

FAREWELL TO REINFORCEMENTS.
A DOZEN MEN FROM WAIMATE TO-DAY.

A large crowd gathered at the Railway Station at noon to-day to farewell the Waimate men who are going to the front. The Brass Band and some members of the Highland Pipe Band played the soldiers to the station. The men were as follow:

J. Atwill
Win. Black
B. A. Buckley
P. H. Cochrane
K. Finlayson
B. J. Horgan
Wm. F. Hutt
E. Lothian
F. B. Moore
R. Moore
L. Mann
G. McKee

Cr. Dash addressed them. He said: "Gentlemen of the reinforcements, to me has fallen the honour of saying good-bye and thank you; and thank you is no light word. We have a very great respect for the reinforcements — men who make not only the sacrifice of a well-paid billet somewhere, but also the sacrifice of their lives. We particularly respect this reinforcement. A man is perfectly justified in going as far as the Appeal Court and asking, 'which is the best way I can serve my country?' I have no fear as to how you will act when you get into the firing line. The men who responded to the call of the fiery cross in Scotland fought none the less valiantly because they were pledged to it. During this war 15 million has been spent for war purposes, but 10 million has been spent on liquor. Ladies and gentlemen — you who remain behind — it is up to you to watch things while the boys are fighting. Men of the reinforcements — God bless you."

Rev. Mr. Stockwell then spoke. "It falls to my lot to bid you farewell and God-speed. You are going to a more hopeful battle; the news we have had lately has been more cheering. I know that you will do your duty bravely, but your future may be decided within a few hours of entering camp — never take your uniform where it would dishonour it to be found. If you want to be a true defender of your country, you must withstand temptations. As to the discipline of camp life — you will find out what it means when you get there; but, remember, the men who left Waimate earlier, and who fought and died so bravely, had to learn discipline. God is on our side, and you have a country worth fighting for. 'Who dies if Britain lives? Who lives if Britain dies?' How can men die better than for the ashes of their fathers, and the temples of their Gods? God bless you and speed your safe return."

WEDDINGS
MANN — CAMPBELL

A wedding of interest to many people took place yesterday at Geraldine, when Miss Olive Margaret Campbell, well known in connection with her position in the Mount Cook Tourist Department, daughter of Mr and Mrs Duncan Campbell, Geraldine, was married by the Rev Harold Sharp to Mr Linton Mann, son of Mr and Mrs Herbert Mann, Church Street. Timaru. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a beautiful frock of apricot marocain and a black picture hat with apricot flowers, and carried a bouquet of Mount Cook lilies. Her bridesmaid, Miss Olive Rogers, was in lilac crepe de chine, and a jazz hat of lemon and violet. The flower girl, little May Miller, wore lilac organdie, and a picture hat of lemon and lilac.

Both carried bouquets of Mount Cook lilies and violet sweet peas. Mr Herbert Mann, junr, was best man. A reception was held at the residence of Mr and Mrs J. W. Miller and later in the day the bride and bridegroom left by motor for the north. The bride's travelling frock was of navy marocain, braided in silver and she wore a smart black cloche hat.

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WEDDING.

MANN — CAMPBELL.

On Wednesday last, at Geraldine, a wedding was celebrated between Miss Olive Margaret Campbell, daughter of Mr Malcolm and Mrs Campbell, of Geraldine, and Mr Linton Mann, of Church street, Timaru. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Harold Sharp.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a beautiful frock of apricot marocain and a black picture hat with apricot flowers, and she carried an exquisite bouquet of Mount Cook lilies. Her bridesmaid, Miss Olive Rogers, wore lilac crepe de chine and a jazz hat of lemon and violet. The little flower girl, May Miller, wore lilac organdie and a picture hat of lemon and lilac. Both carried bouquets of Mount Cook lilies. Mr Herbert Mann, junr., was best man. After the ceremony, a reception was held at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs J. W. Miller, amongst the guests being Mr and Mrs M. Campbell, Messrs J. and G. Campbell, Mr and Mrs Mann. Mr and Mrs Linton Mann left later by motor for the north, the bride wearing a navy costume braided in silver, and a smart cloche hat.

Lake Wakatip Mail. 8 September 1931 (Papers Past) [11/01/2024]

A Popular Resident Farewelled.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC GATHERING HONOURS MR LINTON MANN.

No finer tribute could have been paid to the popularity of a townsman than the large and enthusiastic gathering which assembled in the Lake County Chambers on Saturday evening last to do honour to Mr Linton Mann, late manager of the White Star Hotel. During their six years' residence in Queenstown both Mr and Mrs Mann have not alone successfully managed the business of the Mt. Cook Tourist Co's hotel, but have found time to enter into the many and varied activities of the town. In this respect, indeed, they have maintained a very high standard of citizenship. The function, which was in the nature of a send off to Mr Mann, was notable for the spontaneity of the expressions of appreciation of the various speakers. The gathering — there were close on 40 present — was representative of every section of the community and included several country people. His Worship the Mayor (W. H. Overton, Esq.), presided and on his right sat the guest of the evening.. Apologies were received from Capts. J. B. Robertson, J. Kennedy, Messrs L. Curtis and J. Dagg.

After the loyal toast was honoured the Mayor briefly referred to the object of the gathering. He said it was with feelings of keen regret that they learned that Mr Mann had been transferred to Rotorua to take charge of one of the Mt. Cook Tourist Co.'s larger accommodation houses, known as Bathgate House. Their regret, however, was tempered somewhat by the knowledge that the transfer carried well-merited promotion. Continuing, the chairman said that during the six years Mr Mann had been resident in Queenstown he had proved himself a wonderfully good

citizen. In everything that appertained to the welfare of the community both Mr and Mrs Mann had always taken a prominent part. Mr Mann deserved the special thanks of the townspeople for the yeoman service he performed in connection with the organisation and running of the summer carnivals, which has as their main object the entertainment of visitors. Mr Mann had, moreover, proved his worthiness as a townsman in many other ways. It behoved every citizen to do something to help along his town, and many might well take a leaf out of Mr Mann's book. The progress of a place largely depended on citizenship in its true sense. In conclusion, the Mayor expressed the hope that the stay of the Manns in Rotorua would be both pleasant and profitable. He then presented Mr Mann with a solid leather travelling case, which, he stated, carried with it the best wishes of the Queenstown people.

Dr. W. A. Anderson said that, as chairman of the Carnival Committee since its inception, he was in a position to say that Mr Mann was a tireless worker in all their carnival efforts; and he was always willing to undertake any duty allotted to him. The arrangement of the processions was always in his hands and the

Committee would find it very difficult to fill his place in this respect. In other walks of life the interest shown by Mr Mann marked him as a real live wire. He was, moreover, a good sport in every way. It was pleasing to know that the Mt. Cook Tourist Coy. thought so much of Mr Mann's capabilities as to place him in a position of greater responsibility. He felt sure, however, that both Mr and Mrs Mann would carry on their work at Bathgate House, Rotorua, with the same zeal and energy as they showed in connection with their conduct of the White Star Hotel. He wished them and little Malcolm health and prosperity.

Mr A. H. Cooke, manager, Bank of N.Z., endorsed the remarks of previous speakers. Both Mr and Mrs Mann had done their work nobly in Queenstown. The speaker had been intimately associated with Mr Mann in business matters as well as in sports bodies. In respect of the former, which were somewhat exacting at times, he always found Mr Mann willing to help him. He was quite sure the Mt. Cook Coy. would never regret placing the Manns in charge of Bathgate House.

The Rev. Father Ardagh spoke of the efficient manner in which Mr Mann has conducted the White Star Hotel. He considered him much above the average in the management of this class of business. Mr Mann was, moreover, a prominent citizen and had taken his part in everything for the good of the town. He congratulated him on his promotion and extended his best wishes to the Mann family.

Mr D. F. Macdonald, in supporting the remarks of the previous speakers, referred to Mr Mann's active association with the local cricket club. When the club was in a languishing condition some years ago Mr Mann was appointed president and ever since then it had been an active sports body in the town. Mr Mann's sporting proclivities would be very much missed in Queenstown, but there would be great scope for him in Rotorua. Queenstown's loss in this respect was decidedly Rotorua's gain.

Mr J. J. McBride spoke in reference to Mr Mann's live interest in acclimatisation matters. As a hotel manager Mr Mann had been a great success and had built up a great business in Queenstown. The speaker commended Mr Wigley on his foresight in appointing Mr and Mrs Mann to the charge of the Mt. Cook interests in Rotorua. Mr Mann was a good citizen and a cheerful contributor to calls on the public purse. He congratulated him on his promotion.

Mr A. Simson said that great stress had been laid by previous speakers on Mr Mann's interest in sport. Whilst their guest had certainly had an eye to sport he also had an eye on the main chance — in other words, on the interests of his employers. This was most important and very commendable. He wished Mr and Mrs Mann every success.

Mr R. L. Wigley, managing director of the Mt. Cook Tourist Coy., related some interesting historical facts in connection with his Company's battle with the County Council and settlers to open portions of the roads in Lake County to motor traffic. They gradually wore down the

opposition by giving free rides to people on the roads and to school children (laughter) by which means they appealed to the hearts of the oppositionists! Mr Wigley then went on to say how much he and his company appreciated the kindly treatment meted out to Mr and Mrs Mann while resident in Queenstown and the pleasing things said of them at this gathering. When his Company appointed the Manns to the charge of the White Star Hotel they knew much more about Mrs Mann than they did of Mr Mann. The former was the first lady employed on their staff at Fairlie. Mr Mann was a "dark horse," but he proved "a man for a' that." Continuing, Mr Wigley said that by appointing Mr and Mrs Mann to the charge of Bathgate House in Rotorua they hoped to strengthen the traffic chain and induce more people to come to the south and to Queenstown. It was always their great ambition to push the interests of the tourist traffic. The more people that came to Queenstown, the better it would be for the place.

Messrs D. R. Gray, C. H. McKay, W. D. Warren, C. M. Inglis, J. McMullan and H. Ross also spoke in complimentary strain anent the guest of the evening.

The toast of "Mr Mann" was then drunk with musical honours.

On rising to reply, Mr Mann received a burst of applause. He thanked the Mayor and the various speakers for their very kind remarks, which he considered were not all deserved. Mrs Mann and he were exceedingly sorry to be leaving Queenstown. However, the opportunity presented itself of improving their position, hence their decision. Mr Mann referred to the beneficial effects of holding the summer carnivals in Queenstown and hoped that they would not be allowed to drop. He was convinced that the carnivals attracted a great many people to the town. He had pleasure in introducing Mr C. Elms, his successor, to the Queenstown people. He thought that Mr Elms and his wife would be found very worthy citizens. Mr Elms took an interest in sport and had already shown his prowess in clay bird shooting. Mr Mann concluded by again thanking the speakers for their kind remarks and for the handsome presentation.

Another important toast was that of "Mr and Mrs Elms," successors to Mr and Mrs Maun. This was proposed by Rev. Father Ardagh, who stated that they had a hard row to hoe in following on such good folk as their predecessors. It was only through the agency of good citizens that Queenstown could be pushed ahead and made the gem of New Zealand tourist places. He knew Mr Elm's father to be a man of great ability and if his son entered into his business and the affairs of the town with the same spirit as characterised his father, he would accomplish a great deal. He had much pleasure in welcoming Mr Elms to the town. The Chairman and Mr Wigley supported the toast.

Mr Elms briefly replied.

Other toasts were: "Mrs Mann and little Malcolm," proposed by Mr A. H. Cooke and responded to by Mr Mann; "Mt. Cook Tourist Coy." proposed by Dr. Anderson and responded to by Messrs R. Wigley, W. Eyton, J. Munro, J. Todd and H. Coxhead; "Mr Wigley," proposed by the chairman; "Promoters of Early Motor Traffic," proposed by Mr Wigley and responded to by Messrs A. Simson, J. McMullan, W. D. Warren and J. J. McBride; "The Chairman," proposed by Mr D. F. Macdonald. In the toast with which Mr McBride's name was coupled, Mr McBride in some good humoured remarks, said he took no credit for advocating the introduction of motor traffic in the district. In fact, he had opposed it on the grounds of danger, and he believed it was his vote in the L.C.C. that hindered the earlier opening of certain roads. A very pleasant gathering concluded with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."