GOING TO CAMP.

45th REINFORCEMENTS.

The South Canterbury quota of the 45th Reinforcements will proceed to camp on Monday.

The following are the names of those who are leaving: —

Buxton, J. S. Harris, G. W. Edwood, G. H. S. Henderson, A. H.

Fairbrother, L. A. Joe, D. B. Hampton, J. L. Jones, S. K. Lennon, A. A. Jones, B. Kellv, F. Navlor, P. T. Low, R. J. Newlands, D. H. Leonard, J. T. Ritchie, H. Simpson, N. McCrenor, D. Wilkie, G. T. G. McLay, A. Amos, W. H. McCarthy, M. D.

Auld, J. McNab, H.
Blackwood, I. A. McDougall, O. J.
Birdling, E. R. McLauchlin L.[?] C.

Birdling, E. R.

Blamire, F.

Bennison, G. H.

Burrell, G. E.

Bryce, W. M.

Butchers. E.

McKay, R. W.

McKenzie, J. S.

Mayo, H. J.

Morrison, W. F.

Maxwell, D.

Moody, L.

Baxter, W. W.

Collins, E.

Campbell, G. S.

Collier, J.

Collier, R.

Chittock, F. B.

Christie, H. J. L.

Meakin, F.

Morton, S.

Miller, J. G.

Nelson, W.

Pinnell, E. L.

Patrick, F.

Porter, E.

Childs, L. G.

Cretney, B.

Campbell, P.

Counihan, J. E.

Crawford, F.

Carpenter, C. A.

Paterson, R. J.

Pringle, C. C.

Robins, L. F.

Rennie, W. C.

Rule, P. W.

Read, W.

Delargy, H. J.

Davidson, F.

England, L. A.

Ford, W.

Foden, F. H. D.

Simmons, G.

Slocombe. C. H.

Shaw, E. T.

Smith, L. G.

Scott, A.

Fitzmaurice, C. Sapwell, C. Summons, H. H. Griffin, J. W. Tiplady, J. J.

Guerin, J. J.

Glue, A.

Taylor, R. J.

Trevorrow, R. C.

Harvey, J.

Wilson, W. G.

Henderson. G. T. Horsnell, H. S.

Wallace, F. T.

FAREWELI. SOCIALS. GERALDINE.

Inclement weather notwithstanding, there was a large gathering at the Volunteer Hall, Geraldine, on Thursday night, when some of "Our Boys" were welcomed home and the local men of the 45th reinforcements were farewelled. Major Kennedy presided, and warmly welcomed Private Herlihy, N. Dyer, and W. Hans, and enlarged on their services. Hearty cheers were given for the returned men. The chairman, in addressing Messrs S. K. Jones, C. Joe, P. Naylor, J. J. Tiplady and J. G. Miller, said he was sure they would maintain the high standard of those who had preceded them to the front, and he wished them a safe return. Mrs Hislop presented each man with a parcel of comforts on behalf of the Home and Empire League, and a telegram from Mr Gunnion was read, offering his congratulations and inviting the men to luncheon at Temuka on Monday. During the evening a capital entertainment was given, the vocalists being Miss Gimson, Miss White and Macgregor, and the Rev. C. J. Tocker gave a recitation, while a pretty dance was executed by Miss Cullanan and Master Elmslie and an old English dance by the Misses Elmslie and Crowe and Messrs Stevenson and Williams. The orchestral society also contributed selections, which were much appreciated, and after supper to the men there was a pleasant dance.

TEMUKA.

The Dominion Theatre was crowded last evening when the usual send-off was tendered to the reservists of the 45th Reinforcements by the Temuka Patriotic Entertainment Committee. The Temuka Juvenile Brass Band, under Conductor Burtenshaw, played lively selections throughout the evening. On entering the room the recruits were loudly cheered. Mr T. Gunnion presided and spoke of the good news that was now coming from the front. He said that we must fight on till Germany is crushed, and then we could dictate our peace terms to her

The entertainment was given by the Black White Revue players who appeared in their three-act musical comedy, "Right-O Nobby," which was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience. During an interval in the programme hold-alls were presented to the recruits by Mrs W. G. Aspinall. Mr Gunnon proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the performers, and the vote was carried with acclamation. The singing of the National Anthem brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

The takings at the door amounted to £21 13s 1d.

The following are the names of the departing men:—

G. H. F. Erwood. J. W. Griffin, G. L. Rodgers, T. Wade. A. Scott, and W. H. Heron.

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45th REINFORCEMENTS. FAREWELL AT TEMUKA.

Yesterday the local and district members of the 45th Reinforcements, and their relatives, were entertained at luncheon in the Drill Hall by the lady members of the Temuka Patriotic Entertainment Committee. Mr T. Gunnion, Chairman of the Temuka Committee, presided. The ladies provided a splendid repast, and while the meal was in progress Mrs Hally's Orchestra played a number of selections, which were appreciated.

At the conclusion, the Chairman expressed his pleasure at seeing so many present, and thanked the men who were going away to fight for us. (Applause.) The news to hand from the front was good, and made everyone's heart rejoice. And if the news was good to people who had no sons or brothers at the front, what must it be to those who had had sons and brothers at the front for three or four years. He hoped it would not be long before the war was over, and these send-offs would cease too. It was four years ago since they had sent their first boys away from Temuka and Geraldine. Some of these men had had no leave, others who had got leave, had had to pay their way from Wellington. The men who were going now would not be treated like that. They were going to relieve those who had gone away previously. Mr Gunnion then referred to the sinking of the hospital ship Warilda, when a number of men who had been fighting for their country had been drowned, among them being four New Zealanders. He had been told at times that he was too hard, but they could not be too hard on an enemy that could be guilty of such awful crimes as the Germans had been guilty of, and he asked them, if they did get to the front, to strike the enemy as hard as possible. In conclusion, he wished them the best of luck as soldiers. They were going away "men," and he asked them to behave like men while they were away, assuring them of a warm welcome on their return.

"For they are jolly good fellows," with cheers for the men, followed Mr Gunnion's remarks, and further cheers were called for and given for the Orchestra.

The Mayor of Geraldine, Mr B. R. Macdonald, opened his remarks by referring to the splendid meal they had all so much enjoyed. He hoped the recruits would always get plenty, but when they were at the front they would frequently have to take it as they could get it, and also look after themselves. He had just noticed a motto on the wall, "Will do his duty." He was sure the boys who were going away would do their duty the same as those who had preceded them. (Applause.) The war news on Saturday and to-day was very good, showing that the Allies are getting some of their own back; not as the Germans got it back, to lose it again by a counter attack. He felt sure that the Allies had taken it for all time. Think what this meant to those whose country had been devastated and overrun, to see the Allies there instead of the Germans. They would be like new people. Speaking to the men who were going, Mr Maconald said they were going away to fight their country's battles. He was a great optimist, and hoped they would not have to fight, but if they did, well, let them make no mistake, but hit the enemy as hard as they possibly could. He wished them all success as soldiers. (Applause.)

Mr Jer. Connolly (Geraldine) said he was very glad to be here. It had been "the same old thing." They had again enjoyed Temuka's unbounded hospitality, the same as had been shown to Geraldine visitors every time they came along, and he assured the Patriotic Committee that their hearts were touched by the kindness their boys and their friends received when they came to Temuka. Nothing better could be done for them. He was sure that the gallant men who had gone forth previously were going to be reinforced by the men of the same metal as themselves. (Applause.) He hoped that God would take care of those going away that day, and that they will return safe and sound to their dear ones and their friends, and get the welcome that will be their due. (Applause.)

The Rev. Norris then read the following telegram that had been received from Mr J. J. Cotter, who would have formed one of the draft, if he had not met with a very serious motor-car accident a fortnight ago: "Kindly explain to my comrades to-day how my unfortunate accident prevents me from taking my place with them. Wish them good-bye, good luck, and safe return. Hope to do my duty with later reinforcements. — J. J. Cotter."

The reading of the telegram was followed by applause.

The Chairman referred to the splendid work of the ladies committee. He had been told that he had the best ladies' committee in New Zealand, and he believed it was true. He could not have a better one. (Applause.)

The National Anthem was sung, after which the men were lined up outside the Hall, a procession was formed, and headed by the Temuka Brass Band, assisted by a few seniors, under Mr Burtenshaw, marched to the railway station where there was a large gathering of several hundred people, and here several further speeches were made.

Mr Talbot, M.P., said that during the past few months they had sometimes been rather hard set to know what to say to comfort the men going away. A month ago they had been told that Hindeburg was dead, and that news was held up to the men as a cause for comfort. He did not think that Hindenburg was dead, but if not it was all the more creditable that even with the Germans under him the Allies had been able to drive the enemy back. He hoped that when the men who were now leaving got there the war would be practically over. We had gone through some gloomy times, but all the same we had always sent our men away confident that in the end all would come out right. Now we could very well send our men away confident that victory will not long be delayed. But we must not be over confident, for no doubt the Allies would still have set backs. Mr Talbot here quoted from the messages of Lloyd George and Colonel Repington on the present war situation, and said it we are true to each other, and keep going, a few more months will see the end of the struggle. A week ago we had expressed our inflexible determination to carry on the war until the Allies were victorious, and this determination was well shown in the sending of more men away that day. In the accounts of the recent fighting they had had no mention of the New Zealand troops, but if they had not yet been called upon we know that they will not be wanting when their turn comes. He hoped the boys now leaving will have a good time in camp, get safely Home, and if called upon to fight, that they would do their duty as New Zealanders. New Zealanders had already shown the metal they are made of, and those going away were of the same metal. (Applause.) He hoped they would return safe and sound.

Cheers were given for the men who were leaving.

The Mayor, Mr A. Frew. said he was glad to see so many on the platform to see the men off. Some of those going had had to give up their businesses, others their situations, and all had had to make great sacrifices, and it was only right that those who could not go should show their appreciation of the sacrifices they were making in taking up war duties. The war news was very encouraging, and they had cause to look forward to a speedy and satisfactory ending of the war. Our troops have shown the enemy that he cannot do what he expected to do, and will never get the advantage he expected. We want righteousness and justice to rule throughout the world, and we would never get that under the Germans. He was glad that our boys had rallied up as they had done to fight for our principles. (Applause.)

Major Kennedy, Geraldine, said Geraldine and Temuka men had so often gone away together from this station before, travelled together, and fought together, that he would like to wish them all good luck. There was no necessity to say more. (Applause.)

Mr Torepe's party of Maori girls sang a farewell song very sweetly, after which the band played several airs, and the men took leave of their relatives and friends. As they left the station they were again cheered, and the men on the train cheered "Tom Gunnion." Further cheers were given for the Band, and this concluded the proceedings.

The names of the men who left yesterday were: G. H. S. Erwood, P. T. Naylor, E. Collins, J. Collier, R. Collier, J. W. Griffin, J. J. Guerin, D. B. Joe, S. K. Jones, W. McNab, F. Patrick, L. F. Robins, A. Scott, J. J. Tiplady, A. A. Lennon.

MORE MEN FOR THE FRONT.

THE TEMUKA FAREWELL.

The Temuka and Geraldine districts' recruits and their relatives were entertained to luncheon in the Drill Hall by the ladies of the Temuka Patriotic Entertainment Committee on Monday afternoon. After luncheon, short speeches were delivered by Mr T. Gunnion (chairman of the committee), Mr MacDonald (Mayor of Geraldine), Rev. C. McDonald, and Mr J. Connolly. At train time the men, headed by the Temuka Brass band, marched to the station, where a large crowd of people, had assembled to give them a hearty send-off. Short addresses were delivered at the station by Mr C. J. Talbot, M.P., the Mayor of Temuka (Mr A. Frew), and Major Kennedy, and Mr H. Torepe's troupe of Maori ladies sang their farewell song. As the train steamed out the men were given three hearty cheers.

The following men answered the roll-call — G. H. Erwood, P. T. Naylor, G. Collins, J. Collier, R. Collier, J. W. Griffin, J. J. Dunsen, S. L. Jones, H. McNab, T. Patrick, L. F. Robins, A. Scott and J. J. Tiplady.