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BASHER NOT SATISFIED WITH FIGHT

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COULD HE HAVE OUTWITTED THE TIGER?

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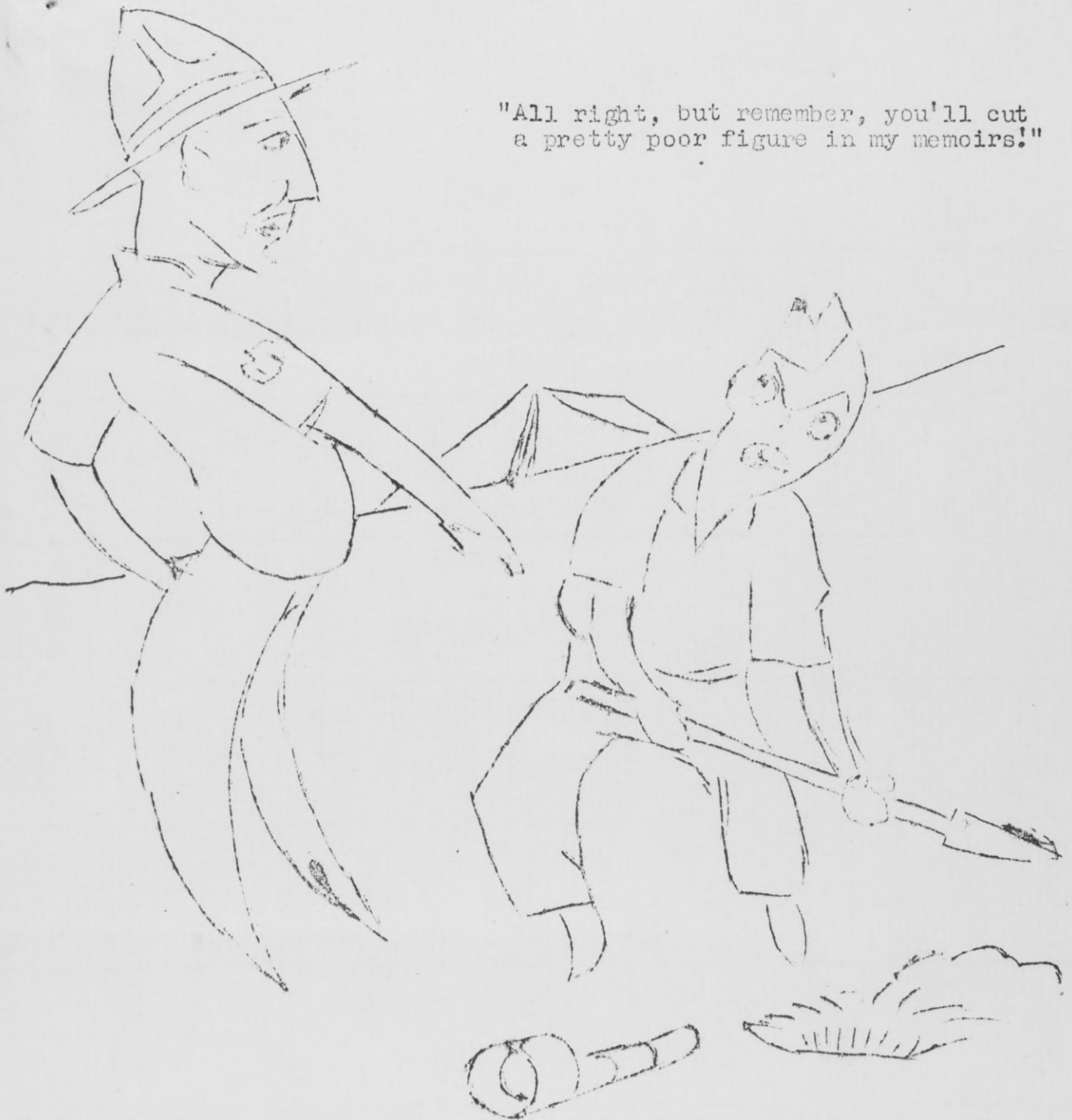
The question fight fans are asking is -- could Basher McKenzie have gained the upper hand against Tiger Munroe in Thursday's Stadium no-decision meet? Basher's manager and coach confides McKenzie would have bashed a 2-nil fall decision from Tiger had the fight gone the full eight rounds of a professional bout. The referee, complains Basher, sided with Tiger -- evidenced when he failed to pull up Tiger for kidney punching.

Hissing through clenched teeth in approved Blomfield manner and displaying the adeptness of McCready, Big Chief Little Wolf and Singh in tablet form, Tiger rocked the fans with his Wild West tactics. Tiger discredits the story of Basher's manager and counters with allegations of pin-pricking. In a hunt for skin lost on the mat, claims the tiger, he discovered drawing pins point side up placed at strategic parts of the ring.

Referee Tony Pilcher says a quizz would be conducted if either fighter's manager recommended it. In conversation with the Antidote's fight writer Pilcher considered a quizz inadvisable as both wrestlers were likely to be serverely censured as both were guilty of breaches of the wrestling code.



"All right, but remember, you'll cut a pretty poor figure in my memoirs!"



The war is over. A gentleman, bushy eye-browed and of venerable appearance, who has a suite of rooms at the Adlon, goes out to buy a newspaper. The face of the newspaper seller seems familiar. He asks: "Surely I have seen you before?"

The newspaper seller replied: "You may have seen me in photos. I'm Dr Goebbels."

"What has become of the others?"

asks the old gentleman.

"Georing runs a little ironmonger's shop round the corner."

"And Himmler?"

"He set up as an inquiry agent."

"And Hitler?"

"He's back in his old game -- a painter and paperhanger again. But your face seems familiar to me. Who are you?"

"Me? I'm Lord Hess!"

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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POLYNESIAN CALISTHENICS

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A/Tk Troop,
ATD.

The Editor,
Arty Antidote.

Sir,

On behalf of the A/Tk Troop I wish to enter a protest against certain statements by your paper re Maori PT, or Polynesian Calisthenics. In an article on the above, your paper stated that certain persons now residing in northern fox-holes were the champions of the art in ATD.

This statement, on the face of it, is ridiculous. These men were far too active to have been the equal of such men as "Sleeping-sack" Sinclair (West Coast and NZ Champ), "Hush-a-bye" Hart (Waikato All-weights Champ), "Bye-Bye" Braithwaite (Hauraki Plains Champ), "Snore-off" Stewart (Lower Hutt dark horse), "Morphia" Madden and many others.

These men have easily defeated all-comers and on their behalf I hereby issue a challenge to all units at catch-weights -- no sleeping draughts allowed.

Yours truly,

"Morphius" Mac
Trainer-Mgr of A/Tk Maori PT Team.

PS. For testimonials re attention to training, see "Insomnia" Cochrane (The Pabnatani Kid).

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DHQ

The Editor,
Arty Antidote.

Sir,

In a world gone haywire with American slang and Hollywood films propagating sheer unadulterated balderdash, is it not sufficient to leave reminders of such things to the amphi-

theatre? I refer to the dissemination of Americanisms in the YMCA advertisement that a film would be shown on Wednesday night at 7 o'clock. Patrons at the YM were all but over-whelmed with mortification at the insult to the English language on the black-board notice -- "TONITE MOVIES 7PM". It is to be commended that the perpetrator of such an outrage did not relapse into Army jargon to state the time of the show!

(sgd) "Remember we're British -
thank God!"

What's your defence, Len? -- Ed.

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REGIMENTAL FUNDS

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The soldier often wonders how Regimental Funds are spent. With this in mind I wish to let all know how most of the money has been expended to date. Rules governing expenditure are very explicit and state definitely how Regimental Funds may be used. The committee's expenditure includes extras for table, trophies, repairs to radio, etc. Table extras have comprised fresh beef (Now discontinued owing to ASC supplies), \$174; eggs, \$210; bananas, \$12, while sundries amount to \$76, a total of \$469 since the formation of ATD.


The sum of approximately \$350 has been given to the Christmas Cheer Committee to spend on men in ATD. Efforts are being made to distribute the balance of unexpended funds in a fitting manner, and with the green vegetable season almost here it is hoped to augment regular supplies with greens for salads and skin fruit. It will be appreciated that to spend money wisely here with high prices, and avoid doubling on regular supplies, is very difficult, but the committee is endeavouring to get the best value in its purchases.

J.F.H. Hall, Maj.

President,
Regimental Funds Committee


FRICTION IN THE COLONY

CALEDONIANS AND THE METROPOLITANS




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Writers on New Caledonian affairs have commented upon the fact that friction exists between the white colonists and Metropolitans, French governmental appointees from Paris. The colonists have a name for the latter -- Men z'oreilles. The origin of the word dates back to the time of the native revolt when French sailors and soldiers brought into the camps the heads of victims they had slaughtered for which they received a reward. As time went on they became tired of bringing heads and instead brought back a pair of ears as proof of their actions. The kanaka gave the soldiers and sailors the name of "Men z'oreilles", a compound of half English and half French, to designate the white soldiery. Eventually the white Caledonian borrowed the term and applied it to the newcomers from the metropolis.



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One writer says that the metropolitan often shows arrogance and lack of tact and is apt on occasions to apply to the island-born whites a term greatly resented. One bone of contention is the greater advantages and privileges allowed metropolitans working alongside and doing the same work as colonial whites and the discrimination is sometimes the cause of bitter feeling.



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Also the object of criticism is the ceaseless displacement of administrative staffs. French officials seldom remain very long in the colony and rarely gain sufficient knowledge of the island to acquire a liking or interest in the colony's affairs. Most islanders consider that the colony's finances are being utilised to little advantage by comparative strangers with no consideration for the better well-being of the island. It is a matter for congratulation that many local French deprecate the actions of the Administration in not paying greater attention to the country's development, a matter they consider could be remedied with stability in Government.



DEPOT'S PROSPECTS GOOD FOR ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

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SATURDAY'S MEETING TO BE CONTESTED BY STERN ARTILLERY CONTENDERS

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Artillery entries for the Base Unit Athletic Championships at BTD next Saturday give the impression that ATD will have strong contenders in the field. There are one or two "dark horses" who may produce surprise performances.

The championships will be an all-day meeting and the tote will be open on all events. In addition to individual entries ATD has entered two relay teams and two tug-of-war teams. Afternoon tea will be supplied and a buffet tea for officers will be given by the officers' mess, Infantry Wing. The National Patriotic Fund Board will supply a light tea in the "Bure Club" for all visiting personnel at a nominal fee. The boxing and wrestling will be decided in the evening.

ATHLETES REVIEWED

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Expected to push the starters along in the sprints are Taplin and Badland of "B" Bty, Muscroft-Taylor of "A" Bty and Edwards, LAD. Little whose performances leave little to be desired should draw punters on the tote for the half-mile and mile runs. Giving Little strong competition in the 880yds event may be Eddie of "B" Bty. Cockroft, DHQ, Crabb, "A" Bty, Black, LAD, and Coulton, "A" Bty, should provide a place-getter in the mile. McDonald and Elliott, of "B" Bty favour longer distances but have entered for the mile. Their training has been consistent and they have good chances. However, Little and Turner are the favourites and with electrifying final sprints characteristic of both their form, ATD has more than an even chance of collecting this title.

The 120yds hurdler has tempted Branch, "A" Bty, and Glengarry and Taplin, of "B" Bty. Hurdles have not been available for training and a true estimate of their capabilities is therefore impossible. Cochrane is sited as a good bet on the tote in the 880yds walk and the way Edwards, of "A" Bty, has kept the cookhouse supplied with kindling wood in the past weeks will probably lead many a punter to back him in the chop.

Those who saw Beard scarcely extended at the ATD sports a few weeks ago give him a good prospect in the high jump. His jumps each night are going higher over the 5ft mark and by the 27th he should be in top form. D. Smith, of "B" Bty, should be to the forefront in the field events for which he has entered. Nicoli whisper has it that he will frighten all A.A. Camerons who happen to be about.

BOXING AND WRESTLING

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On his performance on Thursday night, Cowie will take a tough boxer to eliminate him. His unorthodox style worries opponents and he is a lot fitter than anticipated. Saturday should see him in the pink of condition. Icky Phillips has a tender nose to avenge. If he keeps his right up and straightens his left he should give opposition a fright.

Fit, tough and keen, Heatt will take a solid boxer to gain a decision over him. If he remembers to keep his lead up he should put up a display to thrill the fans. Norm Taylor has shown phenomenal improvement and with another bout or two under the lights should be a man to watch carefully. Somewhat of an unknown quantity, Lorigan will contest one of the wrestling events. His seconds tip that he's worth a fall or two.

