

Gives K.O. to Old Man Gloom

remarkable physical likenesses have been detected between those selected to act and the great historical figures whom they represent. There will be a Marsden that his greatest friend might say "hello" to; a Hobson's choice that might be Hobson's twin; and an unrelenting Te Rauparaha who, in the hush of the Town Hall, will make hearts quake again—as they did in the days of long ago, on the edge of a raupo swamp or in the depths of a kauri forest.

The key features in New Zealand's 100 years of dramatic progress will be presented in a style to stir the imagination and stimulate the pride of New Zealanders in those who spent their lives to make the country fit to live in; who cleared the land, drained the swamps, ploughed the fields, planted the orchards, built the cities, and developed all the other resources of these happily-placed islands—developed them to a point which has given us, of the present day, the lowest death-rate in the world, the great expectation of life, the highest average output per individual of wealth by production, and the greatest field for enterprise and development in the future.

Heartening messages of congratulation on the enterprise have been received by the committee from all over New Zealand—leaders in commercial, professional, scholastic and religious spheres are assured that the death of the Old Man in Black is near—and the Confidence Carnival is going to put another big nail in his coffin.

Oriental Bay is going to be one of the main points of interest during the week's jollifications. On the first Saturday of the carnival the Governor-General (Lord Bledisloe) will land by pinnace from one of the warships in the harbour to declare the carnival open.

There will be a water pageant in the bay in the afternoon and evening—an affair at which the visitors will have lots of fun, and won't be expected to spend any money.

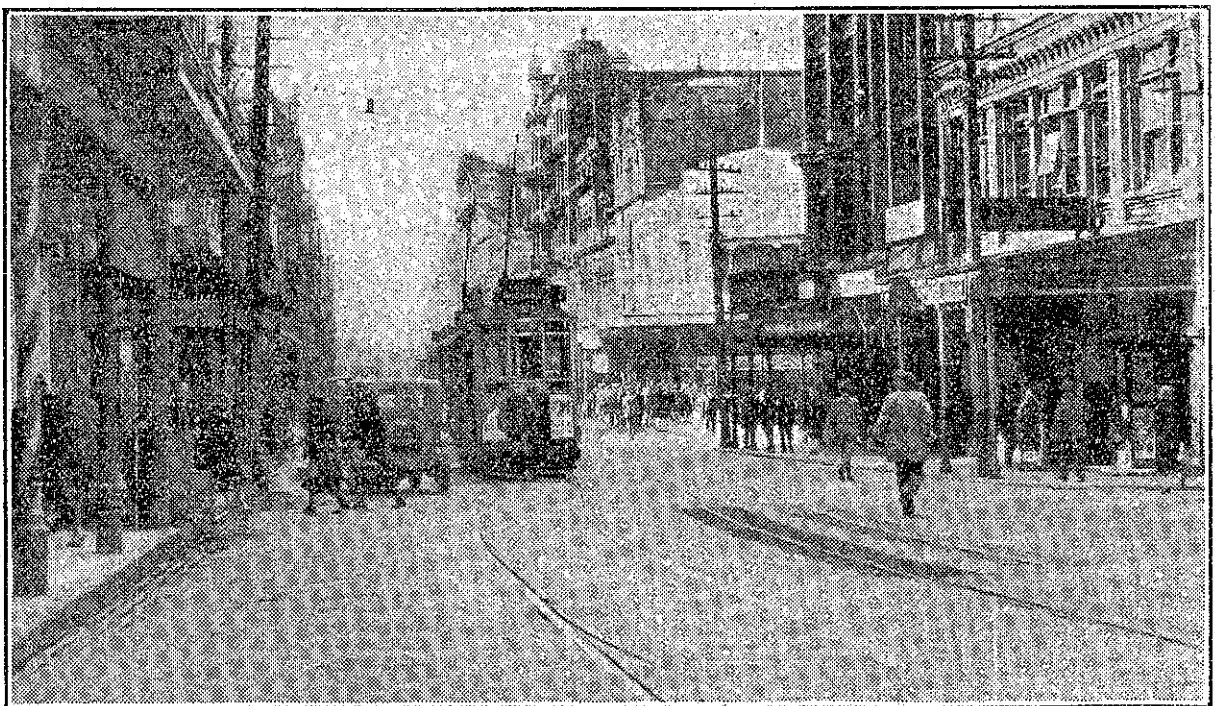
On the following day there will be church services in all the principal churches, with a special parade of youthful church-goers and a big sacred concert in the evening. Monday and Tuesday will be the historical pageant that we have mentioned above.

Wednesday will be the business firms' day out. There will be a huge commercial procession through the city streets—a procession that will open our eyes to the vast and varied amount of material that is being turned out of the Dominion's factories. An eloquent plea for the "Buy New Zealand Made" idea.

The procession is not going to be purely commercial, however. There will be 10 bands to enliven the proceedings, Maori exhibits and several floats showing New Zealand's progress from the birth of a nation down to the death of a depression. A rose show in the Town Hall, whippet races, a bombing display at Rongotai by the air forces, military displays and band contests will be the other features of this very gay day.

On the next day there will be a big concert with a night tattoo in the Basin Reserve. The outstanding social event of the week will be the Old Colonial Ball in the Town Hall on the Friday evening. For this event the city's brightest and best will bring forth crinolines and bell-bottomed trousers from the old oak chest. This is expected to be the biggest affair that Wellington has seen for many years and the scene should be a memorable one. Friday is the big

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SOON TO BE THRONGED WITH MERRY CROWDS.—Willis Street, Wellington, which will be gaily decorated and illuminated for the carnival starting at the end of next week.