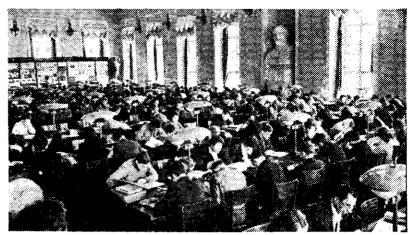


IN AUSTRALIA: An American lieutenant and an Australian girl enjoy themselves at a cabaret



IN RUSSIA: Soviet research goes on, despite the war. Many soldiers on leave use the reading room of the Lenin State Library, in Moscow

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us. So long as they are just, as it were, guests in the house having their hot water bottles filled and their slippers put out to warm, they will never get the easy relationship that we want to establish between our two countries. After all, we hope that the friendship will be lasting."

Question of Film Supplies

THE president of the New Zealand Film Exchanges Association (Mr. S. H. Craig), said: "The matter will be considered if and when any approach is made to us concerning film supplies. Up to this time, there has been no approach."

Would Really Be Cheek

"AS far as we are concerned," said a librarian in the Civil Service, "the question will be how far we can supplement what I expect the troops will bring with them. We can't plan much for visiting troops. We are doing as much as we can for our army here. All the permanent camps have good libraries attached. The National Reserve certainly presents for us a new problem which we have not yet solved. The difficulty is to get enough books. It would really be cheek of us to say what we can do for visiting troops until we can feel

that we are doing all that we possibly can for our own men. The Americans have a morale division in their Army, and an Army Library Service Corps. They pioneered in providing libraries for the Army in the last war. It will be more of a problem providing them with good coffee and canned tomatoes," he said, with a smile.

"And do you think that picture theatres should be open on Sundays?"

"Most certainly. I can see no reason why good pictures should not be shown on Sundays. Loitering round the streets, which is, in fact, the usual alternative, can do nothing but harm."

At the Museum

"YES, we should certainly be willing and able to co-operate in the entertainment of troops if we were asked to do so," said the director of the Dominion Museum in Wellington, Dr. Oliver. "We have in the Museum a hall that would seat 350, and quite a large number of educational and publicity films. Particularly those on New Zealand should be of some interest to men from oversees."

"What do you feel about arranging for these to be shown on Sundays?"

"The main difficulty there is with the the films shown are wholesome enterstaff. At present, we have only one tainment. And I think it would be posoperator, and while he would be willing sible to include films of an educational

to give up some of his week-end time, it would hardly be fair to ask him to spend every Sunday on the job."

"Would the Museum be able to give any special help to overseas men who are interested in any special scientific line?

"Certainly. We are always glad to arrange tours round the Museum."

Opposed To Opening Theatres

"I THINK we should do something on a large scale to entertain men of our own and visiting forces," said Mrs. M. Perryman, editor of the official W.C.T.U. organ, White Ribbon. "But I am very much opposed to opening picture theatres on Sunday. Later on I feel it would be used as an excuse for making Sunday just like any other day of the week. And moreover even now we should have very little control over what was shown at Sunday cinemas. I feel that the provision of Sunday entertainment should be made the responsibility of the churches."

Bread Upon The Waters

"I SEE no objection to the opening of the picture theatres on Sundays," said Mrs. G. Miller, of the Smith Family, Joyspreaders. "Provided, that is, that the films shown are wholesome entertainment. And I think it would be posnature. I imagine that members of visiting forces would be interested in seeing shorts describing New Zealand's scenic wonders, and in addition this might well have *a beneficial effect on New Zealand's tourist traffic in years to come.

"Naturally no screenings would take place at the same time as Church services, so that there would be no objection from the religious point of view.

"I don't agree, however, with the policy of opening Sunday entertainments for men of the Forces only. I suppose this applies to our own boys rather than to members of visiting forces, but I feel that the men need to go somewhere where they can take their girls."

Peter Dawson's Opinion

"I QUITE agree that something should be done about it," said Peter Dawson. "I remember when I was a digger in the last war that Sunday used to strike me as a damn dull day."

"What about community singing?" we suggested, knowing Mr. Dawson's strong

"Not much good. After all, the lads can community sing in camp if they want to: we should give them something they can't have in camp. Open the picture theatres, but show good films. They get plenty of instructional films in camp.

(More opinions on this subject will be found on page 14.)



IN SOUTH AFRICA: Dancing beneath the stars at the Athlone Gardens in



IN NORTHERN IRELAND: Members of the large contingent of American troops in Northern Ireland are served from a Y.M.C.A. canteen