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# The Grin Hitler Can't Stop!

Life's no joke for the solemn Nazis when they come up against the small boys in German-occupied countries whose favourite lark is saucing the Swastika!

Ask any newspaper photographer or news-reel operator the greatest bane of his life and he will answer:—

“The small boy who keeps on popping up!”

The little urchin who grins bang at the camera during a solemn occasion. The young rip who capers after the formal procession and kicks all the dignity out of the scene.

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Now the Small Boy is International. And one of the brightest spots in this sombre struggle so far has been the behaviour of the small boys who at the moment are under the Nazi heel.

Or rather, have wriggled out of the way of the blundering Nazi heel — and are giving the Nazis a bit of a headache.

Because though the Nazis are capable of anything—even a Himmler can't exterminate the whole race of small boys.

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Let us show you an example or two of this new game of saucing the Swastika.

In Paris the Nazis have been trying to impress the population by mounting guard with some of their finest-drilled troops. The adult population—knowing that any demonstration of contempt or disdain means prison in double quick time—merely ignores these ceremonies. Not so the small Parisians.

They gather in small groups and go through the motions of presenting and ordering arms—with exaggerations and comments that are unflattering to the perspiring sentries.

In Brittany the other day, a German soldier strutted up to a small Breton and said patronisingly:—

“Which way to the swimming bath, boy?”

“Between Calais and Dover,” piped the boy—and took to his heels.

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In one way the Germans have played completely into the hands of their young tormentors.

Nazi soldiers change guard in obedience to whistle blasts. Now, if there's one thing a small boy likes—and generally possesses—it's a whistle.

German N.C.O.s in occupied France

have been driven half-mad by an unofficial accompaniment of children's whistles, which mess up the drill and rob the parade of the fearful dignity which the Nazi thinks it should display.

Norwegian school children went on strike because they would not sit in the same classroom as children of local Quislings. Dutch children have made up a song about the German soldier who fell in the canal one dark night.

French children sing, to the tune of “La Cucaracha,” a jingle which runs: “Radio Paris lies, Radio Paris lies, Radio Paris is German.”

And, as we say, you can't do very much about these fearless imps who pick the very time for their antics when ranks and formations cannot be broken up for pursuit and punishment.

As for the small boys in Britain, well, the more their teachers have tried to get them away from war, the more ardently they've been playing the war games.

Teachers have noticed that, the moment a free choice of essay is given, out pour compositions describing the deeds of the Spitfires, Hurricanes, Blenheims—and the peculiar characteristics of the Molotov cocktails, incendiaries and breadbaskets.

The playground echoes to the sound of sharply yelped “Bang . . . bang,” while the kids charge around brandishing sticks that are supposed to be Tommy Guns and old bits of board which rank as Brens.

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The small boy is the sworn enemy of the bumptious, humourless official. That is why the small boy of most nations dislikes the whole idea of a Nazi soldier.

Britain's fight appeals to the small boy, who always has ranked himself with Robin Hood against the rich Sheriff, with the individual rather than the mindless machine.

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A German officer, seeing a small Dutch boy eyeing a statue in a main street, said:

"Come here, boy. What is that statue?"

The small boy, unfortunately, had a stutter.

"T-t-t-that's a s-s-s-statue of Ad-Ad-Admiral de Reuter," he said. He b-b-b-beat the E-English."

"Oh," sneered the officer, mimicking the boy. "D-d-d-did h-h-h-he?"

"Y-y-y-yes," replied the boy. "A-a-and you'd d-d-d-do b-b-b-better to imitate him than m-m-m-me."

That is the spirit behind the smile that Hitler can't quench!

**FLYING CROSS**

**Award To New Zealand  
Airman**

Official advice has been received by Air Headquarters, Wellington, that the Distinguished Flying Cross has been awarded to Sergeant Geoffrey Edward Moore, R.N.Z.A.F.

The official citation states: "On the night in June, 1941, Sergeant G. E. Moore was rear gunner of an aircraft which attacked a target at Benghazi. During the run up, the aircraft was engaged by three Italian fighters, one of which was shot down and the other two driven off by determined and accurate shooting by Sergeant Moore. Altogether, this airman has completed 16 operational flights and has at all times displayed great courage and a high standard of gunnery."

Sergeant G. E. Moore, who was educated in Australia, was employed in Wellington at the time of his enlistment. His next-of-kin is Mr. G. E. Moore, 12 Tryon Road, Lindfield, New South Wales.

**ARMY MAIL SERVICE**

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Evacuation Beaches**

A tribute to the work of the Army Postal Service is contained in a recent issue of the "N.Z.E.F. Times," official publication in the Middle East of the 2nd N.Z.E.F., which states that, in spite of enormous difficulties, only six bags of mail failed to reach their destination during the Greek campaign, while in Crete the loss was confined to a single bag.

It is recorded that the last that was seen of one member of the service was when he was delivering mail to men who were waiting on the beach to be evacuated to Egypt.

**ESCAPE FROM FRANCE**

**New Zealand Sergeant  
Pilot**

**CABLES FROM GIBRALTAR**

A prisoner of war in occupied France since last December, Sergeant Pilot C. F. Scott, Geraldine, has escaped from enemy hands and is now in Gibraltar. Only two weeks ago his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, received a letter from their son in which he said that he was in hospital in Rouen with both his legs and one arm broken.

Sergeant Scott advised his parents that he was safe and well in a cable message which they received today and he sent also the following message from Gibraltar to his cousin, Mr. S. J. Moore, Fendalton: "Escaped, feeling fine, certain we shall win war, keep smiling, had lots fun, best love yourselves, folks and friends."

On Christmas Day last year Sergeant Scott was reported missing on air operations, and three weeks later his parents were advised that he was a prisoner of war in occupied France and was wounded. Then news came from London in a letter Sergeant Scott had written to a friend in London that he was still in hospital and feeling very lonely, as all the New Zealand crew of his aircraft had been moved from occupied France, presumably to a prison camp in Germany. He indicated that he hoped to reach England soon.

Sergeant Scott, who is 23 years old, was born in Geraldine and educated at Geraldine District High School and Timaru Boys' High School. He attended Canterbury University College and the Christchurch Teachers' Training College and was teaching in Dunedin before he joined the Royal New Zealand Air Force last year.



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The wards are in the care of English nursing sisters of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, and the principal matron (Far East) has compiled a list of suitably-trained women in Singapore who will be called in to assist when the need arises. There is little disease among men of the services stationed in Malaya because of the splendid organization working throughout the country in combating possible sources of danger.

Dr. Craven, who was appointed superintendent of Auckland Hospital in 1932, left for overseas a year ago. He had a distinguished Great War record, going to France in 1915 with the rank of captain in the 1st Northumberland Field Ambulance. He commanded the unit in the later stages of the war, and returned from active service in 1919 as lieutenant-colonel. He was awarded the Military Cross and the Cross of a Chevalier of the Legion of Honour.

## N.Z. AIR SQUADRONS

### Visits By Mr. Fraser

The New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr. Fraser, and the High Commissioner, Mr. Jordan, visited the New Zealand fighter squadron at its operational station. Mr. Fraser, seated on blankets and a mattress in a pilots' hut, chatted with "the boys."

The squadron has shot down five Germans, of which Flight Lieutenant E. P. Wells, of Cambridge, has scored three and Squadron Leader M. W. B. Knight, of Dannevirke, and Pilot Officer Charles Stewart, of Wellington, have bagged one each.

Mr. Fraser told the pilots that their experience would be valuable if they returned to New Zealand, and asked whether they would like to go.

Squadron Leader Knight said: "Yes, but I should like to see this season out."

While Mr. Fraser was inspecting the Spitfires, Squadron Leader Alan Deere, D.F.C., of Wanganui, who has shot down 17 Germans, landed. Mr. Fraser congratulated him on his narrow escape when his fighter was damaged by gunfire over France and he was forced to limp over the Channel, prepared to bale out at any moment, but reached his base safely. One piece of shrapnel stuck so securely in the glycol tank that it prevented the oil from leaking out.

Mr. Fraser visited a hospital and saw Sergeant I. J. McNeill, of Rautoki, who was shaken after a forced landing. Mr. Fraser heard that planes of the New Zealand squadron are engaged in escort duties for sweeps over France.

#### At Bomber Station.

Arriving at the station a few hours after their planes had returned from plastering Hanover, Mr. Fraser visited the New Zealand bomber squadron. Among the men was the Victoria Cross winner, Sergeant J. A. Ward, to whom Mr. Fraser said, "New Zealand is very proud of you. I congratulate you most heartily on your well-deserved honour." Mr. Fraser was

## NEW ASSOCIATION OF RETURNED MEN

### Meeting In Wellington

### OTHER FORCES AND NEXT-OF-KIN INCLUDED

A representative gathering, including Navy men, met last night in Wellington at the invitation of the executive of the 2nd N.Z.E.F. Association, when it was decided to form a Wellington branch.

The Dominion president, Mr. E. L. Thwaites, briefly explained the aims of the new association which, he said, was open not only to all who were serving or had served overseas in any branch of His Majesty's Forces in the present war, but also to their next-of-kin. He said that the association would bring into action a cross-section of the community free from bias and unhampered by old prejudices. It would be well-equipped to face the problems in which every section of the community would be involved on the return of men from overseas.

Mr. Thwaites said that the association would in no way clash with the interests of the N.Z.R.S.A. or its aims and activities. On the contrary its ambitions and ideals were so comprehensive in scope as to cater for many who could not be included under the existing constitution of the N.Z.R.S.A.

Mr. H. J. Preston, representative of Auckland next-of-kin, assured the meeting of the great support given the association by the next-of-kin in Auckland.

The meeting after deciding to form a branch in Wellington fixed August 25 for a meeting of those covered by the membership, including next-of-kin.

The following committee was formed: Messrs. F. R. Crompton (chairman), W. Pleasants (interim secretary), D. G. Sherriff, R. Duck, R. Smith, W. D. Anderson, G. Hoskin, D. C. Filp and G. K. Morgan.

## LONGER LEAVE

### Soldiers Who Were Due In Camp This Week

"As a result of further consideration of the leave question, new arrangements are being made which will give these soldiers a longer period in their homes," said the Minister of Defence, Mr. Jones, last night, referring to soldiers who are now on leave, and who were due back in camps this week.

"New train and travel arrangements are in hand and the timetables will be distributed to army area officers and railway stationmasters by Wednesday," the Minister added. "Soldiers are advised to confirm their departure time and date by inquiring from the nearest army area officer or a stationmaster on or after Wednesday. So that the fullest advantage can be taken of this extra leave, it is essential in the soldiers' own interests that personnel should travel in accordance with the new timetable. This extension of leave applies only to those who were due to travel back to camps this week."

introduced to the members of Sergeant Ward's crew, including the Aucklanders, Sergeant Gunner Box, D.F.M., and Sergeant Observer L. A. Lawton, Wellington.

The squadron paraded at a hangar and Mr. Fraser walked down the lines shaking hands with every man. He talked to the men in the sergeant's mess, the audience including more than a dozen D.F.C.'s and D.F.M.'s who had distinguished themselves over Germany. The airmen told Mr. Fraser that they wanted, before returning home, to finish the job for which they went to England.

Mr. Fraser has cancelled his Belfast visit. It is believed that this is because his presence is required in London owing to the Far East crisis.

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A large percentage of the aircraft produced will be Beaufort medium torpedo bombers, the fastest of their type in the world.

The opening of additional schools is enabling a constantly increasing number of Australian airmen to be trained in their own country. The ground crews are now trained entirely in Australia. One-fifth of the pilots and a quarter of the air gunners, observers, and wireless operators still finish their training in Canada under the Air Training Scheme, and some are sent to Rhodesia, but these proportions are growing less.

Speaking at the coming-of-age of the South African Air Force on Monday, Field-Marshal Smuts said South Africa which started the war with an air force of only one squadron and a total of 1500 pilots and mechanics, today had over 2000 pilots and additional personnel of at least 25,000, of which about 3000 were women.

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The cafeteria was particularly busy during the week and at the weekend, and the catering committee is grateful to those generous people so far from Wellington who assist them in their work by sending provisions. Hampers were received from the following:— A recently-formed committee of Marton women, per Mrs. Duncan Simpson; Masterton Country Women's Club, per Mrs. Donald James; Mangapakeha branch, W.D.F.U., Masterton; donation from Air Force relations, Wanganui, per Mrs. Gifford Moore; carton home-made jam, Mrs. E. B. Gordon, Marton. Assistance in the cafeteria has been given by a group of Lower Hutt women, members of the Victoria League, English-Speaking Union, A.N.A. helpers, Air Force relations, and A.N.A. girls' auxiliary.

The dances are always popular and well attended, and this weekend were in the charge of Misses Mildred Cardale, Diana Brodie, Barbara Phelan, and Rita Thomson, members of the girls' auxiliary.

**BRITISH SAILORS' SOCIETY**

A good crowd of Air Force men and seamen attended the British Sailors' Society social evening on Saturday, when girls of the Chart and Compass Club were in charge. Fifty men enjoyed a hot tea in the clubrooms yesterday, this being followed by a service and social hour. Supper concluded the programme. The society would be very grateful for gifts of suitable magazines for use in the rooms as many men come in during the week to write and read and a new supply of books is urgently required.

**WEEKEND AT Y.W.C.A.**

Generous donations of foodstuffs from one of the bands of helpers, the St. Andrew's Ladies' Guild, were much appreciated at the Y.W.C.A. on Saturday, when, as usual, the tea and dance for men on leave was well patronized. The other helpers included members of the Wellington-Khandallah Croquet Association. Yesterday the Rona Bay canteen group gave much appreciated help. In the evening, the Rev. J. Churchill conducted a short service and Mrs. J. Hastings arranged a programme of items. Those taking part were Miss Ida Lockwood, violin solos, Mrs. G. Young, songs, Mrs. Hastings and Mr. R. Nelson, sketches, the accompanist being Mrs. Bird.

**ITEMS FROM "ROSE MARIE" AT SPINSTER'S CLUB**

Spring flowers made the Spinsters Club rooms specially attractive at the weekend, when many men on leave from the camps were entertained. Jars of pink camellias, low bowls of forget-me-nots, anemones and stocks on the little blue tables made an attractive note of colour. The visitors were entertained with a special programme last evening, including an operatic dance by Miss Ngaire Harrison, a ballet from the "Rose Marie" company, humorous anecdotes by Miss Eva Moore, songs from "Rose Marie" by Mr. John Linaker, and a contortionist item by Miss Joyce Smith. Miss Gwenyth Greenwood was the accompanist. All the performers were enthusiastically applauded by the large audience.

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There were 200 present at the National Union's tea dance at the National Club on Saturday evening, when Misses Josephine Russell and Shirley Spears were joint conveners of the girls who assisted with serving tea. Yesterday, more than 100 men of the Forces enjoyed the restful atmosphere in the warm clubrooms and the meals prepared by members of the Wellington East electorate under the convenership of Mrs. H. E. Avery.

**AT WEBBY'S CLUB**

Time and again Webby's Club has proved to be a popular rendezvous for men of the fighting services, and in spite of the inclement weather which prevailed at the weekend large crowds were in attendance. Yesterday was no exception and the girls who acted as hostesses found themselves kept busy entertaining their old friends of the forces, and welcoming many new ones. An informal tea with hot soup and delicious savouries was served and the excellent music supplied by Peter Jefferies added to the enjoyment of the day.



"Someone is talking about me, my ear is itching."

**ENJOYABLE PROGRAMME AT Y.M.C.A. TEA**

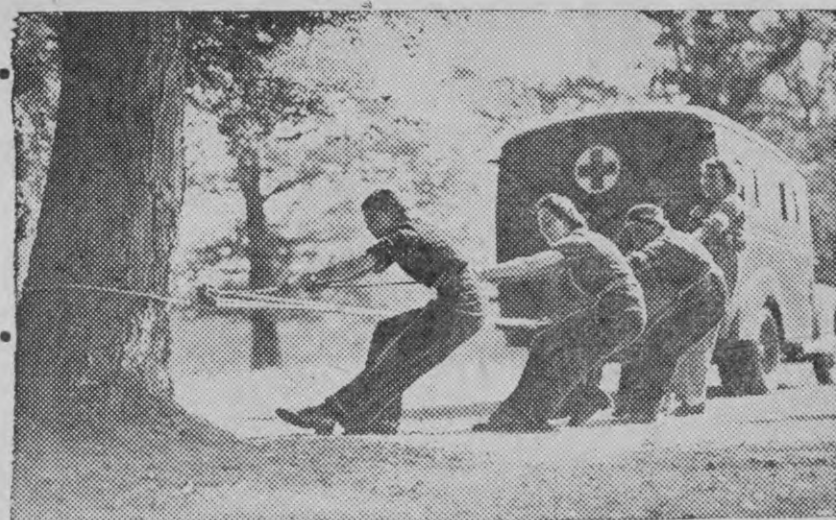
Members of the Y.M.C.A. girls' auxiliary, with their president, Miss Mavis Burnley, were hostesses at the Y.M.C.A. soldiers' tea yesterday. Mr. R. H. Nimmo was chairman and a special guest was Flight Lieutenant Gladstone Hill. The monthly birthday cake, made and iced by three girls of the auxiliary, was cut by Miss Burnley. It was decorated to represent the three arms of the Fighting Services.

A special feature of the items given were duets and solos from "Rose Marie," presented by Mrs. Merle Gamble and Mr. Ray Trewern. These were greatly appreciated and the artists re-

**THREE GIFT CANTEENS READY**

Three of the five gift mobile canteens for the New Zealand Forces in the Middle East, which have been under construction at Petone, are ready, and Mr. G. A. Heyden, secretary of the National Patriotic Fund Board, said yesterday that the other two will be finished early next week.

called several times. Mrs. I. Halligan gave elocutionary items, and Corporal Charles Cathcart, R.N.Z.A.F., gave whistling solos. Mr. J. Buchanan was the accompanist. The usual minute's prayer for those serving in the Forces overseas was observed.



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### PRISONERS OF WAR

The names of 19 members of the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force are given in a casualty list issued yesterday.

#### DIED OF SICKNESS.

GALBRAITH, Henry, Spr. Mrs. I. Sangster, 16 Tifford St., Christchurch (mother-in-law)

SMITH, Neville J. W., Gnr. Mr. J. R. Smith, 38 Fitzroy St., Wellington (f)

#### MISSING.

MURPHY, Matthew T., Pte. Miss A. Murphy, C/o P. L. Murphy, 57 Latham St., Napier (s)

INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS, GENEVA, ADVISES THE FOLLOWING SOLDIERS ARE PRISONERS OF WAR IN GREECE—PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS WOUNDED AND MISSING.

BLUE, James A., Spr. Mrs. H. S. L. Blue, 356 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland (m)

HAINES, Edward F. G., Pte. Mrs. G. J. Haines, 3 Hunter St., Hamilton (w)

HAYDON, Edward R., Pte. Mr. E. St. C. Haydon, 467 College St., Palmerston North (f)

HOGAN, Sidney J., Pte. Mr. W. J. Hogan, 644 Dominion Rd., Auckland (f)

LEVY, Aubrey D., Pte. Mrs. O. H. Levy, 133 Northland Rd., Wellington (m)

O'SHAUGHNESSY, James, Pte. Mr. J. O'Shaughnessy, 94 Broadway, Marton (f)

ROBSON, Henry, Pte. Mrs. W. Robson, Pukepoto (m)

SECCOMBE, Garth T., W.O.II. Mrs. E. H. Seccombe, Main Rd., Upper Hutt (w)

INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS, GENEVA, ADVISES THE FOLLOWING SOLDIERS ARE PRISONERS OF WAR IN GREECE AND WOUNDED—PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS MISSING.

FERGUSON, David L., Pte. Mrs. W. Ferguson, 28 Joseph St., Gore (m)

MANE, Whiti, T/Sgt. Mrs. E. Mane, "Woodlands," Southland Rd., Hastings (w)

MITCHELL, Robert H., Dvr. Mr. Mitchell, 67 Oban St., Wellington (f)

WAHA, John, L/Cpl. Mrs. C. Waha, Keri Keri (m)

INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS, GENEVA, ADVISES THE FOLLOWING SOLDIERS ARE PRISONERS OF WAR IN YUGOSLAVIA—PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS MISSING.

BRICKELL, Alan W., Pte. Mrs. A. Brickell, Kent St., Carterton (m)

WALLIS, Jack, Pte. Mrs. D. E. Wallis, 123 Essex St., Masterton (w)

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW REPORTED NOT MISSING.

COLES, Lawrence W., Pte. Mrs. M. L. Coles, C/o C.P.O., Wellington (w)

LONGWORTH, George H., Pte. Mrs. D. E. Longworth, 7 Petone Ave., Petone (w)

### AIR CASUALTIES

The following air casualties were announced yesterday:—

NUTTALL, Alfred C., Sgt., R.N.Z.A.F., missing on air operations. Mrs. E. C. Nuttall, 7 Wairoa Ave., Birkenhead, Auckland (m)

HOWARD, Clarence H., Sgt., R.N.Z.A.F., reported missing on operations. Mr. C. Howard, 98 Richmond St., Petone (f)

GOODWIN, Charles S. V., Sgt., R.N.Z.A.F., reported missing on operations. Mrs. C. E. Goodwin, 17 Sanders Ave., Takapuna, Auckland (m)

STEEDS, John E. MacK, Pilot Officer, R.N.Z.A.F., previously reported missing, now reclassified missing but believed killed in action. Mrs. B. Steeds, 90 Knowles St., Christchurch

GUYMER, Haydn N., Sgt., R.N.Z.A.F., now confirmed prisoner of war. Mrs. E. Guymer, 452 Adelaide Rd., Wellington (m)



"Blimey! Can you beat that!—Chicken on the menu and he grumbles!"

## AIRMEN PILOTS

Men To Report At Levin

The following airmen pilots have been instructed to report to the Ground Training School, Levin:—

Abbott, C. W., Wellington; Alty, T. D., Palmerston North; Barrowclough, C. A., Morrinsville; Bennett, H. J., Tuatapere; Blyth, R. H., Wanganui; Brown, L. H. F., Wellington; Carter, J. T., Wellington; Chamberlain, D. B., Wellington; Chapman, O. R., Kakaru; Clark, F. D., Wanganui; Clubb, S. J., Gisborne; Collerton, T. F., Carterton; Cunningham, R. K., Morrinsville; Davis, A. M., Wellington.

Duffill, J. G., Hawera; Empson, T. A., Otaki; Franklin, J. P., Mangateretere; Goodall, E. J., Orawia; Groves, J., Masterton; Gumbley, B. A., Hastings; Hansen, A. R., Wanganui; Harrison, T. H., Hastings; Henderson, T. F., Hastings; Hewett, J. D., Wellington; Hodges, G. L., Lower Hutt; Humphreys, N. R. S., Wellington; Hunter, D. M., Ohaupo; Erwin, W. A., Matamau.

Johnson, A. A., Lower Hutt; Jones, G., Wellington; McDonald, J. H., Pukerau; McKoy, G. A., Wellington; McLachlan, D., Waipara; Moore, B., Taihape; Murphy, W. J., Gisborne; Nelson, J. W. T., Napier; Patrick, G. S., Petone; Perks, R. S., Wellington.

Ray, A. L., Te Awamutu; Redding, R. E., Wellington; Relph, G. C., Rotorua; Sale, E. D., Masterton; Scrymgeour, D. R., Wellington; Shields, J. E., Taumarunui; Simpson, F., Napier; Sims, L. A., Napier; Smith, J. B., Wellington; Stewart, T. D., Dannevirke; Swinton, W. J., Te Kaha; Thomson, G. S., Westbrooke, J. C., Whitwell, G. F., Tiran; Williams, H. K., Morrinsville; Wood, F. C., Putaruru; Wright, J. H., Masterton; Lacy, H. W., Stratford; Davis, A. R., Palmerston North.

## TWO ARMY OFFICERS INJURED

A.D.C. To General Williams

MOTOR-COLLISION NEAR WHAKATANE

Two army officers were injured in a motor collision on the Whakatane-Opotiki road, nine miles from Whakatane, at about 5.50 on Saturday afternoon. They were Captain H. Whitbread, A.D.C. to General Sir Guy Williams, military adviser to the New Zealand Government, and Lieutenant G. Murray, of the Paeroa area office.

The staff car in which they were travelling was following a vehicle in which were General Williams, Brigadier West, Major Dawe, area officer at Paeroa, and Sergeant Stephenson. The party is making a visit of inspection through the northern military district.

The second car, driven by Lieutenant Murray, collided with a truck coming in the opposite direction and driven by Mr. R. J. Mercer, Edgecumbe. The two occupants were injured and taken to Whakatane Hospital.

It was reported tonight that Captain Whitbread was still unconscious and suffering from severe concussion. Lieutenant Murray, who suffered shock and abrasions, was not in a serious condition. Mr. Mercer was not injured.

The official party returned to Whakatane as a result of the accident.

Captain Whitbread, who arrived in New Zealand in June, is an Imperial Army officer, his unit being Queen Victoria's Rifles.

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## PRISONERS OF WAR

### Treatment By Germans

#### ADHERENCE TO CONVENTION

A reassuring report about conditions in German prisoner-of-war camps has been issued by the International Red Cross organization at Geneva. This indicates that prisoners are well fed, comparatively well clothed, live in sanitary surroundings, have their health attended to, and are provided with reasonable facilities for recreational and cultural pursuits. Parcels are regularly received under certain necessary limitations, and letters to and from relatives can also be sent.

These conditions are the result of adherence by the Germans to the Geneva Convention of 1929, which defines the standard of treatment for prisoners of war.

The Geneva organization regularly visits all prison camps, and its officials have private talks with all the inmates. Its reports, published in full and illustrated with numerous photographs, speak for themselves. The following is an extract from a report on a prison camp on the outskirts of a forest in the southern part of Germany. To this camp R.A.F. prisoners are first sent:—

#### R.A.F. Prisoners' Camp.

"The barracks are well aired, warmed, and supplied with hot and cold running water. They are divided into a great number of rooms which contain one to three beds. The rooms have proper beds, a table, and chairs, and all are decorated with a great number of photographs. The prisoners have kept their own cameras. The mural paintings of some of them are quite remarkable. From all points of view the prisoners are as well treated as it is possible for them to be, good rooms, dining-room, sitting-room with padded armchairs, where whisky is served each evening, and where they can read papers and books. There is a room for games, a piano, radio, etc.; the enjoyment of hot showers from morning to evening, a walk to the outside of the camp each day, swimming in a very well-fitted neighbouring bath, and a big playing field. There is a canteen where prisoners can buy all that they want. Moreover, they receive numerous parcels from the British Red Cross, and the stores of boxes of all sorts of jams for a personnel of 100 men amount to several thousands. The prisoners receive their pay according to their grades, in proportion to the half of the pay that the corresponding grades receive in the German army."

This camp takes only men in perfect health. Aviator prisoners who have been wounded are cared for in the hospital nearest where they crash. The camp commandant at the camp often spends his evenings in the prisoners' quarters till very late at night and relations are most cordial and friendly.

#### Work In Forests.

Reporting on another camp, not far from the Baltic Sea, Geneva remarks that this is kept entirely for English aviators, to the number of 428, in addition to seven French soldiers who are engaged as tailors, shoemakers and hairdressers. Here "the general hygiene leaves nothing to be desired: warm showers once a week, and in a disinfection hut the clothes of the men who come in from the work detachments are thoroughly cleaned. . . . The canteen is well stocked. One can buy fresh vegetables, potatoes, tomatoes, carrots, cabbages, white and red, and salad greens. Moreover, beet is plentiful. The prisoners have at their disposal little warming stoves on which they can cook the viands to their liking, which is in addition to the adequate kitchen. The infirmary is well equipped and a dentist pays a weekly visit to the camp. Religious services are held regularly, and there is a well-equipped library. Many of the prisoners worked in the forests, and, when talked to by the Geneva dele-

## CONCERT AT TRENTHAM

The Catholic Hut at Trentham was filled to capacity last week when a popular programme was submitted by Miss Esme Crow and her concert party. The Turner-Cottier Orchestra played the latest hits and the boys joined in the choruses. Mr. C. Lindsay gave a performance of "magic" which was greatly appreciated.

Those contributing to the programme were: Misses Esme Crow, Hazel Martin, D. Hussey, D. Wyatt, G. and V. England, E. Lane, E. Livermore; Mesdames E. Astill, M. Newman and J. Turner-Cottier; Messrs. L. McIlvride, H. Woolcott, I. Dentice, C. Lindsay, P. Cousins, P. Johnstone, R. Curtis, A. McNair, and R. Turner-Cottier.

gate, declared that they had no complaints to put forward.

"There is not actually a university in the camp," says the official report. "but there are courses in languages, specially German, and lectures have been organized. The prisoners have the use of a piano and several accordions; loudspeakers will very soon be installed in each room." In this camp, as appears to be the general rule in many others, prisoners are allowed to write two letters and four cards each month

## MORE AIR AWARDS

### D.F.C.'s To New Zealanders

Sergeants R. J. C. Grant and William Jack Scott, of the R.N.Z.A.F., have been awarded the D.F.C.

Sergeant Grant took part in 22 operations over enemy territory in which he destroyed two enemy planes and damaged several others. By his keenness and devotion to duty, the citation states, he set an excellent example.

A Flight Lieutenant of the R.A.F. and Sergeant Scott as pilot and air-gunner respectively, achieved conspicuous success during night fighting operations one night in April. They destroyed a Heinkel 111, and since then they have destroyed three more enemy planes, two of which were shot down during the same patrol. Both the pilot and Sergeant Scott displayed great skill and determination during these operations.

A New Zealander in the R.A.F., Acting Squadron Leader Victor Bosanquet Verity, has been awarded the D.F.C. The citation states: "He has shown a fine example by the skill with which he has intercepted enemy planes at night time and by the determination he has displayed in his attacks. He has destroyed at least two

enemy planes and damaged two others."

### AIRMAN FROM NELSON WINS D.F.C.

Flight Lieutenant R. D. Max, of Nelson, has been awarded the D.F.C. Cabled advice to this effect was received today by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Max, Brightwater.

Educated at Nelson College, Flight Lieutenant Max joined the Royal Air Force before the war and was granted a commission. He served with the Advance Striking Force in France as a bomber pilot, and his services there were recognized by the French Government, which awarded him the Croix de Guerre. After taking part in many raids on Germany, he was selected to fly American bombers across the Atlantic and was engaged in this work until this month.

## RACING FIXTURES

August 23—Pakuranga H.C.  
August 28—Egmont-Wanganui H.C. (at New Plymouth).  
August 30—Taranaki H.C.  
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September 6—Otago H.C.  
September 13—Ashburton C.R.C.

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1. IRON IS MORE COMMON THAN ANY OTHER METAL.
2. HIS MOTHER OBJECTED TO HIM GOING.
3. THE TWO BOYS HELPED ONE ANOTHER.
4. I HAVE NO DOUBT OF THE MAN BEING SINCERE.
5. WHY BLAME ME, WHO AM NOT HE?
6. THIS IS A MORE PERFECT CUBE THAN THE OTHER ONE.
7. BEWTEEN YOU AND ME IT IS NOT I WHO AM SHE.
8. THE BATHTUB HAS OVERFLOWN.
9. I ASKED HIM HOW HE KNEW THE EARTH WAS ROUND.
10. IT SMASHED TO PIECES.
11. HE DIED OF PNEUMONIA.
12. WHAT KIND OF A PERSON DO YOU THINK I AM?

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:—The £15 Cash Prize will be paid to the Competitor who sends in the CORRECT, or most nearly correct, list of the sentences. In the event of more than one person getting the complete list correct, the THREE NEATEST HAND-WRITTEN ENTRIES IN INK will receive £5 each. Type-written entries will not be considered, and no correspondence will be entered into. Judge's decision final.

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more;

When the cup of every earthly glad-  
ness

Bears no taste of the life-giving  
stream;  
And high hopes, as though to mock  
our sadness,  
Fade and die as in some fitful  
dream,

Who shall hush the weary spirits'  
chiding?

Who the aching void within shall  
fill?

Who shall whisper of a peace abiding,  
And each surging billow calmly  
still?

Only He, whose wounded heart was  
broken

With the bitter cross and thorny  
crown;

Whose dear love glad words of joy  
had spoken,

Who His life for us laid meekly  
down.

Blessed Healer, all our burdens  
lighten;

Give us peace, Thine own sweet  
peace, we pray!

Keep us near Thee till the morn shall  
brighten,

And all the mists and shadows flee  
away!"

There is an old saying "While there's  
life there's hope," and in each human  
heart there is that germ of hope that  
survives to the last, that urge to fight  
on, to refuse to give in so long as  
strength to fight, to resist, remains.

It is becoming common reading in  
these days—the tales of survivors  
from sunken ships or shot-down  
planes—drifting for days and enduring  
privations, but always hoping for  
and looking for rescue, until hopes are  
realised and a friendly ship picks them  
up. Others are not so fortunate, but  
can we doubt that they have hoped  
until the privations cannot be endured  
longer and unconsciousness and death  
overtake them? And when no friend  
is in sight, when we are cut off from  
all human help, to whom can we turn  
in our extremity? Hopes can spur  
us on and revive the flagging spirits,  
but if our hope is founded on some-  
one or something that fails us, we  
are doomed to disappointment. How  
necessary then to make absolutely cer-  
tain that our hope is placed in that  
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or the life to come, is Christ. He never  
fails, and His promise is "I will never  
leave thee, I will never forsake thee."  
Let us cast all our care on Him, for  
He careth for us. In His life here on  
earth He sounded the depths of hu-  
man sufferings and now His grace is  
always available to give help in time  
of need to all who suffer and who will  
turn to Him for help. And in these  
days of separation from loved ones,  
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