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N.Z. TROOPS IN EGYPT**Long Period of Watching and Waiting****SPECIAL DUTY SECTIONS**

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

Traditions are already in the making in the everyday lives of the New Zealand troops who are stationed in this vast potential field of battle. With the First Contingent almost wholly “in the field,” more and more New Zealanders have been brought a long step closer to the realities—and the unrealities—of a war which rests in a phase not unlike that of the early days of watching and waiting on France's Western Front.

As in France then, so here today, in the heat and dust of the desert and along the vivid blue and white Mediterranean coast, “watching and waiting” becomes the broad theme of the daily round of the New Zealanders and their fellow-Britishers in arms. Yet routine loses much of its weariness in the wishful thought that tomorrow something big may happen. Nor is it the lot of every part of the contingent passively to watch and wait; for sections engaged on special duties, helping to keep a vast military machine smoothly idling, the 24 hours of each day are crowded with purposeful activity.

Far more easily than in the ordered surroundings of a training camp, a regiment or unit takes on individuality and character when it enters active service. Incidents that seem small in themselves—each a bare “something to write home about” from a battlefield in which all but a chosen few must play a role of patience—records of jobs well done, anecdotes and personal experience, blend into a colourful whole, and become the start of tradition.

Typical of such incidents and experiences are those which have been met during many weeks in the field by a New Zealand detachment occupying the desert camp from which this message is written. Its living quarters, in a hollow alongside the sea, have all the characteristics of a comfortably-settled community. In any one of the cluster of sand-bagged tents one may find beds fashioned from scrim or canvas stretched over wooden frames, tables and shelves built of odds and ends of timber, and the floor swept clean and hardened with water. Often there is a larder well stocked, on the basis of share and share alike, with the contents of parcels from home. The domestic picture was made perfect one day recently by the spectacle of a soldier who stood outside his tent and bewailed the damage done to his promising garden patch of watermelons, onions and potatoes by a neighbouring Bedouin's donkey.

House names, too, help to create the domestic scene. Almost every tent has been humorously christened. The men take their meals not merely at the cookhouse, but at “Joe's Joint”—Joe being one of the cooks. Vehicles are often named after anything from First

It is claimed that a Berlin police dog knows five hundred words and does exactly as it is told. Now isn't that a Nazi all over?

Contingent troopships to distant sweethearts.

Captured Italian Pilot.

While the war remains a comparatively distant affair, these men have gained in varying degrees a first-hand conception of aerial bombing raids. Two of them, accompanying a senior officer, enjoyed one day the adventure of handing over to the authorities an Italian pilot captured by English troops in a forward area. The party, on a tour of inspection at the time, arrived on the scene just after the pilot had brought his machine to earth near another which had been shot down. He gave himself up to a band of soldiers.

“His supply of ammunition and hand grenades seemed intact,” one of the New Zealanders recalls, “but he put up no resistance. He was so peaceful that he disappointed us a little.” They remember him vividly for his “perfect Balbo beard.” He accepted cigarettes and chocolate which they offered him on the journey to an encampment.

Arduous work that by now seems second nature to them is carried out by drivers and motor-cyclists in the desert. The vehicles have covered thousands of miles on tar-sealed highways and confused desert tracks. If a dispatch rider has nothing more to guide him than a line of telegraph poles or a heavily rutted strip of soft dust across the stony desert, he considers the job hardly worthy of mention. Night riding, necessary in urgent cases, would be inconceivably difficult to the inexperienced; without a moon, there is no illumination beyond the dull glow of the stars, and vehicle lights are rarely permissible. Yet somehow, with the aid of a combination of instinct, powers of observation, and perhaps a little luck, the destination is always reached.

Motor-cyclists, in truth, seem conscious only of the humour of their difficulties. One was heard to explain, “Following a bitumen road at night, the idea is to keep one foot dragging on the ground. If you bring it up and find it covered with dust, that's the time to begin to wonder which side of what border you are on.”

These men, most of whom are extremely young, will have a voluminous history of their own by the time the war is over. A story typical of them is told of a rider whose machine broke down on a night run. He borrowed a “push-bike” and completed his journey through three air-raid alarms! Another in similar vein is that of a motor-cyclist who roared through a coastal town at the very hour of a bombing attack. Asked later what the raid had been like, he answered with a surprised query: “What air raid?”

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OFFICER CADETS

New Zealanders Training
For Commissions

(From the Official War Correspondent
attached to the New Zealand Forces
in Britain.)

BRITAIN, November 11.

All 38 New Zealand non-commissioned officers approved some two months ago for training for commissions have now been posted to officer cadet training units, every infantryman going to the Brigade of Guards Company.

The selection of an additional 26 candidates, the first of whom have already begun cadet training, is now announced as follows:—Artillery: Lance-Sergeant J. F. Christian, Gunner L. A. Hughan, Bombardier G. S. Woodward, Lance-Sergeant R. L. Taylor, Sergeant C. W. B. Fountain (all Seventh Anti-tank Regiment Battery), Sergeant-Major N. B. Mitchell, Sergeant C. E. Evans, Sergeant H. E. I. Reaney (all Fifth Field Regiment) Divisional Cavalry: Sergeant W. C. Sutherland. Infantry: Sergeants G. S. Rogers and A. B. Cotterill (both Auckland Battalion), Warrant Officer II J. Allen, Sergeant K. R. Hutcheson, Staff-Sergeant F. H. Greer, Corporal B. Skean, Warrant Officer II S. Catchpole (all Wellington Battalion), Staff-Sergeant W. J. Perry, Temporary Warrant Officer II A. J. Boag, Warrant Officer II A. E. M. Lawrence, Warrant Officer II A. N. Buckley, Corporal J. F. M. Moffatt (all South Island Battalion), Warrant Officer I A. C. Wood, Sergeant H. M. Mitchell, Temporary Company Sergeant-Major E. C. Pohie (all Maori Battalion), Warrant Officer II J. A. P. Worthington, Warrant Officer II S. H. Betts (both Reinforcement Battalion).

Private Geoffrey Cox, a Rhodes Scholar and English war correspondent, who enlisted in England and served briefly with the South Island Battalion, is also in training for a commission. Former Warrant Officer II L. H. Stroud, Ordnance Headquarters, is now 2nd Lieutenant and has earned the distinction of being the first and so far only soldier in the Second Echelon to be commissioned direct without a special course of training

N.Z.E.F. in Palestine holds race meetings with donkeys to serve as mounts. At home, the donkeys merely serve as punters.

Nazis declare propaganda is just as essential as oil for winning the war. But, then, that's crude oil.

News heading: "Shark pulls Launch 16 Miles." One way of economising on petrol.

Navy's watchword: Sea-curity.

The Home Defence Column



A Lively Column of Soldiers' Wit and Gossip, Collected, Compiled and Contributed by "One-of-the-Boys"

Greece is a land of learning all right . . . the Wops are certainly being taught a lesson they won't forget in a hurry!

And talking of grease—try the Buckle Street chuck!

Ouch! What a gun!

As I predicted some time ago, the Winter Show is now definitely out of season.

The advance classes of "Cons" are doing very nicely, thank you.

Have you heard of the "Forty Thieves?" They work at night.

Dorset, please note:

A camouflaged gun should be heard but not seen.

CENSORED—
but definitely!

Above is a really splendid aerial view of Tren— Mob— C— taken by our tame staff photographer, Mr. A. N. T. E. Kamophage. Note how clearly each building stands out. (Blob in corner is our R.S.M.).

Next issue we hope to publish an equally enlightening photo of F— Dor— (that is, if our T. S.ph. can find it!)

DID JEW KNOW?

In Germany they hang.
At Dorset they swing!

RE: LEAF.

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SIGNAL COMPANIES

**Inspection Of Camp At
Trentham**

The First and Second Signal Companies of the New Zealand Companies of the New Zealand Corps of Signals were "At Home" to relatives and friends at their camp on the Sommerville Range, Trentham, recently. In the morning a full dress church parade was held and the march past was taken by Major G. J. Robertshaw, E.D., C.C., First Signal Coy, Camp Commandant, and Captain G. H. J. Underwood, O.C., Second Signal Coy.

In the afternoon the camp was open to a very large number of visitors, which included the Minister of Defence, Mr. Jones, Colonel J. G. Young, Director of Signals, Major E. H. R. Green, Assistant Director of Signals, Captain E. Horwood, G.S.O., Signals, Mr. W. R. Newall, Deputy Director, Post and Telegraph Department, Mr. Madden, the president, and Mr. Elwin, secretary, and numerous committee members of the active Regimental Association were also present.

The many items of technical equipment used in army communications were displayed and demonstrated by members of the units and much interest was displayed by the visitors in the camp quarters. Rain in the latter part of the afternoon curtailed the demonstrations and an early adjournment was made for afternoon tea provided by the Corp of Signals.

It was evident from the great interest displayed by the visitors that the effort was well worth while and the high state of efficiency both Signal Companies have attained during their period in camp was frequently commented on. It is hoped to hold another "At Home" early in 1941 when the balance of the First and Second and the newly formed Fourth Signals Companies are undergoing their next intensive training period.

Three young plumbers are in the same tent at a militia camp and are described as being excellent soldiers. Their success in kit inspections is encouraging the profession to believe that this will finally end the old jokes about plumbers' memories.

BOXING MATCHES

**Ron Richards May Visit
Dominion**

Mr. C. Lucas, who is acting as agent for the Manawatu Boxing Association, said recently that an effort was being made to induce Ron Richards, Australia's champion heavy weight boxer, to meet the winner of the Maurice Strickland-Alabama Kid contest in Palmerston North on Boxing night.

Mr. Lucas said that the Manawatu association had received a cablegram from Australia asking what terms could be offered to Ron Richards. What Mr. Lucas regarded as a sufficiently attractive offer had been sent in reply, and there was every reason to believe that Richards would be prepared to make the trip.

FEILDING MEETING

Acceptors For First Day

Acceptances for the first day of the Feilding Jockey Club's meeting, to be held on Saturday, are:—

12.30—
WAITUNA HACK HURDLES, of £150.
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Dorado	10 12	Collodian	9 0
War Lap	10 10	Prinibia	9 0
Segra	10 9	Selkirk	9 0
Good Sun	10 3	Advance Club	9 0
Hokumai	9 0	Gold Nut	9 0

1.10—
AORANGI TRIAL PLATE, of £130.
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Battle Gain	8 7	Oralti	8 7
Goldburn	8 7	Pillory	8 7
Glen Donal	8 7	Prattler	8 7
Jumna	8 7	Ra Houhou	8 7
Lady Motava	8 7	Star Zone	8 7
Luath	8 7	Tuauru	8 7
Moymell	8 7	Vin Rouge	8 7
Martene	8 7		

1.50—
MANCHESTER HANDICAP, of £300. One mile and a quarter.

Friesland	8 9	Kilometre	7 3
Meamea	8 4	Charles	
Aurora's Star	8 1	Edward	7 2
Du Maurier	8 1	Hunting Cat	7 1
Homily	7 13	Siglow	7 0
Rollicker	7 11	Cherry Bay	7 0
Arcas	7 7	Defy	7 0
Ruatiti	7 3		

2.30—
FEILDING STAKES HANDICAP, of £130. Five furlongs.

Premature	8 3	Valcony	7 6
Golden Moon	8 3	Gay Genet	7 6
Drake's Drum	7 11	Mymarta	7 6
Trekalong	7 11	Greek Step	7 4
Acora Lady	7 6	Royce	7 4
Fleche d'Or	7 6	Greenock	7 0

3.10—
FLYING HANDICAP, of £200. Six furlongs.

Sir Crusoe	9 4	Black Robe	7 8
Old Bill	9 1	Wings of	
Rakahanga	8 6	Song	7 5
Lord		Tuatara	7 3
		Cavendish	8 1
		Airflight	7 2
Kentucky	7 11	Sea Link	7 0
Red Cat	7 11		

3.50—
KOWHAI HACK HANDICAP, of £150. One mile and a distance.

Dynasty	9 4	Royal Sign	7 10
Hasten	9 1	Laughing	
Chief Lord	8 13	Song	7 8
Auto Sweep	8 8	Rose Acre	7 7
Social Credit	7 12	Te Ore	7 7

4.32—
FITZROY HACK HANDICAP, of £140. Six furlongs.

Grand Chase	8 12	Centennial	7 12
Defy	8 10	Newbery	7 12
Veldette	8 8	Queen	7 12
Silver Shekel	8 7	Colerica	7 12
Myarion	8 6	Waimutu	7 11
Sunny Knight	8 6	Talenta	7 11
Val Pere	8 5	Pretty Lass	7 8
Dainty Dell	8 5	Ringeraft	7 7

5.14—
KIWITEA HANDICAP, of £170. Seven furlongs.

Rollicker	8 13	Kaiwaka	8 3
Notium	8 11	Lindrum	8 1
Harina	8 8	Colossal Chief	8 0
Old Surrey	8 7	Hasten	7 13

RACING FIXTURES.

Nov. 30—Ashburton C.R.C.
Nov. 30, Dec. 2—Feilding J.C.
Dec. 6, 7—Whangarei R.C.
Dec. 7, 9—Woodville D.R.C.
Dec. 14—Otaki Maori R.C.

TROTTING FIXTURES.

Nov. 30, Dec. 7—Waikato T.C.
Dec. 7—New Brighton T.C.
Dec. 21—Reefton T.C.
Dec. 26—Ashburton T.C.
Dec. 26—Gore T.C.
Dec. 26, 27—Westport T.C.
Dec. 27, 28, 31—Auckland T.C.
Dec. 28—Winton T.C.
Jan. 1—Canterbury Park T.C.



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dently caused German airmen to fly
high—'clinging to the roof' so to
speak." And still the British airmen
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**HONORARY APPOINTMENTS TO
THE KING.**

The Governor-General, Lord Gal-
way, has been informed by the private
secretary to the King that His Ma-
jesty has been pleased to approve of
the following appointments:—



BRIGADIER F. T. BOWERBANK

Brigadier (temp.) F. T. Bowerbank,
N.Z. Medical Corps, Director-General
of Medical Services (Army and Air),
to be appointed honorary physician
to the King.

Colonel K. McCormick, N.Z. Medical
Corps, Deputy-Director of Medical
Services with the Second N.Z. Expe-
ditionary Force (Overseas), to be ap-
pointed honorary surgeon to the King.

N.Z.E.F. CASUALTIES

Death From Sickness

The following casualties to the 2nd
N.Z.E.F. have been reported:—

Private John Joseph Williams, 6th
Field Ambulance, died of sickness.
Father: A. E. Williams, 38 Marl-
borough Street, Riccarton.

Private Landon Frederick Stringer,
Reserve Motor Transport, wounded,
shock, result of bombing, Egypt. Wife:
Mrs. I. O. Stringer, 94 Elizabeth Street,
Wellington.

Sapper Adrian James Brady, died of
sickness, November 18, 1940. Wife:
Mrs. A. J. Brady, C/o Mrs. Raison, Mc-
Master Street, Greytown.

AIR FORCE RECRUITS

Men To Report At Levin

The following recruits have been in-
structed to report to the Royal New Zea-
land Air Force station, Levin, for pre-
liminary training:—

Pilots.—Burns, R. H. M., Wellington;
Cheyne, I. McD., Woodville; Cook, A. R.,
Wellington; Daset, J. G., Hastings;
Dunckley, R. H., Blenheim; Elliot, F. J.,
Karori; Falconer, J. E., Wellington;
Forge, F. B., Gisborne; Garnett, E. J.,
Hastings; Gibson, J. C. McK., Wellin-
ton; Gilbert, M. S., Wellington; Gray,
T. H., New Plymouth; Hanlon, J. H.,
Palmerston North; Haydon, E. L., Pal-
merston North; Hoare, B. P., Palmerston
North; Hooper, P. J., Manaiia; Hunt,
J. H. M., Wanganui; Jones, E. R.,
Levin; Joyce, F. W., Wanganui; King,
D. G., Palmerston North; Lewis, J.,
Blenheim; Liken, J. R., Hastings; Morse,
N. P., Karori; McClure, F., Miramar;
McGill, H. M., Eastbourne; McKay
Lachlan, Waipawa; MacKenzie, A. C.,
Wanganui; McKillop, R. H., Wanganui;
McLachlan, I. J., Hataitai; McNabb, R.
P., Huntville; Newton, H. B., Urenui;
Palmer, J. J., Havelock North; Pavish,
K., Wellington; Peters, R. A., Linton;
Schaw, F. A., Palmerston North; Scott,
B. C., Nelson; Smith, G. W. W., Ka-
rori; Sole, H. V., Manaiia; Steel, S. D.,
Te Puke; St. John, A. G., Wellington;
Taylor, R. C. C., Gisborne; Viles, H. G.,
Ashhurst; Volzke, L. G., Stratford;
Willis, A., Napier; Wright, C. W. N.,
Taumarunui.

Air Observers.—Abbott, A. B., Wel-
lington; Andrews, R. T., Ward; Bea-
son, R., Wellington; Billing, K. C., New
Plymouth; Burnham, W. H., Hastings;
Clark, W. L., Levin; Cookson, D. G.,
Opawa; Davis, R. C., Taumarunui; Dog-
gett, R. B., Masterton; Emerson, J. S.,
Wellington; Fawcner, J. McL., Strat-
ford; Garner, C. L., Wellington; Gre-
han, F. D., Wellington; Hayes, P. S.,
Wellington; Jones, R. R. A., Napier;
Kemp, R. A., Eltham; King, G. M.,
Wellington; Lukey, E. M., Nelson; Mc-
Kenzie, K. G., Pukehou; McKenzie, R.
A., Wellington; Mandy, A. E. S., Na-
pier; Marshall, H. D., Napier; Reddell,
J. I., Napier; Robertson, E. B. I., Levin;
Russell, H. H., Wellington; Starley,
N. W., Wellington; Thane, D.,
W., Wellington; Veysey, W. J., Nel-
son; Katson, H. A. T., Wellington;
Webby, G. A. L., Wanganui East; Wig-
gins, H., Waipukurau.

Air Gunners.—Anderson, John, Gis-
borne; Axten, R. C., Waitara; Brailley,
C. R., Lower Hutt; Cook, R. H., Or-
mond; Eria, R. T., Wairoa; Fowler, J.
A., Feilding; Franklin, G. B., Opunake;
Garfath, A. F., Wanganui; Guthrie, L.
K., Ohakune; Horton, H. G., Wellington;
Hurley, E. A., New Plymouth; Jones, R.
J. L., Wellington; Jones, W., Tauranga;
McCarthy, G. C. M., Waipukurau; Mc-
Carty, L. H. R., New Plymouth; Mc-
Gregor, K. C., Masterton; O'Keefe, E.
F., Carterton; Robinson, J. N., Ta-
umarunui; Smail, C. E. L., Hastings;
Stewart, I. G., Wellington; Wastney
W., Wakapuaka.

Staunch Captain: Now then, my
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Germany is made from wood pulp.
Why not win the war by bombing the
country with termites?

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"Our Second-Lieutenant has rather
a high voice," writes a territorial.
This is known as a one-pip-squeak.

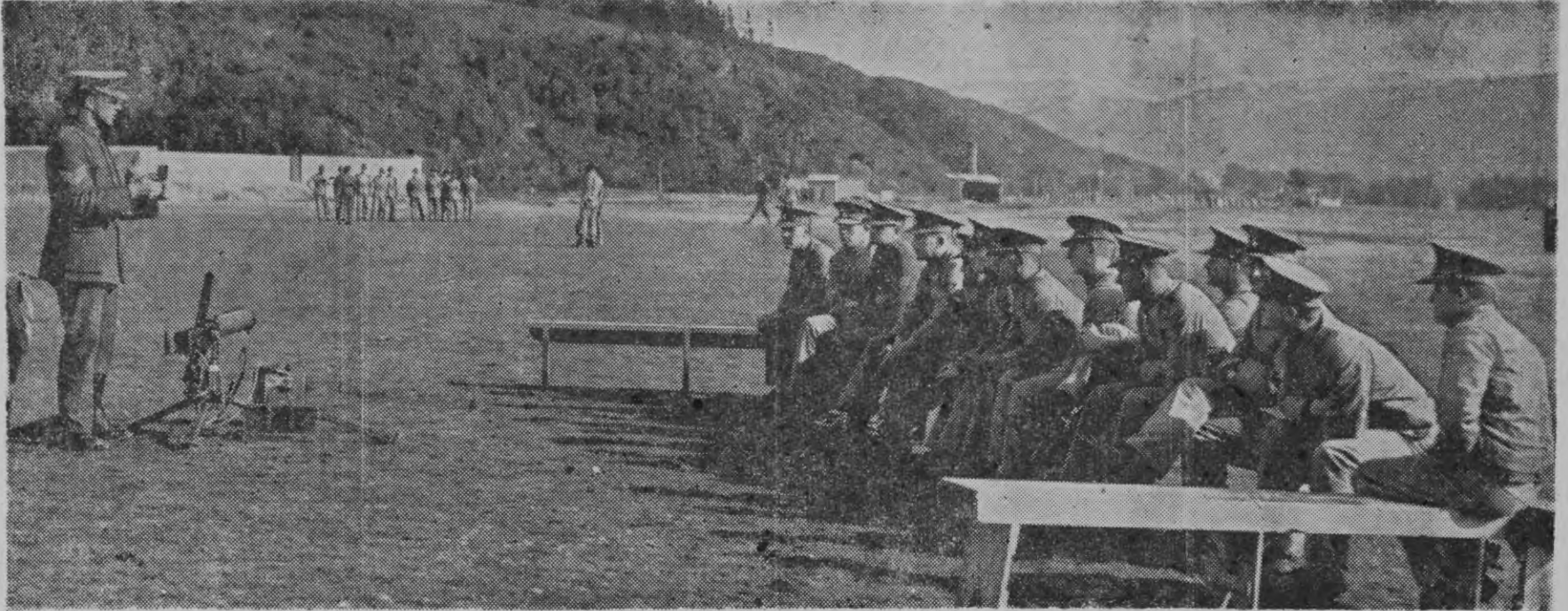


One of the units in the march past.

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Everyman's Hut

I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day;
I'd rather one would walk with me than merely tell the way.
The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear;
Fine counsel is confusing, but example's always clear.
The best of all the preachers are men who live their creed;
For to see good put in action is what we each one need.

I soon can learn to do it if you let me see it done,
I can watch your hand in action, but your tongue too fast may run.
The lecture you deliver may be most wise and true;
But I'd rather take my lesson by observing what you do.
I may not understand the high advice you give,
But there's no misunderstanding how you act and how you live.

Children learn from example rather than from precept and "Men are but children of a larger growth." The testings of to-day soon reveal what is sham and what is real. The challenge to the Church is to give men and women something solid on which they can stand firmly though all else may be swept away. Mere empty phrases and promises are not enough. Practical Christianity is needed as it was never needed before if it is to do any good to suffering humanity. We at Everyman's Hut have sought, however weakly, to put into practise day by day the message spoken night by night. We cannot do too much for our boys, but whatever is done, no

ADVANCED TRAINING

New Zealand Soldiers In Egypt

LIFE IN WESTERN DESERT

(From the Official War Correspondent with the N.Z.E.F. in the Middle East)

CAIRO, November 18.

With its own hospitals, post office, transport services, workshops and even bathing beaches, the New Zealand Contingent in the Western Desert has many characteristics of a self-sufficient community. While the enemy keeps his distance, battle stations in the New Zealand sector do not need to be continuously occupied, and units in the field lead comparatively normal lives. The daily routine of the troops varies according to their roles in warfare.

With the latest major digging task over, the infantry and artillery units are able to concentrate on advanced training. Engineers have 101 jobs to keep them busy, machinery to look after, heavy repairs to make, and constructional work of many kinds. Transport companies are constantly on the move with truck loads of foodstuffs and supplies. Signallers maintain the vital telephone and telegraph systems linking unit with unit, and keeping

matter how small, is done with the desire and prayer that it may be the means of making Christ real to those for whom it is done. If, as the result of the operation of the Hut, those with whom we come in contact have not realised in some measure the love of God towards them, then we will have failed in our efforts, but we take encouragement from the knowledge that many of the boys who have passed through the Hut have committed their souls to His keeping and independence upon God we look for greater results in the future.

CALLING ALL SOLDIERS FROM NELSON DISTRICT

The Nelson Provincial Patriotic Council wishes to keep in touch with men from the Nelson district and has appointed Messrs. N. V. Wotton (c/o A.M.P. Society, Wellington (private telephone 40-334), and C. A. Corder (Postmaster, Upper Hutt) as local representatives. Men from the Nelson province are asked to make themselves known to either of these representatives who will have pleasure in giving any assistance in their power.

the whole force in close touch with the outside world.

Most troops live under canvas, but there the similarity with camp life in early training days begins and ends. Security is now more important than appearance, and tents, sunk deep into the ground, are well separated and sited out of line so that bursting bombs may cause the minimum of damage. Parades, in the ordinary sense, have no place in the daily routine, one excellent reason being the necessity for avoiding concentrations of men. Moreover, military life has reached a phase where the men usually have definite daily jobs and go to them almost as in civilian life.

Organization of recreation and entertainments presents many difficulties in the field. All-wave wireless sets given by the New Zealand public are proving a great boon, and some units have been able to play football and hockey, challenging other Empire troops in friendly matches on dusty fields. Transport to Mediterranean beaches is provided almost daily for swimming parties.

"Fighting fit" were the words used by Mr. Anthony Eden to describe First Contingent men after seeing some of them during his recent tour. One need not go far to realize the aptness of this phrase. Deeply tanned and hard as nails, New Zealanders look veritable sons of the desert.

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