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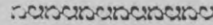
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**THE HOPE
 OF THE FUTURE**



The British Commonwealth of Nations is the hope of the future. How can we justify that claim?

Before the dawn of history, when the human race was fighting for its existence, every man's hand was against his neighbour.

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**LIGHT BOMBER
AIRCRAFT**

A substantial addition to New Zealand's air strength is announced by the Minister of Defence, Mr Jones. He said there had recently arrived from overseas a number of Hawker Hind light bombers, the majority of which were already in service at Royal New Zealand Air Force stations throughout the Dominion.

The Hinds are in use at training schools for the instruction of advanced pupils, Mr. Jones said. Though classed as light bombers, these machines are considerably heavier than the elementary types on which the pupils begin and are a valuable addition to the equipment of the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

The Hawker Hind is a two-seater biplane from the same factory as the famous Hawker Hurricane single-seater fighter. It is powered by a single Rolls-Royce Kestrel engine and is one of the fastest military types in use in New Zealand.

D.S.O. FOR N.Z. AIRMAN

Third Award This Year

Information has been received by Air Headquarters that Acting Wing Commander Samuel Charles Elworthy A.F.C., D.F.C., R.A.F., has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order.

Wing Commander Elworthy is a New Zealander, though no record of this officer is held at Air Headquarters. He apparently entered the R.A.F. by direct entry in the United Kingdom.

He was awarded the Air Force Cross in January and later promoted from Squadron Leader to Acting Wing Commander. Last month he received the Distinguished Flying Cross, and now the D.S.O. Further information will no doubt be received by mail.

CORPORAL T. W. GILL

**To Be Congratulated On
Gaining Award**

Corporal T. W. Gill, who was recently awarded the Medal of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire for meritorious service in the Middle East, is to be sent a letter of congratulation from the Wellington City Council.

A decision to this effect was reached by the council last night on the motion of the mayor, Mr. Hislop, who said

ARMY AMBULANCE

**Gift Of Wellington Firm For
Use At Waiouru**

Equipped in the most modern style and intended for use in New Zealand only, an ambulance presented to the army by a Wellington firm was taken over by the military authorities yesterday afternoon. It will be sent next week to Waiouru military camp, where it will be used for conveying sick soldiers to hospital in Taihape.

The ambulance, which was converted by the Post and Telegraph Department from an English truck chassis, is claimed to be the most up-to-date military ambulance in New Zealand. It accommodates four standard-size stretchers, two on each side of the van. When they are removed, leather-upholstered sponge rubber seats can quickly be set in position to seat 10 men and a medical orderly.

Features of the ambulance are its good springing, silent running and adequate ventilation and electric lighting. It is painted grey, with a red cross on each side, a large one on the roof and a smaller one at such an angle on the roof of the cab that it will be visible to aircraft diving on the vehicle from the front.

The ambulance is the gift of the Maeder Toilet Salons, Wellington.

BOMBERS' EXPERIENCE

The unexpected thrills incidental to air raiding over enemy country are described by Sergeant Alan Campbell, Hawera, in a letter to his parents relating an experience when he went with his Royal Air Force squadron to raid the docks at Brest. "We were circling round at 100 feet for an hour," he writes. "When we did go in over the harbour we had 'flak' and search lights in front and on both sides of us. The captain was going to dive-bomb. I had the guns ready for the searchlight, we were so low. Suddenly we went straight into a dive, nearly pulled out, then dropped like a stone again. When we did pull out we were 100 feet off the water. When we found it was not a dream we had a roll call. I thought the captain was dive-bombing, but it seemed 'flak' lifted the tail and we went straight into that dive. The second pilot was thrown down the bomb hatch and when he came to he grabbed the stick, and the captain had to beat his hands off. The captain said we turned over and went straight down again after nearly pulling out. It shook us all up. I was hoping that we would go in again, but we just went above the clouds and dropped bombs on the docks."

that at the outbreak of war, Corporal Gill, who was serving as a bus driver in the tramway department, immediately enlisted and sailed with the first echelon. His award appeared in the London Gazette on April 1.

A letter of congratulation is also to be sent to his wife, Mrs. Rose Gill, Lower Hutt.

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PATRIOTIC WORK

Week-End Entertainment
For Men Of Forces

The members of the British Sailors Society, 138 Wakefield Street, Wellington, entertained the crews of two ships in port at the weekend. On Saturday the men were taken to Central Park where they took part in a football match, and this was followed by a drive round the bays. They returned to the society's rooms for tea and the usual social evening.

A feature of the evening was the presentation of the Mercantile Navy Cup to the winning football team of the afternoon. As a memento of the occasion, each member of the team also received a medal made of copper from Nelson's flagship, the Victory.

There was a large attendance of sea men yesterday for tea, and men of the three forces were also present. Mr. W. F. Curle conducted a short evening service, and a social and supper followed.

SOLDIER'S LETTER

Sunday Tea At Y.M.C.A.

A letter from Sapper B. Morgan, expressing the thanks of members of a reinforcement draft at Trentham, for the hospitality of the Y.M.C.A. every Sunday was read at yesterday's tea at the Y.M.C.A. An extract from the letter, which was addressed to the ladies' auxiliary, is as follows:—

"On behalf of the men in training at the Trentham Mobilization Camp, I wish to thank you most heartily for the splendid way in which you, in conjunction with many organizations, have provided us with a never-ending supply of Sunday afternoon and evening teas. The entertainment accompanying them has also been a source of pleasure to us, and I wish you to pass on our appreciation to the artists concerned. Our special thanks go to Mr. J. Mann, your able pianist, who keeps us supplied with a never-ending variety of music. Right from the first week of entering camp I, and many

others, have made our way to this building that is overflowing with hospitality.

"To all of you, no matter how small a part you play in the providing of the soldiers teas, we say 'Thank you,' and we know that those who follow us will be equally loud in their praise of your wonderful hospitality, which I am sure cannot be excelled in any part of the world."

The hostesses at the weekend were members of the Pioneer Club, and those who contributed to the programme were Mrs. Merle Gamble, Mr. Don Gamble, Miss Finlay, Mr. J. White, Mrs. F. Reid, Mrs. Anne Lane, Corporal Armstrong, and Mr. J. Mann.

The chairman, Mr. R. H. Nimmo, paid a tribute to the life of the late Sir Charles Luke, who was one of the foundation members of the Wellington Y.M.C.A., and who took special interest in work for the soldiers. As a mark of respect to the late Sir Charles, the men stood to attention.

COUNTRY HAMPERS

Gifts Help A.N.A. Club
To Entertain

The Army, Navy and Air Force Club gratefully acknowledge hampers of choice foodstuffs from the Carterton Women's Institute, Dannevirke Patriotic Society, and the Masterton Welfare League. As the attendance at the club has greatly increased and the cafeteria is so much used by the men of the three forces, these gifts are much appreciated.

The executive were assisted during the week and weekend by Mrs. Peter Fraser's party, members of the Navy League, Air Force Relations, A.N.A. helpers, and A.N.A. Girls' Auxiliary. The dances were as usual very well attended, those in charge of the dancing being, on Friday evening, Miss Patricia Gledhill, and on Saturday Misses Valarie Neely and Joan Harriss. Junior members of the Manakau Patriotic Society were guests of the club at the Friday evening dance.

As next Friday will be Anzac Day there will be no dancing in the evening, but the club will be open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. as usual.

BUSY WEEKEND AT
NATIONAL CLUB

The National Club, Wellington, had a busy weekend entertaining men of the Forces. Saturday night's popular tea dance, in charge of the National Union, had Miss Josephine Russell as hostess, assisted by Misses P. Inglis, H. Wynn-Hesse, S. Bennetts, V. Wiren, M. Hamilton, N. Grant, P. Whelan, L. C. Smith, and L. E. Clifford.

Members of the Wellington South electorate were in charge of last night's tea, with Mrs. D. Hall as convener. Those who assisted her were Mesdames H. W. Brown, A. S. Morley, L. M. McMillan, M. Strathmore, and C. H. Dunford.

MEN OF THE FORCES
REMEMBERED

Men of the forces were not forgotten at Easter time by the Spinsters' Club in Wellington. At the usual Sunday gathering Easter eggs were distributed to the men present, who included representatives of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Merchant Navy. Savouries, cakes and sandwiches were served at tea time, the home-made cooking, all contributed by members, being much appreciated by the men, specially as they are away from their own homes. The club was open also on the Thursday, in place of Good Friday night. Last Friday and Saturday the rooms were well patronized by the men guests.

GIFTS FOR WEBBY'S CLUBS

A full weekend's entertainment for men of the forces was enjoyed at Webby's Club Wellington. After a comparatively quiet Easter, the club was again visited by a large crowd of soldiers and airmen, and representatives of the Royal Navy and Merchant Navy. The club's premises now present a very comfortable and bright appearance. During the last two months, several gifts of furniture have added to the comfort of the rooms and another chesterfield and a buffet wagon arrived last week from anonymous donors, whom the members wish to thank.

Several of the members of the Fijian forces who have been in training here and have been frequent visitors to the club, were honoured by the members, who wished them good luck in other camps and centres to which they may go. The club wishes to thank those who contributed to the homemade suppers and teas.

Next weekend the club plans to extend its hours, because of Anzac Day on Friday. The usual informal dance will be held on Thursday night instead of Friday, when the club will be open from 2.30 p.m. The usual hours will be observed on Saturday and Sunday.

PRIVATE FREYBERG

Enlists With The N.Z.E.F.

A recent addition to the New Zealand Expeditionary Force is Private Paul Freyberg, who joined up immediately on leaving Eton to serve under his famous father, General B. C. Freyberg, V.C., now commanding the New Zealanders in Egypt. Freyberg junior is still in his teens. He is a strong, well-built lad and remarkably like his father in looks.

While her husband and son are serving with the New Zealanders, Mrs. Freyberg is also working hard for them. She is one of the supervisors at the New Zealand Forces Club, in Charing Cross Road, formerly the Italian Club. Mrs. Freyberg has her own office there and works regular hours, only taking week-ends off. She has a natural flair for organization, and this has proved invaluable in arranging hours for some 70 voluntary workers who form the "staff." Mrs. Freyberg's attractive taste for decoration is also apparent in the club, which has undergone extensive alterations in this respect since the Italians left hurriedly last June.

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News From Battle Line

MEN'S IMPRESSIONS IN GREECE

Enthusiastic And Finely Equipped Force

(From the Official War Correspondent with the N.Z.E.F. in the Middle East: per Cable and Wireless, Ltd.)

CAIRO, April 18.

"It's such a wonderful country, and so much like home that it is a great privilege to be able to fight for it." In these words a New Zealand soldier who has just returned from Greece sums up how our division feels about being sent to take part in the war in the Balkans. He was one of a small party which has just arrived back at the base camp.

There was tremendous speculation as to where the division was going when it moved out from camp, repeating the experiences of the older generation who went out into the unknown, to find that they had been selected to make the landing at Gallipoli. They were old soldiers as far as rumours were concerned, and believed nothing till they sailed into a Greek port to find General Freyberg on the wharf to meet them. Their reception by the Greek populace was overwhelming, and this, combined with the green hills and neat fresh-looking buildings, after months of dust and the dry rocky outcrops of the desert made them feel as if they had arrived at home.

The first "flight" went in cruisers, and made a very fast passage, but later "flights" travelled in small Greek boats, about the size of the Rangitira and the Tamahine. The men in these parties struck a heavy gale in the Mediterranean, and had a very rough passage, and were glad to see land.

German's "Constitutional."

Greece was not then at war with Germany, and the German Consulate was still functioning when the first troops arrived, and the Consul used to take a constitutional stroll through their camp, overlooking the Acropolis, each evening. As he could speak excellent English the men had to be on their guard. According to one version, the troops planned to haul down the swastika from the Consulate, but they were forestalled.

Of course, the language and currency presented some difficulty at first, reminding the men of their early days in Egypt, but, as one expressed it, they are now "pretty good at the deaf and dumb language." Snow was falling as the advance parties set out for Thrace by rail, and travelled through Larissa to Katerini, whence they could see Salonika in front; and behind lay the famous Mount Olympus. Here our troops had their first experience of billets, and soon made friends in the villages, where they were given eggs, vine, apples, and lollies shaped to represent the ezvone, the soldiers of the Greek army.

Next day the foremost troops dug in, and found the clay easy going compared with the rock and stones of the desert. Camouflage was easy, too, and everything was so different, with the chance of action after many weary months of waiting, that enthusiasm led them on to feats of digging that can be described as phenomenal.

The country was likened to that round Taihape.

Men On Their Toes.

There was great enthusiasm among the New Zealand units when Germany declared war on Greece, for the men felt that at last the hour had come to strike and to be able to put to good use the lessons learned during their long training.

"To say that our men are on their toes would be putting it mildly. They are simply itching to go, and just as cunning as the Germans, and are splendidly equipped. They have not the

slightest doubt that they will give a great account of themselves," said one member of our troops who has returned from the front.

He added that, though they could not be sure, he was of opinion that it was some of the New Zealand troops who had taught the crack Adolf Hitler division a sharp lesson recently, because our troops were astride the railway and he had seen many German prisoners passing through the back area.

The line then taken up by the Empire troops is behind that originally occupied, and much stronger, as the men were safely entrenched in foothills in dense bush, which necessitated the cutting of trees to secure a good field of fire. These hills reminded the soldiers of the Central Otago country. Valleys had been given New Zealand names, and if the Germans advanced they would find on notice boards "Kiwi Valley," "Paekakariki Hill," "Khyber Pass," and other names, according to the district from which the units were drawn in the Dominion.

Already they have made acquaintance with the new Nazi war device, "shaving sticks," which are designed on similar lines to the "thermos bombs" met with in the Western Desert. These have been found scattered around the lines and in camp areas, and are now treated with healthy respect.

Countrymen Discovered.

When the party were at Athens on the return journey they met two New Zealanders who had been engaged in alluvial gold-mining in western Macedonia, Mr. Brown, Invercargill, and Mr. Tyson, Dunedin. They had been fortunate to escape from the advancing Germans, and had heard that the New Zealand troops were in Greece and were anxious to meet them; but they could not identify them, because they were not wearing the customary peaked hat. Mr. Brown proudly displayed a tattoo mark which had been made in Cairo when he was serving with the New Zealand forces in the last war. These men had seen the smoke of German artillery as they made their way to safety. Mr. Brown has a brother in the signallers.

Leave in Athens was a real treat to the men from the desert, who found friends easily, but were dismayed to find that Greek girls are not allowed to dance with soldiers, as their Government has decided that as many were fighting, the others "at the back" should not be able to enjoy themselves in their absence. This simple instance is typical of the wholeheartedness of the Greek war effort.

Cool New Zealander.

Greek hatred of Mussolini is very thorough; in fact he is despised, and considered of no account. Hitler comes in for similar treatment.

The people of Athens were astounded at the calmness displayed by the New Zealand soldiers during air raids, and had been cheered by their example, said another soldier. At a railway station in the interior a member of a reserve motor transport company was sitting on a pile of boxes on the platform when eight Nazi planes came down low and flew overhead. He did not move, and when a second New Zealand soldier went over to speak to him afterward he saw painted on the boxes the letters TNT. "Why on earth didn't you run for it?" he said. "If they had collected this packet it would have been precious little use running," was the reply. Such a bearing is a magnificent example to the people of the towns and villages, who have little organized air defence, said the soldier who related the story, and added that everywhere our men were held in the highest regard.

The regimental wit looked down at the tiny carrot which have been included in his portion of boiled beef.

"What's this?" he asked. "The thin edge of the veg., I presume."

* * * *

No New Zealand mail service to Germany, says Postal Director. But there are still ways and means to let Hitler know what we think of him.

CASUALTY LIST

FIVE AIRMEN MISSING

A casualty list released recently announces that five New Zealand airmen are missing on operations. They are as follows:

Sergeant Andrew George Sutherland, R.N.Z.A.F., missing on operations. Next-of-kin: Mr. D. Sutherland, 39 Palmerston Street, Hamilton (mother).

Sergeant Sutherland was born in Hawera in 1919 and was educated at Hamilton High School.

Sergeant Douglas Charles Bedlington Jenkins, R.N.Z.A.F., missing on air operations. Next-of-kin: Dr. C. C. Jenkins, Great South Road, Manurewa (father).

Sergeant Jenkins was born in Kawhia in 1914 and was educated at Pukekohe High School.

Sergeant Tahu William Dabinette, R.N.Z.A.F. missing on operations. Next-of-kin: Mrs. A. Dabinette, 77 Burnett Street, Ashburton.

Sergeant Dabinette was born in Ashburton in 1919 and was educated at the Ashburton Technical High School. He took a prominent part in sporting activities in Ashburton.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Lindsay Basil Buchanan, D.F.C., R.A.F., missing on operations. Next-of-kin: Mr. A. R. Buchanan, Lockwood, Kairanga, Palmerston North (father).

Acting Flight Lieutenant Buchanan D.F.C. was born in Palmerston North in 1917 and was educated at the Palmerston North Boys' High School, Otago University, and Victoria University. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross a few weeks ago.

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Sergeant Richard James Alexander Blackstock, R.N.Z.A.F., missing on operations. Next-of-kin: Mrs. W. Blackstock, Eltham, Taranaki (mother).

Sergeant Blackstock was born in Eltham in 1918, and was educated at the Stratford Technical School.

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Auckland, April 18.

One officer lost his life and another escaped with minor injuries when a Tiger Moth aeroplane from the Royal New Zealand Air Force base at Hobsonville crashed into Rangitoto Channel near Castor Bay this afternoon. The survivor was brought ashore by a party of men of the Royal New Zealand Artillery who saw the crash and swam nearly half a mile in all to the airmen's assistance. The victims were:

Killed.

Pilot Officer Bertrand William Butler, aged 25, single, son of Mr. J. P. Butler, Invercargill. A brother is Brother Patrick, of the Sacred Heart College, Auckland.

Injured.

Pilot Officer Maurice Harry Hoy, aged 21, single, son of Mr. H. Hoy, 35 Grafton Road, Roseneath, Wellington. He received shock and abrasions, and, after being attended by a doctor, was admitted to hospital. He has a brother serving with the Air Force at Whenuapai.

Both had recently been transferred to Hobsonville, where they were to begin the instructors' course on Monday. They were in one of the station aircraft fitted with dual controls, and it is not definitely known which of the two was actually flying the machine at the time of the accident.

The body of Pilot Officer Butler was found and brought to Auckland and the wrecked machine was dragged ashore on the beach by a naval party.

HELP PROMPTLY GIVEN.

The prompt rescue of Hoy was made by Gunners O'Meara, Hipkins, and Mansell, all of the Royal Artillery, assisted by a Maori, W. Chelford, Castor Bay who was working in the vicinity. From the top of the steep cliff's overlooking the channel they had seen the aeroplane crash and they also saw Hoy climb from the wrecked machine and grip the tail, which was protruding from the water. The aircraft sank rapidly, however, leaving the survivor struggling in the water in his heavy flying clothes and attempting to swim about 400 yards to the shore.

Hurriedly climbing down the cliff to the small beach. O'Meara and Hipkins threw off their clothes and swam out to Hoy. They supported him and were later joined by Mansell and Chelford, who had brought a rope. The five men came ashore together without great difficulty and without using the rope. Hoy was attended by an Army doctor who had been called.

There was no trace of Butler, who is believed to have been caught in the machine when the wings buckled under the impact of the crash. Naval launches were quickly on the scene, and Butler's body was later recovered with the wrecked machine.

The accident and subsequent rescue were witnessed by many people living in the neighbourhood. They spoke highly of the promptness with which

ARMY POSTS

CHANGES ANNOUNCED

SEVERAL PROMOTIONS

According to a list of appointments and promotions of personnel in the Expeditionary Force appearing recently in the Gazette, Lieutenant-Colonel G. H. McNaught has been appointed to command the 32nd Wellington Battalion.

Lieutenant-Colonel K. L. Stewart, General Staff Officer, has been promoted to colonel, Major G. H. Heal, Divisional Signals, is appointed brigade major.

Major S. C. V. Sugden relinquishes command of the base reception depot on being placed on the New Zealand roll, Major R. V. Closey, 24th Auckland Battalion, relinquishes command of the prisoners of war camp and is appointed to command the base reception depot.

The appointment of Honorary Captain J. H. Hall as public relations officer, Expeditionary Force, is formally gazetted. A memorandum states that Major C. A. L. Treadwell performed the duties of public relations officer from March 6, 1940, to February 20, 1941.

In the list of promotions of officers of the Royal New Zealand Air Force, Squadron Leaders R. J. Sinclair and J. Seabrook are appointed temporary wing commanders.

The following flight lieutenants are to be temporary squadron leaders:—C. L. Monckton, J. C. Horton, A. J. Turner, and J. D. Hewett.

Members of the Royal New Zealand Air Force serving outside New Zealand during the war are now deemed to be serving together and acting in combination with the Royal Air Force.



"What! You here, after saying you were going over to your mother's? How COULD you deceive me like that, Winnie?"

"Daily Mirror"

those nearest went to give assistance.

Pilot Officer Butler was born in Invercargill and educated at the Marist Brothers' School there and at Sacred Heart College, Auckland. He joined the Air Force last year and was trained in Levin, Dunedin and Blenheim, being transferred to Hobsonville less than a fortnight ago.

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"My dear," said the aged and very Christianly foster-mother. "You shouldn't say that: Say "and soften Hitler's heart."

"... And do wot the lidy says to 'tler, but give 'im a good hidin' jes' the same," said Tommy.

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It seems to us that future-historians might call this age the German sauce-age.

WARM WELCOME

Returning Soldiers From England

ARRIVAL AT WELLINGTON

Thirty-nine returning New Zealand n.c.o.'s and men, from England arrived at Wellington yesterday from Auckland. Of these 23 were for the South Island and left Wellington by last night's steamer express, under Lieut. R. W. Borland, officer in charge of sick and wounded records, Southern Military District.

Some of the men interviewed expressed themselves anxious to get fit and well again so that they might return overseas and join their comrades in the fight against the Germans. They found the journey back monotonous after exciting times in England. A few showed that they could rival the Anzacs in the fact-fetched stories they had to tell for the credulous. One reported reading in an English paper that the South Island had been bombed and that the population was in gas masks.

Because the men have been returned to New Zealand as sick or wounded it does not mean that they are finished with the Army. Their enlistment for the duration of the war holds good unless they are discharged as permanently unfit for any military duty. Unless so certified they will be found jobs in the Army in New Zealand or returned to civilian life on leave without pay. In the latter event they are liable to be called upon for medical examination and, if found to be again up to the required standard returned to the Army. For instance, one soldier who came back to New Zealand in February has now recovered his full strength and health and is re-entering camp shortly.

The men were well looked after on arrival. They were met by representatives of the sick and wounded department of the Army, the town clerk, Mr. E. P. Norman, representing the mayor, Mr. Hislop, Mr. Ward, M.L.C., honorary secretary of the Wellington Provincial Patriotic Council, and Mr. M. S. Galloway of the Red Cross Society.

They were taken to the Salvation Army hostel at the station for breakfast and then conveyed to the A.N.A. Club for morning tea. Those who had relatives to meet them were allowed to go with them. Transport to their homes was provided. The city council provided a bus for those who wanted to go on a sight-seeing tour. Cigarettes were also provided.

The men will now enjoy 28 days leave on pay, free rail travel for four weeks, and will then be paid a mufli allowance, as and when due. Those needing inpatient or outpatient hospital treatment will have several days at their homes before their attendance is required.

Nothing was left undone that could be arranged to make the homecoming of the men as hospitable as possible. The weather was cold and wet, but the welcome was warm.

Transport for the soldiers was arranged by Mrs. M. I. Bunny.

CASUALTY LIST

Members Of Expeditionary Force

Private William Llewellyn Verdon, died of wounds. Mother: Mrs. A. Verdon, 58 Bank Street, Timaru.

Lieutenant Arthur Thomas Begg Green, wounded. Father: Mr. R. Green, 200 Church Street, Timaru.

Private Lancelot Brian Burgess, died of sickness. Mother: Mrs. A. King, c/o. P.W.D., Post Office, Oaro.



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GALLANTRY IN THE AIR

Further advice has been received by Air Headquarters giving particulars of the circumstances relating to the award of Distinguished Flying Crosses to Flight Lieutenants D. F. W. Barker and R. M. Trousdale. The official advice states:—

"Flight Lieutenant Barker has constantly displayed skill and gallantry during his many operations against the enemy. In October, 1940, when returning from a raid on Magdeburg, his port engine was hit by anti-aircraft fire and the airscrew flew off while over the Dutch coast. He regained control of his aircraft after it had lost some 3000 feet, and flew across the North Sea on one engine till forced to alight on the water by the failure of his remaining engine, 20 yards from the beach.

"Since the early months of the war, Flight Lieutenant Trousdale has been continuously employed as a fighter pilot, and his keenness and enthusiasm for operations has been most marked. He has destroyed at least four enemy

aircraft, including one at night."

Flight Lieutenant Barker, whose next-of-kin was Mr. S. R. Barker (father), Gisborne, was subsequently reported killed on air operations in February, 1941. He was awarded the D.F.C. in December, 1940.

Flight Lieutenant Trousdale, who won the D.F.C. in February, 1941, left New Zealand early in 1939 to take up a short-service commission in the Royal Air Force. His next-of-kin is Mr. A. C. Trousdale (father), Howick, Auckland.

Awards To New Zealanders

TWO WELLINGTON AIRMEN

Advice has been received by Air Headquarters that two more New Zealanders serving with the Royal Air Force have been awarded Distinguished Flying Crosses. They are: Wing Commander Geoffrey Tyford Jarman, and Flying Officer Charles Aylmer Pownall.

Wing Commander Jarman, who was born in 1906, was educated at Wellington College. He represented North Otago at Rugby football. In 1930 he was accepted for a short-service com-

mission in the Royal Air Force. He is the son of Mr. A. Jarman, 63 Penrose Street, Lower Hutt, Wellington. He married in England, and his wife and two children arrived in New Zealand late in 1940.

Flying Officer Pownall was born in Wellington in 1915 and was educated at Rongotai and Wellington Colleges. He was selected for a short-service commission in March, 1939, and after training in New Zealand at the Wanganui Aero Club and the R.N.Z.A.F. station, Wigram, left New Zealand to join the Royal Air Force. His father is Mr. A. B. Pownall, 43 Matai Road, Hataitai, Wellington.

WANGANUI AIR FORCE RELATIONS.

Following its usual custom, the Wanganui Air Force Relations Committee this week entertained thirteen members of the Air Force and Fleet Air Arm and their mothers. All the men were presented with gifts and their mothers with sprays of flowers. Representatives of the city and Victoria League were present, and Mrs. S. G. Millen, the Air Force Relations president, briefly addressed the gathering.

Everyman's Hut

"The soft, sweet summer was warm and glowing,
Bright were the blossoms on every bough:
I trusted Him when the roses were blooming;
I trust Him now . . .

"Small were my faith should it weakly falter
Now that the roses have ceased to blow;
Frail were the trust that now should alter,
Doubting His love when storm clouds grow."

The Christian walks by faith and not by sight. His faith is anchored in One outside himself and yet One who lives in the Christian. There is a verse which says

"It is easy enough to be pleasant,
When life goes along like a song,
But the man worth while,
Is the man with a smile,
When everything goes dead wrong."

And that should characterise every real Christian—the ability to go on steadfastly in spite of adverse circumstances day by day, with his faith fixed in a God who will not permit anything to happen but what is for his good, secure and content in the knowledge that the things of this life are for a little while only, whether they be good or evil, but after this life he will be with Christ throughout eternity.—"The perfect Friend, Who knows the worst about us but who loves us just the same." In the past two years or perhaps a little longer we have seen world events moving with a swiftness which would have been thought unbelievable a generation ago. Pacts and agreements made and broken, peoples and nations subjugated, unexpected collapses and equally as unexpected recoveries and resistance—now here, now there—till one is forced to the conclusion, that a power greater than man's is contrasting and guiding the course of events. The power of evil, centred in Satan, making the tremendous bid to oust God and His Christ, only to find more than his match in that One who says to the mighty ocean "Hitherto

shalt thou come and no further, and here shalt thy proud waves be stayed." Let us then ensure that we are on His side—the winning side.

We are glad to report that the boys are making a home at the Hut, and that an increasing number of Christians are finding it a place of fellowship and source of spiritual strength. On Sunday evening Mr. Les Taylor spoke to a large number of attentive listeners on the conversion of Saul, urging them to make sure of being ready to meet God by coming to Christ and receiving Him unto their hearts and lives.

"I told my wife that my patience was exhausted," said a man in court, "and she just laughed at me." He had evidently forgotten it was Adolf's theme song.

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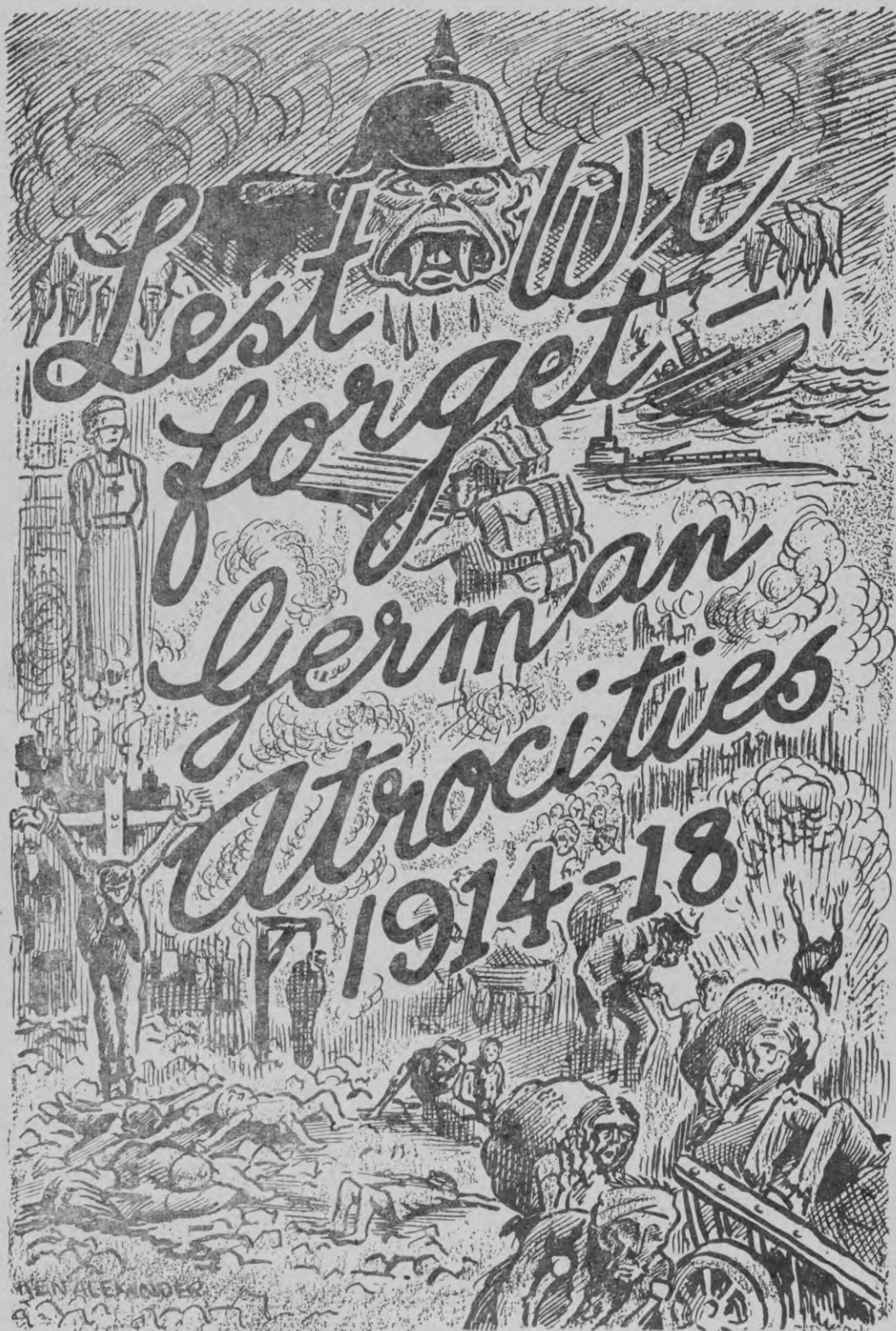
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