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Guns
guns
g-u-n-f-i-r-e!
Grapeshot and shrapnel
together in one fire.
Oh—rumble on
stumble . . . on . . .
gunfire.
With an—action
station!
Range! Fire!
Gunfire!
My head
my head
my head is singing
is singing a song
a song of might
of might!
No sleep, no sleep
to-night
no sleep . . .
Oh guns you
battle on
prattle on—on . . .
On my head
be blood
eyelids
like lead
face
flicker-red
lips
bled
("What was that?
Speak louder!
Can't hear you!")
for my sickly singing head
there is no rest.
No rest for the Wicked,
'cept
death!

—Lindsay M. Constable



BACK FROM EGYPT

**Mén Of Expeditionary
Force**

INVALIDED HOME

**No Part In Any Active
Campaigning**

Invalided back from Egypt, a party of 26 men of the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force have returned to Wellington. None had seen any active campaigning, beyond a few bombs dropped by Italian air raiders. None of the men were wounded; what brought them back were for the most part asthma, leg troubles, various minor complaints caused or aggravated by the Egyptian climate, and other slight disabilities which rendered them unfit for further active service overseas. There was only one cot case.

Lean and sunburnt to a mahogany brown, most of them looked so fit it was hard to believe they were invalids. They wore sun-helmets, which made them conspicuous as they moved about Wellington during the day.

The party comprised Corporal L. Turner, Auckland; Lance Corporal R. H. Williams, Auckland; Gunner G. H. Hammond, Christchurch; Driver R. V. Denson, Christchurch; Sappers T. Lynch, Auckland, and J. F. Rowlands, Auckland; Signaller K. von Lubbe, Auckland; and Privates A. W. Alexander, Timaru, J. Barnes, Christchurch, S. W. Bennett, Christchurch; P. Cowie, Cromwell, E. W. Dawson, Christchurch, G. C. Field, Christchurch, C. F. Fischer, Dannevirke, R. T. Gutsell, Dunedin, J. M. Hall, Christchurch, J. H. Hawkins, New South Wales, J. Hunt, Christchurch, J. Lee, Westport, R. H. Martin, Greymouth, E. V. Morrish, Whangarei, A. Nielsen, Onehunga, T. J. E. Pitts, Dunedin, W. J. L. Pleasants, Palmerston North, J. S. Yarnon, Auckland, and C. G. Burn, Auckland.

Sapper B. Polkinghorne, Auckland, and R. C. Milligan, Otahuhu, missed the steamer at Sydney, and were left there.

Private J. H. Hawkins was taken to the Wellington Public Hospital with appendicitis on arrival at Wellington.

Leave to Visit Homes.

The rest of the party were met by an officer from Area Headquarters, and were taken to Buckle Street for medical inspection and further instructions. They received £2 each as an issue of pay before disembarking. They were later given leave to visit their homes, and those for Auckland and the South Island left Wellington last evening. Hawke's Bay and Taranaki men will leave this morning.

Three of the party, Privates Hunt, Pitts, and Martin, are Great War veterans, and are returned soldiers for the second time. They said they had seen little difference in army life in Egypt—the same heat, flies, and beggars demanding baksheesh.

Private Pleasants, a former Wanganui Rugby football representative player, said he went into hospital the day after he arrived in Egypt, so that his sole experience of soldiering overseas was confined to bed. Others were not so unfortunate.

Saw No Action.

None of the men had seen any action, other than one or two air raids. One man said he had seen bombs burst on

a couple of sheds and an Army truck, another that bombs had burst near the hospital where he was quartered. Several had been to frontier posts of the Western Desert.

They spoke with enthusiasm of the conditions in the camp. They were well quartered and well fed, but found the heat trying. Just before they left temperatures soared to 122 in the shade.

General Freyberg was very popular with the men, they said. They saw a good deal of him, and would do anything for him. He was a great soldier.

The men appeared in high spirits at being home. "No doubt about it, New Zealand's the best place," said one, and others echoed his sentiment.

A USEFUL ALLY

Many of the New Zealand soldiers serving in the fly-infested areas of the Western Desert have a very useful little ally, according to a letter received in Christchurch from Private F. Marshall, formerly of Hokitika. It is the chameleon, which is found on small bushes growing in the desert. "It sits on the brim of my hat all day long, swatting flies with a tongue about seven inches long," writes Private Marshall.

Public Tribute

MATRON-IN-CHIEF

N.Z. ARMY NURSING SERVICE

Representatives of almost all women's organisations in Auckland, as well as patriotic and sporting bodies, were present at a farewell afternoon in the Town Hall one day last week, in honour of Miss E. M. Nutsey, who will leave shortly to take up her appointment as matron-in-chief of the New Zealand army nursing service overseas.

Miss Nutsey has been lady superintendent of the Auckland Hospital since 1928, and during that time has made a wide circle of friends in the city. She was mentioned in dispatches in 1916 for bravery and was awarded the decoration of Associate of the Royal Red Cross in England. She also received the M.B.E. in the Coronation Honours in 1937.

The Mayoress of Auckland, Lady Davis, presided at the farewell.

Miss Nutsey, who was wearing her nurse's grey uniform, was presented with a leather travelling desk, fully equipped and suitably inscribed. In making the presentation Lady Davis said the women of Auckland welcomed this opportunity of paying tribute to an Auckland-trained nurse, who, having served with distinction in one war, was now leaving to serve in another.

In thanking the women of Auckland for their tributes and gift Miss Nutsey said she felt the nursing service could do more for the soldiers than just caring for their health. In the last war it was found that the nursing service formed a link between the men overseas and their relatives who were left behind, and the same would be the case to-day.

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