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ROYAL NEW ZEALAND AIR FORCE

Rapid Development

FROM LAST GREAT WAR TO THIS

"New Zealand was a genuine pioneer in the matter of military aviation," declared Squadron Leader T. W. White, commanding officer of the Royal New Zealand Air Force station at Rongotai, in an address recently on "The History of the New Zealand Air Force."

"Away back in 1912," he said, "General Godley reported that preliminary arrangements had been made for the training of officers and n.c.o.'s in flying. Lieutenant Burn went to Upavon for training, and was eventually reported missing in Mesopotamia. Deathless fame was won by many of our men who were in the front rank of the war aces.

"After the war, there came the startling offer of 100 gift planes from the British Government, but problems of expenditure and organization proved difficult. Early in 1921, however, 33 gift planes did arrive here. An Air Board was then in being, with Captain T. M. Wilkes as secretary. Looking back, it is remarkable how accurate were the forecasts of that time as to what would be needed for our defence purposes.

"In the Defence Report of 1922, the modest beginnings of an identifiable aviation corps made their first appearance. This reads oddly nowadays. In the list of the strength of the New Zealand Permanent Forces there are these items: Aviation: Two officers, two other ranks.

The Banner Year.

"But 1923 was the banner year, for then the New Zealand Permanent Air Force became an individual unit in the forces, and the first official air base was established at Wigram, 16 years after Sir Henry Wigram's first prophecy. The next ten years show progress, but it was spasmodic. Still, great work was done by air force pilots, flying in all weathers and landing on lonely beaches during the Murchison earthquake. That was in 1929, and two years later splendid

work was done again in the Hawke's Bay disaster.

"It is certain that the visit of Group Captain the Hon. R. A. Cochrane, A.F.C., R.A.F., was a milestone in the advance of our Air Forces. He came to New Zealand in November, 1936, and formulated a forward policy which the Government vigorously implemented. He was retained as the first Chief of the Air Staff, and swift action became general. The expenditure on Air Force development in less than two years was greater than the total previous expenditure on aviation in all the years from the beginning."

"The work in aerodrome construction was little short of amazing; records in earth shifting were made and broken every day. Modern hangars were constructed, some of them equal to anything in the world. A factory was established for the production of training aeroplanes. A large Air Force Reserve of men was created. An adequate stock of bombs was made available. The Railway Workshops scheme for training flight mechanics and flight riggers was in active operation.

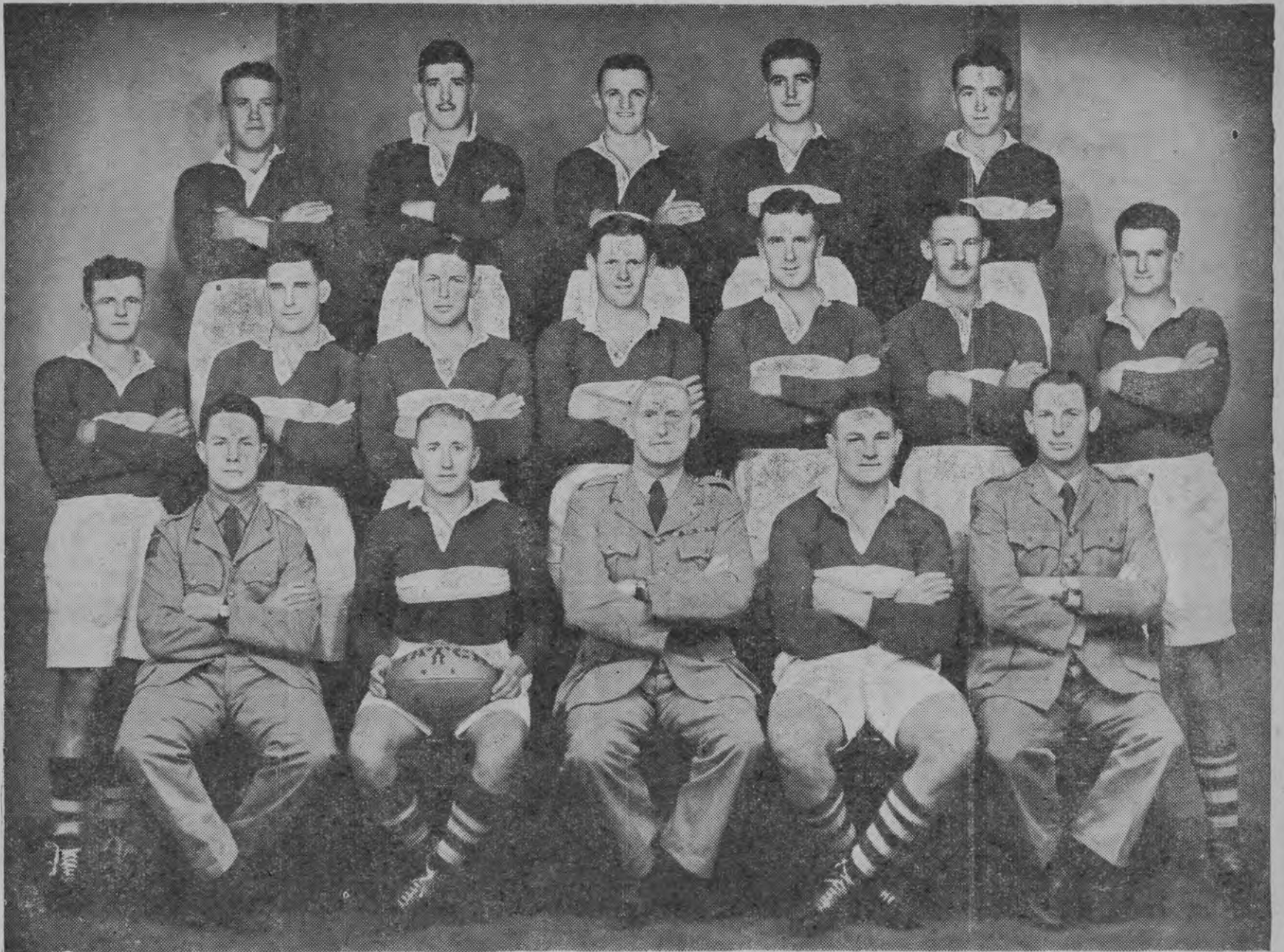
New Zealanders' Attitude.

"In the last Great War, over 700 New Zealand airmen took part. New Zealanders, then, as now, definitely showed that they have a special aptitude for

aerial warfare. New Zealanders have taken part in almost every important air operation since the war began—the first raids on Keil and Wilhelmshaven, the long-distance leaflet raids to Prague and Vienna, the nine-hour raid on Sylt, and lately the long-distance raids over Germany, and occupied France, Norway and other occupied territories. A reconnaissance flight over Norway by a New Zealand crew was the longest flight of the first year of the war, no less than 2000 miles on its outward and homeward journey.

"It is only years of planning that have enabled us to do everything asked by Britain. The air expansion scheme of 1937 was so capable of expansion, and so well devised that New Zealand is able to participate in the Empire training scheme with full effectiveness. By January of next year, that is to say in less than six months from now, New Zealand will have a peak output of 2882 pilots, observers and air gunners; 880 of these will be fully trained here and 2002 will be partially trained and sent to Canada for advance work."

It is claimed that a Berlin police dog knows five hundred words and does exactly as it is told. Now isn't that a Nazi all over?



N.Z. Army Team: The representative team of the 1st Echelon, which defeated a combined British Army and Royal Air Force Team in Cairo, 20 points to 0. From left: (Back Row) Sgt. A. McBeath, 2nd Lt. D. J. Parsons, Pte. L. Arnold, Pte. G. R. Stow, Pte. C. E. Rollinson; (middle row) Pte. R. Arnold, Cpl. G. Wales, Cpl. T. G. Morrison, R.S.M. R. K. Anderson, 2nd Lt. J. G. Wynyard, Pte. T. K. Thompson, Cpl. J. Kidd; (front row) 2nd Lt. D. E. Harper (hon. sec.), L/Cpl. J. L. Griffiths (capt. and selector), Lt.-Col. T. J. King (selector), Sgt. J. Coull (vice-capt.), Major J. T. Burrows (selector). Absent: Pte. R. Knowles. (This photograph has been sent to "The Dominion" by a relative of one of the group. Copies of it can therefore not be supplied.)

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Honorary Physician to His
Excellency the Governor-
General, Director-General of
Medical Services (Army and
Air Force).

The outbreak of war found the medical services of the Army and Air Force in a state of preparedness and all that was necessary was to put the machine into motion. This was largely due to the preparations made by the Director-General of Medical Services, Colonel Fred. T. Bowerbank, O.B.E., E.D., M.D., F.R.C.P. (Edin.), F.R.A.C.P., N.Z.M.C., who for a long time before had worked unceasingly so that his organization could pass from a peace to war footing whenever the necessity arose.

Colonel Bowerbank has had a long experience in military medical matters, and it was he who was called upon to organize the medical side of the Royal New Zealand Air Force. He has seen it develop from nothing to its present large organization.

Colonel Bowerbank enlisted in 1914, and in June of the following year he went overseas with the rank of Captain and saw service in Egypt. A year later he was a temporary Major and was sent to England in charge of the Medical Division of the N.Z. General Hospital. The efficiency he displayed can be gauged from the fact that his services were brought to the personal notice of the Secretary of State for War. It may also be stated that during the war he was mentioned in despatches no fewer than five times, and was appointed an officer of the Order of the British Empire (O.B.E.). In September, 1917, Major Bowerbank was appointed President of the New Zealand Medical Board at Headquarters, London, and soon afterwards went to France where he was specially sent to organize a Medical Board depot in January, 1918. While in France he was President of the N.Z. Travelling Medical Board and also held the position of Senior Medical Officer at Etaples. After the end of the war Major Bowerbank was retained in England as President of the New Zealand Medical Board at Codford, and upon his return to New Zealand in the latter half of 1919 was appointed assistant to the Director-General of Medical Services at Army Headquarters, Wellington. He was appointed Director of Medical Services in 1934 with the rank of Colonel, and in 1939 was appointed Director-General of Medical Services (Army and Air).

Colonel Bowerbank again visited England in 1937-38, when he was Director of Medical Services, and spent a considerable time at the War Office and at Headquarters of the Royal Air Force where he studied the latest methods of medical administration. Upon his return to New Zealand he found the information he had obtained to be invaluable. Prior to taking up the position of Director of Medical Services, Colonel Bowerbank was Assistant Director of Medical Services for the Wellington District from 1929-34.

In addition to his military qualifications, Colonel Bowerbank stands high in his profession. He was Chairman of the Council of the B.M.A. in 1939 and is now a member of the Executive. In addition, he was President of the Military Section of the Australasian Medical Congress held at Adelaide in 1937 and has held other high offices in the ranks of the medical profession. He is well known, of course, as a heart specialist, in which branch of medicine he practised in Wellington for several years and only relinquished his practice upon the outbreak of war.

The Toc H movement is another activity in which he is greatly interested, and for several years he has been President of the Dominion Council. While he was in Britain in 1938 he attended the Toc H Conference as representative of New Zealand.

Since 1935 Colonel Bowerbank has been Honorary Physician to His Excellency the Governor-General.

He spares no pains when it comes to the welfare and health of the troops and takes a great deal of interest in the diets of the soldiers and Air Force personnel, insisting that good and appetising food shall be served at all times. Possessing organising ability above the average, Colonel Bowerbank—owing to the willing co-operation of every member of his staff—is able to put his ideas into practice without delay.



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Beneath the wing of night,
There is an ear that never shuts.
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There is an arm that never tires
When human strength gives way,
There is a love that never fails
When earthly loves decay.
That eye is fixed on seraph throngs
That arm upholds the sky,
That ear is filled with heavenly songs,
that love is throned on high;
But there's a power which faith can wield
When mortal aid is vain.
That eye, that arm, that love to reach,
that listening ear to gain,
THAT POWER IS PRAYER, which soars on high
Through Jesus to the throne,
And moves the hand which moves the world,
To bring deliverance down."

At the request of His Majesty, our King, two days of national prayer have been observed—the first on May 26th when the military position in Belgium and France was very serious, and it appeared as though the greater part of the British Expeditionary Force would be lost. Through a combination of weather conditions which were unique the famous evacuation of Dunkirk was carried out successfully. Are we not justified in attributing the weather conditions to the intervention of the Almighty God in answer to the prayer of His people throughout the Empire? The second day of prayer—September 8th—has passed with the forces of evil seeking to do their worst not on foreign soil this time, but striking at the very heart of England itself—raining death and destruction upon London. But have we not reason to expect an answer to the innumerable entreaties that, right round the world, have "soared on high, through Jesus to the Throne"? The answer may not come in just the way we have visualised in our own minds but come it will, unless we have failed in not humbling ourselves before God and confessing our departure from Him and our own helplessness to save ourselves. May our cry go up to God—not just on certain appointed days—but day by day, that as a nation we may be found worthy to fulfil the great mission which lies before us as champions of liberty and as those who honour God's Word and seek to spread the gospel of His grace, for "Them that honour Me, I will honour"

TROOPS GIVE FINE DISPLAY

Wellington Regiment On Parade

INSPECTION BY CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF

Giving a splendid display of marching and arms drill for their inspection by the Chief of the General Staff, Major-General Sir John Duigan, C.B.E., at Spriggens' Park, Wanganui, on Saturday morning, all ranks of the 1st Battalion, Wellington Regiment (City of Wellington's Own) were complimented by Major-General Duigan in a short talk. He said that the army authorities had two jobs in hand, the training of the 2nd N.Z.E.F. and of a home defence force of 44,000. The regiment came in the latter category, and if all the men trained in the future were as good as those he had inspected that morning he would be quite satisfied.

Before he inspected the battalion and took the salute in the march past, Major-General Duigan had a short look at the camp at the Wanganui racecourse, and expressed the opinion that it was a good, clean camp.

The parade strength was 643 and drawn up in mass formation on the oval of the park, the battalion made a fine sight in brilliant sunshine. From a spectacular viewpoint the highlight of the inspection was the present arms with fixed bayonets.

The battalion was under Lieutenant-Colonel A. L. George, officer commanding, with Major F. L. G. Mackenzie, E.D., second in command. There were 30 officers and 613 other ranks. Major-General Duigan made a careful inspection of the battalion and took the salute from the ground in front of the stand centre. The band of the Wellington-West Coast Regiment played for the inspection and march past.

There was keen public interest in the occasion, and the troops were given continuous applause during the march past.

Because of his time in Wanganui being limited, Major-General Duigan was unable to take the salute from the arranged base in Hatrick Street, and some hundreds of people, including a moving picture cameraman, did not get their expected view of the battalion on the march.

At the present time the Hut is very quiet. Our best wishes go with those of our friends who have left us during the last few weeks and we look forward to making more friends amongst those who no doubt will soon be making the Camp their temporary home. We regret to announce that Mr. Gordon Blair is indisposed at present, and wish him a speedy recovery to carry on his service for God.



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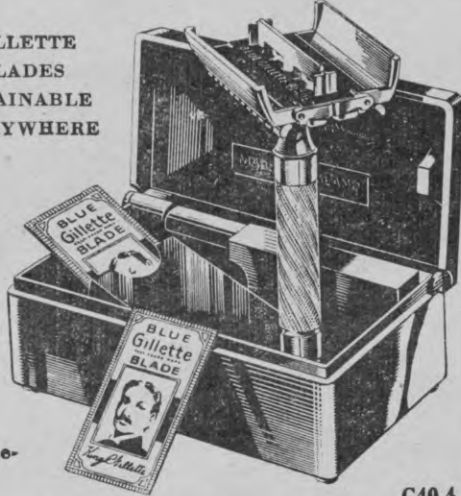
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THIRD ECHELON Expeditionary Force LIST OF OFFICERS Appointments Gazetted

Appointments of officers to the Third Echelon of the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force were gazetted recently. They are effective from August 27 unless otherwise stated. Lieutenant-Colonel A. S. Wilder, D.S.O., M.C., V.D., the officer commanding the 25th (Wellington) Battalion, while holding the appointment of officer commanding the echelon.

The list is as follows:—

Headquarters, N.Z. Divisional Artillery.
Attached: Rev. J. W. McKenzie, Chaplain to the Forces, 3rd Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department.

6th Field Regiment, N.Z. Artillery.
Lieutenant-Colonel C. E. Weir, Royal N.Z. Artillery, commanding officer; Major C. L. Walter, second in command (temp.); Major J. M. Mitchell, battery commander; Captain (temp. major) A. T. Rawle, battery commander (temp.); Captain H. E. Gilbert, Royal N.Z. Artillery, adjutant; Captains H. S. Wilson, H. M. Evans, S. Hardy, E. T. Kensington, W. H. Thodey, A. E. Lambourn, P. B. Levy, C. H. Sawyers, C. H. Chapman (quartermaster), J. A. Bretherton; Lieutenants E. W. F. Harrop, J. T. Stewart, G. P. Cade, S. H. Dawe, H. G. O. Tansley, H. R. Boyle, D. J. Robertson, J. R. Stone, T. A. Turner, G. M. Whitaker, G. M. Shortt, G. F. J. Bayley, G. F. T. Hall; 2nd Lieutenants P. Gilchrist, G. A. Robinson, J. W. Cropper, H. S. Richardson, J. C. Brown, R. H. Crozier, A. G. Smith, E. S. Every, I. T. Y. Johnston.
Attached: Lieutenant B. M. Hay, N.Z. Medical Corps, medical officer; Lieutenant H. B. Ward, N.Z. Ordnance Corps, officer commanding 18th Light Aid Detachment.

Reinforcements, N.Z. Artillery.
Lieutenant A. Marbeck; 2nd Lieutenants J. G. Hodge, K. Stych, F. D. Johns, R. J. McElroy.
7th Anti-Tank Regiment, 33rd Battery.
Major R. E. Sleigh; Captain R. R. Beaty; Lieutenants G. N. Richardson, D. J. Riddiford, K. A. Longmore; 2nd Lieutenant T. C. McMurtrie.

2nd N.Z. Divisional Signals.
Major G. H. Heal, N.Z. Staff Corps; Lieutenants T. H. Jory, A. S. D. Rose, N. W. Laugesen, L. J. Froude, 2nd Lieutenant A. G. Hultquist.

Headquarters, 6th N.Z. Infantry Brigade.
Attached: Rev. J. F. Henley, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department; Rev. J. S. Strang, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department; Rev. J. Mackay, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department; 2nd Lieutenant H. D. McManaway, N.Z. Ordnance Corps, officer commanding 19th Light Aid Detachment; Hon. Lieutenant A. W. E. Webb, bandmaster.

6th Infantry Anti-Tank Company.
Captain J. A. D. Ritchie, E.D., officer commanding; Lieutenants S. W. Ellingham, W. J. Daniel, D. F. Coleman; 2nd Lieutenant S. F. Toogood.

24th (Auckland) Battalion.
Lieutenant-Colonel C. Shuttleworth, N.Z. Staff Corps, commanding officer; Major A. C. W. Mantell-Harding, second in command; Major F. G. Dill, E.D., company commander; Major R. V. Closey, E.D., company commander; Captain S. J. Hedge, company commander; Captain D. G. Morrison, company commander; Captain C. D. Brown, M.M., quartermaster; Captain W. J. Collins, M.M., company commander; Captains R. G. Webb, F. G. Platt; Captain H. H. McDonald, N.Z. Staff Corps, adjutant; Captains R. H. Forder, C. F. Thomas, E.D.; Lieutenant (temp. captain) W. R. K. Morrison, N.Z. Staff Corps; Lieutenants R. W. Adams, A. E. Beyer, B. T. J. Jones, J. Conolly, T. Wallace, E. K. Tomlinson, J. Beesley, R. J. H. Seal, J. L. G. Carnachan, E. H. Halstead, M. A. Young, H. J. Haigh, H. W. Brabant, S. Nicholson, A. C. Yeoman; 2nd Lieutenants E. C. Laurie, F. P. A. Chapman, K. S. Turtill, J. A. Carroll, C. W. McLean, J. W. Reynolds, M. L. Hill, A. Edmonds, H. T. Thompson, D. C. Bailey.
Attached: Captain H. B. Lange, N.Z. Medical Corps, medical officer.

Reinforcements, 18th (Auckland) Battalion and 21st (Auckland) Battalion.
Lieutenant B. McG. Laird; 2nd Lieutenants J. Tyerman, J. C. Cullwick, R. Davies, A. M. B. Lenton.

25th (Wellington) Battalion.
Lieutenant-Colonel A. S. Wilder, D.S.O., M.C., V.D., Commanding officer (temp. colonel as from August 28, 1940, while holding the appointment of officer commanding, 3rd Echelon); Major S. M. Satterthwaite, N.Z. Staff Corps, second in command; Major C. D. A. George, company commander; Major C. J. Williams, company commander; Captain J. D. Armstrong, N.Z. Staff Corps, adjutant; Captain H. F. Smith, company commander; Captain A. J. R. Hastie, company commander; Captains H. G. Burton, F. R. McBride, S. W. Josland, W. H. Roberts,

H. J. Dalzell, P. L. Bennett, M.C. (quartermaster), J. C. Porter; Lieutenants R. Morrison, B. H. Wakelin, S. M. Porter, W. L. Rutherford, M. J. Mason, N. Banks, W. A. O'N. Canavan, W. J. Heslop, H. G. Witters, G. A. Possin, G. Colledge, R. M. McLeay, C. W. Sealy; 2nd Lieutenants H. H. Hollow, G. J. B. Morris, J. P. Tredray, A. W. Clark, I. D. Reid, H. Macaskill, C. G. Rands, A. H. Armour, M. Handyside, W. M. Clarry, S. L. G. Smythe, R. G. Stevens.

Attached: Captain L. H. Cordery, N.Z. Medical Corps, medical officer.

Reinforcements, 19th (Wellington) Battalion and 22nd (Wellington) Battalion.

Lieutenants H. M. Blacklock, R. P. R. McGlashan, W. J. Herlihy; 2nd Lieutenants K. C. M. Cockerill, H. M. Swinburn, A. H. Benge.

26th (Canterbury-Otago) Battalion.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. R. Page, Royal N.Z. Artillery, commanding officer; Major J. M. Samson, second in command; Major F. J. Brook, company commander; Major N. A. Rattray, company commander; Captain H. G. McQuade, company commander; Captain F. W. Huggins, company commander; Captains T. Milliken, J. W. McKergow (quartermaster), J. Downs, E. F. Walden, F. W. Wilson, O. J. Hutchison; Lieutenant (temp. captain) W. C. T. Foley, N.Z. Staff Corps, adjutant; Lieutenants G. C. Weston, C. D. F. Bowie, L. G. Smith, R. M. Young, J. J. D. Sinclair, T. A. Mead, W. M. Tolerton, T. L. Danks, H. J. H. Horrell, F. G. B. Evenden, F. N. Ollivier, A. W. Wesley; 2nd Lieutenants H. H. Deans, R. Bethell, J. E. Matheson, C. W. J. Pierson, J. P. Cook, C. Gatenby, W. C. Ryder, W. D. Westera, P. H. Wood, W. T. Nidd, F. C. Preston, L. D. M. Edie, I. A. Bird, H. H. Davies.
Attached: Captain W. W. Little, N.Z. Medical Corps, medical officer.

Reinforcements, 20th (Canterbury-Otago) Battalion and 23rd (Canterbury-Otago) Battalion.

Lieutenant (temp. captain) E. R. Chesterman; Lieutenants L. Roberts, C. L. Stubbs, F. O'Rourke; 2nd Lieutenants A. S. Galbraith, C. G. A. Sams.

N.Z. Army Service Corps.

Captain J. Veitch, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Ammunition Company; Lieutenant A. H. Boyce, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; 2nd Lieutenant D. J. Henshaw, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Supply Column; 2nd Lieutenant J. D. Fenton, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Ammunition Company; 2nd Lieutenant G. R. Surginor, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Supply Column.

Headquarters, 2nd New Zealand Expeditionary Force Base.

Captain (temp. major) H. E. Crosse, M.C., administrative and conducting officer, 14th and 15th Forestry Companies, N.Z.E.; Lieutenant J. G. W. Crawford, N.Z. Dental Corps; Lieutenant C. K. Horne, N.Z. Dental Corps; Lieutenant R. D. Spencer, N.Z. Dental Corps; G. N. L. Watson, Y.M.C.A.; R. W. Blair, Church Army; H. J. Stepton, Y.M.C.A.; J. D. Hunter, Y.M.C.A.; H. V. Shove, Y.M.C.A. (over-seas).

Attached: N. R. Palmer, Broadcasting Unit; D. Laurensen, Broadcasting Unit; N. B. Johnston, Broadcasting Unit.

Railway Operating Group, N.Z. Engineers.

Lieutenant-Colonel A. H. Sage, M.M., commanding officer, Headquarters, N.Z. Railway Operating Group, N.Z. Engineers; Major F. W. Aicken, Officer Commanding 16th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; Major J. A. Jull, Headquarters, N.Z. Railway Operating Group, N.Z. Engineers; Major G. T. Poole, Officer Commanding 17th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; Captain D. A. Clarke, 17th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; Captain J. N. Nicholson, Adjutant, Headquarters, N.Z. Railway Operating Group, N.Z. Engineers; Captain R. O. Pearce, 16th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant C. H. B. Bishop, 16th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant A. T. McMurtrie, 17th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant J. M. B. Lockett, 16th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant H. J. H. Waterhouse, 17th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant G. L. Hayman, 16th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant J. C. Chapman, 17th N.Z. Railway Operating Company, N.Z. Engineers.

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14th and 15th N.Z. Forestry Companies, N.Z. Engineers.

Captain H. E. Crosse, M.C., Headquarters, 2nd N.Z. Expeditionary Force Base, is appointed administrative and conducting officer, 14th and 15th (N.Z.) Forestry Companies, N.Z. Engineers, and is granted the temporary rank of major, while holding such appointment; Captain O. Jones, Officer Commanding 14th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; Captain C. Biggs, Officer Commanding 15th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; Lieutenant C. McManus, M.M., 15th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; Lieutenant E. S. Tuck, 15th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; Lieutenant W. Austin, 14th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant I. D. Gough, 15th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant I. W. King, 14th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant A. L. Poole, 15th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant B. J. Climo, 14th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant K. O. Tunnicliffe, 15th N.Z.

Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers; 2nd Lieutenant J. B. Valentine, 14th N.Z. Forestry Company, N.Z. Engineers.

Attached: Lieutenant D. C. L. Clay, N.Z. Medical Corps; Rev. F. H. Buek, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department.

N.Z. Medical Corps.

Lieutenant-Colonel F. M. Spencer, E.D. (temp. colonel while holding appointment of officer commanding No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital); Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. B. Bull, E.D., Officer Commanding 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Major J. L. R. Plimmer, Second in Command, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Major A. L. de B. Noakes, Registrar, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital; Major D. Pottinger, M.C. (temp. lieutenant-colonel while holding appointment of officer commanding Medical Division of No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital); Major P. A. Ardagh, D.S.O., M.C. (temp. lieutenant-colonel while holding appointment of officer commanding Surgical Division of No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital); Captain (temp. Major) G. F. V. Anson, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (anaesthetist); Captain S. L. Wilson, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (surgeon); Captain W. W. Little, Medical Officer, 26th (Canterbury-Otago) Battalion; Captain H. B. Lange, Medical Officer, 24th (Auckland) Battalion; Captain B. C. Rennie, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Captain A. Lovell, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Captain L. H. Cordery, Medical Officer, 25th (Wellington) Battalion; Captain J. E. Caughey, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (physician); Captain D. D. McKenzie, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (surgeon); Captain W. M. Porteous, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (physician); Captain H. L. Howell, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (radiologist); Captain L. Douglas, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (medical officer); Captain G. R. Kingston, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (surgeon); Captain H. W. Fitzgerald, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (orthopaedist); Captain J. Lannon, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (surgeon); Captain J. B. Austin, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (quartermaster); Lieutenant B. M. Hay, Medical Officer, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Lieutenant W. R. Carswell, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Lieutenant J. M. Staveley, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Lieutenant D. A. Ballantyne, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Lieutenant A. G. Gilchrist, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Lieutenant A. W. Sutherland, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Lieutenant D. C. L. Clay, Medical Officer, 14th and 15th Forestry Companies; Lieutenant J. M. Watt, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital, Medical Officer; Lieutenant M. R. Fitchett, No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital (bacteriologist); Lieutenant I. J. Wilson, 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps (quartermaster).

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Attached: Lieutenant A. H. Boyce, N.Z. Army Service Corps; Rev. F. O. Dawson, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department; Lieutenant C. C. Cook, N.Z. Dental Corps.

No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital.

Lieutenant-Colonel (temp. colonel) F. M. Spencer, E.D., officer commanding; Major A. L. de B. Noakes, registrar; Major (temp. lieutenant-colonel) D. Pottinger, M.C., officer commanding Medical Division; Major (temp. lieutenant-colonel) P. A. Ardagh, D.S.O., M.C., officer commanding Surgical Division; Captain (temp. Major) G. F. V. Anson, anaesthetist; Captain S. L. Wilson, surgeon; Captain J. E. Caughey, physician; Captain D. D. McKenzie, surgeon; Captain W. M. Porteous, physician; Captain H. L. Howell, radiologist; Captain L. Douglas, medical officer; Captain G. R. Kingston, surgeon; Captain H. W. Fitzgerald, orthopaedist; Captain J. Lannon, surgeon; Captain J. B. Austin, quartermaster; Lieutenant J. M. Watt, medical officer; Lieutenant M. R. Fitchett, bacteriologist.

Attached: Captain B. M. Dallas, N.Z. Dental Corps; Rev. F. G. Brown, chaplain to the forces, 3rd Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department; Rev. K. J. Watson, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department; Rev. C. E. Willis, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department.

N.Z. Army Nursing Service.

Sisters (temp. charge sister) D. F. Gatenby, E. M. Sutherland, L. E. Anderson, W. C. Harvey, P. E. Borlase, M. B. Proffitt, J. R. Okey, N. E. O'Callaghan, E. Barker, E. M. C. Noble, D. J. Bull (masseuse).

Staff nurses: M. D. Buckingham, E. M. Lingard, M. McGuire, L. M. Baird, E. M. Thodey, A. M. Gawn, M. E. White, L. J. Preston, T. M. McMillan, G. Z. Henderson, P. S. Dewar, A. J. Sinclair, M. G. Drew, I. M. Deal, M. I. Cessford, A. J. Pitcaithly, I. M. E. Campbell, V. E. Wallace, I. G. Olorenshaw, M. Lethbridge, J. K. Tyler, M. E. Reader, M. J. Turnbull, A. Faulkner, F. J. Walters, I. M. N. Sorenson, M. H. Belk, M. M. Prince, A. T. Warring, H. A. Livingston, R. P. L. Fannin, F. Clayton-Greene, M. Larsen, M. J. McKenzie, J. A. Holloway, L. R. Barlow, E. S. Poole, E. A. Wilson, A. Vallance, M. Chamberlain, G. A. Guscot, E. A. Worsp (masseuse).

N.Z. Dental Corps.

Major J. A. S. MacKenzie, officer commanding 2nd N.Z. Divisional Mobile Dental Section, N.Z.D.C.; Captain D. A. Greenslade, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Mobile Dental Section; Captain B. M. Dallas, Attached 2nd N.Z. General Hospital; Captain C. C. Cook, Attached 6th Field Ambulance; Lieutenant J. G. W. Crawford, Headquarters, 2nd N.Z.E.F. Base; Lieutenant C. K. Horne, Headquarters, 2nd N.Z.E.F. Base; Lieutenant W. H. Struthers, 2nd N.Z. Divi-

WITH THE TROOPS IN EGYPT

Y.M.C.A. Activities In The Western Desert

Members of the 2nd N.Z.E.F. returning from special duties in the Western Desert speak with enthusiasm and gratitude of the work undertaken in the field by the New Zealand Y.M.C.A. organization.

In spite of difficulties of supply, a canteen service was established by the association's officers as soon as the New Zealanders took up their stations in the desert. Three canteens were opened, and an army truck and a driver were placed at the disposal of the Y.M.C.A. officer in charge, who "stocked up" each morning and supplied each centre with its requirements.

A fourth and wider area was harder to serve. It was not possible to set up a central canteen, since concentrations of men would have been against the interests of security. The truck itself, as a mobile canteen, was driven about the area daily and made almost "tent-to-tent" deliveries.

Truck and canteens stocked cigarettes, tobacco, soap, sweets, foodstuffs and similar comforts. Every effort was made to supply other articles for which men expressed a special desire. Fishing lines, for instance, were stocked for the benefit of parties working within reach of the Mediterranean coast.

Because it was recognized that the New Zealanders were serving not only in the field but in a particularly trying area, prices of essential comforts were fixed below cost, the difference being made up by the National Patriotic Fund Board. In addition, parties proceeding closer than usual to the border were supplied with free issues of cigarettes, chocolate and chewing gum.

Calls were made by the Y.M.C.A. on advance hospital posts, and men evacuated to towns and cities were visited weekly and supplied with free comforts. Another of the association's services in the desert was the delivery of daily newspapers, allocated on the basis of one to each tent. Full and active co-operation was extended to the padres in holding special services.

The Y.M.C.A. proved in the desert its readiness to meet eventualities outside its routine activities. Credit to the extent of £450 was given to troops during a period which elapsed before pay arrangements were completed. No names or amounts were recorded.

sional Mobile Dental Section; Lieutenant P. Noakes, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Mobile Dental Section; Lieutenant J. Le B. Warren, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Mobile Dental Section; Lieutenant J. T. Dodgshun, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Mobile Dental Section; Lieutenant R. D. Spencer, Headquarters, 2nd N.Z.E.F. Base; Lieutenant A. L. H. Barsdell, 2nd N.Z. Divisional Mobile Dental Section.

2nd N.Z. Divisional Mobile Dental Section.

Major J. A. S. MacKenzie, officer commanding; Captain D. A. Greenslade; Lieutenants W. H. Struthers, P. Noakes, J. Le B. Warren, J. T. Dodgshun, A. L. H. Barsdell.

N.Z. Army Pay Corps.

Lieutenant (temp. captain) L. G. Turner, assistant paymaster, N.Z. Base Pay Office; Lieutenant H. McL. Richards, assistant paymaster, N.Z. Base Pay Office.

N.Z. Chaplains Department.

Rev. J. W. McKenzie, chaplain to the forces, 3rd Class, attached Headquarters, N.Z. Divisional Artillery; Rev. F. G. Brown, chaplain to the forces, 3rd Class, attached No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital; Rev. F. H. Buek, chaplain to the forces, 4th class, attached 14th N.Z. Forestry Company; Rev. F. O. Dawson, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, attached 6th Field Ambulance, N.Z. Medical Corps; Rev. J. F. Henley, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, attached Headquarters, 6th N.Z. Infantry Brigade; Rev. J. S. Strang, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, attached Headquarters, 6th N.Z. Infantry Brigade; Rev. K. J. Watson, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, attached No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital; Rev. C. E. Willis, chaplain to the forces, 4th class, attached No. 2 N.Z. General Hospital; Rev. J. Mackay, chaplain to the forces, 4th Class, attached Headquarters, 6th N.Z. Infantry Brigade.

BACK TO ARMY AGAIN

Lieut.-Colonel H. E. Avery

HEADQUARTERS POSITION

Lieutenant-Colonel H. E. Avery, Wellington, assistant general manager and secretary of the New Zealand Centennial Exhibition Company, has been appointed to a position at Army Headquarters. He is attached to the Quartermaster-General, Colonel P. H. Bell. Colonel Avery has had a distinguished military career, serving as a staff officer in the Great War and subsequently holding the position of Quartermaster-General of the New Zealand Forces.

Colonel Avery left the Exhibition Company a week ago to take up his new duties. The winding-up of the company's affairs is being carried on by the accountant, Major L. C. Forgie.

Since March, 1937, when the project was in its infancy, Colonel Avery was secretary and treasurer of the Exhibition Company. Shortly before the opening of the Centennial Exhibition last year, he was also appointed assistant manager. Much of the success of the Exhibition was ascribed to his energetic administration. Since the departure of the general manager, Mr. C. P. Hainsworth, a few weeks after the Exhibition closed, Colonel Avery had been carrying on the affairs of the company.

An old boy of Wellington College, Colonel Avery was an outstanding Rugby player in his youth. He was selected to represent New Zealand in 1910, and played with the All Blacks against Australia and South Africa.

Military Career.

He began his military career some 30 years ago, in the old Wellington D Battery, New Zealand Field Artillery. After six years in the ranks he received his commission and thereafter rose rapidly. On the formation of the territorial forces in 1911 he was appointed to the New Zealand Staff Corps, and a few months before the outbreak of the Great War was appointed officer commanding the No. 12 Group, Nelson, with the rank of captain.

Colonel Avery went away with the First New Zealand Expeditionary Force, as requisitioning officer to the New Zealand Mounted Rifle Brigade headquarters in Egypt. He was soon transferred to the headquarters of the Divisional Train in Egypt and Gallipoli as officer in charge, was promoted to Senior Supply Officer with the New Zealand Division in Gallipoli and France, and in 1917 was appointed Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General. Twelve months later he became assistant adjutant and Quartermaster-General of the New Zealand Division, British Army of Occupation on the Rhine. He was awarded the D.S.O. and C.M.G.

Colonel Avery returned to New Zealand for a brief period in 1919 as a staff officer at General Headquarters, but in 1920 was selected to represent New Zealand at the War Office, London. During his two subsequent years in England he graduated at the Staff College, Camberley. On coming back to New Zealand he was appointed Quartermaster-General of the New Zealand Military Forces.

Colonel Avery retired from military life in 1924, and entered the motor industry. He was general manager of Avery Motors, Limited, and was president of the New Zealand Motor Trade Association in 1933-34. After retiring from the army he took a keen interest in the Returned Soldiers' Association, and was president of the Wellington branch from 1929 to 1933.

Word had been passed round that the Commanding Officer had offered his men £1 for every German shot.

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RUGBY IN EGYPT

Successful New Zealand Army Team

The success of the New Zealand Army Rugby team, chosen from members of the First Echelon of the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force, in Egypt, is recalled by the photograph appearing today of the side. Captained by the well-known Poneke, Wellington and All Black footballer, J. L. Griffiths, the New Zealand Army team beat a combined British Army and Royal Air Force team 20-0 at Cairo on March 25.

The New Zealand team was chosen about the time that inter-unit Rugby matches were in progress in Egypt. The inter-unit competition was won by the team representing the Wellington Regiment, also captained by Griffiths, which beat the Welsh Regiment team 11-9 in the final at Cairo early in May.

The New Zealand Army team which defeated the British side on March 27 contains, in addition to Griffiths, two other All Blacks in T. C. Morrison, the brilliant South Canterbury wing-three-quarters, and J. G. Wynyard, the tall Waikato side-row forward. In addition, Major J. T. Burrows, who was a member of the selection committee, toured South Africa with the All Blacks in 1928 as a front-row forward.

The chairman of the selection committee, Lieutenant-Colonel T. J. King, is well known as a Rugby administrator in this country. For many years he was a member of the management committee of the Wellington Rugby Union, and in 1939 he became a member of the executive of the New Zealand Rugby Union.

Apart from the three All Blacks in the team, there were 10 provincial representatives in the side—Rollinson, full-back, from South Canterbury; Knowles, wing-three-quarters, Petone and Wellington; R. Arnold, centre-three-quarters, Taranaki; L. Arnold, five-eighths, Taranaki; D. J. Parsons, half-back, South Canterbury; G. Wales, forward, Athletic and Wellington; J. Coull (vice-captain), forward, Taranaki and 1939 All Black trial player; R. K. Anderson, forward, Auckland; G. R. Stow, front-row forward, Canterbury; and A. McBeath, booker, from Auckland. Thompson and Kidd, the remaining forwards, are from South Auckland.

SPECIAL RUGBY MATCHES

Wellington's team to play the Army (Trentham-Central Command) in one of the special matches at Athletic Park next Saturday, will be the same as that which met Auckland on Saturday. The selector has made one change in the emergencies, W. Moses being taken into the team for the other match—with the Centurions.

Players selected to meet the Centurions are:—Kenny; Baird, Martin, Poeknall; Sanson, Fairbairn; Burns; Randall, Moses, Rouxel, Mullett, White, Cave, V. Gottlieb, Dellabarbara. Emergencies: Egdell, Ryan, Haines, and Smith. The teams are to train at the Poneke gymnasium on Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Patriotic purposes are to benefit by next Saturday's matches.

AT A.N.A. CLUB

Weekend Attendances

There were excellent attendances at the A.N.A. Club on both Friday and Saturday nights, and a most enjoyable time was spent by men of the three Services and their partners. A hamper for supper was received from the Masterton branch of the W.D.F.U., per Mrs. C. C. Jackson. On Friday night Middleton's orchestra gave its services. On that night the Misses Dorothy Harris and Valmai Richardson were in charge of dancing, and on Saturday Miss Patricia Gledhill.

WELLINGTON TROTS.

Excellent Acceptances.

SATURDAY'S MEETING.

The Wellington Trotting Club has received excellent acceptances for its meeting on Saturday, which will start the light harness season in the southern half of the North Island.

Among the horses engaged are a number from Auckland, who give promise of affording stout opposition to those from Canterbury stables.

In pursuance of its policy of steadily improving the course amenities, a new ladies' cloakroom has been provided, and the main bar under the members' stand has been substantially enlarged. The rain which has fallen during the past few days has softened up the track, which, however, recovers quickly under the influence of wind and sun. Provided that fine weather is experienced from now on the course should be in good, though not fast, order by the time racing begins on Saturday.

The acceptances are as follows:—

NAI NAI HANDICAP, of £225; 3.35 class.
One mile and a half.

Black Native	scr	Paddy's Harvest	12
Hatrack	scr	Premier	24
Tonee	scr	Amonos	36
Vain Lad	scr	Biworthy	48
Allworthy	12	Franz Derby	84

SHARPE HANDICAP, of £175; 3.5 class.
One mile and a quarter.

All Gallant	scr	Ngarimu	scr
Ardglass	scr	Prince McElwyn	scr
Dublin	scr	Rama Direct	scr
Durata	scr	Press Gang	12
Native Loch	scr	Don Walla	48
Neutrality	scr	Stepson	48

WILFORD MEMORIAL HANDICAP, of £350; 4.33 class. Two miles.

Cruiser	scr	Parauri	24
Accountant	12	Lady Milne	48
Mongolian	12	Ferry Post	60
Ringtrue	12	Horse Power	60

WELLINGTON STAKES, of £600; for three-year-olds. One mile and a half.

Miss J. Cuff's Walter Moore.

Pezaro and Bridgen's Village Maid.

I. Rutherford's Malapert.

G. Lancaster's My Lady Luck.

McFarlane and Scott's Salisbury.

H. E. Cook's Festivity.

A. A. Jopp's Special Force.

J. McQuilken's Ronaki.

J. B. Mesterman's Gold Chief.

G. Chessmar's Shadow Maid.

H. Murphy's Surprise Potts.

E. F. C. Hind's Mickey Rooney.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP, of £250; 4.48 class. Two miles.

Black Native	scr	Paddy's Harvest	36
Hatrack	scr	Premier	48
Vain Lad	scr	Amonos	60
Tonee	12	Biworthy	84
Allworthy	24		

HUTT PARK TRIAL HANDICAP, of £175; 3.43 class. One mile and a half.

All Gallant	scr	Neutrality	scr
Ardglass	scr	Ngarimu	scr
Dublin	scr	Prince McElwyn	scr
Durata	scr	Rama Direct	scr
Gold Chief	scr	Press Gang	12
Gold Flight	scr	Stepson	48
Native Loch	scr	Don Walla	60

RAILWAY HANDICAP, of £225; 3.34 class. One mile and a half.

Bronze Eagle	scr	Scenic Gem	scr
Evora	scr	Siege Gun	scr
Gold Bar	scr	Toceetie	12
Kewpie's Jewel	scr	Special Force	24

WELLINGTON HANDICAP, of £275; 2.48 class. One mile and a quarter.

Cruiser	scr	Lady Milne	12
Nawton Parrish	scr	Mongolian	12
Ringtrue	scr	Parauri	12
Southern Smile	scr	Ferry Post	24
Accountant	12		

BOXING AT NELSON

Rayner Beats Hansen

In a professional lightweight boxing contest Clarrie Rayner, 9st. 8lb. (Blenheim), beat Tommy Hansen, 9st. 6lb. (Wellington), on points. It was a fairly bright display, but the winner had the edge on his opponent throughout.

EMPIRE WRESTLING TITLE

Retained By Katan

DRAWN MATCH WITH McCREADY

John Katan retained the British Empire wrestling championship title as a result of his match with Earl McCready in the Wellington Town Hall on Monday night. The bout was drawn, neither obtaining a fall. The match was very hard and lawless. At one stage the referee was projected from the ring. Both contestants completely exhausted themselves in vain efforts to force a decision.

McCready weighed 17st. 2lb., Katan 16st. 10lb. Mr. A. Jenkins refereed. There was a very large attendance.

McCready made good use of a powerful arm-bar for the greater part of the first round. Katan kicked him in the face and escaped, leaving McCready overhauling his jaw to be sure it was still working.

Warned for punching McCready's face when holding him in a headlock, Katan promptly did it again. The referee broke the hold. Katan re-established it, knocking McCready's eye. When he broke free, McCready tried a headlock, but Katan pushed him off by the face. They exchanged jolts; McCready's proved the more effective.

"What d'you say?" asked the referee of Katan, who lay on his back, victim of a keylock. Katan said nothing till McCready had twisted both his legs into a somewhat intricate pattern, whereon he grabbed the referee, and in the resultant confusion slipped away. Some brisk exchanges followed.

Referee Thrown From Ring.

Katan bent McCready backward over the ropes. Told to break, he lodged a good-bye knock. When he pinioned McCready again, the referee was at hand to prevent a recurrence. But this time it was McCready who let fly the parting jolt. Katan rushed at McCready, but the latter stood up and traded jolt for jolt. Katan ran away, and when McCready caught him, escaped into the ropes. McCready was loath to let him go. When he caught him again in a corner, the referee had to push between them to separate them. McCready promptly picked up both Katan and Mr. Jenkins in an armful, and heaved them out of the ring. Finding jolts of no avail, Katan drove a knee into McCready's face.

McCready bumped Katan in a head-scissors, Katan groaning and rubbing his pate.

In the sixth round Katan jolted McCready and gave him an aeroplane spin—but McCready held him in a crucifix and was on top when they landed on the mat.

The pace, furious throughout the bout, was by now telling on both wrestlers, and there was a brief lull, before the bout culminated in whirlwind tempo.

McCready sent Katan rolling across the mat with flying tackles. He brought him down, head-over-heels, with a flying body-scissors. The crowd was on its feet as McCready strove to press Katan's shoulders to the mat. Failing, he jolted Katan vigorously, and they rolled through the ropes interlocked, taking the referee with them. The contest closed with both wrestlers dazed with jolts staggering round the ring aiming ineffectual swings at one another.

RACING FIXTURES.

SEPTEMBER:

19-21—Geraldine R.C.
21—Marton R.C.
28—Foxton R.C.
28-30—Ohinemuri J.C.

TROTTING FIXTURES.

SEPTEMBER:

18-21—Wellington T.C.

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5—Methven T.C.
5—Thames T.C.
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TRY A SMILE

Bill was in charge of a telephone at an outpost. At 2.30 a.m. the bell rang and a voice asked, "You all right mate?"

"Yes, chum, thanks," said Bill, greatly cheered at the kindly though of the ringer.

At the ninth inquiry Bill began to lose his temper; at the tenth he became really mad.

"What the —'s the idea?" he bawled. "D'ye think I'm a — infant?"

"S'all right, chum," came the reply. "We've got a sweepstake on here, and I've drawn you as the first casualty."

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Into the recruiting office went Rastus to do his bit. He wanted to join the infantry.

"Sorry, sonny, Full up in the infantry." Then coaxingly, "How about a cavalry regiment?"

Rastus took up his hat hurriedly. "No, suh. No cavalry for me, suh. When dey sound de retreat ah sho don' want to be hampered by no hoss."

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CASUALTY LIST

Airmen And Soldier

The following air casualties were announced recently:—

Pilot Officer John Fleming, admitted to hospital suffering from injuries as the result of air operations. Mother: Mrs. B. S. Fleming, Wellington.

Pilot Officer Kenneth Victor Wendel, killed in air operations. Father: Mr. V. Wendel, Middlemore, Mangere, Auckland.

Pilot Officer Robert Gladstone Hall, missing on air operations. Father: Mr. A. W. Hall, Wellington.

The death was also reported of Private Alexander Lindsay Meikle, a member of the Second N.Z.E.F. in England. Mrs. E. Horwell, Orbell Street Timaru, is a sister.

Pilot Officer Hall is a member of the Marauui Surf and Life-saving Club and was a member of the team which won the junior six-man rescue and resuscitation championships of New Zealand, the Wellington province, and the West Coast (North Island) in the 1938-39 season. As a member of the University Swimming Club he was first home in the Peck Shield harbour race in February, 1939. He is a member of the Wellington College Old Boys' Rugby Football Club.

Pilot Officer Charles De Vic Halkett, missing on air operations. Mother: Mrs. A. J. Canning, 24 Stafford Street Wellington.

Private Tokena Pokai, 28th Maori Battalion, killed as result of motor accident. Sister: Miss Tipi Pokai, Tiki Tiki, Ruatoria.

GUNNER MISSING

Advice that his son, Sergeant Gunner James Bracegirdle, serving with the R.N.Z.A.F. in England, is missing has been received by his father, Mr. Arthur Bracegirdle, Parnell.

Sergeant Bracegirdle, who was 21 last November, joined up two weeks after the outbreak of war and went to Levin for preliminary training in the air force. Later he went to Ohakea to train as a gunner and left New Zealand last March.

Missing On Operations

The following air casualties were announced on Saturday:—

Sergeant John Bernard Philpott, R.N.Z.A.F., missing on air operations. Father: Mr. H. E. Philpott, 8 Levy Street, Wellington.

Pilot Officer Trevor Harold Hadley, missing on air operations. Wife: Mrs. P. O. Hadley, 181 Mackay Street, Thames.

Pilot Officer A Prisoner Of War

The following air casualties were announced

Pilot Officer Robert Clifford Douglas McKenzie, previously reported missing, is now reported to be a prisoner of war. His mother is Mrs. A. E. McKenzie, 125 Rugby Street, Merivale, Christchurch.

Sergeant Laurie Andrew Woodney Rasmussen, killed on operations. Father: Mr. F. W. Rasmussen, 69 Epsom Avenue, Epsom, Auckland.

Percy Roy Paul, clerk, Royal New Zealand Air Force station, Harewood, was admitted to Burwood Hospital on Sunday, where he was reported to be seriously ill with pneumonia. His wife is Mrs. M. Paul, 12 Morley Street, New Plymouth.

MISSING OFFICER NOW REPORTED PRISONER

Reported missing as a result of air operations on September 2, Pilot Officer Ian Kirk, eldest son of the late Mr. J. Kirk and Mrs. Kirk, Papatoetoe, has now been reported a prisoner of war.

AWARDED D.F.C.

Two New Zealanders

Flight Lieutenant A. A. N. Breckon and Acting Flight Lieutenant F. E. Eustace, of the Royal New Zealand Air Force, have been awarded the D.F.C.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Private Ezra Dalton

A memorial service for Private Ezra Hill Dalton, whose death occurred recently, was held in the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Wellington, yesterday afternoon. The preacher was the Rev. Canon D. J. Davies and the lesson was read by a returned soldier. There was a large attendance, which included the matron and sisters of the Red Cross Hospital, returned soldier friends of Private Dalton, Red Cross nurses and boy scouts.

BRAVERY IN THE AIR

Awards To New Zealanders

RECORD FLIGHT TO NARVIK

Advice of the award of the Distinguished Flying Cross to two more New Zealanders—Acting Squadron Leader Aubrey Arthur Ninnis Breckon and Acting Flight Lieutenant Francis Edwin Eustace—was received yesterday by Air Headquarters, Wellington. The following information was issued by the Director of Publicity:—

Acting Squadron Leader Breckon comes from Northcote, Auckland, and is 26 years of age. According to the official citation, "he has participated in 21 major bombing attacks on Germany, Holland, Belgium and France. He made a reconnaissance flight north of Narvik of a duration of 14½ hours, undeterred by enemy action and bad weather. He is a reliable and persistent long-distance pilot, and a cool, courageous and very determined leader."

The flight to Narvik is generally acknowledged as the record long distance flight of the first 12 months of the war, involving a distance of 2000 miles from Scotland and back through icy weather and severe storms. The flight was made by an aircraft of the New Zealand Squadron, and two other New Zealanders were included in the crew, the navigator coming from Stratford and the wireless operator from Auckland.

Acting Squadron Leader Breckon was previously employed as a newspaper photographer in Auckland before he was granted a short service commission with the Royal Air Force. He was a member of the Auckland Aero Club, gaining his A licence in November, 1933. He passed for his B licence in 1935, and was accepted into the Royal Air Force toward the end of that year. Shortly before war was declared, Acting Squadron Leader Breckon was posted to the New Zealand Squadron in England, transferring to the Royal New Zealand Air Force. When war broke out, the squadron was placed at the disposal of the Royal Air Force. Acting Squadron Leader Breckon has played a conspicuous part in the activities of that squadron since.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Eustace the second recipient of the award, was born in Nelson and is 24 years old. He was educated at the Taumarunui District High School and Nelson College, where he matriculated in 1933. He was accepted for a short service commission with the Royal Air Force in 1937.