



PARADE AT TRENTHAM—Units in training at Trentham Mobilization Camp drawn up on the racecourse. They were inspected by the Inspector-General of the Forces, Major-General Sir Andrew Russell, and addressed by the Prime Minister, Mr. Fraser.

Everyman's Hut

"Not until each loom is silent,
And the shuttles cease to fly,
Will God unroll the pattern
And explain the reason why
The dark threads are, as needful
In the weaver's skilful hand,
As the threads of gold and silver
For the pattern which He planned."

A seemingly hopeless tangle of threads, a meaningless conglomeration of colours, an ugly lump of clay—so it is to the eye of the uninitiated, but to the weaver at the loom an ordered intricate weaving of the gorgeous tapestry to the pattern he is copying, to the artist at the easel the patient building up of a masterpiece of composition which in his mind he sees already complete, to the potter at the wheel the material from which will be shaped the delicate work of art which his brain has conceived. Every swift thrust of the shuttle, every sure stroke of the brush, every deft touch of the fingers on the whirling clay is but part of an ordered plan for the creation of that which, in its finished beauty, will bring joy to its creator and to all who look upon it. And so the Great Weaver is weaving the life of each of us according to the individual pattern which He has planned. The joys and sorrows, happiness and pain, the bright sunshine and the dark clouds, which at the time make life seem such a hopeless contradiction, will one day be seen in their true position and relationship to each other and to the completed design. Life is not just an aimless buffeting by fate for a more or less uncertain period of years until "comes the blind fury with abhorred shears and slits the thin spun life." God has planned for each of us, and all that is needed is that we should seek to know His will concerning us and shape our lives

MILITARY TRAINING

Much Activity In Central District

TERRITORIAL UNITS IN CAMP

There is considerable military training activity throughout the Central Military District, its scope having been increased by the calling-up of men under the scheme for expansion of the Territorial forces.

At Trentham the 4th Reinforcements have entered the third week of their training. Prospective n.c.o.'s for the 5th Reinforcements are at work in the Central District School of Instruction (Trentham Wing), officers for the 6th Reinforcements are undergoing intensive courses at the Army School of Instruction, and Territorial signallers—half the Central District Company and half the Northern District Company—have commenced their three months in camp.

At the Tauherenikau Wing of the Central District School officers and n.c.o.s of the 2nd Battalion, Wellington Regiment (City of Wellington's Own) and the 2nd Battalion, Hawke's Bay Regiment—two new units forming part of the expanded Territorial establishment to be recruited from the second National Service ballot—have commenced a three months' course of instruction ready for the calling up of the units for three months' training in January. The camp commandant is

accordingly. We may make a bad job of it, but

"There is divinity that shapes our ends

Rough-hew them as we will."

To all who put their trust in His Son, the sure word is "your life is hid with Christ in God." Our desire is that more and more of the boys who pass through the Hut may learn to commit their lives to His keeping before they pass overseas to what lies ahead.

Major J. M. Reidy, N.Z.S.C., Officer Commanding the Central District School.

There is another wing of the Central District School at the Winter Show Buildings, Wellington, where yesterday prospective n.c.o.s for the 2nd Battalion, Wellington Regiment and 2nd Battalion, Hawke's Bay Regiment, entered camp for a ten weeks' course. The commandant at the Winter Show Buildings is Captain K. C. B. Muirson.

Fort Dorset and the 16th Anti-Aircraft Battery are other war establishments in the Wellington area where training is being carried on continuously. Fort Dorset also contains the recently established School of Artillery, where special courses of instruction are provided for fortress personnel from the whole of the Dominion. At present commissioned officers from Auckland, Lyttelton, and Wellington are undergoing instruction there.

In addition to the signallers' camp at Trentham, camps for Territorial units now undergoing three months' continuous training have been established, pending the completion of Waiouru Camp, at four places.

At Foxton the 2nd Field Regiment and the 8th Medium Battery, New Zealand Artillery, and the 2nd Field Company, New Zealand Engineers, are occupying a canvas camp. The commandant is Major Musteroft-Taylor.

The 1st Battalion, Wellington West Coast Regiment and A Company, New Zealand Scottish Regiment, are encamped at Wanganui. Lieutenant-Colonel D. A. C. Lilburne, E.D., Officer Commanding the Wellington West Coast Battalion, is Camp Commandant. The 1st Battalion, Taranaki Regiment commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel L. H. Jardine, is in camp at Waverley, and the 1st Battalion, Hawke's Bay Regiment, is at Dannevirke. The officer commanding is Lieutenant-Colonel Jefferd.

The Territorial units at these camps will transfer to Waiouru as soon as the new camp is ready—probably about the middle of next month. They will remain in camp till Christmas time.

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

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