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## R.A.F. ROLL OF HONOUR



Sergeant-Observer D. O. Rewa, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Rewa, Auckland, killed in R.A.F. aircraft accident.



Pilot-Officer E. I. Parsons, D.F.C., only son of Mrs. B. H. Parsons, Christchurch, missing in air operations with the R.A.F.



Sergeant-Pilot R. H. Clifford, 24-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Clifford, Christchurch, died from injuries when struck by a lorry in England.

## WELLINGTON BOYS ON NAVAL SERVICE



ON ACTIVE SERVICE: Wellington R.N.V.R. members of the crew of H.M.S. Leander. The officers seated in the front row, left to right, are Surgeon Lieutenant Ewart, Surgeon Commander Corkill, Paymaster Lieutenant Davies.



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# REPRISAL

The persistent and cruel attacks upon the civil populace of London are the dominating feature of the news of the past few weeks, and like the magnetic mine and other "surprise" features employed by the enemy, Great Britain will surely overcome such initial advantages expediently and efficiently with telling results. It took Germany many years to develop the magnetic mine and in more than seven years they have not discovered a counter for it; on the other hand Britain effectively countered it in seven days. It is interesting to note also that Britain had magnetic mines in the Great War. Apart from the fact that Germany's air offensive has been considerably checked in spite of the varying tactics employed, and the tremendous losses suffered by Germany during this "trying out" period, which far outweigh their military significance, these raids still continue with diminishing effectiveness. Germany has not, and never will gain ascendancy in the air, for the freedom of the air will be mastered by Britain as surely as the freedom of the seas. It is even more interesting to note that these opinions are expressed by many competent neutral observers.

Meanwhile negotiations are in progress with the United States of America for the purchase of "flying fortresses" presumably for the purposes of reprisals against the cruel attacks of wanton destruction. Notwithstanding the brilliant successes of the R.A.F. in destroying military objectives in Germany and throughout the occupied countries the effectiveness of such "flying fortresses" can be visualised by the known performances of such craft which have a very long flying range and can operate at a height to which no attacking planes can ascend. They are capable of carrying tremendous loads of high explosives and are well equipped with machine guns. The "flying fortress" is officially known as B-17 and is a four-motored bomber built by the Boeing Aircraft Corporation. Two years ago a formation of these planes flew a distance of 10,000 miles and yet another flight of 2,500 miles was accomplished at 20,000 feet with a maximum of 33,000 feet which is 6,000 feet above the normal height of bombers. The latter flight was made in about nine and a quarters hours. The cabins were electrically heated and the outside temperatures were sometimes 12 degrees below zero. The average speed maintained was 270 miles an hour with a maximum of 376 m.p.h. The plane has a wingspread of 105 feet and weights 22 tons and is capable of carrying four 2,000 lb. bombs besides smaller bombs. The advantages of the "flying fortress" are all-weather efficiency, range, and the fact that it travels so high that ground instruments and observers would never detect its approach. A sizeable fleet of these planes are capable of blasting Berlin and what is left of Germany out of existence to say nothing of Rome and Italian possessions. One thing is certain, you can rely upon Britain to do the right thing at the right time and the resultant outcome will dispel all doubts of complete mastery of the situation.



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**N.Z.E.F. IN EGYPT**

**Two Casualties Reported**

The following casualties in the 2nd N.Z.E.F. in Egypt were announced yesterday:—

Private Oliver Lowe, died from shock following multiple burns. Father: Mr. J. Lowe, River Road, Rangiora.

Lance Bombardier Jack Patrick Joseph Regan, accidentally wounded. Wife: Mrs. J. P. J. Regan, 137 Great North Road, New Lynn.

**The Home Defence Column**

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It won't be long—soon.

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Measles certainly put the men of the 4th Reinforcements on the spot.

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The "Blues" are still raging at Buckle Street.

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And yet another epidemic of the famed "Gunners' Bot" has broken out at Dorset.

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The Winter Show, of course, is now out of season.

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"Black Tracker Mats Slacker." Tongue-twister, eh? Exceedingly hollow laugh from the A.S.C.

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Somes Island soliloquy: "Stalwart guards and/or doughty prisoners."

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Miss me to-night, Sergeant-Major!

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Anyone would imagine that the boys of the 22nd Anti-Ack hadn't seen a 'plane before, the way they pick 'em up in the sky each night.

**REEL OUT THE BARREL!**

Our S/M's Monicker rhymes with egg, He never stops 'till he's drained the last dreg.

The day he was "crowned," They thought he was drowned—... but at last he crawled out of the keg!

Here is one about a bow-legged cow-girl who had an awful time keeping her calves together.

**THE DISPATCH RIDERS' LAMENT.**

Dirty days hath September, April, June and November. From January and up to May The Rain, it raineth every day. That February lacks but one or two Is just as well for me and you. For all the rest have thirty-one Without a blessed gleam o' sun . . . And even if they all had two and thirty— They'd be quite as wet and twice as dirty!

—Sgm. J. M. Boyd.



**MILITARY NEWLY-WEDS.**

Corporal and Mrs. L. M. Buick-Constable, of Wellington. Corporal Buick-Constable is a frequent contributor to this paper.

**SERGEANTS ON DISPAY.**

(Heard at Buckle Street)

Pompous Arty, Sergeant: "My man, why isn't the flag up?"

Orderly N.C.O. (an old Digger): "What's it to do with you?"

P.A. Sgt.: "You can't speak to me like that. Do you know who I am?"

Orderly N.C.O.: "You tell me, an' we'll both know."

P.A. Sgt. (drawing himself up to his full five feet two): "I'm a Sergeant from the Winter Show!"

Orderly N.C.O. (moving off): "I don't care if you're a bloomin' Sergeant from the ruddy Zoo. . . .!"

Doris had ben listening to a missionary relating his adventures in Africa.

Telling her father about it afterwards, she said: "Sometimes they did not have any food for day and days, and when they beat on their tum-tums it could be heard for miles around."



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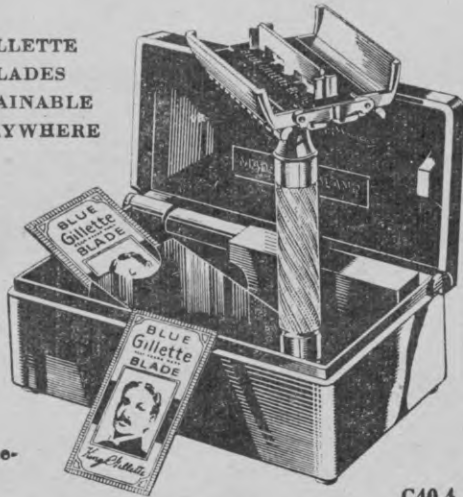
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## THIRD ECHELON

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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. Sleight; Captain R. R. Beattie; 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; 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. Baneks, 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. Hutcheson; 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. Westra, 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. Sarginor, 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. Steptoe, Y.M.C.A.; J. D. Hunter, Y.M.C.A.; H. V. Shove, Y.M.C.A. (overseas).

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. Pearse, 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.

**13th Railway Construction Company, N.Z. Engineers.**

Major R. L. Smith, officer commanding; Captain A. G. Park; Lieutenants G. K. Armstrong, L. C. E. Malt, F. K. Roberts, A. A. Treloar.

**19th Army Troops Company, N.Z. Engineers.**

Major C. Langhien, officer commanding; Captain I. N. Anderson; Lieutenant F. W. O. Jones; 2nd Lieutenants D. M. Paterson, C. N. Page, R. I. Collins, L. C. Smart.

**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.



## More Men Drafted

### Fourth Reinforcements

Additional men from the Auckland area, northern military district, who have been drafted to the 29th and 30th Infantry Mixed Battalion, Fourth Reinforcements, and who will go into camp at Ngaruawahia this week are: R. Bently, A. E. Carey, J. G. Collins, C. G. Davis, S. T. Davis, M. P. Donnelly, G. R. Gable, F. M. Haughie, J. W. J. Heffron, R. W. Hogg, F. G. Jones, M. R. Laver, J. Needham, E. H. Peters, S. Sample, M. L. Stephens, B. G. Twiname, R. Watson.

## Y.M.C.A. Officers

The Young Men's Christian Association has appointed the following officers to conduct social and recreational activities in the military camps. Mr. H. Lawson, Epsom; Mr. G. Smith, Te Aroha; Mr. W. Fountain, Rotorua; Mr. L. Pycroft, Cambridge; Mr. J. Blaiklock, Claudelands; Mr. J. Kemp, of Auckland, has been transferred from Papakura to a coastal defence camp, while Mr. C. Bennett, who has been controlling two of these camps, will continue at one only.

## MANY WILLING HELPERS

### Work For Week At A.N.A. Club

Large and enthusiastic attendances marked Friday and Saturday night dances at the A.N.A. Club in Wellington. On both nights there were present men of the Army, Navy, Merchant Navy and Air Force, and the comfortable facilities offering were made full use of.

Though the club is not so well known just at the present to a number of men, later it will prove a popular rendezvous with many. Already good daily average attendances of men have been the rule since the club began its daily opening from last Sunday week, the hours being from 11 in the morning to 10.30 at night. The boys have been coming in to write letters, do some work, and rest. Light meals have been served at all hours.

During the evening on Saturday the gathering was addressed by Miss Johnston, matron, and Miss Guthrie, education officer, on the ship which recently brought the party of Scots children to New Zealand. Both expressed their pleasure at being present and the crowd sang "For they are jolly good fellows" and gave three cheers for them.

Headquarters for duty as Publicity Officer, and is attached to Army Headquarters, Wellington, for duty as Publicity Officer.

Lieutenant W. A. Bryden, 1st Battalion, is attached to the N.Z. Artillery.

### N.Z. MEDICAL CORPS

The undermentioned Lieutenants to be Captains.

G. J. Frengley, M.B., Ch.B.; C. W. Isaac, M.B., Ch.B.; H. C. Todd, M.B., Ch.B.; D. J. Goodwin, M.B., Ch.B.; G. D. Lindsay, M.B., Ch.B.

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### IMPRESSIVE COMBINATION

Judged by the performance of the Central Band of the R.N.Z.A.F. at Athletic Park on Saturday, a fresh chapter is about to be written into the history of band music in New Zealand, a chapter which will mark the foundation on its true basis of the military band, modelled on the Guards' bands at Home. Reconstructed and reorganized from the original Air Force Band—a territorial organization—the Central Band of the R.N.Z.A.F. now consists purely of enlisted members of the R.N.Z.A.F., and has a strength of 58—48 instrumentalists, both brass and woodwind, and 10 drummers. It includes many leading instrumentalists, some of them having won Dominion championships.

Probably the most noted of the few military bands that have existed in this country is Derry's Band, Christchurch, an organization patterned on the Guards' bands. In its best days, this band had a membership of upward of 60. Noted military bands which have visited New Zealand are Sousa's Band, the Royal Artillery Band from Woolwich, which took part in the Auckland Exhibition, probably the finest combination of its kind to visit this country, the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Band under Lieut. Ricketts, composer of the march "Colonel Bogey," which appeared at the Dunedin Exhibition, and the Grenadier Guards Band.

The Central Band of the R.N.Z.A.F. is the first real New Zealand approach to the true military band. For marching the instrumentation is confined to woodwind and brass, but for concert performances the string sections will be introduced. Possessing so great an array of talent, the band should prove a great attraction both in concert programmes and in military displays, and there is a likelihood that such a band may be utilized to tour New Zealand for patriotic purposes.

### Interesting Innovations.

Under the charge of Flight Lieut. Gladstone Hill, Director of Music for the R.N.Z.A.F., the band has already attained a high standard of musical proficiency, as was indicated by the intonation and general standard of musicianship on Saturday. A feature was the front line of six trombones—an innovation in New Zealand and one that greatly impressed bandmen and band lovers among the crowd. The quality of the trombone playing in the march "National Emblem" was very pleasing.

Much yet remains to be accomplished in military movements by the band, but Saturday's display was a most commendable one considering that the only practice in military movements the band had had took place on Saturday morning under Drum-Major A. V. Brown, drill instructor from the Woodbourne aerodrome, Blenheim. Drum-Major Brown is well known to the Wellington public, having been drum-major to the Wellington Caledonian Society's Pipe Band. He was marshal at the octagonal serpentine display at Athletic Park in October of last year.

Another interesting feature of Saturday's performance was a fanfare introduction by cornets, horns and trombones to the National Anthem, specially arranged by Flight Lieut. Gladstone Hill.

"A young fisherman was transferred to the Northern Patrol—somewhere between Shetland's and Iceland, where the sea is very rough.

But he continued to write cheerful letters to his mother—like this: "Dear Mother—Everything is marvellous. We have six meals a day—three down and three up!"

## CRICKET

The match between Pay and Records Office versus the Medical Corps (Adjutant Course) created a good deal of interest at Trentham recently and judging by the talent engaged competition promises to be keen throughout the season. The following are the scores:

### PAY and RECORDS OFFICE

Elmes, lbw, Feltham	4
McLean, lbw, Feltham	0
Collerton, run out	5
Thompson, bowled, Holz	9
Gorrie, bowled Holz	0
Eckhoff, bowled Holz	2
Broom, bowled, Feltham	0
Roser, bowled Feltham	0
Gell, not out	14
Anderson, bowled Holtz	0
Reynolds, bowled Holtz	0
Extras	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>

### Bowling for Medical Corps

Holz, 5 wickets for 14; Feltham, 4 wickets for 20.

### MEDICAL CORPS

#### (Adjutant's Course)

Meade, lbw Elmes	0
Levien, bowled Gorrie	10
Adams, bowled Elmes	0
Holz, retired	42
Feltham, stumped Mclean, bowled Anderson	17
Borrie, caught Thompson, bowled Anderson	11
Wilson, bowled Eckhoff	0
Thompson, caught and bowled Thompson	5
Thodey, caught McLean, bowled Gorrie	11
Macdonald, hit wicket, bowled Gorrie	14
Bourke, bowled Gorrie	5
Newlands, not out	1
Extras	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>

## FIRST CASUALTIES IN ACTION

### Second Echelon Troops

## MEN HURT BY BURSTING BOMB

(From the Official War Correspondent with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force in Britain.)

ENGLAND, September 27.

The Second Echelon's first casualties in enemy action were sustained today when an aerial bomb burst 15 feet ahead of a full bus containing members of the Auckland Battalion. The bus was overturned and two men were slightly wounded, in the face and thigh respectively.

The bus was returning from a swimming parade. The bomb was one of several dropped in a south-eastern town when a formation of 16 enemy planes heading toward London was broken up by anti-aircraft guns and British fighters.

Two of the raiders suffered severely at the hands of the British fighters. One German pilot who landed his machine intact but was himself badly wounded was captured and rushed to hospital by members of the Wellington Battalion.

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reinforcements with the second echelon was severely but not dangerously wounded, in the face by a fragment of an anti-aircraft shell which did not burst till it struck the ground.

Three New Zealanders, a major, a sergeant and a private, who were close at hand to the burst of another bomb which entombed a number of civilians earned high praise from civilians for their instant and energetic rescue work.



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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, hooker, 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, Pocknall; Sanson, Fairbairn; Burns; Randall, Moses, Rouxel, Mullett, White, Caye, V. Gotlieb, Dellabarba. Emergencies: Egde, 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.  
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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, knuckling 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 at 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.

### OCTOBER:

5—Methven T.C.  
5—Thames T.C.  
12—New Brighton T.C.  
23-26—Wellington T.C.  
26-28—Greymouth T.C.  
28—Oamaru T.C.  
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And as things have been, they remain.

If hopes were dupes, fears may be liars,  
It may be, in yon smoke concealed,  
Your comrades chase e'en now the flyers,  
And but for you possess the field.

For while the tired waves, vainly breaking,  
Seem here no painful inch to gain,  
Far back through creeks and inlets making  
Comes, silent flooding in, the main.

And not through eastern windows only  
When daylight comes, comes in the light,  
In front the sun climbs slow, how slowly,  
But westward, look, the land is bright."

—Clough

Victories are won, and great things are accomplished not by the isolated efforts of the individual, but the combined efforts of the few or many, all striving towards a common objective under a supreme command. Each has his own particular task, the accomplishing of which is marked by his own individuality and none can do the other's work, yet for success each is dependent upon all the others. The final result is measured, not by the success or failure of the individual, but by the effect of the combined efforts of all.

Team work, for that is what it really is, calls for the exercise of trust and patience—trust in the higher command and in fellow-workers, and patience to go on, even when one's own efforts appears to be in vain. It calls for personal sacrifice, and the setting aside of personal desires, the willingness to suit one's own identity for the good of all, and the final success of the undertaking, but the reward is the assurance of a fight well fought, a race well run.

May God enable us all throughout the Empire, to go on trusting Him, submitting ourselves to His correction, His guidance and instruction and testing, until we come forth as a people fitted to do His will on earth and owning His Son as our Redeemer and King.

Mr. Les Taylor has now taken over the work at the Hut, and is using the quiet time to get settled down, renewing old friendships and forming new ones. May he prove a blessing to the men with whom he will come in contact.

The war was over. Hitler's death had finished it. And the corporal who had helped to lay well and truly the body underground was describing the scene.

"The Germans put the coffin down twenty-five times," he said.

"Twenty-five times" echoed his listeners. "What for?"

"Encores," said the corporal.

# SECOND ECHELON IN POSITION

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Though a very small unit among the million and a quarter men thus standing to arms, the New Zealand second echelon has been honoured with an important forward position and in the last week has further improved its plans for striking quickly and hard when the call comes.

British public opinion on the possibility of an invasion remains divided, but with growing might against it. None the less, the preparedness already unparalleled in this island's long story of hard-fought freedom is being intensified daily.

It is distasteful to be, as it were, idly standing by while the air force and navy do all the work and unprotected women and children bear much of the brunt of the vicious and merciless attack, but it is a part which the needs of the moment require of the soldiers.

Meanwhile, it is an unforgettable privilege to be here and to gather inspiration from the incomparable valour of our airmen and the magnificent courage under assault of the common people of Britain.

## MEN OF THE FORCES

### 150 Enjoying Sunday Hospitality

On Sunday last 150 men from all arms of the fighting services gathered in the lounge of the Wellington Y.M.C.A. to enjoy the hospitality provided for them by women of the Khandallah Presbyterian Church, under the leadership of their president, Mrs. Hudson. The chairman was Mr. J. G. Smith, who was accompanied by Mrs. Smith, and associated with him were the Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Scott and Mr. C. A. R. Brunt.

In welcoming the men Mr. Smith mentioned that a free membership was extended to all men of the forces, and that all the facilities of the Y.M.C.A. were open to them at all times. It might be of interest to know that Y.M.C.A. huts were established in 11 military camps, and six in Air Force training centres. In the Air Force camps the Y.M.C.A. conducted a post office which was kept open all hours, whereas the official postal service was restricted to the usual Post Office hours. This extra facility provided by the Y.M.C.A. was much appreciated. Mr. Smith mentioned that already there were 13 Y.M.C.A. secretaries overseas with the Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

A pleasant musical programme was provided, vocal items being given by Mrs. Fettes, Mr. O. Dyer and Mr. J. P. Mackay, the accompanists being Miss Isa Anderson and Miss Finlay. A vocal item was given by Gunner W. P. Wade, and an elocution item by Mrs. Reid. A community sing led by Mr. Hindle and accompanied by Mr. Mann, was enjoyed.

A very acceptable gift to the tea was received from the Parkvale (Carterton) branch of the Women's Institute, which, having read in the paper of the teas that were provided for the soldiers each week, sent a box of cakes as a donation to the work. Musical honours and three cheers for the hostess, the friends who had so kindly come to entertain them, and the Parkvale branch for its very kind thought terminated a pleasant gathering.

# TRY A SMILE

The "All Clear!" had sounded and people were filing from the air raid shelter.

"Lot of frightened sheep," scoffed a sceptical young man. "All dashing in there as fast as their legs could carry them. Why, I was in bed when the siren went. I shaved, washed, dressed and then strolled down to this shelter."

"Is that so?" said the Bright Young Thing. "But aren't your legs cold without your trousers?"

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### IT'S THE SAME, REALLY

Wife: Dear, what is the difference between Direct and Indirect taxation?

Husband: It's the difference between your asking me for money—and going through my trousers pockets while I'm asleep.

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Private Atkins had taken the "Say nothing; ears are listening" notices to heart. So when the barber, between snips, asked: "Where are you stationed, mate?" he replied:

"Savoy Hotel, Brighton."

"What d'yer mean?" snorted the barber. "There ain't no Savoy Hotel in Brighton. It's in the Strand."

"Well, I'm dashed," came Tommy's reply. "I thought it was a long walk to the sea every morning."

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And we must tell you the story of the Boy who has the Right Idea—one Tommy, late of the East End of London, now evacuated to the south.

He had been induced to say his prayers, and after the "make me a good boy" bit, came out with 'An' give 'Itler a good hidin'."

"My dear," said the aged and very Christianly foster-mother. "You shouldn't say that: Say "and soften Hitler's heart."

". . . And do wot the lidy says to 'Itler, but give 'im a good hidin' jes' the same," said Tommy.

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"Jack, dear," she murmured, "I hardly know how to tell you, but soon there will be a third sharing our little home."

"My darling," he cried excitedly, "are you sure?"

"Positive," she replied. "I had a letter from mother this morning, saying she's coming to live with us next week!"

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"And the same to you," muttered the Colonel under his breath, as he returned the private's salute.

Again it happened . . . and again.

The Adjutant was puzzled. "Forgive me, if I seem rude, sir, but why the 'same to you?'" he asked.

The Colonel smiled, reminiscently. "Well, old chap," he said, "I was once a ranker myself, and I know just what they are thinking when they salute me."

# Ricochets

"Buy British Eggs," urges an advertisement in a contemporary. And scorn the foreign yolk.

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A correspondent says that war broke out the day after he got married. Just a coincidence!

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Traveller says that tribes in New Guinea use razor blades for currency. Everything sold at cut rates?

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At least one optimistic member of the Special Force at Trentham provided for every contingency when he made his will. Should his tent ever be chosen as the best-kept in the company, he wrote, his share of the prize was to go to his next-of-kin.

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Giving evidence last week, a soldier complained to a magistrate that every time he comes home on leave, his wife goes through his pockets systematically each night. What one might call a repeating rifle.

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