

" Men fight all shapes & sizes like racing horses run " Kipling.

" RACING horses are usually unpopular, and always unprofitable, if they do not run first, second or third " we were told by Percy Burling, owner of the wonder horse. Trainer L.H. Scott and Owner Butling were busy with axe and cold chisel trimming the somewhat elongated feet of their pride. " We have no doubts about our nag, he is the goods, though we are not letting too much out at present. In the trial spin he has done pretty well " Trainer Scott told us, as he proceeded to dose the horse with castor oil. :::: Percy Burling was reticent on how he came to make the discovery, but it is rumoured in the racing world that the horse wandered into his tent in the early hours of the morning... a few days ago. A black gelding, of indeterminate age and unprepossessing appearance, he is out of Cherry Brandy by Wizard - registered in the Stud Book as Plonk. Both dam and sire have records that speak for themselves, as Jimmy Ellery, Snow Hendry and Jimmy Ellery can testify. :::: In a special release, exclusive to Dozerdust, Trainer Scott whispered that trials took place at night in order to avoid publicity. When a stop watch with a luminous dial could be procured, weight from Jockey K. Craig transferred to Plonk and sufficient pieces of stale bread raked up to meet the horse's voracious appetite the major problems of training would be solved. Owner Burling says horse's appearance suggest a lack of vitamin c content. :::: HAD time permitted Plonk would have been sent over to N.Z. Cup, but owner now has to be content with Auckland Cup. He will be ridden by Craig in all future races - both trainer and owner say Craig inspires confidence and can ride anything with hair on. One peculiarity of the horse is a sneaking regard for the Officers Mess; he has been seen cying it several times lately - boys say it would not surprise them to see him make an effort to sample food there some meal time. :::: WE approached Promoters Pasco and Gray for an opinion on Plonk, but in fairness to the cookhouse group we refrain from publishing the opinions expressed. Nevertheless keep your eye on the nag.

Turtle Breakfast.

(By Dagnet)

FISHERMEN Sgts. Charleton & Chapman accompanied by Bobbie Willis -croft and the ubiquitous T.P.H. Buckley and men of the attached personnel have been mixing in the brine with Tihitian friend, Felix of the French Marine Station which accounted for fresh fried fish for Monday's breakfast (our teeth are leading us your way) To fish they have added the capture of turtles. One Sunday recently a turtle at least a hundred pounds was taken back to camp and everyone promised themselves a tasty dish for breakfast. Unfortunately, this one must have been in training for the inter Allied Swimming Champs shortly to be held in Noumea, as no one's jaws were equal to this sea boy's flesh; it was not for the want of trying. However, as a gesture of Kiwi cooperation what remained was passed on to the Con Depot with a strong recommendation to the Occupational Therapathy boys. :::: Dozerdust is requested to have a reporter present at the launching of Queen Mary II., which is to take place shortly. The precise date is " security ", but something good is promising. Further details of Pacific trips will no doubt be handed you by Sgt. Chapman who was adrift for five hours on the ocean.

IT is said that T.P.H. Buckley had such a good time in Noumea, when on leave, that he had to spend four days in hospital to recuperate. (Pink House again, eh, T.P.H. ?)

IF you have trouble in distinguishing between a finger nail and nails steel just hit them both - Spr. Robbie recommends this as a sure hit recognition. You may, as he did, have a bust finger for a few days - but you'll know the difference.

SPR. McDonald says he just managed to shy clear of the Butchers Shop at the 4th. Gen. Hosp., Blugan - he is now back at work. (Surely he would have got back to work had he not missed the B.S.)

SPR. Wilkinson adding Tonkinese and Javanese to linguistic arsenal - at present mentally run down. This a temporary condition...we hope.