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ARMOURED UNITS

Conversion Of Horse & Motor Regiments

TERRITORIAL ARMY

Announcement By Defence Minister

AUCKLAND, November 13. As a further step to mechanize selected units of the Territorial Force, it is proposed to convert present mounted rifles, horse and motor regiments into light armoured fighting vehicle regiments, said the Telephone 26-632 (6 lines) Minister of Defence, Mr. Jones, This step is brought today. about by the necessity for having mobile armoured units in each of the military districts for Army Headquarters reserve.

> Arrangements are well in hand to provide equipment to enable the conversion of these selected units to take The armoured fighting vehicle school already established in New Zealand will provide officers and non-commissioned officers with necessary technical instruction which, in turn, will be taught to the armoured fighting wehicle regiments.

> In converting the present horse and motor regiments to armoured regiments care has been taken to maintain the history and traditions of existing units. As an indication of how it is intended to achieve this, the "Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry" will now be known as the 1st Light Armoured Fighting Vehicle Regiment (C.Y.C.). All other will will residually a similar discontinuous control of the contro units will maintain a similar distinguishing title.

> Conversion of the present horse regiments does not entirely dispense with mounted units as a number of independent squadrons are to be retained for special roles in different parts of the Dominion.

NEW ZEALAND TROOPS

Visit By High Commissioner

CAIRO, November 10.

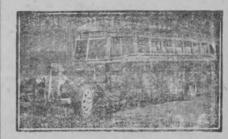
On a flying visit to the New Zea hand troops in the Middle East, the High Commissioner for New Zealand in London, Mr Jordan, arrived at Cairo yesterday The chief purpose of me visit is to see as many of the Do matter, troops as possible, and he will carry out a scienuous tour in his ef forts to reach New Zealanders who are scattered through many parts of the M ddle East

When the four is completed in about a fortinght's time, Mr Jordan will make a report to the New Zerland Cr. Victoria and Hobson Streets, the vernment on his impressions, and make any recommendations that he may deem ne essary for the welfare of he troops.

Tonight in his hotel Mr Jordan gave in interview to representatives of the British, American, Australian, South African, and New Zealand Press.

He told them that the policy of the New Zealand Government was for New Zentana troops wherever they were to take what was coming He quoted Mr Savage's memorable words on the out break of war. Where Britain goes, we where Britain stands, we stand. Mr Jordan said he was certain that if New Zealand troops had to go through nother Greece and Crete, they would do it again in an equally efficient and gallam manner.

The New Zealand Government, M: Jordan said had complete confidence in the General Officer Commanding the New Zealand Division, Major-General Freyberg his brigadiers, their officers, and their men Although he had not yet had time to meet many of the New Zealand troops, he had been greatly impressed with the high standard of physical fitness of the men be had seen around the streets of Cairo. Their tan ned faces and bright keen eyes told the story of their fitness



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