

The following summary shows the dental treatments performed for Navy, Army, and Air Force personnel, the corresponding figures for the preceding twelve months being given in parentheses:—

Surgical operations—

Fillings	33,089	(112,376)
Teeth extracted	10,745	(19,683)
Prophylactic treatments	4,382	(22,492)

Artificial dentures—

Full dentures	1,403	(3,893)
Partial dentures	862	(2,839)
Dentures remodelled	925	(4,674)
Dentures repaired	1,958	(8,687)

WOMEN'S SERVICES

During the period under review the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps was reduced from 797 all ranks to a strength of 267 all ranks. The latter figure includes 40 W.A.A.C. personnel now in training in New Zealand for welfare duties with 2 N.Z.E.F. (Japan).

On 1st April, 1947, 50 members of the Medical Division were transferred to the Army Nursing Service as V.A.D.s.

ARMS, AMMUNITION, AND EQUIPMENT

Apart from a small amount of modern equipment, requisitions placed overseas related to maintenance stores. The estimated value of these requisitions amounted to (N.Z.)£98,802, of which (N.Z.)£96,233 was placed in the United Kingdom and (N.Z.)£2,569 in Australia. These figures included (N.Z.)£60,600 in respect of our forecast of requirements to be obtained from the United Kingdom for the year 1947–48.

Actual receipts from overseas during the year were as under:—

	£(N.Z.).
From United Kingdom	28,694
From Australia	13,461
Total receipts	<u>£42,155</u>

Negotiations are at present proceeding with a view to repossessing the balance of equipment held in New Zealand as War Office reserve on behalf of the British Government.

ORDNANCE SERVICES

All Ordnance establishments have again been fully occupied in consolidating and maintaining stocks and in the disposal of substantial surplus holdings through War Assets Realization Board. The total value of such disposals amounted to £790,000, with goods to the value of £68,000 going to UNRRA, CORSO, and overseas relief, and other overseas markets directly absorbing £190,000. The remaining sum of £532,000 was divided equally between goods sold in New Zealand and those transferred to the Defence Services Provision Office for overseas disposal.