have that these men will strive their hardest to uphold the reputation of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force in the last war."—By radio.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY WAR OFFICE

Troops In High Spirits

LONDON, February 12.

The War Office announces that the Australian Imperial Force and the New Zealand Expeditionary Force have begun to arrive in the Middle East, and are proceeding to their specified areas. The Second Australian Imperial Force is under the command of Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Blamey, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., and the New Zealand Force is commanded by Major-General B. C. Freyberg, V.C., C.M.G., D.S.O. The health of the troops is excellent, and they are in high spirits.

COMFORT ON TROOP TRANSPORTS

New High Standard Set

ITEMS FROM THE CANTEEN LIST

Rations that would not shame a first-class hotel were loaded on to the transports which carried the First Echelon of the New Zealand Special Force away from Wellington. Among the vegetables were cases of asparagus, celery heads, turnips, beet, sprouts, parsnips, carrots, beans, peas, cabbages and cauliflowers.

Here are a few items from a canteen steward's list: Cigarettes and tobacco in 22 brands, every description and make of cordials, biscuits, chocolates and popular sweets, tinned fish, pastes, meats, tinned fruits and salads, popular toothpastes, brushes for all purposes, razors and blades, assorted soaps, aspirin, sacks of peanuts, walnuts, and hazelnuts, large stocks of health salts, writing requisites and numerous other lines.

The standard of the accommodation set a new level in troop transportation, and the standard of the food and general comforts provided was on the same level.

Fresh fruit was issued daily to the men and the breakfast included kidneys and bacon. Supper comprised tea, coffee, cocoa and assorted sandwiches.

The transport shipping office was established by Army Headquarters to supervise the receiving, storing and loading of all food supplies, ordnance goods, equipment, vehicles, canteen stores, medical supplies, Red Cross and gift goods. The office was under the transport shipping officer and his staff. As with the allied branch, the embarkation office, the positions were in the main filled by returned soldiers and the work was largely voluntary. There was no rest for the transport shipping side; well before the day the transports left and for a good period afterward the staff had to work from morning till morning, the senior non-commissioned officer sleeping on the premises.

The work was heavy with detail and was involved because of the great diversity of the goods, but the problems of shipping and stowage aboard the transports left no time for any man thus engaged to be wearied by his work.

As the embarkation officer and his staff must plan the accommodation of the troops, the transport shipping officer has to discuss with ships' captains

and chief officers the space for the stowage of goods and confer with the ships' officers in-charge and the canteen steward.

An officer almost unknown to the general public is the gifts' officer. He has to handle and distribute hundreds of packages and parcels on behalf of such organizations as the Red Cross and Order of St. John, the National Patriotic Fund Board, together with many other societies formed for the purpose to help provide comforts for the troops.

These organizations supply everything from equipment, indoor games, pianos and other musical instruments, toilet gear, stationery, soap, fresh fruit, coffee and cocoa, to the matter and the hundred and one other comfort lines. If wives and mothers could have seen the results of the efforts of these organizations to improve the soldiers' lives pleasant, they would have been well pleased.

FORT DORSET NOTES

CAMP ENTERTAINERS

ANTI-AIRCRAFT BATTERY

The Tin Hat Pierrot Troupe, under the direction of Mr. L. Edwards, provided light entertainment for the men at Mount Pleasant on Monday night for the men at Mount Pleasant at a concert arranged by the Official Camp Entertainers. Mr. L. Edwards was stage manager, and arranged gold and black satins, which proved an effective background for the performers' costumes of the same colour. The light effects and coloured spots (in the able hands of Mr. Fred Shand) much towards the success of the show.

The performers were Misses: Scott, Peggy Pyke, Pearl Scott, Cille Baume, and Irene O'Connell. Messrs. Stan Porter, Frank Dickson, Chandler, Harison Cook, Ross Williams, and Len Morris. The most popular item was Harison Bay singing of "Widdicombe Fair" assisted by the company, and joined by Shand's weird lighting effects. The girls of the party acquitted themselves well, and the nonsense of Chandler and Ross Williams kept the audience simmering.

During a brief interval Lance-Bombardier G. Aitken played a number of popular "hits," the "boys" showed their appreciation in no uncertain manner. Gunner Houghton, accompanied by Lance-Bombardier Aitken, the guitar, sang "Popeye" and "Tweet, Tweet."

The second part by the Tin Hat party included Ross Williams singing "Siegfried Line." Jack Williams told the soldiers how he wanted a "voice," and Len Morris demonstrated what a little hypnotism could do. There were other items by Stan Porter and the girls, the entire company bringing the concert to a close with the singing of "Roll Down the Hill," after which supper was served.

FORT DORSET NOTES

The sports meeting arranged by the Recreation Committee was much appreciated by the Battery, and all concerned are to be congratulated for their success.

We trust they will arrange another meeting in the near future.

The results of the various events were as follows:—100yds., Gnr. Sandle; 440yds., Gnr. O. T. Me

High Jump, Gnr. Y. E. Vernon; Putting the Shot, Gnr. L. J. Reed; Tug-of-War, "C" Relief; Half-mile Walk, Gnr. J. P. Aston.

The Battery congratulates Gunners W. Sandle, L. E. Vernon and J. P. Aston on their fine performances in the Public Service Sports.

Several General Duties men, finding discipline in the "X" Battery too strict, have applied to be transferred to "Steeple" Battery.

The recruits regret the loss of one of their instructors who is now trying for a "Pip"—they all agree that he is 101 per cent. efficient.

It is noticed that "Cupid" has been putting up a barrage of arrows of late. Bachelors, note well: "red flag" not hoisted before the commencement of firing.

Bdr. C. R. Mark has taken on the duties of "Mess Caterer" for the Longa Mess. We wish to congratulate him on the many improvements effected and hope he will maintain the high standard. He is to be assisted by a Mess Committee comprised of Bdr. C. J. Smith and Gnr. J. H. Rose, who were elected by the Battery.

The Battery wish to congratulate the following on their promotion:—Bdr. J. A. Armstrong to Bombardier; Gnr. J. B. Aimers to L-Bombardier; Gnr. J. F. Shaw to Bombardier; Gnr. C. R. Mark to Bombardier.

How good is the Dorset "A" cricket team? (We will "C").

When is the next route march?

Who is the member of H.Q. 4 who shines floor polish?

Who taught the Assistant District Messenger to walk? We like his rear view.

Who was the barracker for the "Relief tug-of-war"?

When is the Auckland trip coming?

RECRUITS FOR FORT DORSET.

Another detachment of Hawke's Bay and East Coast recruits left last Saturday for Fort Dorset to join the Second Heavy Artillery Group. To date in No. 7 area there have been 233 registrations for home defence; 155 have passed as fit, and these 43 have been sent to camp. Of the balance, 68 will leave during next week. Those who left last Saturday are:—Napier: W. Abbott, W. Brookie, W. Frarer, A. Franklin, C. A. Hamilton, F. Harman, C. B. Roadley, P. M. Hogan, G. L. Houlton, F. G. Skews, H. Whyte, A. W. Williams, W. H. Bailey and V. C. Logan; Hastings: S. Transom, E. R. Lebbey, H. J. Von Dadelzen, C. Allen, J. Beckett, M. J. Bone, D. Corbett, W. Dooley, H. R. Edwards, R. J. Aftka, J. N. Hogan, M. McDonald, R. Mulholland, J. G. Overend, E. J. Parsons, N. C. Pocock, G. N. Pryce, G. Ross, A. C. Sturgess, H. F. Lowe, R. E. McCleary and G. W. Robertson; Dannevirke: R. A. Craggins and G. L. Edwards. There were also six from Masterton and 19 from Gisborne.

willingly worked to provide a supply of hot water. Thank you one and all. We recognise the spirit behind our kind action, and accept it as a token of your appreciation. Perhaps the final balance you are doing us is at least as much good as we are seeking to do for you.

Everyman's Hut

"Change and decay in all around I see,
O! Thou, Who changest not, abide with me."

As one listens to the words of this grand old hymn ringing out from the men gathered in the hut, one's mind travels back in retrospect over the years that are past. Twenty-five years ago the thunderbolt of war crashed from a blue sky upon a peaceful world, bringing in its train suffering and change. One remembers the enthusiasm of those days of '14 and '15. As the picture of our late King George V. would be thrown upon the screen in the picture house, as one man the whole audience would rise and spontaneously break into the strains of the National Anthem. The difficulty then was not to get men for the Force, but to sort out the pick from those offering. To-day—"change"—yes, and as one thinks of the numbers of men, married and with families, who have already left these shores, or are soon to leave, surely it must be said "change and decay." But what changes in the last few months—a camp sprang into existence almost overnight, but already it has changed—tents are giving way to huts, new buildings constantly rising. Men are changing constantly, old faces disappear. Their places taken by new ones, who themselves will soon pass on to make room for others. Drill, training, tactics—all are changed.

And taking a wider outlook one contemplated an even changing world situation, changes due not only to the operation of land, sea and air forces, but also to the warfares waged incessantly in economic and diplomatic spheres. The problem facing the average ordinary individual is to find something enduring to which to pin one's faith. The efforts of those responsible for the conduct of Everyman's Hut are directed to providing the key to this problem, and the men are urged to look past themselves, look beyond the world to that One "Who changes not," that One Who will abide with them forever. Generally speaking the men realise they are on serious business and they think of serious things. "Desperate diseases require desperate remedies." While one deplores the whole circumstances of war and what it entails, if that circumstance is causing people to turn back to God, to readjust spiritual values and seek spiritual things, surely good must ultimately result from it all. To hear the men singing with all their hearts the well known old hymns or listening in respectful silence to the reading of the Scriptures and the message following, convinces one that the Hut is filling a most pressing need amongst the men. May the memories of it all strengthen their hearts as they fare forth to face the unknown.

Mr. Gordon Blair's hut has arrived and though the bad weather has hindered its erection, it should be ready for use shortly. Sunday mornings the Band boys take charge and give Gordon a much appreciated spell. Last Sunday the power was off until well into the afternoon owing to the change over of the main lines and our hearty thanks are due to all the boys who

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"When you salute," explained the sergeant, "you bring your right hand up smartly until your forefinger meets your forehead.

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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 Reginald."

The sentry turned his head. "Hi, Bill," he called, "Tell Snotty 'is mucker's blown in."

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Into the village chemist's shop dashed a private, breath coming in quick pants.

"I say," he gasped, "our sergeant's being chased by a bull."

"What do you expect me to do about it?" asked the chemist.

"Shove a film in this camera quick," replied the recruit.

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THE TANK BUMPED.

Into the path of a line of tanks rumbling through the village stepped a distressed old lady. With a clank, clank, the line pulled up, and stepping to the side of the leading tank the lady called to the driver:

"Young man, did you notice a half-pound of butter up the road? I've dropped it."

"Gawd, missus," came the reply, "now you mentions it, I remember as 'ow I did feel a bit of a bump."

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The beautiful actress was visiting a military hospital. "Did you kill a German?" she asked the occupant of the first bed.

"Yus, lady," he said.

"Which hand did you use?"

"Me right 'and."

The actress took his right hand and kissed it.

The turn of the man in the next bed came.

"I killed hundreds of 'em," Tommy answered.

"And which hand did you kill them with?"

Tommy leant forward eagerly. "I BIT 'EM TO DEATH," he replied.

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Maori Warriors

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Training Commences

CAMP AT PALMERSTON

Maori warriors-to-be from all parts of New Zealand have arrived at Palmerston North to begin their training for overseas service at the camp provided for the 28th (Maori) Battalion in the Palmerston North Show Grounds. The total strength is approximately 800 officers and other ranks. One reputation that the Native soldiers appear likely to earn is that of being the happiest unit in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force. That they will be just as happy after a period under military discipline is shown by the high spirits of the officers and n.c.o.s who went into camp after completing an intensive course at the Army School of Instruction, Trentham.

The main body of the battalion reached camp in four drafts, the first from Auckland and the Waikato, and the last from Napier and the East Coast.

The camp cook-houses went into full action on the 26th January for the first time and the new arrivals were able to sit down to their first army meals in the big messroom that has been equipped in one of the show buildings. Thanks to efficient organisation and the good work done by the advance party, the big task of settling the men into camp has proceeded smoothly. Under the circumstances this reflects considerable credit on the Battalion Commander (Major D. Dittmer, M.B.E., M.C., N.Z.S.C.) and his staff, for the Public Works Department carpenters and the plumbers were still working on the camp

when the battalion arrived.

Major Dittmer is in charge of the camp and the battalion. His second in command is Major G. F. Bertrand.

Show Buildings Used.

In the construction of the new camp use has been made as far as possible of the existing show buildings. Sleeping quarters for three-quarter of the battalion have been provided in a series of large dormitories, each accommodating nearly 100 men, are divided from each other by wooden partitions. Before the beds were installed the asphalt floor was patched where necessary.

Each man is provided with a wooden stretcher and straw palliase and the usual issue of blankets and pillows. Lockers for the men to stow their gear in have been made from butter boxes nailed together in pairs. A large covered ablution block has been provided close to the dormitories and there are also corrugated iron buildings fitted with cold showers.

The men mess in a huge dining-room occupying the whole of the produce hall. It is fitted with tables each accommodating twelve men and is easily the biggest single messroom in the Dominion. What was formerly the show dining-room has been converted into a well-fitted army kitchen. Big stoves and coppers for hot water have been installed. At present the meals are being prepared by civilian cooks while the battalion's own cooks complete a cookery course at Trentham.

Two hundred men, for whom there is not sufficient room in the main buildings, occupy a group of bell tents. The commissioned officers and sergeants and warrant officers are also accommodated in tents. The commissioned officers' lines are on the opposite side of the show ring to the main buildings and are complete with ablution houses, hot and cold showers, cookhouse, and mess accommodation. The officers will mess in a large marquee adjoining a second marquee used as an anteroom. Warrant officers and sergeants occupy tents in a separate part of the grounds and they have their own messes in marquees. Lance-corporals and corporals sleep and dine with the men.

Canteens in Operation.

Wet and dry canteens are provided in the former bar. Little alteration was required. A laundry and drying-room have been provided in the poultry hall. Quartermaster's stores have been established under the main grandstands and vegetables are stored under a smaller stand. Meat is kept in a large block of safes near the kitchen.

Battalion headquarters is situated in the Plunket Rooms.

Excellent accommodation for the camp hospital has been found in the Breeders' Club brick buildings near the main vehicular entrance to the grounds. Two small wards contain twenty beds. All that has been needed to convert this building into a convenient hospital has been plumbing work.

There is ample space for training purposes in the grounds. A hall in the main building adjacent to the men's mess will probably be used for recreational purposes and will also be available for lectures in wet weather.

Colonel R. A. Row, D.S.O., Officer Commanding the Central District, inspected the camp.

Third Echelon

Officers in Camp

CENTRAL DISTRICT

The following officers from the Central Military District have entered mobilisation camps to undergo intensive courses of instruction prior to being posted, in the ranks shown, to the undermentioned Third Echelon units or reinforcements:—

6th Field Regiment, N.Z.A.
(Ngaruawahia.)

Captain A. E. Lambourn.
Lieutenant S. H. Dawe.
Lieutenant T. A. Turner.
Lieutenant G. F. J. Bayley.
Captan C. H. Loughnan.
Lieutenant W. H. Thodey.
Lieutenant E. S. Harrowell.
Captain S. Hardy.
Lieutenant B. D. A. Fitzgerald.
Lieutenant G. F. T. Hall.

Reinforcements to First and Second Echelon Units.
(Trentham.)

Divisional Cavalry—Second-Lieutenant H. M. Laing.

19th Wellington Battalion.—Lieutenant S. Wilson, Lieutenant W. J. Herlihy.

7th Anti-Tank Regiment, N.Z.A.
(Ngaruawahia.)

Lieutenant D. J. Riddiford.
Second-Lieutenant H. R. Boyle.

6th Anti-Tank Company.
(Trentham.)

Lieutenant S. W. Ellingham.

25th (Wellington) Battalion.
(Trentham.)

Lieutenant-Colonel A. S. Wilder.
Major A. C. W. Mantell-Harding.
Lieutenant C. M. Sealy.
Captain W. J. D. G. Johnston.
Lieutenant S. M. Porter.
Lieutenant G. A. Possin.
Second-Lieutenant G. J. B. Morris.
Lieutenant H. G. Witters.
Lieutenant J. Walsh.
Second-Lieutenant P. L. Bennett.
Lieutenant B. Morrison.
Captain C. D. A. George.
Captain S. D. Josland.
Lieutenant W. H. Roberts.
Lieutenant G. Colledge.
Lieutenant M. J. Mason.
Lieutenant H. J. Dalzell.
Lieutenant W. A. O'N. Canavan.
Second-Lieutenant J. F. Draffin.
Lieutenant N. Bancks.
Captain F. R. McBride.
Second-Lieutenant H. H. Hollon.
Second-Lieutenant P. F. Tredray.
Captain A. J. R. Hastie.
Captain H. G. Burton.
Second-Lieutenant R. G. Stevens.
Lieutenant N. G. Crossman.
Lieutenant W. T. Heslop.
Lieutenant W. L. Rutherford.

26th Canterbury-Otago Battalion.
(Officers from Nelson, Marlborough, and West Coast Regiment.)

Captain F. W. Huggins.
Captain M. A. Rattray.
Captain O. J. Hutchison.
Lieutenant T. A. Mead.
Lieutenant F. G. B. Evenden.
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Camp Entertainers

Concert at Trentham

Hall Packed to the Doors

The new Salvation Army Hall at Trentham Military Camp was packed to the doors last Wednesday night, a number of the men, to obtain a better view of the stage and performers, climbing on to the rafters, where they were content to remain the whole evening. The reason for the wholehearted enthusiasm, on the part of the "Diggers," was yet another of those excellent concerts arranged by the executive committee of the Official Camp Entertainers.

The programme opened with a number of tuneful melodies played by Douglas Roche and his De Luxe Orchestra. Mrs. W. Duncan sang two numbers and had to respond to an insistent encore. Two community songs were then played by Douglas Roche, this number being followed by Una Weller, the clever elocutionist, who captivated the "boys." She responded to several encores. Miss Hazel Martin and her ballet, Misses Ngaire Bray, Betty Painter, Billy Pond, Irene Davies, Fay Coleman, and Flo Turner, in smart white satin military costumes, proved very popular, and their item had to be repeated. Miss Ena Rapley's singing of "Love Will Find a Way" and Sweet Mystery of Life" was loudly applauded, and, in response to an enthusiastic encore, she sang Parted." The orchestra played her popular hits, and Mrs. Duncan and Miss Weller also had to appear again to satisfy the audience.

During the brief spell, lucky numbers were drawn, each winner receiving a gift.

At the conclusion Colonel McHugh thanked the organiser, secretary and executive committee for their efforts and paid high tribute to the class of entertainment given by the performers. Cheers were given for all, accompanied by musical honours.

The performers were the guests of Colonel McHugh at supper, and the organiser expressed appreciation of the hospitality extended them by the D.C. Colonel McHugh thanked the performers, and especially complimented the Official Camp Entertainers on the programmes presented, saying that they provided the type of entertainment most appreciated by the men.

MEN FOR ENGINEERS UNITS.

Numbers of men employed in civil life in the many branches of the Public Works Department are included in the personnel of the various engineers' units formed for the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force. Five engineering and stores clerks attached to the Department at Auckland were farewelled by colleagues last week when they left to commence training as prospective non-commissioned officers for the Third Echelon.

Legionnaire G. S. Wilkinson

Enters Officers Training Camp

12 Years in the Army

Though he has already had 12 years in the army and saw service while still in his 'teens in the Great War, Legionnaire G. S. Wilkinson, of Hastings, is to return to the army, and last week entered the officers' training camp at Trentham. When the last war broke out he was in King's College, Taunton, Somerset, and though a month off his fifteenth birthday, he ran away from school and joined the Third Welsh Fusiliers.

It was not until six months later that his parents located him, and then he was in France. They claimed his return on account of his age, but a few months after his return to college the First Welsh Guards were formed, and again he ran away to become the first drummer boy in the battalion. Later he was sent to Aldershot and attached to the Third General Hospital, to be posted eventually as sick-corporal to his battalion. With it he served in France until the Armistice, after which he was a member of the Army of Occupation in Germany until 1922, when he was drafted to India and was at General Headquarters, Bombay, where he completed his 12 years' service in the Imperial Regular Army and took his discharge with the rank of sergeant.

He was prominent in the formation of the Hastings and district branch of the British Legion, and his reaction to the call for men for the present war was that as a fit and trained man it was his duty to rejoin the colours.

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A LOWER HUTT VENTURE

Further hospitality is shortly to be offered to the forces in Trentham Military Camp by the Hutt Valley branch of the Returned Soldiers' Association, who are calling a meeting of all interested citizens to-day (Friday), for the purpose of forming a committee of helpers to assist in organising a social club for the many men who spend their weekly leave, particularly Friday nights, in Lower Hutt. The R.S.A. plan to hold "open house" for all soldiers in their comfortable club-rooms in High Street every Friday night from 7 till 10 p.m., when the rooms will be open for recreation games, entertainment, and occasional dances. Light suppers will be provided and a first-class orchestra will be available for the dances.

The central situation of the club will also offer splendid facilities for men to leave parcels, and an inquiry service for shopping and various activities will also be available. With the co-operation of the people of Lower Hutt it is anticipated that the scheme will be most successful and will fill an urgent need.

The popularity of the fortnightly dances given by the branch was illustrated last Friday night by the attendance of well over 200. A lively orchestra and a well-balanced programme of old-time and modern numbers kept the floor filled, and the attractive supper served by the committee of ladies was in keeping with the general excellence of the arrangements. Khaki uniforms and the navy blue of the R.N.V.R. were well to the fore and the evening went with a twing from start to finish.

TRENTHAM BAND

Assists Recruiting Campaign

The appearance of the Trentham Camp Band in the city streets last Friday to assist with the present campaign for more men for the New Zealand Expeditionary Force attracted a very large audience to the mid-day recruiting rally in the Town Hall. The band occupied seats behind the stage and contributed to the musical programme. The guest artist was Miss Joy Asquith, and the song leaders were Jack Morris. Mr. Ernie Dean was at the piano.

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AMUSEMENTS

CITY AND EXHIBITION

PLAZA THEATRE.

Film audiences viewing Walter Wanger's "Eternally Yours," co-starring Loretta Young and David Niven, and slated to begin a run at the Plaza Theatre, through United Artists release, are to be treated to the distinct thrill of diving headlong toward the New York World's Fair from an airplane 15,000 feet high. Then a parachute will open and the "audience" will float earthward.

Producer Wanger sent a camera crew and two airplanes from Hollywood to New York to film a spectacular delayed-opening parachute leap from a plane into a bay near the Fair site. To give the jump realism and natural thrills, a special camera was constructed and encased, with its motor and a time-clock, inside a cork and rubber box.

The camera equipment was fastened to the parachute harness to record the wild gyrations normally made by a man's body on a delayed opening jump, the shock of the opening, and the swinging that occurs until gravity steadies him down and he floats to safety. Since the camera always represents the audience in the filming of a picture, this unique chute jump will give theatre audiences an experience only one person in a million ever has — that which comes to those who "bail out."

The Wanger camera and its odd container were rather ingenious devices. The time-clock pulled the rip cord of the parachute 25 seconds after the drop was made from the plane. When the box struck the water, it automatically closed a heavy glass window over the camera lens and becomes a floating, waterproof protector for the camera and its exposed film. The camera was so rigged that when the parachute opened the lens recorded a panorama of the earth and the Fair and the water.

Paul Mantz and Frank Clark, two of Hollywood's most famous stunt pilots, appear in the flying scenes for "Eternally Yours."

STATE THEATRE.

(Review)

Fun is fun and Joe E. Brown is currently demonstrating at the State Theatre that he is one of the world's funniest. As an officer of the law in Columbia's "Beware, Spooks!" Brown is introduced as a rookie cop, son of a famous father, whose record has become traditional on the force. Because of kindness, stupidity and carelessness, he becomes the scapegoat in a series of situations and perforce he is transferred to every outlying precinct in New York City. When he eventually allows the escape of a dangerous and wanted desperado, he is summarily dismissed.

This dismissal affords Brown, who has recently been married, his first opportunity for a honeymoon. The honeymoon, because of financial stringencies, is slated for Coney Island. At the famous beach resort, the ex-cop crosses the trail of the scaped criminal. In as weird and amazing a battle as the screen has ever witnessed, the

black-listed police officer and the public enemy practically demolish the fun house in desperate hand-to-hand combat.

Columbia's "Those High Grey Walls" is at the State Theatre. The unusual prison film, which features Walter Connolly, Onslow Stevens and Iris Meredith, has received tremendous tribute for the unique quality of its plot, acting and direction.

"Those High Grey Walls" presents Connolly in a novel role as a self-sacrificing country doctor, who is sentenced to prison for refusing to violate his medical creed. In jail, he finds the prison hospital run by a stubborn young surgeon, Onslow Stevens. The immediate clash of the two personalities, the arrogant young physician and the humane old man of medicine, is eventually reconciled in the thrill-jammed sequences of the film's climax.

For, with a jail-break threatening and a hunger strike going on, both doctors are forced to perform a vital operation under the threatening muzzle of a hate-crazed convict's revolver. And, in this tense moment they find that the idealistic creed of the doctor is shared by both of them. Their reconciliation is accompanied with the promise of an incipient romance between Stevens and Iris Meredith, the old surgeon's daughter.

TUDOR THEATRE

"Stanley and Livingstone," which is ranked as the greatest adventure known to man, is held over at Tudor Theatre for a further week.

"Find Livingstone!"

Exactly 70 years ago this October 16th, James Gordon Bennett barked these words to his crack reporter, Henry M. Stanley.

It was apparently the most hopeless assignment in all journalism. No one but a mad man would brave the terrors of unknown Africa to hunt for a missionary explorer from whom no word had come in two years.

How Stanley found Livingstone, how the world called the newspaperman "the most colossal liar of his age," and how he later became the greatest hero of his era, is the story of the 20th Century-box picture, Darryl F. Zanuck's production of "Stanley and Livingstone."

Spencer Tracy, twice an Academy Award winner, portrays Stanley. Nancy Kelly, who rose into the front ranks of Movietown with her role in "Jesse James," and Richard Greene,

In 1937 Mrs. Martin Johnson, the famous explorer, led an expedition of 27 Hollywood players and technicians into the wild Tanganyika country of Africa. They began at Bagamoyo, on the coast opposite the island of Zanzibar, and retraced Stanley's historic nine months' trek in 1871. They spent five months in reaching Ujiji, the village where Stanley found Livingstone, filming the country, which had changed little since it first witnessed one of the most heroic adventures known to man.

KING'S THEATRE.

"HERE I AM A STRANGER."

The screen version of a daringly significant story of modern life, "Here I am a Stranger," will be released at the King's Theatre to-day (Friday). Richard Greene is the principal player, surpassing easily his performance in "Kentucky," and he has associated with him Richard Dix, Brenda Joyce, Roland Young, Gladys George and others.

With absorbing realism, "Here I Am a Stranger" traces the adventures of a youth who realises the threshold of manhood to find himself suddenly a stranger in the world in which he has grown up. Bewildered by the conflict between his superficial world of wealth and sham and a new world of things actual, he is torn and hurt by life, till he meets a girl as new to love as he is himself.

A FAMOUS FARCE.

"CHARLEY'S AUNT" COMING TO THE OPERA HOUSE ON SATURDAY.

Celebrity Comedy Company.

With just a gentle and artistic touch of modern make-up in concession to the passage of time since she shocked and charmed the Victorians with her pristine madcap frolics, "Charlie's Aunt" has demonstrated convincingly in her Dominion tour that "there's life in the old gal yet."

The Celebrity Comedy Company's performance of the play is characterised by continuous gusts of laughter, indicating that the farce which has been a joy to several successive generations of theatre-goers and acclaimed one of the world's greatest fun-makers, is still good for an enjoyable night's fun.

Many notable comedians have been associated with the title role in this pioneer of masquerade comedies, but Don Nicol, who leads the present Australian and New Zealand combination, in no way suffers by comparison with past favourites. He has, of course, his own following of admirers from previous local performances, but the masquerade character acting required of him as "Babs" and "Charley's Aunt" in this farce is far beyond the funny business demands of his former appearances. He rises admirably to the occasion of keeping the character portrayal convincing, while at the same time losing no opportunity for hitting up the farcical note. That old musical comedy favourite Phil Smith is Nicol's able collaborator throughout the piece.

A quartet of talented young players in leading roles of straight acting required to emphasise the farce are John Fleeting, Lane Patterson, Shirley Ann Richards and Mary Duncan, while in parts of special intricacy the experienced Charles Albert, Norman Barrington and Leal Douglas gives unostentatious strength to the performance. All these members of the cast, as well as Maisie Wallace, are favourites whose talent has been recognised in other roles, and they give a spirited production.

This clever company will appear at the Grand Opera House to-morrow, commencing with a matinee at 2.30 p.m. Seats may be reserved at the D.I.C. or theatre.

Friday, February 16

AXEMAN'S CARNIVAL

By no means the least event on the Dominion sporting calendar is the New Zealand axemen's championship—the first to be held in Wellington—at the Basin Reserve and to-morrow. The programme includes Australian championships.

The meeting is to be staged in conjunction with events under the auspices of the New Zealand Athletic Union and Axemen's Association. Competitors have been received from all parts of New Zealand for the event.

First-class running and races over varied distances will provide additional attractions. Spectators are assured of two days of entertainment.

Wellingtonians nowadays have many opportunities in the city itself of watching axemen's competitions.

Such contests, when expertly staged, provide a first-rate sport. Particulars are advertised in this issue.

EXHIBITION BUSES

Rongotai Buses Ltd. have provided a direct bus service from the Exhibition Station to the Exhibition grounds. The twenty minute scenic route is operated by Evans Bays popularly known as the front. This service will appeal to those who desire a quick and efficient mode of transport.

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LEGAL FACILITIES

SOLDIERS AT TRENTHAM

At the request of the Returned Soldiers' Association, Wellington District Law Society has arranged for the attendance of legal practitioners, who will be prepared to give free advice on legal matters and to prepare legal documents free of cost.

A hutment has been allotted to the Returned Soldiers' Association for this purpose, and will be open from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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