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SIDELIGHTS . . .

(Cassandra in the "Daily Mirror")

Bulgarian Boris, the Quisling of the Balkans, has lined himself up with those two other regal peanuts—Victor Emmanuel of Italy and Leopold of the Belgians. Boris, whose moral stature makes him about knee-high to a snake, has been publicly fawning on Adolf Hitler alias Schickelgruber. Says the Bulgarian Monarch:

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HAPPY LAND.

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OVERTURE.

As an overture to making war, the Germans invite their victims to go to the pictures with them.

If the victims are comparatively defenceless they show them a horrific gloating record of Hunnish crime called "Baptism of Fire." The Norwegians got that one. If they are made of slightly tougher stuff they get shown a bragging flick called "Victory in the West." The very title is a bit of transparent swank for the simple fact that Whitehall isn't due east of the Wilhelmstrasse.

When Von Papen tried to stage a terrific-super-glamorous-first-night with this stupendous-epoch-making-Nazi epic-picture in Ankara, the Turks froze the clod out by simply remarking, "We are not amused." Practically nobody turned up apart from the German Embassy staff, and Von Papen, as the great impresario, was as successfully glamorous as a pound of cold cod left out on a tenement window-sill.

WOOER.

Reichfuehrer Awful is reported to be wooing President Inonu of Turkey. With characteristic vanity the German Chancellor sent a signed photograph of himself to the Turk.

Von Papen, the blundering trickster, presented the horrid thing after giving a short speech to the effect that all the best sheep lay down with all the best wolves and there was no such food as raw mutton no matter what anybody said to the contrary.

The President's reaction to Hitler playing the part of Romeo is not known. But if I were him, I should get off that balcony mighty quick.

MIXED METAPHOR.

A lovely one from General Milch, Nazi Air Secretary:—

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Servicemen attended in record numbers throughout the week to enjoy the hospitality and cheer provided at the club room in Willis Street. The lounge was always full and the cafeteria tables with the new pale green coverings, and bowls of yellow spring flowers, added zest to the healthy appetites.

The ever-willing band of helpers prepare attractive hot meals and they were assisted last week by a group of Navy League members, convener, Mrs. W. E. Parry, and another group from Air Force Relations with Mrs. H. W. L. Saunders in charge.

An innovation at the Friday and Saturday night dances was a complete orchestra of servicemen who supplied the music during the supper interlude. Among those who assisted were Private W. S. Buchanan, Lance-Bombardier I. C. McLean, Gunner Alex. Campbell, Gunner I. W. Cameron, Private K. Roberts. Vocal items were given in "professional" style.

Members of the girls' committee did duty in the ballroom on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings.

Generous assistance to the cafeteria was again sent by country well-wishers of the club. Provisions were received from Eketahuna branch, W.D.F.U., per Mrs. W. F. Day, Rangitumau branch, W.D.F.U., per Mrs. Donald James, and a monetary donation from Air Force Relations, Wanganui, per Mrs. D. Gifford-Moore.

The cafeteria committee would be grateful for gifts of pickles and sauces as these are in constant demand.

**BUSY WEEKEND AT
WEBBY'S**

Two factors in the arrangements at Webby's Club for the entertainment of men of the armed forces wrought a marked difference at the clubrooms at the weekend. One factor was the alteration to the entrance, and also in a new stage arrangement. New hangings, offset by lovely bowls of iceland poppies, made a refreshing colour change, also in the room. The second factor was the absence of the popular president, Mrs. Webb. Her guiding presence was greatly missed by both girls and their guests, who wish her a speedy return to their ranks, with a return to her usual health.

Committee members, with the co-operation of the girls themselves, carried on the work of the club, and endeavoured to carry out to their best ability Mrs. Webb's high standard of hospitality to the men. Friday night was as busy as usual, and Saturday night was popular with the members looking attractive in their pretty evening frocks. A rhumba, quickstep, and modern waltz exhibition was given by Mr. and Mrs. Allen, the latter striking a patriotic note in a frock of red, white and blue tulle.

Sunday saw the usual restful informality in the afternoon, and the short evening was spent in dancing, concluding with a vote of thanks to the dance musicians, Mrs. Pember and Mr. S. Numarsh. Mr. Numarsh provided further entertainment with some excellent sketches. The catering for the weekend was capably carried out, thanks to the various anonymous women cooks and donors of foodstuffs, to whom the club extends sincere thanks.

**SPINSTERS WELCOME
MANY GUESTS**

The Spinsters' Club, Wellington, attracted large crowds of servicemen at its weekend gatherings. On Friday night dancing and games were enjoyed by the men and the members provided the usual home-made supper. Yesterday the clubrooms were filled from an

early hour in the afternoon, and music, games and plenty of reading matter helped to entertain the visitors. Members and girl visitors assisted in looking after the guests and a delicious tea of hot and cold savouries, lettuce, sandwiches and cakes was served. The club is busy planning a Halloween dance for a Saturday early in November, for which novelties and a special programme are being prepared.

**PIRINOA RESIDENTS' GIFT
TO Y.W.C.A.**

Help with its entertainment programme for men of the forces was forthcoming at the weekend for the Wellington Y.W.C.A. which gratefully acknowledges a gift of produce and a cheque for £10 from residents of Pirinoa, who held a dance to raise the funds. The contributions were made through Miss J. Scrimgeour.

Assistance was given with duties by women members of the Wellington Croquet Association and girls of the Dental Clinic. In the girls' cloak-rooms, members of the Wellington Basketball Association gave assistance and in the men's section Messrs. Martin, Robson, Laking, Tailby and Brake helped.

Yesterday the Rev. E. S. Hoddinot gave an address and an entertainment was presented by Miss G. Gunn who with the following artists contributed to the programme: Mrs. W. Andrews, Mr. K. Macaulay and Roy Gunn. The accompanist was Mrs. Haigh. Supper was provided by Presbyterian women of Island Bay.

The usual dance for members of the W.A.A.F. was crowded on Saturday night, the programme being arranged by girls of the mess section.

MANY VISITORS

Men of the Navy were among weekend visitors to the National Club, Wellington. Good attendances made use of the facilities provided, and there were many guests at the National Union's tea dance on Saturday. Miss Rona Heinemann and Miss Shirley Spears were conveners, and yesterday's convener was Mrs. A. E. Meech, assisted by women from the Wellington Central electorate.

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CITATIONS TELL OF REMARKABLE EXPLOITS

His Majesty the King has approved the award of the Victoria Cross to Second-Lieutenant Charles Hazlitt Upham and Sergeant Alfred Clive Hulme, of the New Zealand Military Forces. This announcement was made yesterday by the Prime Minister, Mr. Fraser, and telegrams of congratulation on the recognition of the gallantry of the winners of the V.C. have been sent by the Government.

These are the first Victoria Crosses won by members of the New Zealand land forces in this war, and in each case the citation tells a story of outstanding heroism and devotion to duty during the bitter fighting in Crete. Sergeant Hulme is now back in New Zealand.

The awards were announced to the House of Representatives yesterday afternoon by Mr. Fraser, and when he finished his reading of the two citations of valour loud applause was given.

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LONG SERIES OF BRAVE ACTIONS

"During operations in Crete," states the citation published in the London Gazette, "Second-Lieutenant Upham performed a series of remarkable exploits, showing outstanding leadership, tactical skill, and utter indifference to danger. He commanded a forward platoon in the attack on Malemi on May 22 and fought his way forward over 3000 yards, unsupported by any other arms and against a defence strongly organized in depth. During this operation his platoon destroyed numerous enemy posts, but on three occasions the sections were temporarily held up.

"In the first case, under heavy fire from a machinegun nest, he advanced to close quarters with pistol and grenades, so demoralizing the occupants that his section was able to mop up with ease. Another of his sections was then held up by two machine-

guns in a house. Upham went in and placed grenades through a window, destroying the crew of one machinegun and several others, the other machinegun being silenced by the fire of his section. In a third case he crawled within 15 yards of a machinegun post and killed gunners with a grenade.

"When his company withdrew from Malemi, Upham helped to carry wounded men out under fire, and, together with another officer, rallied more men together to carry other wounded men out."

Isolated Company Saved.

His next action cited is an epic of bravery and initiative.

"He was sent to bring in a company which had become isolated. With a corporal he went through enemy territory extending more than 600 yards, killing two Germans on the way. He found the company and brought it back to the battalion's new position. But for this action it would have been completely cut off.

"During the following two days Upham's platoon occupied an exposed position on forward slopes and was continuously under fire. Upham was blown over by one mortar shell and painfully wounded behind the left shoulder by a piece of shrapnel. He also received a bullet in the foot, which was later removed in Egypt."

With the retirement of the British forces Upham did not cease to carry out brave exploits. "At Galatos on May 25 his platoon was heavily en-

gaged, when the troops in front gave way and came under a severe mortar and machinegun fire. While the platoon stopped under cover of a ridge Upham went forward, observed the enemy, and brought up a platoon when the Germans advanced. They killed more than 40 Germans with fire and grenades, forcing the remainder to fall back. When the platoon was ordered to retire Upham sent it back under a platoon sergeant, and Upham went back to warn other troops that they were being cut off.

"When he came out himself, he was fired on by two Germans. He fell and shammed dead, then crawled into position and, having use of only one arm, rested his rifle in the fork of a tree. As the Germans came forward he killed both. The second German actually hit the muzzle of the rifle as he fell.

Again, at Spakia, Upham added a further brilliant episode to his already long series of deeds of bravery. "On May 13 at Spakia his platoon had been ordered to deal with a party of the enemy which had advanced down a ravine to near the headquarters of the force. Though exhausted, Upham climbed a steep hill to the west of the ravine, placed his men in position on a slope overlooking the ravine, and himself went to the top with a Bren gun and two riflemen.

"By clever tactics he induced the enemy party to expose itself, then, at a range of 500 yards, shot 22, causing the remainder to disperse in panic.

"During the whole of the operations he suffered from dysentery, and was able to eat very little, in addition to being wounded and bruised. He showed superb coolness, great skill and dash, and a complete disregard of danger. His conduct and leadership inspired the whole platoon to fight magnificently throughout and, in fact, was an inspiration to the whole battalion."

Sergeant Hulme was known in Nelson as an amateur wrestler of some ability, and both he and the brother killed in Crete often appeared in curtain-raisers to professional bouts. This experience stood him in good stead one day in Crete when, on being machine-gunned from the air, he dived behind a large olive tree. As he arrived a German who had been sniping from the tree dropped to the ground behind him. The German had dropped his Tommy gun, so the two wrestled it out. The New Zealander saw the German open one of the many zip-fastened pockets in his uniform and guessed he was trying to reach his pistol. Hulme caught him by the wrist and twisted his arm round, the German eventually being forced to pull the trigger on himself.

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"This non-commissioned officer exhibited the most outstanding and inspiring qualities of leadership, initiative, skill and endurance and the most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty from the commencement of the heavy fighting in Crete on May 20 till he was wounded in action on May 28," states the citation. "On the ground overlooking Malemi aerodrome on May 20 and 21 he personally led parties of his men from an area held by a field punishment centre sub-unit and destroyed enemy organized parties who had established themselves in front of our position, from which they brought heavy rifle, machine-gun and mortar fire to bear on our defence posts.

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dealt with numerous snipers in this area. He was continually going out alone or with a few men destroying enemy snipers. On May 22, 23 and 24, 130 enemy dead were counted in this area."

Hulme rejoined his battalion on May 25 in time to take part in a counter-attack on Galatos village, in which he particularly distinguished himself by his courageous example.

"The attack was partially held up by a large party of the enemy holding a school from which they were inflicting heavy casualties on our troops."

The citation continues: "Hulme went forward alone, threw grenades into the school, and so disorganized the defence that a counter-attack was able to proceed successfully. His example was a great inspiration to the men near him."

It was at Suda Bay and Stylos during the final retirement that Hulme, by the highest initiative, valour, skill in handling weapons, and ability to stalk, effected the most stirring of all his exploits.

"Our forces were holding a defensive line at Suda Bay on May 27. Five enemy snipers had worked into position on a hillside overlooking the flank of Hulme's battalion. He promptly volunteered to deal with the situation, and stalked and killed the snipers in turn, continuing similar work successfully throughout the day, a major in his battalion later testifying to having watched Hulme's skilful operations through field glasses.

"At Stylos on May 28, when an enemy heavy mortar was severely bombing every important ridge held by his battalion rearguard troops, inflicting severe casualties, Hulme, on his own initiative, penetrated the enemy lines, killed the mortar crew of four, and put the mortar out of action. He thus very materially assisted in the withdrawal of the main body through Stylos. From the enemy mortar position, Hulme then worked to the left flank and killed three snipers who were causing concern to the rearguard.

"This made his score of enemy snipers 33 stalked and shot. Shortly afterward, while stalking yet another sniper, Hulme was severely wounded in the shoulder. When ordered to the rear, in spite of his wound Hulme directed traffic under fire, and organized stragglers of various units into section groups.

"Throughout the whole operations in Crete," the citation adds, "Hulme exhibited the most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty."

NEWS OF AWARD Sergeant Hulme's Surprise

ROTORUA, October 14.

Sergeant Hulme, when approached by the Press at Rotorua Sanatorium, where he is receiving treatment for a bullet wound in the arm, had not received the Minister's telegram conveying the information of the award. When informed in the presence of the matron and a doctor, he was greatly taken aback and considered the news incredible.

A quietly-spoken, mild-mannered man, he was very modest in his comment, but relaxed sufficiently warmly to kiss the matron and the sister in charge of the ward. He said that naturally he felt greatly honoured to receive such a wonderful distinction, but if anybody should receive the V.C. he would have preferred it to have been his brother, Corporal H. C. Hulme, who was badly wounded in Greece and subsequently killed in Crete. He said that his wife would be overjoyed and his little son, aged five, who attends the Richmond School, would feel very proud, specially as he was desk mate and a great friend of the son of Bombardier Scott, who won the military medal on Crete.

Sergeant Hulme said that the Crete action was nerve racking. He had a roaming commission there and had seen probably more of the action than most of the soldiers. The award made him feel that he had done his bit after having chased "Jerry" as much as he could all over Crete, though the latter had finally chased the British out.

He had pondered over the campaign a great deal. He was convinced that

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CRICKET

Strong Army Team Beats Hutt

An impressive performance was given by the Trentham Army cricket team in a match with Hutt seniors at the Hutt Recreation Ground on Saturday. The game marked the official opening of the Hutt Club's season, and during the afternoon tea interval the Army team and visitors were welcomed by the mayor of Lower Hutt, Mr. J. W. Andrews, and the president of the Hutt Cricket Club, Sir Alexander Roberts. Among those present were Mr. Nash, M.P., Mr. Sullivan, M.P., and the chairman of the Wellington Cricket Association, Mr. J. D. Howitt.

Despite the long spell of wet weather the wicket rolled out surprisingly well. Army batted first and declared at the tea interval with 162 on for eight wickets. Some excellent form was revealed by Holden (Otago), Sutherland and Thompson (Auckland Brabin Shield team), O'Brien (Hawke's Bay), and D. S. Wilson (Kilbirnie and Wellington), who captained the Army team. Gillies (captain) and Buchan were the most successful Hutt bowlers. Champness and Muir also sent down some good overs. Fowler did some neat work behind the stumps.

Hutt were dismissed for 118, the leading scorers being Champness, Gillies and Mustard, who were responsible for the bulk of the side's total. D. S. Wilson (Kilbirnie and Wellington) and M. Graham (Old Boys and Canterbury) provided a strong fast-medium opening attack for Army, with Sutherland slow left-hand, as an effective change. Rowntree, son of the former Auckland and New Zealand wicketkeeper gave fine service behind the stumps.

The Army junior team beat Hutt juniors on the first innings. Army totalled 119 and 64 for four declared and Hutt 46 and 74 for three.

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CAIRO, September 18.

When the lines are "out" through bombing or shellfire and wireless cannot be used, it falls to the army's "Don-R's" (dispatch riders) and runners to get vital messages through. There may be excitement around every corner for these modern couriers, of whom most are extremely young and many were ardent motor-cycling enthusiasts in their civilian days. In this further article in a series depicting New Zealanders in action, Lance-Corporal S. R. McGuinness, of Hamilton, gives an insight into his job by recounting some of his experiences.

I must have ridden at least 10,000 miles since we came overseas, and that on every kind of surface from bitumen highways to Western Desert tracks a foot deep in dust, slushy byways in Greece and the white limestone roads of Crete. And that doesn't count the miles I have walked where a bike could not be taken, nor the time I tried using a mule instead.

All those miles—rather the things that happened while I was running them up—have cost a fair amount in motor-cycles. Altogether I got through four of them, all in the Balkans shows: one blown up, one lost and two jettisoned during the withdrawals. But my faith in the bike is completely unshaken, and I'd be sorry to exchange it for anything with four wheels. I remember once being in a truck that capsized, and it seemed nothing at all after the thrills you get on a bike. I just got out and went on as if nothing had happened.

One thing is that you don't have to worry about petrol restrictions, but best of all is the feeling of freedom and independence you have when you go out on a run. You think to yourself that you are doing a job of work on your own.

Sometimes there is company, in the shape of a Messerschmitt or two. In Crete, when the fighters were hovering about looking for signs of movement and flying low along the roads, one would come roaring up behind me out of sheer devilment. The trouble is that you can't hear the plane till it is right overhead. Well, a time like that is the time to stop short and jump for the ditch.

Incident Near Athens.

This didn't happen to me, but there is a story about a brigade headquarters Don-R who was riding along the main road when our brigade was left to hold the last position north of Athens. Concealment meant everything then, and the German planes were skimming along the almost deserted road trying to pick up some clue to our troops' positions. One of them overtook this chap, and of course he didn't realize the plane was there till it had passed. So he thumbed his nose at it. The pilot must have seen him do it, for he swung the plane around in a circle and went for the rider again. The Don-R pulled up, dropped his bike where it was and leaped into the ditch. Explosive bullets missed him by a few feet.

I don't know whether that experience was worse than the times when a rider has to pass over a stretch of road he knows is dangerous from the point of view of enemy sniping and machine gunning. On one occasion in Crete I had to go forward with a company which was patrolling in order to find out the strength of the enemy below Galatos. I was just keeping pace with the troops, who were on foot, when the Jerries opened up on us.

We all took cover, and then I was ordered to go back with a message to brigade headquarters. I had left the bike on the road in the open and it seemed a lifetime before I got the thing

started. I rode back through that danger area with a queer, chilly feeling just waiting for something to hit me. The thought of Jerries watching and listening made the noise of the bike seem terrific—it sounded as if every nut and bolt was shaking loose.

There are times when I've had to leave the bike and walk everywhere. One of them was when we were in positions above Servia, in northern Greece. My battalion's headquarters were in a little village perched on a hillside and connected with Servia only by an exposed, zigzagging track about a mile and a half long. One day, when the Germans had crossed the Aliakmon River, flowing through the valley below us, and had begun to attack us with artillery fire, I was sent down to Servia to collect some dispatches which were to have been brought there for us by road.

As far as I knew, the German troops were not yet within range, but an officer said: "You mustn't go down there by yourself. Pick up an armed escort in the forward company." So I went off and met a corporal with a tommy gun, and we walked together down the winding track. In Servia there were a few stray refugees, but no sign of the chap who was supposed to meet us there with the dispatches. We gave permission to a Greek civilian to enter a chemist's deserted shop to get something for his father, who had been wounded by a bomb, and while we waited we decided to collect some other medical supplies for our own people rather than let the Germans take them.

A Close Call.

We were still in the shop when we heard machine-gun fire very close at hand, and realized that we were caught inside a sort of wedge which the Germans were driving up from the river. If we waited for nightfall, we thought, we might get completely surrounded. If we crept back up the hill too carefully our own troops might mistake us for the enemy. So we decided to make a bold front and just walk up the path.

We almost got completely away with it. Quite a shooting match was in progress, with our own chaps now firing back. We were just going around a bend, within calling distance of one of our observation posts, when the enemy gave us a burst of fire, hitting the corporal in the leg. Lying flat, I called for stretcher bearers, who came down quite openly but were fired at. Luckily no one else was hit.

I tried using a mule once in those positions, but frankly I found it quicker walking. One thing I couldn't quite get used to in Greece was riding along muddy roads. It was so strange after the desert—I was like a new chum on roller skates. But, of course, that isn't the only way in which the desert is different from everything else. I remember times when I have steered by the stars, when every stone looked like one of those delayed action "thermos" bombs the Italians used to drop. I've had to look for troops on the vaguest of directions, and found them by following wheel marks.

And a puncture in the desert! There may be no water for miles, and all you can do is blow up your tube till something happens. Or as a last resort you sacrifice some of your hard-earned spit to test what you think may be the hole.

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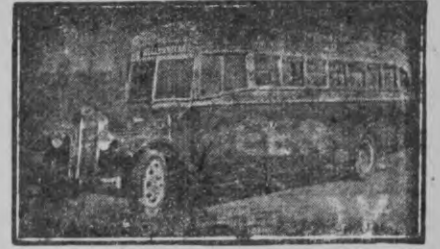
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GENERAL WILLIAMS'
VIEWS

(By Telegraph—Press Association.)

The military adviser to the New Zealand Government, Lieut.-General Sir Guy Williams, who arrived in Auckland on Saturday, has now completed the task for which he came to the Dominion about four months ago.

Speaking of New Zealand's soldiers, he said the material was good and the men had the makings of fine soldiers, while those who had become soldiers



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had proved their worth in action. He selected the newly-formed army tank brigade for special commendation. The officers and other ranks were first-class material.

Asked if he was satisfied with the training standard of the home defence forces, General Williams said that with the introduction of the permanently mobilized cadre system, the armoured fighting vehicle school at Waiouru and the staff college at Palmerston North, training would undoubtedly reach the high standard necessary for modern war.

New Zealand's efficiency in training and preparation for war, added General Williams, was progressively improving as the implementation of the training system progressed and as equipment came forward. All the factors going toward the fulfilment of the Dominion's military goal were being worked out to a definite programme.

TANKS ARE HERE

Wellington Sees New Fighting Machines

VALENTINES DRIVEN THROUGH STREETS

The tanks are here! Wellington citizens saw on Saturday some of the Valentine medium tanks which will form part of the equipment of the Army Tank Brigade to be trained at Waiouru. Already encamped there are picked men from all parts of New Zealand who will be trained by officers and n.c.o.'s who have fought in the Middle East armoured units.

The arrival of modern equipment has brought new hope in many allied countries. To New Zealand it has the significance that its new army will have great speed and hitting power, that not only will trained tank fighters go overseas, but within the country, there will be men who can meet an enemy on their own ground and with the latest armoured equipment.

It is another step toward complete army mechanization within the country which had its start nearly two years ago, when some cavalry regiments were mechanized and infantry regiments were motorized.

By special permission of the Minister of Defence, Mr. Jones, the Wellington public, informed in advance by radio announcements were able to see a few of the tanks driven along the waterfront route, Lambton Quay and in the Parliament Buildings grounds.

It was the first time New Zealanders apart from those who had been overseas, had seen the modern tank, except in motion pictures and illustrations. They were astonished at the speed and manoeuvrability of these fighting vehicles, and the working of the armament with its complete arc of fire.

The tanks now in New Zealand are not reconditioned or second-hand. They are straight from the factory with the names of workers from the districts in which they were built pencilled on outside parts—a hands-across-the-ocean message from the workers of one nation of the Empire to the fighting men of another.

The type of tank seen on Saturday is that which forms the real punch of an armoured brigade. Looking cumbersome, they can be turned "on a six pence" at 25 miles an hour, dodge like a rabbit and attack static armament so swiftly and with so many zig-zags that the opposing forces are unable to bring

THREE D.F.C. AWARDS

New Zealanders In R.A.F.

LONDON, October 15.

The D.F.C. has been awarded to three New Zealand members of the R.A.F., Flight Lieutenant D H Ward of the 87th Squadron, Acting Flight Lieutenant C R. Bush, 41st Squadron, and Flying Officer W I Austey, 70th Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Ward fought with his squadron during operations in France and destroyed two enemy planes, says the citation. Since September, 1940, he has commanded a flight engaged in night flying and performed excellent work, particularly in training new pilots. Last July he and another pilot intercepted a force of hostile aircraft attempting to attack one of our aerodromes from a low altitude. Though the weather was unfavourable at least one of the attackers was damaged. On another occasion Flight Lieutenant Ward led a successful attack against the aerodrome at Caen, when, despite anti-aircraft fire, two enemy planes are be-



"Aw, gee! Have a heart, commander! The doctor said a sea voyage would do her good!"

their pieces to bear.

The tanks were inspected at Parliament buildings by Ministers of the Crown and will go to Waiouru to take their place, with many others, in the new tank brigade.

lieved to have been hit and a goods train, buildings and machine-gun posts machine-gunned. He has always displayed the greatest keenness to engage the enemy.

Flight Lieutenant Bush has carried out 48 operational sweeps over enemy territory and destroyed at least three planes. He also participated in operations in France. Later he fought in the Battle of Britain. At all times he has displayed courage and keenness and set an excellent example.

Flying Officer Anstey, as captain of an aircraft, carried out seven long distance night-bombing attacks during the first fourteen days of August. He made four attacks against shipping at Benghazi, two against the Corinth Canal and one against the aerodrome at Barce. Good results were obtained on each occasion. Throughout he has displayed great efficiency and physical endurance and has completed 43 operational flights, involving nearly 300 hours of flying.

AWARDS OF D.F.C.

Three New Zealanders

LONDON, October 18.

The latest R.A.F. awards include the New Zealanders Wing Commander J. S. McLean, Squadron Leader M. W. B. Knight, and Acting Flight Lieutenant J. C. F. Hayter, all of whom receive the D.F.C.

The citations are as follows:— Wing Commander McLean participated in 29 operational sorties and has always shown the greatest courage and determination, often in the face of heavy enemy attacks. He destroyed two hostile aircraft and damaged at least one other, and displayed a high standard of leadership and organizing ability. He was born in Hawera in 1912 and gained a short-service commission in the R.A.F. in 1932 and a permanent commission in 1938. He was promoted wing commander last September. His wife lives in England.

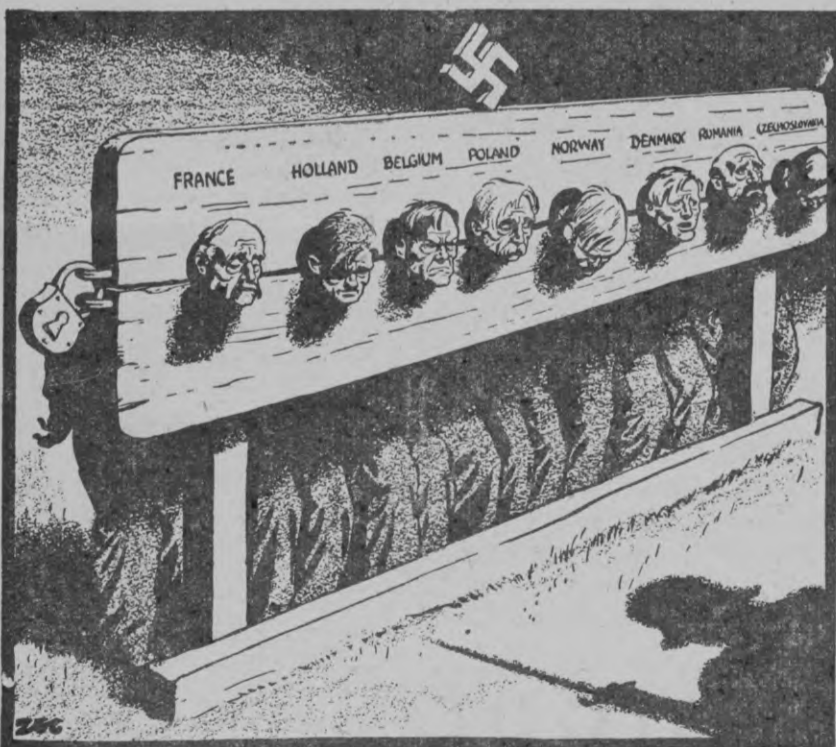
Squadron Leader Knight has commanded the 485th New Zealand Squadron since its formation and has participated in 43 operational sorties over enemy territory, as well as a number of convoy patrols. He destroyed a Junkers in June, 1941, while engaged on a convoy patrol. He led his squadron with great skill and determination. Born in Dannevirke in 1916, he joined the R.A.F. in 1935 and was appointed squadron leader early in 1941. His wife lives in England.

Flight Lieutenant Hayter has made 48 operational flights over enemy territory and destroyed four hostile planes and damaged four others. He participated in the fighting in France and also in the Battle of Britain, and has displayed great skill and leadership. He contributed materially to the high morale of his unit. He was born in Timaru in 1917, joined the R.N.Z.A.F. in 1938, received a commission in the R.A.F. in 1939, and was appointed acting flight lieutenant last February. He has flown with many R.A.F. units.

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God's way is best.
Out in the fight or on picket,
Stand firm and true;
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Gives you to do.

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"Well done, good and faithful servant" is given, not because of the magnitude of the service performed, but for the degree of faithfulness shown in the performance.

The battles being fought in this war have shown that victory cannot be won without organisation — from the greatest to the smallest detail. Each one has his part to do, however remote it may be from the actual scene of battle. Munitions, supplies, transport, communications, all co-ordinated and working together for the one final victory under the direction of one controlling hand.

And, so it is in the spiritual warfare that is being waged continually between good and evil. Victory over evil cannot be gained by mere passive resistance. It must be met and overcome by active offensives. It is not enough merely to pray to God that evil be overcome. We must put on the "whole armour of God" and actively resist the evil. "Resist the devil" says the apostle, "and he will flee from you." And in order to fight effectively—in order to gain the victory—there must be organisation. We cannot all be leaders, we may not all be given great and spectacular deeds to do, but we all can, and we all must, be obedient to God's commands to serve gladly under His control and direction, and above all, each one must do faithfully and to the best of his ability, whatsoever his hands finds to do. Only thus can the victory be gained. One little leak in the bank and soon the flood is pouring through. One little task left undone, or not done faithfully, makes a gap through which the enemy can penetrate the ranks and cause confusion and perhaps defeat.

Let us see to it that not through us is the enemy given any advantage over us.

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