

GUNNERS BECOME FILM STARS

(Special Correspondent)

Recently the hills around a certain valley in a certain district somewhere in New Zealand, echoed to the majestic thunder of the 2-pdrs. During the morning hours the rural community was thrilled with the sight of the panzer-punishers proceeding to their battle-stations.

Arriving at the scene of action the boys flung themselves into the fray like hungry guzzlers pouncing on the counter-lunch. Earth and rocks flew as gun-pits were dug, and soon the guns were pointing in the direction of their targets.

After this frenzy peace descended on the country-side again, a long, long peace. Grub appeared and disappeared and still the peace was unbroken.

Then suddenly - wild excitement. The camera has arrived. It is swiftly mounted, words of command ring out, the crows spring to their posts. Fire! Long tongues of flame lash from the muzzles, the tracers scream to their targets, and the hills shake. Cease fire! The smoke of battle drifts away. Mount! Scram!

We've been in the movies and it's a great feeling. Oh, yeah!

HISTORY IN THE MAKING

(by "Mac")

Early in February Military history was made in New Zealand. We refer to the first crossing of the treacherous Waimak by anti-tank gun.

Early in the afternoon four heroes, who shall be nameless, set antrepidly forth from the South bank and struck out manfully for the opposite shore.

As the afternoon slowly passed the excitement grew more and more intense. Could they do it? Would those heroes reach the other side or be forever engulfed by the surging river? Who knew? Who cared, anyway?

Nearer and nearer they draw to the bank, battling manfully until at last the keel grated on the shingle. Then a great cry went up from the onlookers. Damn it, they hadn't tipped up after all.

Wearily they struggled ashore but a great light was in their eyes, which, however, was quenched as they were surrounded by Colonels, Majors and other forms of Army life. Here we leave them. Heaven help them, for they were brave men and deserved a better fate.

FORTHCOMING CONCERT PARTY

The Labour Representation Committee Concert Party will pay a visit to Rangiora Camp on Monday evening, March 22.

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