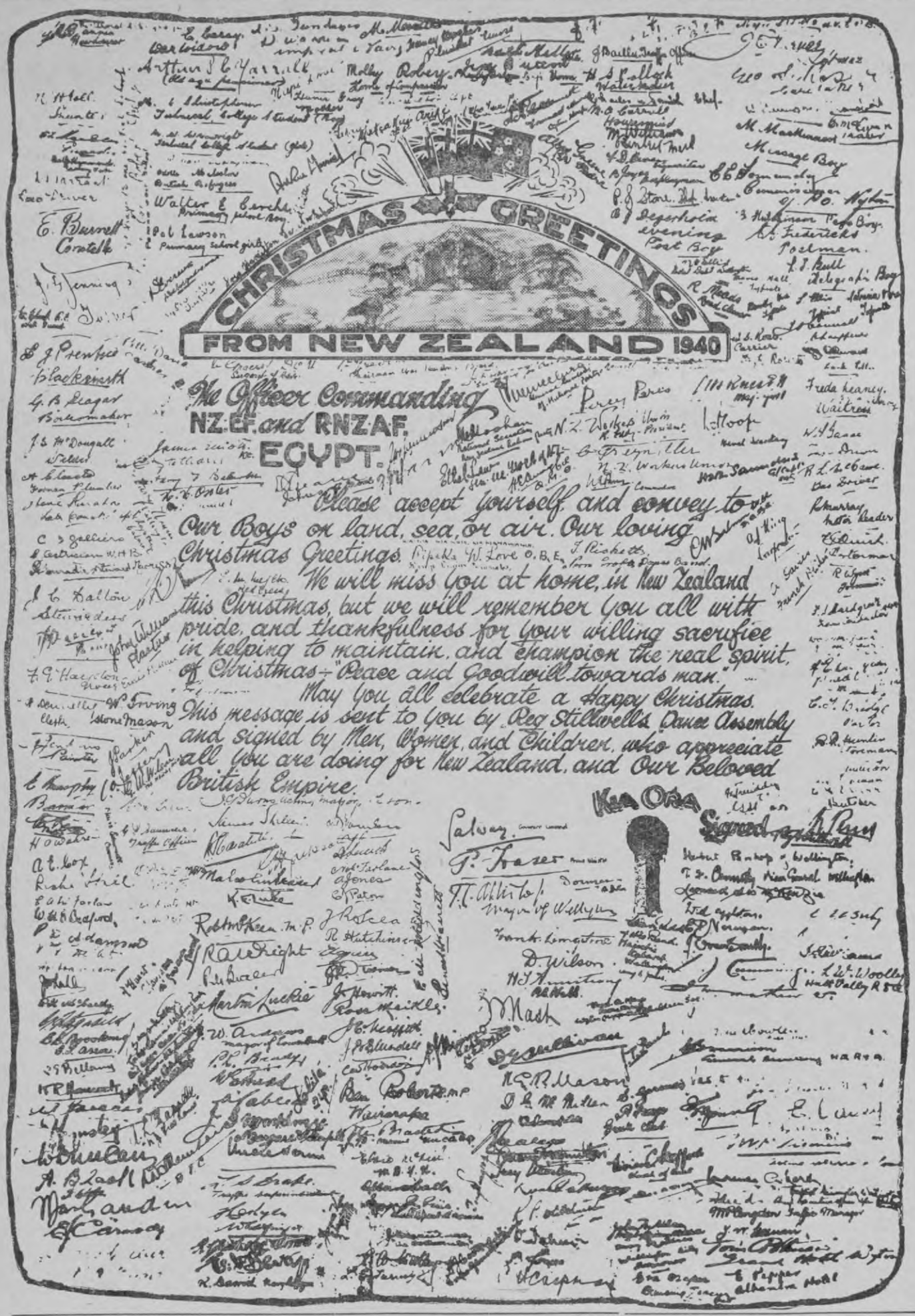

Major-General Sir John Duigan, Chief of the General Staff, taking the salute at a Passing-out Ceremony of Officer Cadets.

ANOTHER DEFEAT

New Zealand Army Team In London

DEFECTS IN BACK DIVISION

The New Zealand Army Rugby football team was defeated by St. Mary's Hospital by 15 points to 3.

Rugby commentators state that the defeat will do the New Zealanders good in showing up weaknesses to a team run by brains.

The greatest criticism is of the back division. Tindill was unable in spite of great efforts to get his men on the move. On the other hand, the St. Mary's fifteen showed irresistible form; the New Zealand five-eighths and three-quarters held no surprises for them.

RACING FIXTURES.

Dec. 14—Otaki Maori R.C.

TROTTING FIXTURES.

Dec. 21—Reefton T.C.
Dec. 26—Ashburton T.C.
Dec. 26—Gore T.C.
Dec. 26, 27—Westport T.C.
Dec. 27, 28, 31—Auckland T.C.
Dec. 28—Winton T.C.
Jan. 1—Canterbury Park T.C.

NATIONAL RESERVE

Minister Of Defence Takes Salute

On its way along Aotea Quay at the beginning of a route march on Saturday afternoon the second Wellington battalion of the National Reserve saluted the Minister of Defence, Mr. Jones. The 600 men commanded by Lieut.-Colonel C. M. Smith were headed by the Fort Dorset Band. After passing the saluting base the battalion marched along the Hutt Road up the Kaiwarra Gorge to Ngaio and back to the city, via Wilton Road. A "March of Time" cameraman took moving pictures of the march by the men, who are nearly all returned soldiers.

ENEMY ATTACK ON KAITOKE

West Coast Regiment Repels "Invaders"

REALISTIC MANOEUVRES AND BATTLE

For more than 30 hours the Wellington-West Coast Regiment was engaged in large-scale manoeuvres to prevent an enemy attack on Kaitoke. Word of an "invasion" was received when the regiment was on its way to Marton racecourse by motor transport yesterday. The enemy had "landed" on the south beach. The transports were left and the unit marched to Kaitoke afforestation camp from Warrengate Road, a distance of eight miles. The regiment bivouacked in the open at the afforestation camp last night and began an attack on the enemy at daylight. The battle was spread over a wide area from Kaitoke to the airport. The invaders, who had been advancing on points above Kaitoke Stream, were routed, the climax of the battle being shortly before midday. Blank cartridges were used in the engagement, which was as near to active service conditions are possible. On the return of the regiment to camp late this afternoon officers expressed themselves as well satisfied with the operations.