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Major-General Sir John Duigan, Chief of the General Staff inspecting Officer-Cadets who have completed their training.

Happy Landings to Aircraftsman C. G. Clark

AIRMAN FAREWELLED

(Contributed by T. Macauley, L.A.C., N.Z. G.R. Squadron.)

"It would be hard to find a better comrade," was the fine tribute paid to Aircraftsman C. G. Clarke during a farewell evening tendered to him by fellow-airmen prior to his departure overseas. This tribute fully expressed the high esteem in which Aircraftsman Clarke was held by his friends in B Flight, New Zealand General Reconnaissance Squadron, Whenuapai, and this atmosphere of happy comradeship was the prevailing note of the very pleasant evening held recently.

In presenting Aircraftsman Clarke with a handsome razor on behalf of the airmen of B Flight, Aircraftsman M. Harris made an eloquent and happy little speech and spoke of their pleasant association together in the squadron since the outbreak of war. The high regard in which C. G. Clarke was held by his fellow-airmen in B Flight, the speaker commented, was typical of the wonderful spirit of comradeship and "esprit de corps" which existed right throughout the personnel of the New Zealand (G.R.) Squadron, which comprised the pre-war Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch Territorial Squadron.

Aircraftsman Harris also referred to the great sacrifice Mrs. Clarke was making in the Empire's cause, Cyril being the third of her sons to go overseas. In conclusion he wishes the guest of the evening all the best of luck and a safe and speedy return. The opportunity was also taken to extend the same good wishes to another airman present from the New Zealand (G.R.) Squadron, Leading Aircraftsman N. Hadrup, who was also shortly going overseas.

Musical items which contributed to the success of the evening and kept things "going with a swing" were given by Corporal Reid, Aircraftsman J. Brady, G. Norton, and A. Hodder, while to prove that airmen have good voices as well as wings, excellent vocal numbers were given by Corporal Ashton, Aircraftsman M. Gray, K. Parnell, E. Laraman, and L. A. C. Macauley.

OFFICER-CADETS ON PARADE

"Passing-Out" From Army School

INSPECTION BY CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF

The Chief of the General Staff, Major-General Sir John Duigan, on 12 inspected and addressed a number of officer-cadets who had completed weeks' training at the Army School, Pukerua Bay Camp. The ceremony marked the "passing-out" on the conclusion of the course.

Major-General Duigan, accompanied by Lieutenant-Colonel A. B. Williams, Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. Conway, and Commandant of the Army School, Major A. H. L. Sugden, carried out the inspection.

On the General's arrival the unit, which was drawn up in line, greeted him with a general salute. After the inspection, a march-past in close column of platoons took place, the smart appearance and well-drilled marching of the men making the parade impressive. As the unit marched past, the General took the salute. Finally, they advanced in review order, and concluded the parade by presenting arms.

The parade having dismissed, the cadets moved into the Y.M.C.A. picture theatre at the camp, where General Duigan addressed them.

The cadets who passed out yesterday and have been appointed to the rank of second-lieutenant are:—

Infantry (Rifle).

Northern Military District: Anderson, H. K.; Ansley, P. C.; Ashton, H. B.; Ashley, D. J.; Breen, J. R.; Brown, J.; Burns, P. J. C.; Burridge, W. H.; Cutler, J. G.; Casling-Cottle, J. T.; Carr, S. E.; Clark, F. S.; Coleman, J. F.; Christianson, P. L.; Cotterall, H. B.; Catran, B. B. S.; Cairns, G. E.; Daniel, M. E.; Edmonds, S. B.; Goodwin, S. S. F.; Hogg, A. E.; Hawkesby, G. H.; Hutt, P. P.; Hargrave, C. R.; Johnston, I. J.; Jordan, W. S.; Jackson, B. G. S.; Jenkin, R. R. J.; Lindsay, T. C.; Logan, J. K.; Money, J. H.; MacDougall, S. J.; Nathan, L. D.; Peacocke, C. B.; Robert, L. A.; Small, W. W.; Steele, I. C.; Tanager, V. J.; Turnbull, G. V.; Thorley, P. A.; Warren, C. H. C.; Wright, R. R.; Willis, H. F.

Central Military District: Abbott, L. H.; Alp, J. H. G.; Barton, D. G.; Campbell, B.; Catley, T. R.; Cathie, C. H.; Cowper, W. H.; Dawson, E. V.; Densham, D.; Douglas, K.; Fay, J. A. O.; Farrell, J. P.; Fraser, M. J. T.; George, T. S.; Hewitt, S. M.; Holt, P. de V.; Knox, R. R.; King, W. K.; Kelly, D.; Moffatt, W. S. F.; Ormond, W. E. W.; Patterson, A. H.; Pearse, R. O.; Randall, I. F.; Reid, A. N.; Renouf, F. H.; Robertshaw, P. W.; Smith, C. C.; Sanders, N. K.; Spackman, F. G.; Semple, J. H. R.; Taff, R. N. L.; Thompson, R. L.

Southern Military District: Armour, K. I.; Abbott, R. J.; Bain, J. W.; Boyle, A. P.; Chandler, I. M.; Carson, W. H.; Cooper, G. S.; Dunne, G. F.; Eastwood, E. T.; Granville, J. J.; Gordon, A. K. M.; Hanan, J. R.; Heenan, M.; Hunt, C. C.; Heasley, J. G.; Jeavons, A. J. H.; Lynch, P. L.; Mills, G.; Maloney, D. A. R.; McPhail, N. J.; Currie, C. B.; McRae, G. A.; McDowell, C. A.; McLaren, F. B.; McDonald, T. L.; Overton, H. G.; Piper, D. C.; Reed, W. H.; Rolleston, J. W.; Rhind, P. K.; Roberts, C. O. D.; Richards, H. T.; Shand, J. A. T.; Slee,

C. A.; Wood, O. G.; Wilson, E. A.; Wilson, A. G.; Wilson, E. M.; White, T. D.

Artillery.

Astley, V. G.; Biss, J. R. H.; Boyce, A. H.; Carson, W. N.; Cornwell, L. J.; Curran, H. G.; D'Arcy, D. C.; Edwards, J. A.; Fleetwood, L. W.; Haslett, G. L.; Hilson, P. W.; Hollis, R. A. C.; Hume, L. H.; Jeff, W. A. S.; Kingston, S. J.; Mouat, R. J.; McAllum, F. E.; Nathan, E. C. W.; Neale, J. W.; Ollivier, C. M.; Parkes, H. K.; Pipson, C. C.; Playfair, G.; Radford, J. H.; Rutherford, J. S.; Savage, P. C.; Standish, R. H.; Stedman, A. C.; Tilleck, A. J.; Tipping, J. R.; Wilson, S. J.; Young, J. H.

Divisional Cavalry.

Connolly, F. O.; Ewing, D. G.; Fraser, J. I. D.; Guild, A. I.; McKenzie, A. V.; MacKenzie, M. B.; Murchinson, I. L.; Rutherford, I.; Thwaites, W. J.; Van Asch, I. T.

Infantry (Machine Gun).

Beamish, G. E.; Brooks, L. V.; Crammond, A. R.; Domney, F. J.; Evans, J. C.; Farquharson, D. W.; Gardiner, N. F.; Halkett, J. T. H.; Hume, K. H.; Kinder, A. G.; Lee, C. R.; Price, W. R.

Infantry (Maori).

Hamiora, H.; Matachere, J.; Henare, J. C.; Ormsby, J. R.; Rota, A.; Stewart, D. O.; Taiapa, P.; Te Puni, A.; Tikao-Barratt, J. R.

Infantry (Anti-Tank).

Brown, K. G.; Frank, G. L.; Jackman, R. H.; Sharpley, P. F.; Ward, R. A.

New Zealand Engineers.

Anderson, S. E.; Craven, M. A.; Doreen, J. M.; Manssen, N. B.; Parsons, H. C.; Wheeler, C. M.

Divisional Signals.

Cooper, D. C. H.

Army Service Corps.

Jackson, E. J.; Latimer, R. P.; Washbourn, W. A. G.

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TO-DAY YOU WORK!

BE GLAD—

because in this way you are helping to bring victory.

BE GLAD—

because you have the chance to work.

Twenty-five years ago the people of this country were undergoing a similar ordeal to that of to-day.

Many of you will remember the exact facts.

Some of you were not born; others have forgotten.

But in 1915 you or your parents were feeling very much the same as we are to-day.

Let us examine the major events that were in progress then—and the temper of the people.

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Britain, in 1915, was in a serious mood.

There was no time for relaxing.

Thousands of wounded soldiers were landed in England.

On May 8, 1915, the Lusitania was sunk.

Here is a newspaper headline of that period: "KAISER'S WAR ON CHILDREN."

It is the same story to-day with a different cast.

But the crimes in 1915 were nothing compared with the crimes prevailing in the World to-day.

Britons in that year took no holidays. They rallied round the flag, steeled to the dangers that faced them.

They were infuriated when they read this headline: "HUNS MURDER WOMEN IN ZEPPELIN RAID ON SOUTHBEND."

The fighting spirit of Britain rose like a rocket.

The wounded had reached heavy proportions. Helpers were required to nurse them.

In factories workers were toiling incessantly to produce the requirements of war.

The idea of holidays was not even contemplated.

1917 was a bad period for British shipping.

No fewer than forty-six merchant ships were sunk.

There could be no relaxation. Nobody wanted to relax.

Britain was fighting more pugnaciously than at any earlier period in her history.

The Huns were now conscious of our real fighting strength. Every able-bodied person was, in some measure, making a contribution to the national effort.

The British Empire of old was prevailing.

These days were perhaps the darkest of the whole war, but they were great—they were great in so far as they proved to the entire world that the British Empire was not merely a fair-weather sailor.

We took the enemy's punishment bravely, and withstood what many thought were knock-out blows.

By 1918, we had the enemy's measure.

The peoples of the Empire were hardened to war.

There was still no time for relaxing.

Everybody was ready to help to deliver the final blow that would knock out the Huns.

At that time the Germans were as "resourceful" as they are to-day.

Their barbaric leaders thought that they could demoralise the people by bombing defenceless women and children.

In 1918, however, they had the biggest thrashing in the air they had ever had.

People in the street were saying: "There's still no time for relaxing now, but there will be shortly."

That's now confident we were.

We all know the end.

We all know how the Germans ran like rabbits back to their own territory.

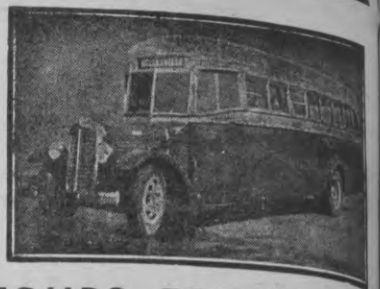
They will run again. And in the same direction.

That is our iron resolve in 1940.

If we are worthy of our race, we will do, as everybody did during 1914-18, some job that will make this year even more memorable than all the other war-time years.

It matters not how small our contribution, for every little helps.

The thing to remember is that the harder we hit the Huns, the sooner we can relax and really enjoy life.



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COMPLIMENT.

"Soapy," Devonport, writes:—
Talking of compliments, there's one
I still keep something very precious.
It was: "You're lovely, but the thing
I most like about you is that you al-
ways smell as though you've just had
a bath."

Answer: And had you?

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BIG QUESTION.

"Narrow Neck," Auckland, writes:—
What is the psychological reason
for the fact that man is nearly al-
ways attracted by and looks for phy-
sical beauty rather than beauty of
character in the gentler sex?

Answer: Knock-knees may conceal
a lovely soul, but it's the well-turned
ankle that turns the head.—Old Chin-
ese proverb

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WAR DATE.

"Sargeant," Trentham, writes:—
Words of wisdom needed.
One bright shilling will be won and
lost after you publish date of Boer
War.

Start and finish, of course.

Answer: October, 1899, to May, 1902.
Like a flash.
Didn't even have to think.

FLASHBACK.

"Achilles," Auckland, writes:—
A violent argument exists amongst
several of us as to who sunk the Ger-
man cruiser Emden in the last war.
What ship encountered her and was
the C.E.R.A. a Mr. L. A. Sayer?

Answer: The Emden caused a lot of
trouble in the first few months of the
last war.

Stationed out in the Far East, she
made for home on the war's outbreak,
under Captain von Muller, and sunk
many ships, including colliers whose
cargo she took, while cruisers every-
where searched for her.

With the aid of a dummy funnel,
however, she escaped them.

At last she was caught in the
Cocos Islands by the Australian
cruiser H.M.S. Sydney. After a six-
hour battle the Emden, a blazing
wreck, was run ashore.

As for her C.E.R.A. (Chief Engine
Room Artificer, we imagine), we can't
help you. Perhaps some survivor can.

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EDUCATION.

"Know All," Trentham, writes:—
A chap I know wants to tell me that
he learns officers in the Army to drive
lorries.

He is only an ordinary private, and
I say that no private in the Army
learns the officers anything.

Answer: That's what the officers
think, maybe.

TRY A SMILE

ARMY FORMS.

"Now," said the instructor, who was
taking an Air Force trainee on his
first flight, "we are going to rise to
20,000 feet. If anything should go
wrong, you have only to jump out, pull
the rip cord of the parachute trapped
on to your shoulders, and you will
float safely to earth."

"But," ventured his pupil, rather
nervously, "supposing the parachute
doesn't open?"

"In that case," said the instructor,
smiling reassuringly, "all you have to
do is to fill in the prescribed form for
complaints and present it to the officer
of the day."

Boss: That boy of yours is a good
worker, Hori!

Hori: Yairs, poor boy! He bin a bit
soft in de plurry 'ead!

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Old Officer: So you'll be carrying on
the Dad's work, eh?

New Digger: I hope so, sir—he was
a two-up king!

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"Dear Jim," wrote the fond mother
to her son, who had joined the Army,
"I hope you'll remember to be punc-
tual in getting up in the morning and
not keep the battalion waiting break-
fast for you."



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GREENMOUNT HUNTERS' STEEPLE-CHASE, of £200. About two miles and a half.

Etcetera	9 5	Silver Wattle	9 0
Cockalarum	9 0	Domination	9 0
Searcher	9 0	Beverley	9 0
Leighton	9 0	British Lass	9 0
Buzzard	9 0	Big Bill	9 0

HARRIS MEMORIAL HACK AND HUNTERS' HURDLES, of £200. One mile and three-quarters.

Midland	10 7	Vaalso	9 2
Little Ruse	9 11	Dark Rose	9 2
Tutor	9 11	Beeswing	9 0
Tavern Song	9 5	The Trimmer	9 0
Valspear	9 5	Tane Mahotu	9 0
Benighted	9 5	Red Appellaut	9 0
Bright Idea	9 2	Searcher	9 0

SYLVIA PARK HANDICAP, of £200. Six furlongs.

Estro	9 11	Gay Rosette	8 0
Selwyn	9 8	Golden Bonnet	8 0
Odtaa	9 8	Bonnet	8 0
Monte Cristo	9 1	Kraal	8 0
Hunto	9 0	Empire Rose	8 0
Belle Femme	9 0	Kerona	8 0
Beau Leon	9 0	Goldrace	8 0
Sir Lysander	8 10	Mimax	8 0
Classic	8 10	British Mint	8 0
Rex Maitland	8 8	Sir General	8 0
Expellant	8 6	Bournemouth	8 0
Royal Fawkes	8 4	Little Willonyx	8 0
Glen Connell	8 4	Rara Avis	8 0
Sieglinde	8 2	Foxola	8 0
White Mark	8 0	Strafford	8 0
Veyana	8 0	Flying Jay	8 0
Hot Shot	8 0	Tea Blossom	8 0
Korotangi	8 0	Phil Vaals	8 0
Princess Val	8 0	Natal	8 0
Lady Pay	8 0	Money Spinner	8 0
Romani	8 0	King Louis	8 0
Casual	8 0	Daisy	8 0
Boomps-a	8 0		

JELlicoe HANDICAP, of £400. One mile.

Floodtide	9 0	Flying Acre	7 10
Royevrus	8 12	Black Musk	7 8
Brazen Bold	8 4	Hunter's Night	7 1
Young Paddon	8 4	Knight of Australia	7 1
Val Lu	8 4	Prival	7 0
Our Jean	8 2	Kilcash	7 0
Erlick	8 2	Silver Glow	7 0
Orate	8 0	Surella	7 0
Valamito	8 0	Kelly	7 0
Valmint	8 0	Day Wind	7 0
Erndale	8 0	Requiem	7 0
Te Kawiti	8 0		
Mintlaw	7 11		

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Mahala	11 2	Kinkle	9 11
Allegretto	11 1	Tutor	9 9
Lovellit	10 9	Pyrenees	9 9
Golden England	10 4	British Sovereign	9 4
Biform	10 4	Dark Rose	9 0
Floodlight	10 1	Clansman	9 0
Gar Vaals	10 1	Silver Wattle	9 0

AUCKLAND HANDICAP, of £200. One mile.

Tellsom	9 8	Ringshot	8 0
Joan Peel	8 13	Hacken-schmidt	8 0
Hunting Bee	8 12	Acute	8 0
Little Ruse	8 12	Acre's Beauty	8 0
Bronze Emerald	8 8	Bronze Fire	8 0
Miss Valerie	8 8	Bide-a-Wee	8 0
Lord Waitangi	8 5	Miss Bridge	8 0
Venture	8 5	Royal Huntress	8 0
Rival	8 5	Gay Bell	8 0
Pleuron	8 2	Boy Lu	8 0
Face Value	8 1	Lapidarian	8 0
Milanion	8 1	Hinehou	8 0
Valley Maid	8 0		

LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP, of £200. Gentlemen riders. One mile and a quarter.

Gaine's Choice	12 9	Leighton	10 7
Calshot	11 12	Buzzard	10 7
Beverley	11 5	Red Appellaut	10 7
Bellaghy	10 7	Seaman	10 7
Digger Jim	10 7	Rey Lu	10 7
King Lume	10 7		

ADMIRALTY HANDICAP, of £300. Six furlongs.

Mazir	9 12	Llandaff	8 6
Aero King	9 11	Brazilian	8 3
Proud Fox	9 9	Queen City	8 2
Lou Rosa	9 5	Sir Lysander	8 0
Orate	9 3	Inver	8 0
Our Jean	9 1	Surella	8 0
Sebrot	8 13	Royal	8 0
Gamos	8 13	Message	8 0
Tooley Street	8 9	Clinch	8 0
Valimeen	8 9	Happicoat	8 0
Grandora	8 9	The Cardinal	8 0
Sir Cameron	8 9	Tybalt	8 0
Maxam	8 9		

ANOTHER ARMY MATCH.

Arrangements have been completed for another representative match between Wellington and a Trentham Army team. This is set down to be played at Athletic Park on September 21, and on September 28 the Trentham and Burnham Army teams will meet at Athletic Park.

WANGANUI RUGBY TEAM

Match Against The Army

The following Wanganui Rugby team has been selected to play the Trentham Army team in Wanganui on Saturday: Full-back, F. Thompson; three-quarters, M. Shewan, C. Taite and W. McFarlane; half-backs, K. James; forwards, E. Bellis, W. Firmin, R. McKnight, R. Macklea, W. Stewart, T. Cairncross, Pedley and A. Davidson. Reserves, Wilson and W. Phillips (backs), Cross and T. Sercombe (forwards).

SHRAPNEL

NOT—LIKELY!

Night after night the company has been detailed for night raiding parties. Everybody had been out—except Nobby.

And the company asked Nobby how he worked it.

"I didn't," he announced, waving fully. "I borrowed five bob off the sergeant, and he says he ain't allowed to have me on a — dangerous till I've paid him back."

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It was a filthy day. The recruits were "dumb." Private Smith was the dumbest of them all.

The sergeant strode up to "What was your job in civil life?" barked.

"Bank clerk," replied Smith.

"I suppose," sneered the sergeant, "you dusted the desks and washed the ink-wells, and made nice cups of tea for the manager?"

"Oh, no, sir," replied Smith. "I kept an old sergeant for those jobs."

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FIRE AT WILL!—AND WILL FIRE!

To the platoon detailed to fight the rearguard action the sergeant was giving final instructions.

"Remember, as there are no enemies in sight, we shall have to fire at our own Company—load!"

All except one man obeyed. To his exception legged it like mad for the main body of troops.

"No message?" echoed the sergeant when he panted up. "If you're not a runner, what the hell are you?"

"W-w-well, you s-see, s-sir, it's this. I'M WILL."

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An American writing in a New York paper says that many years ago when touring Central Europe on a motor-cycle, he gave Hitler a lift on the pillion. A pity he didn't bump off!

Third Echelon Parades

Auckland's Impressive Tribute

SPLENDID BODY OF MEN

With the swift passage of the months New Zealand's Second Expeditionary Force is taking shape. On Saturday, under blue sky and in bright sunshine Auckland saw a parade of Third Echelon troops who, as recently as May 15, marched into Papa- and Ngaruawahia camps as untrained men.

Businesslike in Battle Dress

When all batteries and battalions were uniformed in battle dress the appearance was strikingly different from that of the First and Second Echelons when all save the Forestry Battalion were attired in old-time service dress. Battle dress gives an entirely new appearance to a large body of men. It somehow makes them appear more businesslike and purposeful. They look like fighting men. The middle-aged people who saw the parade must have regretted that the famous peaked hat of the New Zealand Division is not a proper part of battle dress. The jaunty service cap is smart, but for New Zealanders the distinctive appearance of our troops were so proud in the first war. What a wealth of traditions is bound up with the old peaked hat. Old Diggers especially must regret its virtual passing. Nowadays, however, the famous hat, still part of the general "issue," is worn only on special occasions. A sad degradation for a hat which everywhere added to the presence of this Dominion's fighting forces in 1914-18.

Artillery, Engineers, Infantry

The parade was under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel C. E. R.N.Z.A., officer-commanding the 33rd Field Regiment, and he was accompanied by Captain H. E. Gilbert,

R.N.Z.A. Units assembled were the Sixth Field Regiment, New Zealand Artillery, the 33rd Battery of the Seventh Anti-Tank Regiment, the Artillery Training Regiment, the 13th Railway Construction Company of the New Zealand Engineers, the 16th and 17th Railway Operating Companies of the New Zealand Engineers, the 24th (Auckland) Rifle Battalion, and the First Infantry Training Regiment.

Prior to the addresses by military, civic and State dignitaries, all units were paraded in mass formation, stretching the full length of the Domain oval. Bayonets were fixed to the engineer and infantry units, and officers, almost indistinguishable in battle dress, took post in review order. As the official party moved to the dais, in front of the grandstand, all ranks came to attention. The officer commanding the district Colonel N. W. McD. Weir, was received with a general salute.

To the crowds of people massed on the banks about the oval the drill movements of the troops were impressively smart. Applause marked each movement. As the engineer and infantry units came to "the present," and afterwards sloped arms, the simultaneous smacking of many hands on butts and stocks sounded like the splashing of water in a mechanically-operated fountain. The precision was

Y.M.C.A. OFFICIAL

Tributes To Mr. J. D. Hunter

Tributes to Mr. J. D. Hunter, one of the Y.M.C.A. representatives with the third echelon, were paid by directors and members of the Wellington Y.M.C.A. at a recent dinner.

Mr. R. H. Nimmo, who presided, said that before his departure for Auckland three years ago, Mr. Hunter had been prominent in various departments of Y.M.C.A. activity. He had served as chairman of the physical work committee, chief of the Optimists' Club, and young men's representative on the board of directors. His athletic abilities were of a high standard, and in his church relationships he gave convincing evidence of his growth as a fully developed all-round Christian personality.

On behalf of the groups represented, Mr. Nimmo presented Mr. Hunter with a leather portfolio.

Others who supported Mr. Nimmo's remarks were Mr. L. J. Greenberg, who confirmed his belief that Mr. Hunter was an ideal selection for the task of serving with the forces, Mr. C. J. Falconer, chairman of the Y.M.C.A. National Council, Mr. W. H. Hindle and Mr. R. M. Brasted.

admirable. Following the speeches there was a final general salute before the troops marched off.

Especially striking on the march out of the Domain were the reinforcement units for the Maori Battalion now in England. Lieutenant-Colonel C. Shuttleworth's 24th Auckland Battalion also won much admiration by their marching, bearing evidence of much skilful training and hard practice. It is a most efficient unit, of which Auckland can be proud. On the line of march most civilians were puzzled by the unit designation tags, but to those who could read them they were as revealing as the pugaree colours of old.

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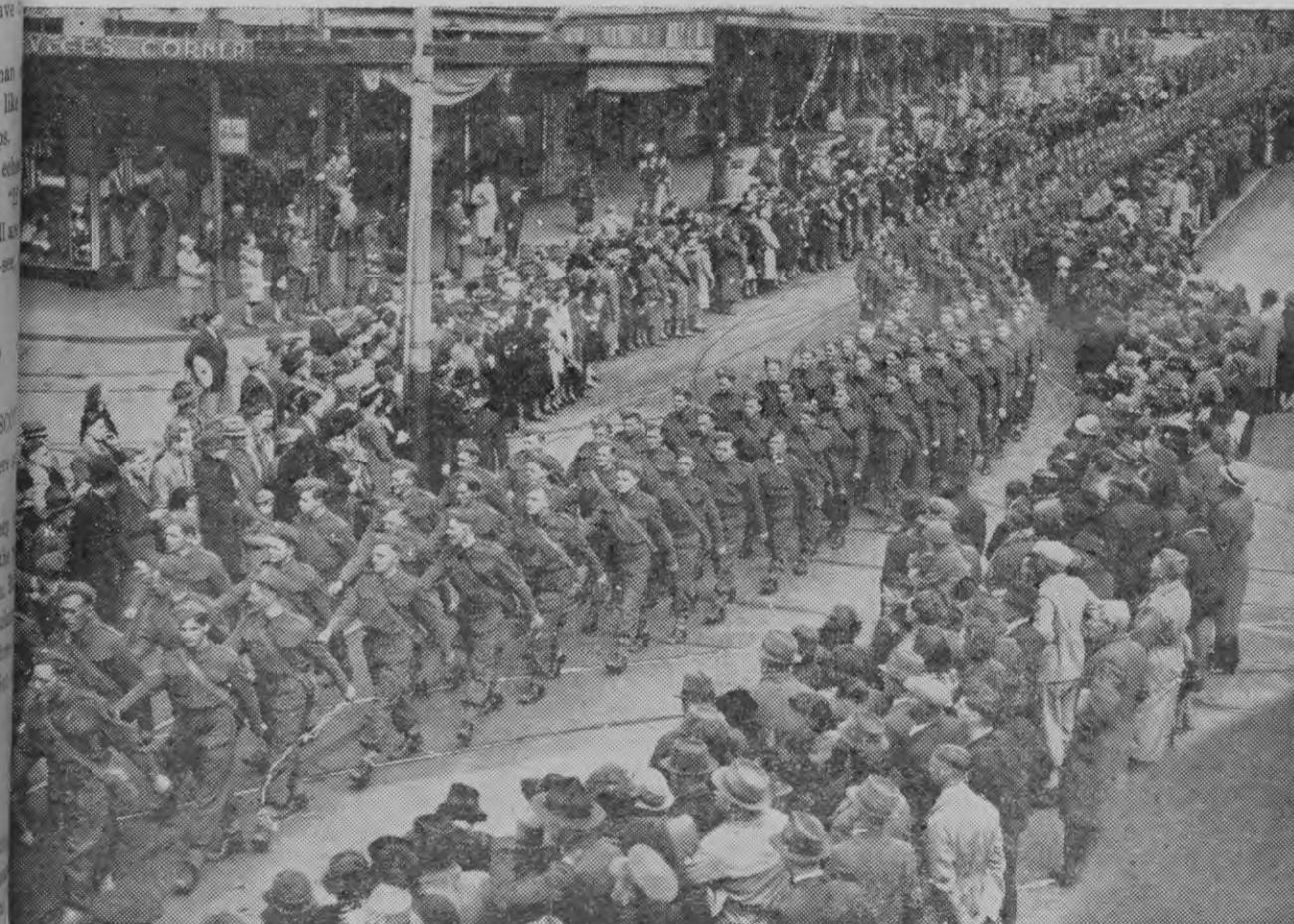
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SQUADRON LEADER KAY

Award For Daring Exploit

The following is the extract from the London Gazette dealing with the exploit which resulted in the award of the Distinguished Flying Cross to Squadron Leader C. E. Kay, a New Zealander serving with the Royal Air Force:—

"This officer was captain of an aircraft ordered to attack important targets in the forests south of Bourlers and Baileux during a night in June, 1940. In spite of extremely difficult conditions, and in the face of severe opposition, he successfully bombed the objective, starting several fires which gave accurate directions to other aircraft of this sortie. He then descended to a low altitude, and, again in the face of heavy opposition, attacked the woods with all his machine-guns. Squadron Leader Kay has conducted a number of operations in recent weeks and has shown daring, determination and outstanding ability."

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND TRANSFERS.

STAFF.

Lieutenant and Quartermaster G. W. O'Sullivan, N.Z. Permanent Staff, relinquishes the appointment of Assistant Camp Quartermaster, Mobilization Camp, Trentham, and is appointed General Staff Officer, 3rd Grade, Army Headquarters, Wellington.

N.Z. TEMPORARY STAFF.

Major G. R. Blackett, M.C., Retired List, to be Major, and is appointed Assistant Area Officer, No. 1 Area, Auckland.

Major T. A. H. Oliphant, M.C., relinquishes the appointment of Second in Command, Training Battalion, Mobilization Camp, Papakura, and is appointed Camp Commandant, Mobilization Camp, Ngaruawahia.

Lieutenant J. M. C. McLeod, M.C., Retired List, to be Major, and is appointed Officer Commanding No. 2 Training Battalion, Mobilization Camp, Burnham.

Albert Arthur Luckham, C.B.E., to be Captain, and is appointed Assistant Adjutant, Mobilization Camp, Papakura.

George Donald Sutherland, B.D.S., to be Lieutenant, N.Z. Dental Corps, and is appointed Dental Officer, Mobilization Camp, Papakura.

Nicholas Martin Bradanovich, B.D.S., to be Lieutenant, N.Z. Dental Corps, and is appointed Dental Officer, Mobilization Camp, Papakura.

Ethelbert Paul Pickerill, B.D.S., to be Lieutenant, N.Z. Dental Corps, and is appointed Dental Officer, Mobilization Camp, Burnham.

Lieutenant D. W. Earle relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Mobilization Camp, Trentham, and is attached to the Royal N.Z. Air Force Station, Ohakea.

STAFF.

Captain (temp. Major) R. F. Johnston, N.Z. Dental Corps, relinquishes the appointment of Assistant Director of Dental Services, Northern Military District, and the temporary rank of Major, and is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, Class I (b), Area 1.

Capt. (temp. Major), L. P. Davies, O.B.E., N.Z. Dental Corps, relinquishes the appointment of Assistant Director of Dental Services, Central Military District, and the temporary rank of Major, and is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, Class I (b), Area 5.

Colonel J. H. Whyte, D.S.O., D.C.M., Retired List, is appointed to the Active List, N.Z. Staff Corps, and is attached temporarily to the General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, Wellington.

Captain G. F. Yerex, Reserve of Officers, N.Z. Staff Corps, is transferred to the Active List, and is attached temporarily to the General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters, Wellington.

N.Z. TEMPORARY STAFF.

Lieutenant J. D. Hutchison, N.Z. Artillery, to be Captain, and is appointed Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Southern Military District, Christchurch.

Lieutenant A. A. Heath relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Mobilization Camp, Papakura, and is attached to the Royal N.Z. Air Force Training Depot, Levin.

Lieutenant A. E. Hope relinquishes the appointment of Dental Officer, Mobilization Camp, Papakura, and is attached to the Royal N.Z. Air Force Station, Ohakea.

William Lewis Britton (late Imperial Army) to be Lieutenant, and is appointed Company Commander, No. 2 Training Battalion, Mobilization Camp, Trentham.

CATHOLIC HUT.

FACILITIES AT PAKAKURA.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS MADE.

Marking an outstanding improvement in the facilities available, extensions to the Roman Catholic recreation hut at Papakura Camp are nearing completion and the hut was officially opened on Sunday, August 18. The cost of the building and furnishings is in the vicinity of £2000.

In place of the former temporary accommodation, a permanent chapel has been erected, together with accommodation for the chaplain. There is a buffet for the serving of light meals, a well-appointed recreation room, and a quiet room for reading and writing. A permanent official will be in charge of the hut.

The appointments of the hut will include a small billiards table, library and periodicals. Groups of entertainers will go to the camp during the week, and on Sundays a committee of ladies will take charge of the buffet.

The hut was officially opened by Bishop Liston at 3 p.m. The speakers at the ceremony, which was a brief one, included the chaplain, Father Henley and the chairman of the committee, Mr. J. P. O'Connor.

NEW COMMANDANT.

NGARUAWAHIA CAMP.

REGIMENTAL OFFICERS.

Included in appointments and promotions gazetted is the appointment of Major T. A. H. Oliphant, M.C., formerly second in command of the 1st Infantry Training Battalion at Papakura, to be camp commandant at Ngaruawahia.

Appointments in the New Zealand Artillery include:—Lieutenant J. R. Woods, from the Reserve of Officers, to be lieutenant (temporary) and posted to the 1st Field Regiment. Similar appointments are those of Lieutenant L. A. Johnson, from the Reserve of Officers, Supplementary List, and Lieutenant A. G. Coulam, from the Reserve of Officers, the North Auckland Regiment. Lieutenant R. W. Yates, 9th Heavy Regiment, is promoted captain.

In the 1st Field Company, New Zealand Engineers, Mr. A. Murray is appointed second lieutenant (temporary). In the Auckland Regiment, Captain N. J. Hutton, 1st Battalion, and Lieutenant E. J. Bassett, 1st Battalion, are transferred to the Reserve of Officers; and the following have been appointed second lieutenants (temporary) and posted to the 1st Battalion:—S. Tricklebank, C. A. Low, G. N. Dyer, W. G. Hammond, G. C. O'Hara, M. A. Patterson and C. C. Naismith. In the North Auckland Regiment Lieutenant W. J. Reid, D.M.C., and Lieutenant G. T. Allcock from the Reserve of Officers, are posted to the 1st Battalion.

VICTORIA CROSS

Awarded For Action In Norway

RECIPIENT KNOWN IN NEW ZEALAND

The Victoria Cross has been awarded to Lieutenant Richard Stannard, R.N.R., for outstanding valour and signal devotion to duty aboard H.M.S. Arab at Narvik, Norway.

When enemy bombing raids set on fire many tons of hand grenades on the Namsos wharf, where a water supply from the shore was not available, Lieutenant Stannard ran the Arab bow against the wharf and held the ship there. He sent all but two of the crew aft and attempted for two hours to extinguish the fires with the ship's hoses. He persisted till the attempt was given up as hopeless. When the Arab was later leaving the port Lieutenant Stannard brought down a bomber which ordered the ship to steer east or be sunk. The Arab was subjected to 31 bombings in five days. Lieutenant Stannard consistently ranged for the protection and bearing of his men ashore and afloat.

Lieutenant R. B. Stannard, R.N.R., is well-known in New Zealand as are both of his brothers. He first went to sea 22 years ago as a cadet in the Port Line. The joined the steamer Victor in March, 1918, and served four years' apprenticeship in that which was commanded by Captain A. Gregory, now marine superintendent of the Port Line in New Zealand.

After completing his initial service of the Port Line for some time he served as fourth officer, third officer and second officer in a number of the company's ships in the New Zealand Australian trades.

Some years ago Lieutenant Stannard entered the service of the Orient Line in which he rose to the rank of senior officer in the company's mail steamers running from London to Australia. He was senior second officer of the Orient when that ship visited Wellington in October, 1938.

Lieutenant Stannard joined the Royal Naval Reserve soon after he went to sea and was promoted lieutenant in December, 1922. He is married, and his home is in Wanstead, on the north side of London.

One of Lieutenant Stannard's brothers is chief engineer in the Port Line mail ship Port Halifax, and the other is senior officer of another Port liner. The award of the Victoria Cross to Lieutenant Stannard will give pleasure to his New Zealand friends and is the source of great pride to Captain Gregory, who trained him as a cadet of the Merchant Navy. He is the senior Merchant Marine officer and the senior in the Royal Navy to receive the Victoria Cross in this war. The first naval V.C. awarded posthumously to the late Captain B. A. W. Warburton-Lee, R.N., H.M.S. Hardy, for gallantry in leading his destroyer flotilla into Narvik and attacking a superior force of German destroyers.—S.D.W.

BLENHEIM AIRMAN MISSING

Sergeant J. E. Fuller, son of Mr. H. E. Fuller, Beaver Road, Blenheim, is missing, according to a cable received by his relatives today. Sergeant Fuller was trained as a civil servant pilot at the Marlborough Club, going to Wairarapa and New Zealand on the outbreak of war. He is a representative Rugby full-back and recently married Miss Dorothy Kennedy, Marlborough.

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Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin?

The blood of Jesus whispers peace within.

Peace, perfect peace, by thronging duties pressed?

To do the will of Jesus, this is rest.

Peace, perfect peace, with sorrows surging round?

On Jesu's bosom naught but calm is found.

Peace, perfect peace, with loved ones far away?

In Jesu's keeping we are safe, and they.

Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown?

Jesus we know, and He is on the throne.

Peace, perfect peace, death shadowing us and ours?

Jesus has vanquished death and all its powers.

It is enough; earth's struggles soon shall cease,

And Jesus call us to heaven's perfect peace.

The following comment on this hymn, written by Mr. Wm. C. Irvine, of India, appeared in a recent issue of the Treasury, and we commend it as a tonic to all at this time:—

"Peace, Perfect Peace"

PEACE, PERFECT PEACE.

We made a discovery recently. Possibly some of our readers also may not have noticed that the fine hymn "Peace, Perfect Peace" is a dialogue, the first line of each verse save the last being a question. The talented poet-bishop, Bickersteth, evidently experienced a controversy in his own heart between Unbelief and Faith, and gracefully arranges it in poetic language.

May not the author have been contemplating some such words as "Thou will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee" (Isaiah 26:3), when Unbelief butts in with the query, "Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin?" insinuating the impossibility of such blessedness. But Faith unerringly reveals the fountain of all true peace and its locality, "The blood of Jesus whispers peace within."

Unabashed, Unbelief raises a well-known difficulty, "Peace, perfect peace, by thronging duties pressed?" Faith does not deny facts, but gently replies, "To do the will of Jesus, this is rest."

Next, Unbelief tries to secure the assistance of self-pity, by crying, "Peace, perfect peace, with sorrows surging round?" But this thrust is skilfully parried by Faith's exclamation, "On Jesu's bosom nought but calm is found."

Failing to mar Faith's peace by reference to personal distress, Unbelief seeks to bring discomfort by raising doubts concerning the safety of loved ones, "Peace, perfect peace, with loved ones far away?" But Faith takes refuge in God's omnipresence and replies, "In Jesu's keeping we are safe, and they."

Unbelief is still unbeaten, and raises the bugbear of the future, "Peace, perfect peace, the future all unknown?" But with utmost confidence Faith triumphantly replies, "Jesus we know, and He is on the Throne."

Unbelief has but one arrow left in his quiver, this he aims at the heart of Faith, and lets fly with all his strength, "Peace, perfect peace, death shadowing us and ours?" One can almost hear the exultation in his voice as he brings in "the last enemy" to bear not only on "us" but also on "ours." But Faith rises to the occasion and is more than conqueror, crying out, "Jesus has vanquished death and all its powers."

And as Unbelief, one of death's powers, retires vanquished, Faith calmly closes the controversy with a parting shot, "It is enough; earth's struggles soon shall cease, and Jesus call us to Heaven's perfect peace."

Surely this beautiful hymn might have been written for the dark days in which we live! A dark day indeed, wherein thronging duties press, and sorrows surge around; a day when many loved ones are far away, when no one knows what a day may bring forth; and when death overshadows us and ours. A day when nothing but true faith in the living Christ can bring peace to the soul—peace, perfect peace, to the heart and mind of the redeemed (Phil. 4:6-7).

Why not learn this hymn by heart, and so get it into our hearts by oft repeating it, and thus put Unbelief to flight by Faith finding her refuge in Christ Jesus our Lord?

During the leave period the Hut has been quiet, but all are looking forward to happy times with the men on their return. Mr. Gordon Blair has during the past weeks, been making many contacts and is now looking for definite results from the seed sown. May the harvest be plentiful.

Y.M.C.A. HOSPITALITY

Sunday Tea For Soldiers

The lounge of the Wellington Y.M.C.A. was filled on Sunday last, when men from all arms of the service gathered to enjoy the hospitality of the Solway College Old Girls' Association, under the able leadership of their president, Mrs. Avane. The chairman for the afternoon was Captain G. F. Vance, who was accompanied by Mrs. Vance. Vocal solos were given by Miss Hirst, Mr. K. Macaulay, and Private Wade, and the accompanists were Miss Hirst and Mr. Duncan.

In bright speeches the boys thanked their hostesses for the hospitality extended to them each Sunday and for the happy times that they spent at these teas. Three cheers and musical honours for the artists who had so kindly come to entertain them and for their hostesses terminated a happy time. Mrs. Duncan and Mrs. R. W. B. Young were guests at tea.

GOOD ATTENDANCE

Two Busy Nights At A.N.A. Club

Both Friday and Saturday nights at the A.N.A. Club, Wellington, were marked by the excellent attendance of men of the three forces and the home services, and the very bright spirit which prevailed. On Saturday night there was some good dancing to the music of Mr. Middleton's voluntary orchestra, and new novelty dances, with prizes for the winners, caused great hilarity. Master Peter Powell gave a bright exhibition of tap-dancing. Donations last week included ham-

pers from Mrs. Marshall Miles, on behalf of the Manakau Women's Division of the Farmers' Union, Mr. Hughes and Mr. B. Sutherland's weekly gift of groceries.

On Friday night the girl members in charge of the dancing were Miss Valmai Richardson, Moya Hampton and Orriel Pollock, and on Saturday night, Misses Dorothy Harris and Joan Harriss.

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SUFFICIENT.

After a long talk on the value of peace, good will, and disarmament, the teacher asked his class if they objected to war.

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