

28 Years In The Army—And Now Hoping For More

"I'VE been in the Army 28 years now and I hope to stop in until we see the end of the Japanese show," Major L. K. Probyn, who recently returned to New Zealand on a troopship, told *The Listener* as he got into his great-coat before going down the gangway. Major Probyn left Wellington in 1916 to join the Merchant Service, and has been away continuously except for a holiday visit to New Zealand in 1939.

He was in the Royal Tank Corps and the Indian Army Ordnance Corps and is now with the A.I.F. "Oh yes, I'm fit enough, except for this," he said, exhibiting an injured right hand. That, he explained, was the result of life in a German prison camp. He was taken prisoner in Crete in 1941 and was among those liberated by the American forces on April 13 this year. He would not say much about that hand except that it was caused by being hand-cuffed.

"Just before the United States forces came along, the guards cleared out and we took over," said Major Probyn. After seeing his mother in Wellington he will go to Australia to leave for the Japanese theatre, if he is passed medically fit. Then, when all is over, he proposes to take up again his appointment with the Munitions Supply Board in Australia. This, he says, will be very nice after a few years under German military guards.

WELLINGTON'S meteorological reception on the day this ship came in was mixed, but the welcome from the crowd near the wharf was exceedingly warm for Aussies, Kiwis, and all personnel, whether they were bound for North Auckland, Invercargill or anywhere else. A band played in very quick tempo and bright sunlight chased the rain-clouds away with occasional success. Maori greetings were mixed up with Australian bush calls as the vessel came alongside the wharf and, when the first of the draft began to disembark, a brilliant rainbow made a colourful drop-scene over the Khandallah hills.

A voice blared through the loud-speaker: "Air Force personnel will disembark first." Among them was an Australian soldier. He was helping an Air Force officer to haul his heavy bags down the gangway, and when he strolled off down the wharf, his mates still on the ship roared with laughter, recognising a

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not necessarily mean the same to everyone, but when the Weather Office uses them, their meanings will be these:

FINE: The most favourable weather (not more than a quarter of the sky covered by cloud).

FAIR: No rain, but more cloud than for fine weather.

OVERCAST: No blue sky visible at all.

DULL: Overcast, with a dark, threatening look.

SHOWERS: As distinct from "rain," falls of rain, with clear or brighter weather, perhaps cloudy or dull, at intervals.

CLOUDY: Three-quarters or more of the sky is covered.

smart piece of bluff in getting ashore in quick time.

The ship soon emptied, leaving only the crew on board and, in one of the recreation rooms, two reminders of the long days and nights together—a much-pitted dart-board and on the wall a notice which read: "Will the officer who borrowed Whittaker's Almanac from the library without having it recorded, please return? Thank you."

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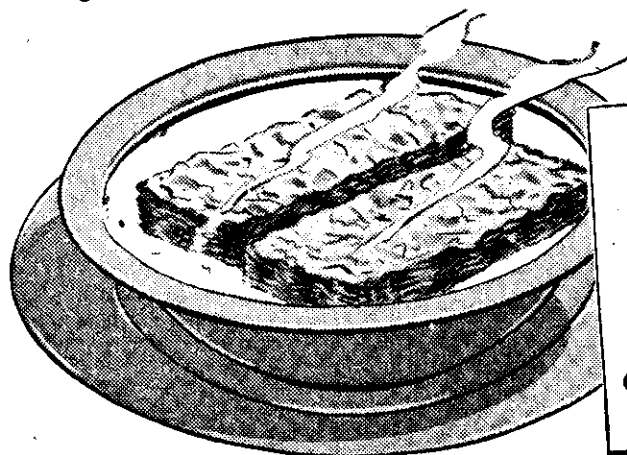
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