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## -- EDITORIAL ---

One of the most hard-working social insects on the face of the earth is the bee. It works according to a marvellous plan. Those who have made a study of architecture and of engineering are in wonder at the beauty yet economy of its work in the construction of the comb in which is stored the precious honey. The geometric form of the honey cell has been worked out mathematically, as being the alomost perfect economic form of storage. A maximum of honey can be put in a minimum of space. The bee makes a honey comb, and then sets about filling it. And yet the bee does not work by intelligence, but by instinct. It has a job of work to do, and it does it smoothly, efficiently, and economically.

Man normally does not act by instinct. He reasons and the performance of his work is the result of his intellectual processes. It may be a far cry from the carrying out of a command in a war zone, to a reasoning process. We have a job to do - not the building of a honey comb - but the building of a world in which it is no disgrace for a free human being to live. Let us not become mere dumb animals, working by instinct. Let us preserve that which is our own special right - our ability to reason. Perhaps we are unable to see the sense in doing this or that, but do not forget, the winning of the war does not depend on our individual effort any more than the whole hive depends on the work of one bee. It is the co-operative effort that will eventually bring victory. Let our reasons proceed along these lines - and then we will be acting, not as automatons or robots, but as rational human beings.

WEEKLY WHO'S ZOO. (We apologise for our previous missepelling.)
PETERSEN, Hans Christian Frithjof.:

Born: In the "Gay Ninoties" in a Ford (Sorry, Fiord), Exactly nine months and a day after weekend boat

trip of Greta Carbo and King Haakon. Married: Result - One (so far!!). Church: | Ile Nou Recreational (by

compulsion).

Service: Permanent soldier. World War I Hero. Has whitten his memoirs in three beautifully bound volumes under the title of "Pete's Past".

Education: Until expulsion, at St. Cuthbert's School for girls where he took honours in sewing and keen interest in sport. Expulsion said to be due to a foul in three legged race. Later full time pupil at Terminus Hotel.

Hobbies: Has many financial interests. Founder of "Pete's Pakapoo Palace", Haining St. and said to have controlling interest in "Hawke Eye's Hangout", Hobson St. Great lover of music - will listen to Vera Lynn and Boswell Sisters for hours on end.

Tattoed lady on arm reputed to be

## -- MISS FIRES --

A beautiful array of sunburnt bode ies was observed on the B.C's. inspection parade the other day -- a feature of our backless N.Z. issue shirts !!!

What American Sergeant went into a darkroom, with a French lassie, to develop photos, and developed photos.

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Letter to the Editor:
We note with shame that contributions to your noble "Gun Flash" have on our part "Mis-fired". We shall attempt to introduce "Percussion firing" and blast something out of somebody. Frankly, we are afraid of putling a spanner in the works.

Signed .... "Cold Chisel"
his first love - probably partner
fouled in above mentioned three legged race.

Aspires to stand for Parliament in his fight for higher wages, shorter hours for N.Z. Militia.

Favourite Expression: "I'll look into that".

THE PASSING PARAME:

They tell to that 150 Bty are sufforing from an conts chortage of man power --- especially the left section. Take is easy, boys, the butterfly is

Also it is said that 150 have the best trained grards in the Regiment, 1.e. they have bither been guards or are being guarded by guards who have been guarded. If they have as much experience on the guard as they do at guarding, they should be pretty hely and Noumes should be a lot safer.

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ACKNOWLEDGE, BUT:

Thanks, Gol. Fowler, for your en-couraging remarks about "Gun Plash". Hope we continue to come up to expectations.

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HOTER DE GUARDE MAISON:

SPEND A WEEK I SPEND TWO WHERE IIII SPEND A WONTH IIIII IN UNIQUE SUR-ROUND INGS.

See our backing agents, Messra, etersen and Warrington - or phone number A.W.L. twice and got in touch with our chief executive, Medsleur wickstood.

BOOK MARRY " RESERVATIONS ARE HEAVY. Tarrif Readonable: We will make special arrengements with our banker (Pay & Sons) to have your tarrif (0/.
per diem) debited to your account.
AVAIL YOURSELF OF OUR SPECIAL SER-

VICE: A porter outside your door every hight.

LONG WAIKS ARRANGED: # guide always

in attendance.

We guarantee a personal interest will be taken in every ledger by our manager Mr. Armstrong (late Gestape man Dachau Concentration Camp).

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WARNING TO ALL RANKS:

If you don't behave, the powers that be will have your "whole" body in the "hole" in the wall. If you are ill "Le Docteur" only wants half. He Has a skull already. 

Did you know that there was such a sandstorm at 150 Bty the other der that the local dog was burrowing a hole three hundred feet up in the air, AND ON ON MEN O ON OWN OWN OWN OWN OWN

SIGNALIANA:

VE: Base Signals calling - measage

"Greetings and salutations Oh Ye men of the 33rd. Heavy Regiment, - in name of Victor Edward we great you" e

was that the exchange ringing ? - only R.H.Q. - we'll let themwait, a we have a job on hand . making our contribution to Regimental Spirit(s).

Oh wee, ship that radio sked, too! Perhaps on opening transmission, it would be right and proper to give a new "poisonalities".

our Aleo, of course, still walks his sleep giving midnight phone callers the correct time. By the way, we also hear he in going into the nursing home business for the inebriated (very much so !!!) Our "gimber Merchants", Frank and Patrick, also find it rather hard to sleep these nights and are often heard

fortable hours of darkness.

And now we done to "Fin", who has come to the conclusion that skeds work much better when the transmitter is in the right frequency, especially on phone til Koith spends a lot of his time down at a certain cable box where the attraction is said to be an Algabion (dog) --- or is it ??? And so for the line gang, there is

persistent runcur that they have ranged for huss to be built along a certain line which terminates at a well known stud Farm. Cheer up, Mac. maybe someday you will get a

our early morning wireless operators are busy at present working out a scale of charges for duties carclocks (certain Base personnol please

note) a George, our mechanician, is becom-ing really expert at servicing radio: with "enumerananail", Ever try an

Acto, deer cotti And while on the subject of axes, Al, one of our exchange operators, covered himself with glory ( and gwest) recently in securing some "sky hooks" for our aerial system.

But welt - we have yet another Bill. esally distinguishable by his seven aside and vary quiet manner. Whe When know he was there - until he wanted the ???!!!????milk !!! and now we introduce Dinnie, our French scholar. Quite a good minic, too - you'l'be surprised the high personages he can imitate when the occasion demands. And the transmission concludes with

the Sorgeant, who swends host of his time chaping typewriters, radio bugs, oto., and dashing between the wire-Teas room and the orderly room (a attacky business in moist weather).

Woll, that's the story, chaps, so till next time, VA, AR and good

shooting.

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The shies are gray or blue, Just as your thoughts will paint it, It's not the world, it's YOU....

The highest branch is not always

the safest roost.

SPORTING NOTE:

This week R.H.Q. took on F.C.P. for n cricket match and found them a bit tougher to dispose of than 150 Bty.
evertheless, they came out on top
(naturally - that's where all the rains are).

The scores were:-

66 R.H.Q. F.C.P. 50

Top scorer this game was onr. "Extras", the only trouble being that he seems to have favoured both sides equally with a substantial addition to their scores.

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The "Jervois Bay", Twas a black November morning, And the convoy under way, When a lad espied a raider, From atop the "Jervois Bay".

"Clear the decks for action", Was the order of the day, As intrepid Captain Faigan, Steamed into the fray.

Only a light-armed merchant cruiser, Against a modern battleship, But they fought that gallant action, Just to let the convoy slip.

on her decks lay dead and dying, For them their race was run, But as the convoy scattered, They knew their fight was won.

no not weep, but let us glory, and forever and a day, The gallant "Jervois Bay".

Anon.

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THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK:

The happiness of your life depends upon the quality of your thoughts.

Loss may be no dishonour, but dis--0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-

CEMENTING VALLED FRIENDSHIPS:

Batmen polishing brass, Sam Brownes Clittering, several gentlemen practising or rather polishing up their brench. What we want to know is, if Prench. one certain officer still thinks F.C.P. means "Fire Command Post", or does it mean "French Consort Perfectly", or should we say "Femmes Cuddle Perfectly". Judging by the whist-ling lately we consider it the latter. Signed .... Neutral.

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SOS 30 8 SOS 150 Bty Calling .....!!!!

Spanners urgently required. Also -0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-



"Why didn't you salute "Sir, I thought you were mad 

ARMY EDUCATION:

After more than 3 years of war the question of Army Education is still being referred to in the future tense. In the Evening Post of Dec 12 the Minister of Defence (Mr. Jones) deplored the fact that "today thousands of our young men who normally would be receiving a civilian training are being denied that right as a result of the war". He was concerned in particular with the lads of 18 who are divorced from their ordinary training or education. These lads have been taken in their most receptive years, dis-ciplined, trained andmolded into fine soldiers, sailors, or airmen, but, after 3, 4, or 5 years, they will be returned to civilian life sadly handicapped by their lack of civilian training.

A survey of one of the batteries reveals that more than half had not received postaprimary education and about one sixth had received 3 years secondary education. On investigation of their occupational fitness, it was found that possibly 20 % were fully trained in one trade, and 5 % were adept in 2 or more trades. Of these men 80 % were keenly interested in furthering their education.

It is understood that the difficult ties confronting the furtherance of an educational scheme are enormous. A wide variety of subjects must be catered for; the training must fit in with the real job of the army and the organisation of large and separato bodies of men into classes would be quite difficult. However, these difmen to guard guards guarding spanners ficulties are far from insurmountable.

very permanency of most positions and the amount of time at our disthere is a need and demand action, without a few suggestions, is often dent has these suggestions to make, none of which are immoderate, and allbe able to take their rightful place of which are particularly applicable on an equal basis with those fortunto this Regiment.

Firstly the institution of a good library on similar lines to the Red -0-0-0-0-0-0 Cross library provided for the use of IS YOUR NUMBER UP ? the U.S. Troops hore. This is an urgent need of immediate os well as

future importance.

Secondly it should be possible to provide lessons in French. It is universally recognised that this is something of real value to troops stationed on this island. Many have hed grounding in French and, with the excellent opportunities for practice here, would find it a simple matter to become proficient in the tongue

of our allies.

cour ellies.

Then there is a large field of subbrainstorm, "Mathemania".

Acclaimed by Les Folies Bergeres,

as "Le Dernier Cri.".

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price of soldiers who cannot swim. jects on the physical side of our neglected education. In spite of lessons of the Pacific War and the many endeavours ro overcome this deficiency, there is still a large number of soldiers who cannot swim. With the facilities available, and the doxens of expert swimmers as instructors, there is no good meason for any man not to be proficient in the water. And there are many other talents possible to us in we only receive the instruction.

The role of Coast Defence is particularly suited to this ideal. The as so many others of similar voin have concluded, with the hope that the good intentions of the Adjutant-General and posal are two good reasons to supporthis associates will one day result in that contention. To state simply that some form of tangible education for the men who most need, the thousands who have given their best years in the tormed as grousing. This correspon- hope that they will someday returns to a secure civilisation where they will ate enough to have been able to complete their civil education.

Do you meander in a mathematical maze? Are you allergio to aneroid abnormalities ?

In other words, is the weather got-

ting you down ?

Let Mac, the mentor of mathematics, dicturation and meteorology and other. morbidities, help you figure it out.
The author of such terrestial tomes as "The Seven Figures of Legdom", "Weather Wisdom for Wandering Woodra", and "Simulated Sex for Single Soldiers"

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"I mean to say ....."

"Gunner Bill"





The Language Barrier.

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