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CALENDARS FOR 1942-4

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DATES OF EASTER 1901-2000

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CALENDAR 1942

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Jan.	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	July	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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Feb.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Aug.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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		30	31
Mar.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Sep.	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21		20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		27	28	29	30
	29	30	31
April	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Oct.	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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	19	20	21	22	23	24	25		18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	26	27	28	29	30		25	26	27	28	29	30	31

May	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Nov.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23		15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	31		29	30
June	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Dec.	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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Feb.	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Aug.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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Mar.	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Sep.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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May	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Nov.	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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	16	17	18	19	20	21	22		21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		28	29	30
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June	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Dec.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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CALENDAR 1944

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Jan.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	July	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	30	31		30	31
Feb.	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Aug.	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19		13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26		20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	27	28	29		27	28	29	30	31
Mar.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sep.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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	19	20	21	22	23	24	25		17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	26	27	28	29	30	31	...		24	25	26	27	28	29	30
April	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Oct.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15		8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22		15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	30		29	30	31
May	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Nov.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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	11	12	13	14	15	16	17		10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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	25	26	27	28	29	30	...		24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		31

SETTLED FOR A CENTURY! The Date of Easter Sunday

1901	April	7	1934	April	1	1967	March	26
2	March	30	5	April	21	8	April	14
3	April	12	6	April	12	9	April	6
4	April	3	7	March	28	1970	March	29
5	April	23	8	April	17	1	April	11
6	April	15	9	April	9	2	April	2
7	March	31	1940	March	24	3	April	22
8	April	19	1	April	13	4	April	14
9	April	11	2	April	5	5	March	30
1910	March	27	3	April	25	6	April	18
1	April	16	4	April	9	7	April	10
2	April	7	5	April	1	8	March	26
3	March	23	6	April	21	9	April	15
4	April	12	7	April	6	1980	April	6
5	April	4	8	March	28	1	April	19
6	April	23	9	April	17	2	April	11
7	April	8	1950	April	9	3	April	3
8	March	31	1	March	25	4	April	22
9	April	20	2	April	13	5	April	7
1920	April	4	3	April	5	6	March	30
1	March	27	4	April	18	7	April	19
2	April	16	5	April	10	8	April	3
3	April	1	6	April	1	9	March	26
4	April	20	7	April	21	1990	April	15
5	April	12	8	April	6	1	March	31
6	April	4	9	March	29	2	April	19
7	April	17	1960	April	17	3	April	11
8	April	8	1	April	2	4	April	3
9	March	31	2	April	22	5	April	16
1930	April	20	3	April	14	6	April	7
1	April	5	4	March	29	7	March	30
2	March	27	5	April	18	8	April	12
3	April	16	6	April	10	9	April	4

and in 2000 it falls on 23rd April.

THINGS I MUSTN'T OVERLOOK

(Write date under appropriate month)

ANNUALLY RECURRING EVENT OR OBLIGATION

(Birthdays, Periodical
Payments, etc.)

Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May June July Aug. Sep. Oct. Nov. Dec.

DUE DATES OF MY INSURANCES

Name of Office	Amt. of Policy	Amt. of Prem.	Due Date	
			Day	Month
	£	£ s. d.		
House				
Furniture				
Car				
Business				
Life				

Write X in appropriate column at left.

HOLIDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Statutory Holidays	Provincial Anniversaries
New Year's Day	Auckland - 29th Jan.
Provincial Anniversary	Canterbury 16th Dec.
Ruling Sov's Birthday	Hawke's Bay 1st Nov.
Good Friday	Marlborough 1st Nov.
Easter Monday	Nelson - 1st Feb.
Anzac Day, 25th April	Otago - 23rd Mar.
Labour Day - October (4th Monday)	Southland - 23rd Mar.
Christmas Day	Taranaki - 31st Mar.
Boxing Day	Wellington 22nd Jan.
	Westland - 1st Dec.
Imperial Days	Saints' Days
King George VI's Birthday (14th Decem- ber, but observed 1st Monday in June).	St. Andrew 30th Nov.
Dominion Day - Sept. (4th Monday)	St. David - 1st Mar.
Empire Day 24th May	St. George 23rd Apl.
Armistice D. 11th Nov.	St. Patrick 17th Mar.
	Arbor Day - Aug. 1st Wednesday

BANK HOLIDAYS: All Statutory, also 2nd January, Easter Saturday and Tuesday, Dominion Day, first working day after Boxing Day, and St. Andrew's, St. George's and St. Patrick's Days.

NOTABLE NEW ZEALAND FIRSTS

that almost make a history

(Compiled mainly from James Berry's profusely illustrated book "New Zealand in Review.")

As the following items are necessarily greatly condensed, some such phrase as "The first" or "For the first time" should be prefixed to most of them.

Aviation Firsts

- 1920 Across Cook Strait 25 Aug.
- 1921 Auckland-Wellington 4 Oct.
- 1928 Tasman (Hood and Moncrieff lost) 10 Jan.
- Australia-New Zealand, arrd. 11 Sep.
(Smith, Ulm, Litchfield, McWilliams.)
- 1936 England-N.Z. (Jean Batten), arrd. 16 Oct.
- 1937 Frisco-Auck. ("Samoa Clipper") 30 Mar.
- Eng.-Auck. Fly. bt. ("Centaurus") 27 Dec.
- 1938 Eng.-N.Z. (4 1-3 dys, Clouston) arr. 30 Mar

Colonization Firsts

- 1642 Abel Tasman discovered N.Z. 13 Dec.
- 1769 James Cook landed at Gisborne. 8 Oct.
- He hoisted Union Jack, North Is. 10 Oct.
- " " " " South Is. 31 Jan.
- 1791 W. R. Broughton discvd. Chathams 29 Nov.
- 1814 Missionary: Marsden, Angl., Oihi, 22 Dec.
- 1820-22 Oldest extant wood house built, Kerikeri
- 1826 Capt. Herd named & charted Pt. Nicholson
- " " attempted colonize Hokianga
- 1827 Dumont D'Urville visited N.Z. Jan.-Mar.
- 1833 Stone building (Kerikeri, still stands).
- 1837 Capt. Hobson visited N.Z. for N.S.W. Govt.
- 1839 N.Z. Co.'s "Tory": arr. Port Nich. 20 Sep.

- 1840 Settlers arr.: "Aurora," Port Nich. 22 Jan.
 1841 Immigs. N. Ply. "William Bryan" 30 Mar.
 Immigrants Nelson: "Arrow" early Nov.
 1842 Immigrants at Auckland: "Jane Gifford"
 and "Duchess of Argyll" 9 Oct.
 1848 Setlrs. Pt. Chal.: "John Wickliffe" 23 Mar.
 1850 Settlers at Lyttelton: "Randolph" and
 "Charlotte Jane" 15 Dec.

Constitution and Government Firsts

- 1840 Lt.-Gov. arr.: Hobson, B. of I. 29 Jan.
 1840 Hobson made Treaty of Waitangi 6 Feb.
 Br. sovrnty. over N.Z. Proclaimed 21 May
 Govr. occpd. Govt. House: Auckland 18 Sep.
 1841 N.Z. and N.S.W. Govts. separated 3 May
 1842 Chathams added N.Z. Territory 4 April
 1850 N.Z. Coy. surrendered its charter 5 July
 1852 N.Z. given representative government.
 1854 Session N.Z. Parlt. began: Auck. 27 May
 1855 Elect. of Members House of Reps. 12 Nov.
 1856 Ministers apptd. under new constitution.
 1864 Wellington chosen as seat of govt. 3 Oct.
 1865 Seat of govt. removed to Wgton. 28 Feb.
 Blenheim made capital of Marlborough.
 1867 Maori members admitted to Parlt. Oct.
 1875 Prov. abolished, counties created 12 Oct.
 1879 Adult male suffrage enacted 19 Dec.
 1893 Franchise extended to adult females 19 Sep.
 1901 Cook Islands became N.Z. territory 10 June
 1907 N.Z. proclaimed a Dominion 26 Sep.
 1933 Woman elected to House of Reps. 13 Sep.

Educational Firsts

- 1869 University of Otago at Dunedin.
 1870 N.Z. University founded by Parliament.
 1873 Canterbury Univ. College, Christchurch.

- 1877 Free, secular, compul. educn. law 29 Nov.
 1882 Auckland University College, Auckland.
 1897 Victoria University College, Wellington.
 1904 N.Z. Rhodes Schol. chosen: Thomson 7 June

Exploration and Mountaineering Firsts

- 1834 White man ascended Wanganui R.: Nicol.
 1839 Egmont clbd.: Diffenbach, Heberley 25 Dec.
 1846 Brunner began 1½ yr. trip Westland 3 Dec.
 1857 Southern Alps crossed: Harper, Locke Nov.
 1861 Hector found L. Wanaka to Sounds route.
 1880 D. Sutherland found 1904 ft. Falls 10 Nov.
 1894 Mt. Cook climbed: Fyfe, Clark, Graham
 25 Dec.

Farming Firsts

- 1769 Pigs landed S. Island by de Surville Dec.
 1773 Pigs landed S. Island by Captain Furneaux.
 1 ram, 1 ewe, S. Island, by Capt. Cook.
 1777 Pigs landed, S. Island, by Capt. Cook.
 1793 Pigs landed, N. Island, Capt. King.
 1814 Horses landed, Bay of I., Rev. Marsden.
 1 bull, 2 cows landed, Bay of I., Marsden.
 1819 Fruit trees, Bay of Island, Rev. Marsden.
 Grape vine, Bay of Islands, Rev. Marsden.
 1820 Plough used (at Kerikeri, imptd. Marsden)
 1830 Pork exported.
 1835 Wool exported (Mana Island to Sydney).
 1839 Bees arrive Hokianga for Rev. J. Bumby.
 1848 Ayrshire bull arr. Pt. Chal. for Dr. Burns.
 1862 Cattle from Jersey arr. Wanganui for Syers.
 1882 Frozen meat exported in "Dunedin" from
 Port Chalmers.
 1884 Friesian cattle arr. Lyttelton for J. Grigg.
 1887 Eltham butter-factory (1st in dist.) opened.
 1890 Fruit profitably exported.

Military Firsts

- 1845 Hone Heke's War: lasted 10 mths. 10 Mar.
 1860 First Taranaki War (lasted 1 yr.) Mar.
 1863 Waikato War (lasted 7 mths.) 17 July
 1865 Hauhau Outrages (lasted 5 mths.) Apl.
 1870 Troopship departed with Br. troops. Jan.
 1899 N.Z. troops dep. o'seas. Boer War 21 Oct.
 1909 Compulsory military training 24 Dec.
 1914 N.Z. troops dep. o'seas. Great War 16 Oct.
 1915 Anzacs on Gallipoli 25 Apl.
 1916 Compulsory war service 1 Aug.
 1940 N.Z. troops dep. o'seas. Total War 6 Jan.

Mining Firsts

- 1830 Copper deposits worked (Kawau Island).
 1850 Steamer coaled N.Z.: "Acheron," Motupipi.
 1852 Gold at Coromandel discovered Oct.
 1853 Gold at Moutere discovered.
 1857 Gold at Collingwood worked.
 1860 Coal in Waikato discovered.
 1861 Coal at Kawakawa Feb.
 Gold at Gabriel's Gully discovered May
 1864 Gold near Hokitika River discovered 3 Oct.
 Coal on West Coast worked.
 1866 Coal exported from New Zealand.
 1901 State coal mines in operation.

Post and Telegraph Firsts

- 1831 Some postal facilities at Kororareka.
 1840 Dept. Int. Aff. estbd. first Post Offices.
 1854 Monthly mail service, Sydney-Auckland.
 1855 Postage stamps in use.
 Mails U.K.-Aust. via Suez (Canal opd. 1869)
 1858 P.O. separated from Dept. Int. Affairs.
 1860 Mails U.K.-N.Z. took 5 months.
 1862 First telegraph lines used.

- 1866 Mails via Panama (Canal opened 1914).
 Trunk telegraph line, Bluff-Nelson, used.
 Telegraph used, North to South Island.
 1870 Mails via 'Frisco to London (42 days).
 1873 Telegraph used, Auckland-Bluff.
 1876 All important towns connected telegraph
 thus aiding abolition of provincial govts.
 N.S.W.-N.Z. submarine cable used 18 Feb.
 1878 Railway Travelling P.O. used (Chch.-Inver.)
 1881 Christchurch phone. exch. opened, 27 subs.
 Auckland telephone exch. opened, 56 subs.
 1882 Dunedin telephone exch. opened, 26 subs.
 1883 Wellington phone. exch. opened, 31 subs.
 1890 Letter rate to U.K. now 2½d., was 6d.
 1901 Universal penny postage began 1 Jan.
 1902 Pacific cable landed on N.Z. coast 24 Mar.
 1911 First N.Z. wireless telegraph station
 1912 Automatic telephones first used.
 1921 Broadcasting stn. (Dr. Jack, Otago Univ.)
 1926 First inter-island telephone cable.
 1927 Empire broadcasting service began.
 1930 Radio phone. service to Australia.
 1931 Radio phone. service to U.K. and Europe.
 1936 National Broadcasting Department estab.
 1938 Airmail N.Z.-Aust.-U.K., 14 days, 2oz. 1½d.
 1940 "Aotearoa" began Tasman air service April

Printing Firsts

- 1830 Printing press landed Bay of Islands for
 Rev. W. Yates.
 1835 Part Bible ptd in Maori by Colenso, Paihia
 1840 Newspaper published: "The New Zealand
 Gazette and Britannia Spectator," Petone.

Religious Firsts

- 1814 Missionary: Rev. S. Marsden, Oihi Dec.
 Church service: Anglican, by above 25 Dec.
 Mission station: Angl., at Oihi, Bay of I.
 1822 Wesleyan Missionary: Rev. S. Leigh,
 1823 Wesleyan Mission Stn.: Whangaroa, Leigh.
 Xtian marriage: Phil Tapsell, Maria Ringa.
 1838 Bishop: J. Pompallier, Marist, Hokianga.
 R.C. Missionary: Bishop Pompallier
 Mass celebrated by above, Hokianga 13 Jan.
 1840 Presbyterian Minister, Rev. J. McFarlane.
 Presbyterian serv. by above, Petone 20 Feb.
 1842 Anglican Bishop: George Selwyn, Auckld.
 1843 Lutheran Missionary: Rev. Wohlers, Nelson
 1844 Presbyterian Church: Lambton Qy., Wgtn.

Road and Rail Firsts

- 1841 Flat road opened: Wgtn.-Kaiwarra 20 Mar.
 1849 Hill rd. open.: Pahautanui-Paekak, 30 Nov.
 1856 Mountain road over Rimutakas 18 Apr.
 1857 Coach serv.: Young's Auck.-Drury 22 Dec.
 1861 S. Is. do.: Cobbs, Dunedin-Gabriel's 11 Oct.
 1863 Train ran: Christchurch-Heathcote 1 Dec.
 1867 Tunnel opened: Lyttelton, 6-yr. job 15 June
 1908 Main Trunk train ran: Wgtn.-Auck. 7 Aug.
 1923 Chch.-W. Coast Rly. and Otira Tunnel used.

Shipping Firsts

- 1791 Whaling ships visit N.Z.: Enderby's.
 1826 "Rosanna" attempted colonize Hokianga.
 1846 Steamer arr.: H.M.S. Driver, 1058 tns, pdle
 1851 Steamer launched at Auckland: "Governor
 Wynyard" 24 Dec.
 1857 Ship crossed Grey R. bar: "Emerald Isle."
 1863 Great wreck: "Orpheus," Manakau, 189 lost

- 1866 Lighthouse: Somes Island, Wellington.
 Panama mail service began 15 June
 1870 San Francisco mail service began 26 Jan.
 1874 Emig. ship burnt: "Cospatrik," 470 lost
 17-18 Nov.
 1882 "Dunedin" left Pt. Chalm. with frzn. meat.
 1883 Direct Eng.-N.Z. steamer arrived 26 Jan.
 1900 Gift of battleship "New Zealand" to Britn.

Sporting Firsts

- 1841 Horse race meeting, Te Aro, Wgtn. 22 Jan.
 1851 Red-deer stag imptd. (freed Nelson Prov.)
 1853 Football played (Chch. Grammar School).
 1860 2 red-deer hinds, 1 stag imp. (freed Nelson)
 1870 Inter-prov. football (Wgtn.-Nelson) 12 Sep.
 1871 Football played under Rugby rules.
 1888 N.Z. Rugby Tour (Maoris, England; played
 74 games, won 54).
 1892 2 motor-cars imp. "Benz," Wgtn. 19 Feb.

Towns' Beginnings

On 27th September, 1839 the N.Z. Company bought town-land at Port Nicholson, and shortly afterwards made purchases of similar areas elsewhere—notably at Nelson, Wanganui and New Plymouth. Before this time, however, early traders had lived, intermittently, at these and other places—mostly on the coast and especially in North Auckland. It is therefore impossible to fix precise dates for the foundation of such settlements; and so the following dates refer really to the first organised attempts to form the towns:—
 1840—Wellington, Auckland.
 1841—Nelson, Wanganui, New Plymouth.
 1848—Dunedin, Picton.

1851—Christchurch.
1855—Masterton, Napier.
1856—Blenheim, Timaru.
1857—Invercargill.
1860—Oamaru.
1864—Hamilton.
1865—Greymouth.
1866—Palmerston North.
1870—Gisborne.
1872—Dannevirke.
1873—Hastings.

It may be interesting to note that the official names of three of these towns have been changed, viz.: Blenheim was Beavertown, Picton was Newton, and Wanganui was Petre.

WHAT ON EARTH IS THAT NUMBER?

My Car's Registered No.
 " " Engine No.
 " " Chassis No.
 " Levy Book No.
 " P.O. Savings Bank Book No. *6190 Lamm* ..
 " Coupon Book No.

Phone No. _____

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POSTAL INFORMATION

The courtesy of the N.Z. P. & T. Dept. in checking the following information in August, 1942, is gratefully acknowledged.

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"LATE FEE" LETTERS.—2d. additional to postage.

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COMMERCIAL PAPERS (accounts, invoices, and other formal business papers or documents not in the nature of letters)—Inland, 1d. first 4oz.; $\frac{1}{2}$ d. each additional 2oz. Overseas, $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. first 10oz.; $\frac{1}{2}$ d. each additional 2oz.

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PACKETS AND PARCELS (Inland) Size limit, 54in. length and girth combined (if registered add 4d.). Packets—Up to 6oz. (minimum) 3d.; up to 8oz., 4d.; up to 10oz., 5d.; up to 12oz., 6d.; up to 14oz., 7d. Parcels—Up to 3lb., 8d.; up to 7lb., 1/3; up to 14lb., 2/-; up to 21lb., 2/9; up to 28lb., 3/6.

Fragile Parcels as above plus 6d. or 1/- each according to size.

EXPRESS TRANSIT SERVICE.—On payment by the sender of a special fee of 6d. in addition to the postage mentioned above, a parcel for delivery within New Zealand will be forwarded to its destination by the first ordinary letter-mail despatched after the time of posting. On arrival at the office of destination such express parcel may be called for at the post office; otherwise it will be delivered in the ordinary course.

PARCEL INSURANCE FEES.—For delivery within New Zealand. Value £2—fee 4d.; £12—fee 6d.; £24—fee 8d.; £36—fee 10d.; £48—fee 1/-; £60—fee 1/2. For insurance of parcels over £60 (or for overseas), see Post Office.

For special rates on air-mail parcels, cinematograph-film parcels, and parcels that exceed in size ordinary parcel-post limits, inquire at Post Office.

Australian States, 8d. for the first 1lb., and 6d. for each succeeding 1lb. up to 11lb. maximum.

Great Britain, 2/- up to 3lb., 3/4 up to 7lb., 4/6 up to 11lb., 7/- up to 22lb.

Other countries (maximum weight in most cases 11lb.). See Post and Telegraph Guide.

POSTAL NOTES & MONEY ORDERS

POSTAL NOTE COMMISSION.—For postal notes from 1/- to 2/6, 2d.; 3/- to 7/6, 3d.; 8/- to 15/-, 4d.; 15/6 to £1, 5d.

Broken amounts may be made up by the use of postage stamps, not exceeding 5d. in value, affixed to the front of any one postal note. These stamps must be affixed only by the senders or remitters of such postal notes. When a postal note is presented for payment with the name of the payee inserted, payment will be made only to the signature of the person so named; or, if a note is already signed by the person named as the payee, it must be indorsed on the back by the presenter. If a postal note is crossed "and Co." payment will be made only through a bank; and if the name of a bank is added, payment will be made through that bank only. These notes are not payable out of New Zealand.

MONEY ORDERS—Inland. Ordinary: 7d. up to £10, and 3d. for each additional £5 up to maximum for single order (£40).

By Telegraph: As for orders by post, plus a telegraph fee of 1/2, or if sent "Urgent," 1/10.

Beyond New Zealand

Australian States: 6d. for £2, 1/- for £5, 1/6 for £7, 2/- for £10, and so on.

All other places: Refer to Post Office.

The remitter of a Money Order Telegram may have a private communication for the payee added to the official telegram of advice on paying for the additional words at the rate of 1d. per word ordinary or urgent. The rate to Chatham Islands or to Fiji is 6d. per word.

SOLDIERS' POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS.—A Post Office Savings Bank account is opened by the Army Department on behalf of a soldier who does not otherwise allot the "compulsory" portion of his pay. Interest is credited to the account at the same rate per cent as in the case of an ordinary account. While in the Dominion, the soldier may operate upon the account at will and upon proceeding overseas may arrange through his Base Paymaster for the withdrawal of moneys not exceeding £30 (N.Z. currency) in any one calendar year.

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Rating Period for Toll Calls

On week days:—

Full-rate period—8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Half-rate period—6 p.m. to 8 a.m.

Quarter-rate period—10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

On Sundays and Holidays—Half-rates apply all day on Sundays and holidays.

Charges for Three-minute Calls*

Local calls 1d.

Toll calls—Up to 7½ miles 2d.

Over 7½ miles to 15 miles 3d.

Over 15 miles to 20 miles 4d.

increasing by 1d. for each additional 5 miles up to 100 miles. Between 100 and 150 miles, the rate increases by 2d. for each additional 10 miles, and beyond 150 miles it increases by 1d. for each additional 10 miles.

*A surcharge of 1d. for every 6d. or fraction of 6d. is added when the charge for a call, computed in accordance with the foregoing, exceeds 3d.

TELEGRAMS, RADIOGRAMS & CABLEGRAMS

TELEGRAMS

INLAND TELEGRAMS. Ordinary—Up to six words, 8d.; each additional word, 1d. (Sundays and holidays, rate and a half.) Urgent—Ordinary telegram rates, plus extra charge of 8d.

ARMED FORCES.—Inland telegrams to and from members of the Armed Forces (includes members of all Allied Forces in New Zealand) are accepted at reduced rates. The contents of the telegrams must be of a social or domestic nature. Telegrams to members of the Armed Forces must be addressed to Camps, Barracks, Naval Depots, Forts, Coast Watching Stations and the like. Telegrams from members of the Armed Forces are accepted at the reduced rates only when the senders are in uniform.

Ordinary—Up to 6 words in text and signature, 6d.; each additional word, 1d. (Sundays and holidays, rate and a half.) Urgent—Ordinary rate plus 8d. (Note: No charge is made for the address.)

COLLECT TELEGRAMS.—In respect of collect telegrams an extra charge of 3d. (known as "collect fee") is added to the ordinary rate and is collected from the addressee.

LETTER TELEGRAMS.—Up to twenty-four words, 1s. 2d.; each additional two words, 1d.

(Letter Telegrams are delivered by the first ordinary post following the day of lodgement. They are not accepted on Sundays and departmental holidays.)

RADIOGRAMS

(Service suspended during war-time.)

RADIO-TELEGRAMS TO SHIPS AT SEA.—To vessels engaged in Wellington-Lyttelton steamer-express service and in Wellington-Pictou passenger service, 2d. a word (minimum charge, 1/-).

To H.M. ships within wireless range of a New Zealand station, 3d. a word.

To vessels engaged in New Zealand-Vancouver contract mail services, or to vessels registered in New Zealand or trading exclusively between New Zealand and Australia or between New Zealand ports, 4d. a word.

For most other vessels, ranging from 6d. to 11d. per word. (See P. & T. Guide.)

N.B.—There is an additional charge of 2d. on each message.

CABLEGRAMS

OVERSEAS TELEGRAMS.—A war-time surcharge of 2d. per message must be added in New Zealand to all overseas rates. (Note.—This tax does not apply to any class of overseas telegram from a member of the Allied Armed Forces in uniform or to any class of message to a member of His Majesty's Forces abroad.)

Intercolonial

	Night Letter	
	Ordinary	25 words Each word
	per word	or less extra
Australia ..	4½d.	3/9 2d.
Fiji—Suva ..	6d.	6/3 3d.
Fiji—Levuka ..	8d.	8/4 4d.

International

	Ordinary	
	Per word	s. d.
British Empire	1	3
United States of America—		
Boston, New York, Philadelphia ..	2	4
Chicago	2	2½
San Francisco	2	0

Full particulars of the tariff to other places will be found in the P. & T. Guide.

DEFERRED TELEGRAMS.—These are accepted at one-half of the above rates, and are transmitted only after non-urgent private and Press telegrams.

They must be written in plain language, but if numbers written in letters or in figures, commercial marks, or abbreviated expressions are employed, the number of such words and groups must not exceed one-third of the number of chargeable words in the text and signature. Minimum charge as for five words.

DAILY LETTER-TELEGRAMS—

Country	25 words or less	Each word extra
British Empire	10 s. 5 d.	5 d.
United States of America—		
Boston, New York, and Philadelphia ..	19 6	9-1/3
Chicago	18 5	8-5/6
San Francisco	16 8	8

*N.B.—There is an additional charge of 2d. on each message lodged in New Zealand.

EMPIRE GREETINGS LETTER-TELEGRAMS (GLT).—These must be entirely social messages and must not relate to trade or business, or include commercial marks or commercial expressions. They must be written in plain language.

	12 words or less	Each word extra
Great Britain and N. Ireland ..	5 0	5d.
Canada	5 0	5d.
Australia	2 0	2d.
Fiji-Suva	3 0	3d.
Fiji-Levuka	4 0	4d.

The rates to other Empire points are shown in the P. & T. Guide.

*N.B.—There is an additional charge of 2d. on each message lodged in New Zealand.

STANDARDIZED CABLEGRAMS TO MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES

2/6 CABLEGRAMS TO ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS (Navy, Army, and Air Force). The 2/6 rate applies only to the special texts set out herein. Up to three texts may be combined in any one telegram. After the address write the number or numbers of the texts you wish to send. Address your telegrams in the same way as you address your letters. This service is made possible by the courtesy of Cable & Wireless Ltd.

Correspondence

1. Letter received many thanks.
2. Letters received many thanks.
3. Telegram received many thanks.
4. Parcel received many thanks.

5. Parcels received many thanks.
6. Letters and parcels received many thanks.
7. Letter and telegram received many thanks.
8. Telegram and parcels received many thanks.
9. Letters sent.
10. Parcels sent.
11. Letters and parcels sent.
12. Many thanks for letter.
13. Many thanks for parcel.
14. Many thanks for telegram.
15. No news of you for some time.
16. Writing.
17. Urgent.
18. Please write or telegraph.
19. Please write.
20. Please telegraph.
21. Please reply worried.
22. Airgraph letter received.
23. Letters arriving regularly.
24. Have you received letters.
25. Your letters not received.
144. Please address letters home.
145. Have you received telegram.
146. No parcel for some time.
147. Write same address.
148. Parcel sent.
149. Writing regularly.
150. Your parcels not received.
151. Have you received parcel.

Greetings

26. Greetings.
27. Loving greetings.
28. Fondest greetings.
29. Love.
30. Darling.
31. All my love.

32. All my love dearest.
33. All our love.
34. Fondest love.
35. Fondest love darling.
36. Best wishes.
37. Greetings from us all.
38. Loving greetings from all of us.
39. Best wishes from all of us.
40. Fondest wishes from all of us.
41. Best wishes and good health.
42. Kisses.
43. Love and kisses.
44. Fondest love and kisses.
45. Well.
46. All well at home.
47. Best wishes for Christmas.
48. Best wishes for Christmas and New Year.
49. Loving wishes for Christmas.
50. Loving wishes for Christmas and New Year.
51. Loving Christmas thoughts.
52. Happy Christmas.
53. Happy Christmas and New Year.
54. Good luck.
55. Keep smiling.
56. My thoughts are with you.
57. Many happy returns.
58. Birthday greetings.
59. Loving birthday greetings.
60. Happy anniversary.
61. You are more than ever in my thoughts at this time.
62. Best wishes for a speedy return.
63. Good show keep it up.
64. Best wishes for New Year.
65. May God grant you a year of happiness.
66. God bless you and keep you safe.
67. My thoughts and prayers are ever with you.

152. Love and best wishes for New Year to all at home.
153. Best love from Daddy.
154. God be with you tell we meet again.
155. God bless you.
156. Love to Daddy.
157. My love and greetings on Mother's Day.
158. My love and greetings on Father's Day.

Health

68. Family all well.
69. All well children evacuated.
70. All well children returned home.
71. All well and safe.
72. Are you all right.
73. Are you all right worried about you.
74. Please don't worry.
75. Hope you are improving.
76. Please telegraph that you are well.
77. Are you ill.
78. Have you been ill.
79. Illness is not serious.
80. Illness is serious.
81. I have left hospital.
82. In bad health.
83. Health improving.
84. Health fully restored.
85. Son born.
86. Daughter born.
87. Am well and fit.
88. Delighted to hear you are safe and well.
89. So glad to hear you are better.
90. Have not been ill.
159. Hope you will soon be better.
160. Have not been well.
161. Injury is not serious.
162. Anxiety unnecessary.

163. Going into hospital.
164. Operation over condition satisfactory.
165. Hope children all well.
166. Both well.
167. Twins born.
168. How are all the family.
169. Injury is serious.
170. Am in hospital.

Promotion

91. Congratulations on your promotion.
92. Very pleased to hear of your promotion.
93. Delighted to hear about your promotion.
94. Have been promoted.
95. Have been decorated.
96. Have received commission.
97. Congratulations on your commission.

Money

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| 98. Please send me £x. | } The actual amount in words is to be inserted and transmitted immediately following the text number. |
| 99. Please send me \$x. | |
| 100. Have sent you £x. | |
| 101. Have sent you \$x. | |
| 102. Can you send me any money. | |
| 103. Glad if you could send some money. | |
| 104. Have received money. | |
| 105. Have you received money. | |
| 106. Have you sent money. | |
| 107. Thanks for money received. | |
| 108. Have not received money. | |
| 109. Unable to send money. | |
| 110. Sorry cannot send money. | |
| 111. Do you need money. | |
| 112. Have paid £x into your banking account. | |
| (Amount to be inserted.) | |
| 113. I do not need money. | |

114. Can you make me daily allotment.
171. Have sent money.
172. Can you increase the allotment.
173. Are you receiving allotment.
174. Business very bad grateful financial assistance.
175. Expect to be able to send you money next pay day.

Congratulations

115. Congratulations on anniversary best wishes.
116. Congratulations lasting happiness to you both.
117. Glad and proud to hear of your decoration everybody thrilled.
118. Loving greetings and congratulations.
119. Good luck keep it up.
120. Wish we were together on this special occasion all my best wishes for a speedy reunion.
121. Very pleased to hear you have passed examination.
122. Best wishes to all at home.
123. Our thoughts are with you.
124. Love to all the family.

Casualties and War Damage

125. "X" injured and in hospital. (The name to be inserted and transmitted immediately after the text number.)
126. Injured and in hospital.
127. Sorry to hear of damage hope all well.
128. Sorry to hear of injury and hope not serious.
129. Sorry to hear of injury and hope progress favourable.
130. Sorry to hear of injury and hope soon be better.

Miscellaneous

131. What things do you need most urgently.
132. Have done as you ask.
133. Rumour not true.
134. No.
135. Very happy to hear from you dearest am fit and well.
136. Hearing your voice on the wireless gave me a wonderful thrill.
137. Hope to see you soon.
138. Hope.
139. Your telegram not received.
140. Yes.
176. Father.
177. Mother.
178. Wife.
179. Fiance.
180. Writing telegraphing frequently.
181. Writing weekly.
182. Writing regularly receiving no reply.
183. Anxious welfare no news recently.
184. Receiving letters regularly.
185. Receiving letters occasionally.
186. Well receiving allotment.
187. Recovered operation returning home.
188. Is entering hospital notification of personal broadcast.
189. Hope to broadcast greetings from BBC listen "X." (Day of week to be inserted and transmitted immediately after the text number.)

Bereavement

141. Sorry to tell you "X" died. (The name to be inserted and transmitted immediately after the text number.)
142. Sorry to hear "X" died. (The name to be inserted and transmitted immediately after the text number.)
143. The Lord bless and sustain you in your loss.

abt. Mr Bailey NZ 431448.

RNZAF. Howard

Turn for station Rongotea

Hamilton AR9 Nelson

Home address.

5 Compton St

Georgetown

Invercargill

Southeast NZ.

JANUARY 1943

FRI.

New Year's Day 1

On Main road
New Brighton Camp etc

SAT.

Bank Holiday 2

JANUARY 1943

SUN.

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JANUARY 1943

TUES.

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JANUARY 1943

THU. New Moon ● 12.37 a.m.

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JANUARY 1943

First Qr.) 7.48 p.m. WED

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JANUARY 1943

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JANUARY 1943

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JANUARY 1943

TUES.

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WED.

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JANUARY 1943

Full Moon ☾ 10.48 p.m. THU.

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FRI.

Wellington Prov. Anniv. 22

JANUARY 1943

SAT.

23

10.18 P.M. 21.01

SUN.

24

Wellington Prov. A.M.

We have been at Goldhurst
for the past 6 weeks.
Have had one daysparvestory
Had dinner and tea at Farners
House.

JANUARY 1943

MON.

25

Last Cr. 2.15 P.M.
Auckland Prov. A.M.

Received word to report to Gay
Indust room. Was told that I
2 dues to report to Lewin
Air station on Sat 29th Jan
and had to pack all my gear
and go into New Brighton Warehouse
to report to P.M. and have my gear checked
your checked OK. arrived back Goldhurst
unpacked gear again. Tired and bad
Tempered.

TUES.

26

Had leave into C.H.H. 9am till 5pm.
Drove #6 from P.O. Quinny Bank.
Had my watch fixed 3/6.
Got photos from Chemists Quite
good. Wrote letter home and
sent photos home to. Had interesting
yarn with an old lady who had seen
Farners troubles as usual.

JANUARY 1943

WED,

27

On parade as usual until
12 pm. Packed gear and left
Taldhurst by return track 2.30 pm.
Arrived New Brighton 5.15 pm.
Reported to Battalion orderly
room. Found empty had to sleep in
THURS.

28

Waited at New Brighton Race course
MC until 3.00 and got a lift
in by supply lorry G.V.C. Arr.
B.H.K. station 4.30. Had tea.
Left for Taldhurst 6.15 pm. Boat left 8 pm.
Good trip across.

JANUARY 1943

Last Qr. (8.13 p.m. FRI.

Auckland Prov. Anniv. 29

Arrived at Wellington after
a good trip. Left for Levin
by slow train 9.45 am. Arrived Levin
2.30 pm. Mocked 3 or 4 in for sun
to Air station.

SAT.

30

Issued with sheets and pillows plus
allotted to two men huts. Electric
light. Wire beds. Appeared to be
Home away from home. Room
Mate. Charles Beaumont. Married
lived in Ch. Ch. Was Sergeant in
Orderly room. 5th Canterbury Regt.
Seems quite a decent sort.
Mess is quite "novelty". Tables set
ready for us and food 10 times better
than Army.

JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1943

SUN.

31

Slept soundly, got out of bed 7am
Went to breakfast. Eggs Omelette.
Banana. Cleaned out hut
and had a good look around
the camp. We went for a walk
this afternoon about 10 miles down
the road. Weather overcast.

MON.

1 Nelson Prov. Anniv.

Paraded 4.35am On first
wing parade. Usual messing
about. Particulars and so on

FEBRUARY 1943

TUES.

2

In flights of about 60 min
I T. most of the day.
One stop two all over
again

WED.

3

Usual Routine
Went into Levin tonight
for the first time. Very clean
looking town. About the size
of Bluff

FEBRUARY 1943

THURS.

4

Usual Parade ground
drill and a lecture
on Camp Rules. RTO etc.

FEBRUARY 1943

SAT.

6

Weather very wet. Rained
all day. In picture hall
all day on lectures.

FRI. New Moon ● 11.29 a.m.

5

Had Dental Parade.
My teeth OK as found them
and Medical examination

SUN.

7

Had Wing parade.
Weather turned nasty again
in picture hall all day
again.

FEBRUARY 1943

THURS.

4

Usual Parade ground
drill and a lecture
on Camp Rules. RTO etc.

FRI. New Moon ● 11.29 a.m.

5

Had Dental Parade
my teeth OK as far as I know
and Medical examination

FEBRUARY 1943

SAT.

6

Weather very wet. Rained
all day. In picture Hall
to all day on lectures.

SUN.

7

Had Wing parade
Weather turned nasty again
in picture Hall all day
again

FEBRUARY 1943

MON.

8

Usual parade ground
drill. Went for a walk
out of camp. Met old German
farmer visited nearby place. Heard
and quite a lot about the district.

TUES.

9

Had vaccination today.
Relieved to get it done.
Usual Routine. Drill etc.
Wrote home.

FEBRUARY 1943

WED.

10

Usual Routine.
Mail system bad.
Have to collect our own mail
at station Post office. Everyone
dissatisfied with mail
system.

THURS.

11

Usual Routine.
Went into Limer with
looker and to the pictures.
Picture called "Ship with Wings"

FEBRUARY 1943

FRI. First Qr.) 12.40 p.m.

12

Have been placed in our
proper Squadron and flight
No 1 Squadron A & flight
Cabin is in No 2 Squadron

SAT.

13

Went into Levin and to
the pictures. Had a good
look around. Found. Open Air
Public baths, Public gardens
a lot of American soldiers
about. Don't like the look
of them.

58

FEBRUARY 1943

Issued with a rifle and web.

SUN.

14

On Main Guard. Seen two
planes land and take off.

Was on duty 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. 10.2.12

^{Cost. Room}
Educational classes to start
on Monday, an hour each day.

MON.

15

Off Guard 10.30 a.m. Made dinner
up. On parade 1 p.m.

Received letter from home.
Wrote to Jack Cameron a Person.
First Pay in this force to day
£5.11/-

59

FEBRUARY 1943

TUES.

16

Very wet day. Had
lectures on Explosives
and range cards. I stayed
in the mess during the
afternoon ^{Filled in application} for part annual leave

WED.

17

Very wet day.
Had lectures on
Grenade and Sten
gun.

FEBRUARY 1943

THURS.

18

Feel like old man of 70.
Vacination taken effect.
Arm and whole body
stiff and sore. Went to bed
at 3.30 pm. Bad headache

FRI.

19

Feel a little better
today. Headache gone
Arm very sore to bed
8 pm. Part Annual leave
stoped for all G.D. period
Very happy about it I don't think.

FEBRUARY 1943

SAT. Full Moon ☾ 5.45 p.m.

20

Feel a lot better today
Fine afternoon. Done my
washing. Went into Linn
tonight and to the pictures.

Raining heavily now. 11pm

SUN.

21

Very wet day. Slept
in this morning until
11 am. Had dinner

Wrote letter to Miss
Spent most of the night at
Y.M.C.A.

62

FEBRUARY 1943

MON.

22

Very fine weather. Fired
Armath or Steen gun
for the first time. Had
photos taken for identification
cards. I have at school classes

TUES.

23

Weather very fine. We have in-
siders schooling every morning
now. (Mathematics) Went into
Linn with Mr. Collier for a walk
Received letter from Fred

63

FEBRUARY 1943

WED.

24

Weather overcast most of the day. Received letters from Norma and Dad.

THURS.

25

Weather overcast.
Fixed another live grenade.
Received Army Pay book from Mr. Sgt. Ray warrant off.
\$4.23 Believe we are shifting to Bongtan shortly.

64

FEBRUARY 1943

FRI.

26

Fine day. Went into Linn and went to the pictures. I opened a Post Office saving account #5 No 6190.

SAT.

27

Weather overcast.
Done my washing this afternoon. Also pressed my 2 Battle Dresses. Went over to YMCA and wrote letter to Mom.

65

FEBRUARY-MARCH 1943

SUN. Last Qr. (6.22 a.m.

28

Went into Wilmington by 9.30 am
on express train. Had dinner
and tea at Y.M.C.A. Fine
afternoon. Had a good look
around Wilmington. Arrived back
in camp 12 pm.

MON.

1 St. David's Day

Went on Main Guard 10 am.
Fine day and overcast
towards nightfall. On
guard 2 pm to 10 to 12
6 am to 8 am

MARCH 1943

New Moon @ 10.34 p.m. TUES.

2

Came off guard 10 pm.
Went to Paymaster's Office received
pay £5.94 & £21.4.3
Raining hard. Packed £5
Wrote letter to Mam and Fred

WED.

3

Wet day. Had instructions
on Bombing gun
most of the day

MARCH 1943

THURS.

4

Usual routine with
etc. Went to the
camp pictures

FRI.

5

Changed Squadron to No 2
Squadron No 1 Platoon. Ranged
in Web gear and rifle
A new crowd of chaps have
just arrived today
Went into Leven⁶⁸ to the pictures

MARCH 1943

New Moon ● 10.34 p.m. SAT.

6

Short route march in morning
Done my washing and got it done
this afternoon. Went into
Leven tonight and saw a picture
called "Smelling Through" Janet McHardel

SUN.

7

Got up about 10 am in
the morning. Had dinner
and went for a walk about
6 miles to the beach. Wrote
letter to Vera.

MARCH 1943

MON.

MON. 10.30 P.M. New Moon
8 Wrote home to Mum.

Revised news that I was
going to be posted to Weyers
and then to ~~Revised~~ ~~Revised~~ ~~Revised~~
towards the end of the last
Rifle shooting season 116/150

TUES.

9

Leaving for Nonwood via
Wigan tomorrow 11th
Very warm day today.

Went to hospital this morning
for another reading of vaccination
had bit infection ^{to} as a chap
had his Battle dress pinched

MARCH 1943

WED.

10

Went on last Wing Parade Handled
in Army blankets. Received
clearance for medical
Dental Library PO Camp Stokes
clothing store etc. Left down
AF. by transport 1:30 am. Hollister 4:55.
Left by ferry boat 6:30. Arrived US
9 am. Left 11:30 am. Arrived Howard.

THURS.

11

arrived Elkh 730 am. Went
to Wigan 9 am. Left Wigan 1130 am.
Arrived Howard 1230 pm.
Had dinner. Stuffed hats
and drew blankets. Raining heavily
all over part of day. To Elkh
in 6 am hats. I have not a very
good opinion of the place.
Does not seem to have been built
long.

MARCH 1943

FRI.

12

We have stove pipes and no
sheets on the beds but we are
very comfortable. We have
a stall boy and a barnack boy.
We have a meat box South west
and left Norwich Conn. and left
6:30 pm. Received card on South Apr.
Brought hockey shirt. Left 6:45 pm.
Apr. 11.2 pm. Weather good.

SAT. 12

13

Arrived Litchfield 4:30 am. Left
8:30 am arrived Ingill 1:30 pm
Arrived home 2 pm.
Surprised Mum and Dad
Heard the rest of the afternoon
talking and spent a comfortable
evening in the front room by
the fire. Mum looking well

MARCH 1943

First Qr.) 7.30 a.m. SUN.

14

Got out of bed a bright moon.
Went for a walk down
the town and on the way
back called to see Grandma
Green in bed. Took
a bad turn that morning.
Saw a thought now. Went for a drive
in the car. Out on road and in front
road. Out to Otterton. Took some photos.
Caught train 6:30 pm.

MON.

15

Not a bad journey up in the train.
Arrived Norwich 1:35 am.
Pulled down wire fence
and rolled up wire fine for Ray.
Ray, Mason of Chert is sleeping
next to me in the car. Went
home to Mum.

MARCH 1943

TUES. 16.7.43 (1st Pt. 7.30 a.m.)

16

Finished wire fence
Loaded seven loads of stones
from Jewell's river to
camp. Our names are
down for Port Arnold Leagues.
Happening we have better luck
this time

WED.

17 St. Patrick's Day

We are on the job of carting
stones from the Whinney
River, 15 miles from Norquay
to fill in a slump by the main
gate way Nol camp. We manage
to get three loads today

MARCH 1943

THURS. 18.7.43 (Full Moon 10.05 a.m.)

18

Still on the job of
carting stones another
three loads today. There are
about six of us riding on the back
of the lorry and it's very cold
and tiring

FRI.

19

Weather overcast. Managed
to get three loads in by
3.30 p.m. when it came on to
rain. I am studying up my all
Maps book nearly every night.
I went into cinema tonight
Went to the pictures

MARCH 1943

SAT. HT

20

I have been put onto the job
of keeping the three abattoirs going
and cleaning out the
laundries and abattoirs.
I think it will be quite a
good job. I am off duty this week
- end but hope to get
home next week by for 4 days.

SUN.

21

Fine day today. Done all
my washing. Wrote home to
Mum and wrote to Ned,
Harrison.

MARCH 1943

Full Moon ☺ 10.08 a.m. MON.

22

Started on the job this morning.
Had to fill 9 bags of ash
over in back as a nipper by the
time I had finished them.
Worked from 9 am to 9 pm. Finishing
and ring chimneys at the cook-
house that ash was in and also went
to bed.

TUES.

Otago & Southland Prov. Anniv. 23

Cleaned out the Washquatory
building straight after breakfast
washed all the water
3.30 pm. Had to clean out
a chimney of the old burners
first thing this morning.
So black in a chimney since again.
Had a shower and bath 4 p.m.

MARCH 1943

WED.

24

Worked hard to finish early. 2pm
Packed and dressed and caught
a Public Works train and got
a ride right into Piccadilly
arrived 6:45pm. Reserved
seat on Express South. Went
to the pictures. Left by Express
11.2 p.m.

THURS.

25

Went not a bad night travel
Arrived at Dundee 7.30am
Left Dundee 8.30. Arr. Jagg
1.30 p.m. Men at station
with car. Travel home
2pm. Had a feed of bacon
and eggs. Spent the night
by a fire in the front room.

78

MARCH 1943

FRI.

26

Went off town this morning
and got a fair cut. Had dinner
and went to Brix in the
car. Called at Sneydy Works
and saw Dad. Went 2 hrs. with
Clara and 11.2. Mrs. Brown
Left 11.45. Spent 2 hrs. at
the beach. Went up the street
with Dad tonight.

SAT.

27

Went down the street this morning
Bought blue shirt 1/6. Opened
an account at N. Savings Bank
25. Called in afternoon. Grandson the
was home. Also Mother & Tom.
Bill an apprentice is getting
out of the army to start at Maid
next week.

79

MARCH 1943

SUN.

28

Did not get up until 1030.
Had dinner and then we
went for a drive to Sea
wards Bush. Boiled the legs
and had afternoon tea. Arrived
home about 530.

MON. Last Qr. (1.52 p.m.

29

Went down the street with Mamma
She opened a Savings bank Acc.
TELO I brought Mamma
present for her birthday.
a silver ornament of a witch.
Took Mamma for a drive after
afternoon. We parked for the
R.T.O. & Railway station this morning.
Reserved seat on Tzadny Express
leaving 6.15 tomorrow morning

MARCH 1943

TUES.

30

Travelled all day in trains
from 6.15 am until 6.30 pm.
Took Lorry from Burnham to
camp. Home about 7/6.
Very glad to get to bed.

WED.

Taranaki Prov. Anniv. 31

Had a rather day with
work. "Monday morning
feeling" Received letter from
Fred. Wrote to Mamma.
I am 12 hours A.M. but have
not heard any thing more about
it was not a success back

APRIL 1943

THURS.

1

Finished work early. 5
Sent 5 Synagogue gift to Dad.
Done my washing and went
over to the Y. 4:30.

FRI.

2

Finished work about
3pm. Lined with blue over-
alls. Went into Ch. bk.
Met Uncle Bob. Went to
the pictures. Booked bed Y.M.C.
Posted Parcel home. 82
Old cloths.

APRIL 1943

SAT.

3

Finished work 10am
Went into Ch. bk. Weekend
leave. Went to the pictures
with Uncle Bob. Went to bed
Y.M.C.A. 12pm.

SUN.

4

Got out of bed 10am. Had Shower
and a shave. Went for walk
through garden. Watch model
yachts sailing. Victory parade.
Went to a military display.
Lunch at Park. 12:30. Had tea
at Welcome Club. Stage and
concert. Super Union Jack Club.
Caught 4.5. p.m. train Howard.

APRIL 1943

MON. New Moon ● 9.53 a.m.

5

Did not feel very much
like work today.
Went to bed early.

TUES.

6

Had a lot of trouble
with oil burners today
cleaned them out twice
been to spend most of
my time trying to keep
my hands clear

84

APRIL 1943

WEDS.

15

cleaned out
the tank. Had
tonight. Black from head
to foot with soot and dirt.
Had a shower and went to bed.
Feeling disgusted with everything

THURS.

8

Seen corporal about getting away
early on Friday 12am. OK
Finished work about 3pm.
Received letter from home
tonight. Just burnt faggots of the
week trying to get into
Zem in that 3 with an old chuk
called. Briggs. Shifted last
Tuesday

85

APRIL 1943

MON.

5

Started work 7:30 am

Finished 10:30 Went into bank
arrived 3:00 pm. Went to the Post Office
Savings bank to re allotment.
Brought to Vera a necklace for her
grandmother. Left by 11 pm to see
Dad & Lloyd.

SAT.

10

Arrived Lowell 1:35 pm Train
broke down just out side of
Port Webster and we were a
long time getting to Lowell.
Did not meet with the car
at Lowell. Spent a comfortable
night at home in front of
the fire.

APRIL 1943

THURS.

15

Went for walk with Din
down the street in the morning
Went for a drive in the
afternoon with Murn and Vera
Left by 6:00 pm. Went to
see Mr. Big crow for station
had a good morning.

MON.

12

Arrived back in camp 7:30 pm
started work 8 am. Had
in camp. Left to
Post Master. Levin
Wrote home to Mum

APRIL 1943

MON. First Qr.) 3.04 a.m.

5

Received letter from
Kerna and one from
Fred Harrison.

WED.

14

Finished work 2.30.
Lay out in the sun
until tea time. Cleared
away large chipmunks out
Finished them 5.30 pm.
Black from head to foot
with road.

APRIL 1943

THURS.

15

Finished work early
Done some washing

FRI.

16

Finished work 2.30 pm
Went into creek to
the pictures. Arr. back
in camp 12.30 pm.

APRIL 1943

SAT.

17

Cleaned out the fire
chip burner and the
chimney also. Very dirty
job. Spent 2 hours scrubbing
my hands clean. Went on the
end leave to Chesh.

SUN.

18

Stayed at YMCA Det
night. Went for a walk
in the gardens this morn-
ing. Went to Lunnery the
afternoon. Went to the
Welcome Club for tea
LFO by 9.5p⁹⁰ leave train

APRIL 1943

MON.

19

Found face fitters in
our lab this morning
they are making themselves quite
at home.

Full Moon ☾ 11.11 p.m. TUE.

20

Received a Money Order from
from Lewis for £53.17/-
signed it, and sent it and my
Post Office pass book back
to Lewis. Went to concert
at YMCA

APRIL 1943

WED.

21

George Conway of Bluff goes
into to AF on today. I am
wondering how he is getting on.

THURS.

22

Went into Ch. Ch. tonight. Miss
up in train arrangements.
27 of us got a ride in to Ch. Ch.
by an old Ford bus. We were
sitting on top of one.

APRIL 1943

FRI.

23

Good Friday. St. George's Day

Went into Ch. Ch.
Camp very quiet today.

SAT.

24

Finished work in the
morning, and done all my
work in the afternoon.
Walked into Bluff for mail
and went to the pictures.

APRIL 1943

SUN.

25 Easter Sunday. Anzac Day

Went into Chh by
the nation truck
arrived in town 10 30 am
Went out to Summer.

MON.

26 Easter Monday

Barried on with our
work was usual

APRIL 1943

Last Qr. (7.51 p.m. TUE.

27

Oil burner giving a lot
of trouble today. 3.15
9 bags of coke for the
stationers.

WED.

28

Went to go into Burnham on
adental parade. Got two
teeth filled. Some other
chap has taken on my job
and I am going back to
work with the rest of the
shop

APRIL 1943

THURS.

29

Angela, Chap and I are
shipping the new sweater from
around the Waipapa Riv. to
have been on the job all day
Went to pictures YMCA.

FRI.

30

Still on the job of shipping
Left Ch Ch by South
Express 11.2 pm. Home

MAY 1943

SAT.

1

Arrived Dunedin 7 pm
Left 8.33 am. Arrived flight
1.35 pm. Did not see
with car. Had a high
tea at home. Mr. Benthay

WED. 3.1.5 2.00 PM WED.

SUN.

2

Went over a bridge at
the car with mum
Received Whistling care
from Mary and Leo and
a young from home

MAY 1943

MON.

3

Went up the street
Banked \$5 at
Saginaw Bank.

MAY 1943

WED.

5

Went for a drive in
the car in the
afternoon

TUE. New Moon ● 9.43 p.m.

4

Went up the street
for mail. Called
in to see Maiss.
and went to Grand-
ma's.

98

THURS.

6

Left by 6:50 am Express
for St. Louis. Arrived
2:15 pm. Took train to
Hannibal. St. Louis
had been changed in eight
man. Had no sleep with the
rest of the crew.

99

MAY 1943

FRI. W

7

Feeling very tired
and chest tender
to day

MAY 1943

SUN.

9

Went out to Summit
Stayed at Union Lake
Club most of the day.
Nice weather.

SAT. W

8

Went into Club
weekend leave. Went
to the pictures.
Stayed at the YMCA

100

MON.

10

Back to my old job
of oil burner for
the day. Told Corporal
Harrison to put some one else
on the job tomorrow as I
was fed up with it.

101

MAY 1943

TUES.

11

I have been chipping a 15" boarder around the hut. All day. Someone else has been put onto the oil burner.

WED. First Qr.) 9.52 p.m.

12

Still chipping around the huts. There was a guess session on at the YMCA tonight. Very interesting but at times it was pretty deep. Received letter from Fred. I think he must be leaving

102

MAY 1943

THURS.

13

Still chipping around the huts. Went on a shopping spree but received nothing. Only issuing shirts size 1 and 2. I take size 1.

Received letter from Jack Comer ^{now in New Caledonia} FRI 14
Went to airport to look to get a table for the officers mess room. Went into G.H.B. and to the pictures had an evening party this weekend.

103

MAY 1943

SAT.

15

Went to report to the guard
house at Leonard. Spent some
time waiting and went for a
walk over to the hangar and
inspected the different planes.

SUN.

16

Slept in this morning
until 9 am. Had a shower
and shave. Had dinner. Let
oil burners. Sorted out my
gear. Station very quiet.

MAY 1943

MON.

17

Cleaned out Camp. Went to
Chippewas around the hut
most of the day. Wrote
to Jack Cameron.

TUES.

18

Putting up a wing
since about 15 from
camp.

MAY 1943

WED.

19

Still on wire fixing
near camp. Heard the
we are going to Portage
on the 27. May Not official
yet.

THU. Full Moon ☺ 9.13 a.m.

20

Cutting down trees beside
camp house. Took load
of plane parts to Portage
We are going to Portage 27
Getting load we want leave

MAY 1943

FRI.

21

Done a very little
work today. Left
on the North Express
for Inuit 11.2

SAT.

22

Arrived Inuit 11.2
2 p.m. Arr Inuit
1.35 p.m. Arrived
Home 2 p.m.

MAY 1943

SUN.

23

Should have
gone back tonight
to camp but had to
stay until Tuesday.

MON.

24 Empire Day

Went and seen
Moirs.

MAY 1943

TUES.

25

Left Inverell 6:15 am
for Inverine Arrived
Nowwood 4:15 pm after
sat a bad truck.
Sent \$5 home Payrol today.

WEB.

26

Left 1 pm for Bfkh
after getting clearances
Nothing was said about my
being a day off.
Left on the boat Wahiwa
11:30 am. Inverine

MAY 1943

THU. Last Qr. (1.33 a.m.

27

Ave. Wellington 7.15 a.m.
after caught trip
Arr. Hong Kong 9.15.

First impression bad.
Sleeping in large hall as quarters
are filled up. Very wet and cold.

FRI.

28

all day we have been
messing about. Issued with
overalls and no to boots.

On Night 1 No 3 Squadron
The food is quite good.
The buildings here have a good
appearance from distance but
very slanted up on close view.

MAY 1943 AM

SAT.

29

Spent all morning and
afternoon until 3.15 p.m.
being organized into flights
and workshop groups.
Shifted to Room 3. Had a shower ^{and} bed.

SUN.

30

Had a good night's sleep. Went
into Wellington. Arrive 10.30. Went
to Parliament buildings and seen
Basin of Hon. R. Jones lying
in state. Went to the Zoo
in afternoon and to the pictures
at night. Arrived back in
camp 10.30 p.m.

MAY-JUNE 1943

MON.

31

Madour first morning
Educational classes this morning
Math and Physics. Took
amplifiers in Workshop
this afternoon. (Spent a.C. quite a lot)
talking on Indes

TUES.

1

Rel. Math and
Magnetism this
morning. Workshop
this afternoon. Started
2nd pair of Metel

112

JUNE 1943

WED.

2

Math all morning
Started Physical
measurements.

Am Workshop this
afternoon. Went to Station for
lamps

New Moon ● 10.33 a.m. THU.

3

Math this morning
Density, Viscosity, etc. In
Workshop this afternoon
Wrote letter home to Mary

113

JUNE 1943

FRI.

4

Maths in morning
with etc. Workshop
this afternoon. Wrote
letter to Vera.

SAT.

5

One Period of Maths and
one of Workshop this
morning. Finished work
2 p.m. Had tea then went to
Wellington to the pictures

JUNE 1943

SUN.

6

Had dinner. Took boat to Wellington
then took No 9 bus to Oriental Bay
and walked around Harbour
road to Miramar Bay. Great view
of harbour. Seen a small white boat
and a small boat. Very well
painted blue. with bronze fitting.

MON.

King's Birthday 7

Went to a picture
in the school
room No 9. Storing an
Educational picture City
System of hygiene. Microbes
and parts.

JUNE 1943

TUES.

8

W. finished
my metal work
90 out of 100 marks.

WED.

9

We are having our
exams on Friday
and Saturday morning.

JUNE 1943

THURS.

10

Took our last notes
on Mechanics.
Slept until bed-
time.

First Qr.) 2.35 p.m. FRI.

11

Had Math Exams
Have a feeling I have
to make a mess of
it. Went into Village
Ton. Bought set squares
and

JUNE 1943

SAT. HT

12

Had Science Exam
this morning. Went into
W. Kingston to the pictures.
Saw how tram had had
accident. Killed and 28 injured.
We caught the tram just before
SUN. that one or will my have
13 in it.

We for a walk from here
(Rangata) to Crested Bay
and then on to Wharfedale.
Seen the boat for boys
that the Yanks have now taken
out for their quarters.

118

JUNE 1943

Full Moon 5.17 p.m.

MON.

14

Started our second
station. Will be in the
Workshop all day except
for a lecture on tools etc.
now and again.
Received Postcard from Fred
from Perth, Australia.

TUES.

15

Started on a new piece
of metal. Received a
letter from George Long
about how to find
out the home

119

JUNE 1943

WED.

16

Very wet day.

Copied notes from
my old note book to a
new one in L.H.

Received a letter from Home

THURS.

17

A wet day. The blocked
metal we are making

block fits hole underneath
of work. Went to a concert
by Tim that ¹²⁰block of station
throat.

JUNE 1943

Full Moon ☾ 5.14 p.m. FRI.

18

I was all day fitting
the 1" Block into the
two slots at the end
of the metal. Went into Wh-
-ington with Midge to the printers.
Very wet day.

SAT.

19

Very wet day. Finished
fitting the Block.
Done some sewing and
pressed my little dress.
Wrote Home to Mums.

JUNE 1943

SUN. .m.p 11.1 Full Moon

20

Stayed in camp tonight
Went to the pictures
with Timbrouse
Had tea at the YMCA

MON.

21

Finished my job
for today
Finished writing
up my new Note Book.

JUNE 1943

TUES.

22

Leaves issued with 2
blue uniforms today
With not issues us with a
blue meat boat. Had
a race with the blooming
stone chap

WED.

23

Messed about all
day making drill
gauge. Very wet
day

JUNE 1943

THURS.

24

wet day.

Received my marks for
metal work 84

Maths 46 Electric Mags 59

Mechanics 70 Physics 30

Out shawl

FRI. Last Qr. (8.08 a.m.

25

Still shifting work to
shop. Lam notice
in Q class for the
third term. Finished
my training lesson today.

JUNE 1943

SAT.

26

In our mind ideas. No tools
to start our work so we
were loading a truck all
morning. Went for route march
in the afternoon. Went to the pictures
tonight with Jim.

SUN.

27

Wrote a letter to Dad
Went in to W. King to visit
Midge and met two other
lads. Went to the YMCA
for tea.

JUNE 1943

MON.

28

Starting mechanics.
Square. No tools
On Bartlett file to
work in the square

TUES.

29

Still making the
square. Had lecture
on soldering today
Wrote more letter
to Rex Campbell

JUNE-JULY 1943

WED.

30

Made half a day on
soldering. Received
game mark for Basic 8k
Average % 6 1/2%. All
High Mechs going to Nelson
tomorrow

THURS.

1

Very wet and cold
Ray. Received letter
from Rene.

JULY 1943

FRI.

2

Very wet day.

After lights out 1915.

5 or six chaps kicked up a row. The w. took down 3 on the mat.

SAT. New Moon ● 12.44 a.m.

3

There was a bang of bombs today. This afternoon a squad of 1st Bomb 3. were doubled around the Parade ground for $\frac{3}{4}$ hour with machine guns. AF. Just in

JULY 1943

SUN.

4

Went into Wellington with Midge and Jim Miskin. Midge and I wore our blues for the first time. In the evening a Party at YMCA for American. Led. Speech by General (Mon.) American commanding officer. Nash Hamilton. The band. Concert Party by 2nd A. Wellington. Very good show.

JULY 1943

TUES.

6

Very wet day.
Went into Wellington
with Midge and found
out the times The Boat
to Lyttle sailed.

WED.

7

Have put in for
PA form. Just
finished making
a calipers.

JULY 1943

THURS.

8

Collected in our
tools today
also overalls
Finished course and
ported to Nelson on 21st
Rigger about the end of
month.

FRI.

9

We were from 1.15 pm until
4.15 pm before we finally
reached Lyttle for the night.
Left Wellington 7.30 pm
on Rangitikei. Dining later
at birth.

JULY 1943

SAT. HT

10

Arrived Lystetten 7:15 am
Had breakfast and
left 6:45 8:35 am of
Express Reserved. 1st class
meat. Extra cost 19/6

SUN. First Qr.) 4:29 a.m.

11

Slept in until 10 am
this morning Had dinner
and then went for a bike
ride with Vera. Took Big

JULY 1943

MON.

12

Went up the street
~~with~~ and brought one
or two things. Mum
and I went to visit Grand
mom tonight in their new
Government House.

TUES.

13

Went up the street with
Mum. Had my watch
fixed. Bought 2 pair of
socks. Weather fine
but cold wind

JULY 1943

WED.

14

Mame received a note
from Jack Bowman to
day and I received one
from Ned Harrison
written June the 14th

THURS.

15

Went for a walk
down to the street
and back around Biggs
street way. Went to the
pictures with Dad and Bright

134

JULY 1943

FRI.

16

Dad has been working
at the bank loading
out until today.

SAT.

17

Went up the street with
Dad in the afternoon.
Fine day but frosty in the
morning.

135

JULY 1943

SUN. Full Moon ☾ 12.21 a.m.

18

Breakfast in bed. Went
for a drive to Chet's Bank
with Dad, Mrs. Thomas and Bay.
Left Joplin 6.30 pm. Arrived
1st Class for the first time

MON.

19

Arrived Chik 9.15 am.
Went to Union Park Club. We
then went to the pictures to
get in time for dinner and
went to the pictures again. Caught
boat train to Joplin 6.45. Boat
left 8.15 am. Brief Dennis Logan

JULY 1943

Nearly lost our tickets
meetings ~~from on the way~~ train
Arrived back at camp

TUES.

20

8.15. Handled in some
of my blue jeans.
Sticking them under

WED.

21

Doing odd jobs about
town. Posters came
out and I am going to
Nelson tomorrow
night. as I left Joplin
Went to breakfast with Nelson

JULY 1943

THURS.

22

22
 Rainy odd jobs this
 morning. Took until
 5pm to get Charances
 Left Remytes 6:10. Very rainy
 trip across. Slept well

FRI.

23

Arrived Nelson 6am
this morning. Trucks took
us to station. Had breakfast
Medical Examination Went
into Nelson took by Bus 6

138

JULY 1943

Last Qr. (4.38 p.m. SAT.

24

Very cold morning I read
both Piquers Notes, Wendells
had lecture. Class A, Dwyer
Went to Nelson and went
to the pictures

SUN.

25

23
Did not get up this morning
until about 10 am. It's a
lovely fine day. A big difference
from Pongetai.

139

JULY 1943

MON.

26

Started is Basic
Workshop Are
doing Tin Bashing
Had lecture on Prisms
Instruments

TUES.

27

Metal work this
morning 1st Lecture
on Metallurgy
Also lecture of
Tools etc.

JULY 1943

WED.

28

Had 1 Basic lecture
and 1 period Sports.
We have to wear our great
coats in the morning now.
Received letter from Jack
Compton.

THURS.

29

Had one basic lecture
Thurs (etc) 1 lecture
on Forging and rest
in Workshop Received
letter from Max.

JULY 1943

FRI.

30

Were paid to day
Sent \$4.10/- Home
Coffied up some notes.

SAT.

31

Specials this morning
I joined an AN. for first
time Went for a route
march this afternoon
Went to the States with
Bever McManey and
Inwood.

142

AUGUST 1943

New Moon ● 4.06 p.m. SUN.

1

Got up about 9.30
Had a shower and shave
and a cup of tea at YMCA
Wrote to J. Cameron G. Conway
Ernie Conway Mum

MON.

2

Queen Elizabeth born

143

AUGUST 1943

TUES.

3

Had lectures on A.N.

Received a letter
from George Bonney
to say I had an
from Lee Smith
from Middle East

WED.

4

Had lectures on A.N.

Queen Elizabeth born

started splicing this
morning with wire.
Messaged the job up
and had to start
on a new wire

AUGUST 1943

THURS.

5

Lectures on A.N. and

Had ^{ago} ~~the~~ Mentatting
exam. Carried on
with splicing and
I seem to have picked up
the back of it now.

FRI.

6

Doing our trade test
splicing from 10 am. 12 pm. ^{noon}
1 to 3. Basic written
exam. 3 to 5. Trade test
splicing. Went into Nelson
and went to the ¹⁴⁵ picture with
Bruce McHenry Bill Leland

AUGUST 1943

SAT. 17

7 Arbor Day

Finished up flying
today. Made friends of
hand. Made some more

SUN.

8

Queen Elizabeth born
Went into Nelson

and his ship from

camp around the

harbour. Had tea at

the Big Star Tavern

Club

AUGUST 1943

First Qr.) 3.36 p.m. MON.

9

Started in Wood
workshop today

Made a Bristol joint
Work on it too & were both
in need of grinding and
sharpening.

TUES.

10

Finished a Montreal Tem
joint. Had lecture on
Mechanics. Went to the
pictures in company with
Fred and Bill

AUGUST 1943

WED. AUG 11 1943

11

Finished Deer tail
Haffing joint
Have to make to
demonstrators were
tail joints

THURS.

12

Finished the two
deer tail joints
not a bad job

AUGUST 1943

FRI.

13

Had a skinning
this morning. The
Clipping Board
and got a new skirt and
Wheat coat

AUG 13 1943

SAT.

14

Went for a sport night,
march the afternoon
Went into Nelson's
the pictures with
Dick

AUGUST 1943

SUN.

15

got up about 8:30 am
had a shower and
done my washing
Wrote letter to Mum
Verna Fred Harrison

MON. Full Moon ☺ 7.34 a.m.

16

We are mums
about doing different
joints etc.

150

AUGUST 1943

TUES.

17

Received letter from
Mama Wet day.

WED.

18

Started out Trade
test. Small p50
set square Walnut
& chalk 1" wide 5" x 5"

151

AUGUST 1943

THURS.

19

Grade test.
1 Lecture.

FRI.

20

Grade test.
Would have finished
it but a small cock now
broke off a dove tail
and I had to glue it on
and leave over night

152

AUGUST 1943

SAT.

21

Finish square
to day. Not a bad
job. Had Exam
today. Basic Work
- work. I think I done
all night

SUN

22

We have finished
out study tonight. At 9pm
done my washings
and wrote up some
notes

153

AUGUST 1943

MON. Last Qr. (4.04 a.m.

23

Started in Air Frames
section today. We are
going to have Theory on
Fabric. Wrote notes
all day.

TUES.

24

Wrote Notes all day
Theory Exam tomorrow
Wrote letter to Mum

AUGUST 1943

WED.

25

We had a discussion
(Questions) around the class
all morning and the afternoon
in Basic Fabric Exam
I think I done alright

THURS.

26

Received marks for
our Basic Workbook.
75 Theory and 80%
practical. Have a tutor
our Riggings & etc.

AUGUST 1943

FRI.

27

Copied Notes all day.
Lauing of six frames. Names
of parts of Main place etc.
Went into Nelson and took
a pair of trousers to the tailor.

SAT.

28

to be attended
Mum and Nema went
to town this day to look
to day. Went in the morning
this afternoon cross country
run. Went to the pictures
tonight.

AUGUST 1943

SUN.

29

Had breakfast this morning
2nd time since I have been
in camp. Done my washing
and am writing to Jack
Samson.

MON.

30

Still on Lecture Ranges
etc. Traced up Main Plain
elevations etc. Spent
all night swatting until 9pm

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1943

TUE. New Moon ● 7.59 a.m.

31

Stetson trying up
Emm pinnage etc.
I can't understand why they
are giving us instruction on
planes we will never see in
actual practice

WED.

1

From 4.30 to 5.30 afternoon
had a rehearsal for a
Church Parade (Sat)
Received letter from Vera a.m.
Mum from Chh Also one
from Dad

158

Wrote to Mum

SEPTEMBER 1943

THURS.

2

Had a practice
Chh parade from
4.30 to 5.30 Everyone in
a very bad mood

A March Past and a short march
to Commemorate 4 years of war

FRI.

3

Lunch and Chh Parade
Blue today. Church Parade
and march past with some Public
looking on. Kettles Boats
Rain came on and we
got wet through getting the
planes covered.

159

SEPTEMBER 1943

SAT.

4

Had Ripping Exam
this morning Had
the afternoon off Done
my washing and went to
the pictures with Bill Met

SUN.

5

got up in time for
breakfast Had morning
tea. Went home to
Mum

SEPTEMBER 1943

MON.

6

Started on Hydrocles
today. Seem not
bad but a bit com-
plicated. Swatted
most of the night

TUES.

7

Very wet day. Still on
Hydrocles.

SEPTEMBER 1943

WED. First Qr.) 12.33 a.m.

8

Received letter
from Mum from home
telling me of the baby
born over her bed in 10th

THURS.

9

Very wet day today
had a clothing parade
and a parade by the
great boat house on
with black buttons

SEPTEMBER 1943

FRI.

10

Weather overcast Rained
most of the day Received
results of Biggin Exam
72%

SAT.

11

Had test on Hydraulics
this morning Done
nothing this I think
Went into Nelson & the
pictures bright

SEPTEMBER 1943

SUN.

12

Wrote home to Mums
Stayed in camp all
day. Went for a walk with
Bill Inward around the beach. Tony
Dum a bit of swatting.

MON.

13

Started on the
Oxford Hydraulic system
Dum's and I started
for a start but Tom
hoping it will be clearer
after a bit of swatting

164

SEPTEMBER 1943

Full Moon ☾ 3.40 p.m. TUE.

14

We are leaving our Midlars
on Friday and also our
Hydraulic Exam as we
have to go on a parade into
Nelson on Saturday morning

WEB.

15

We have to march at
attention to work now
just for practice for the
parade.

165

SEPTEMBER 1943

THURS.

16

Good letters in paper about
the Victory Parade. There are
going to have a lot through
out. My Disapproval
in a new shell.

FRI.

17

Received word today
that there is not going to be
a parade in Nelson. Had letter
from Mom today. Received letter
from Mom. Verna. George.
Earnie Conway

166

SEPTEMBER 1943

SAT.

18

Had our Mid Day Exam
this morning. 6 questions.
We had the afternoon off
as it is raining. Went
to the pictures with Bill
Inward.

SUN.

19

Got up for breakfast.
Raining all day. Wrote
letters to Verna. Mamma
Earnie Conway. Went
to Bed early. Starting
new course tomorrow

167

SEPTEMBER 1943

MON.

20

Have started on
last lap of all course
We are to have 1 day
Theory and the 3 day
practical.

TUE. Last Qr. (7.06 p.m.

21

The weather here is
very wet. ~~John~~ McKinnon
Bill Inward and I went
into Nelson to the picture

SEPTEMBER 1943

WED.

22

Had a Medical Exam
this morning I had
trouble to hear in the
hearing test have to go
to the hospital tomorrow
to have another test.

THURS.

23

We are working on
the Vincent and David
Slight. Had hearing
test. My ears are
weak but on Slight
otherwise I think I will be OK

SEPTEMBER 1943

TUES.

28

Fine day today
on the Tiger Matt.
this afternoon.

WED. New Moon ● 11.29 p.m.

29

On the Oxford today
30 for inspection
swatted all night & left
night. R. wrote home to
Mum. Home.

172

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 1943

THURS.

30

Wrote home to Dad.
Very wet day. On.
Hirts this morning
Swatted in the YMCA
most of the night. Received
letter from George.

FRI.

1

60 hrs. on Hirts, as we
have no jack etc. as
done nothing all day.
Went into Nelson to the
picture with Bill
tonight.

173

SEPT 1943 OCTOBER 1943

SAT.

2

Got in the Old Friends
this morning and had a long
session (Questions) with three
and other chaps
Had the afternoon off

SUN.

3

Went into Nelson with
Dill. Went to the Methodist
Ch. for tea. Had a sing song
and cup of tea. Latter went
to the Fighting Services Club.
Had a concert there. A. F. C. H.

174

OCTOBER 1943

MON.

4

Rain 60 hrs of Oxford.
Swatted in YMCA.
YMCA has a new reading
room which is just the
place to swat in.

TUES.

5

Had the Chase today
where we would like
to go and what stations
were after March 1
men (North.) Bill Brice and
think we will go to the mission.

175

OCTOBER 1943

SUN.

10

Spent most
of the day. Went
for a walk with
Bill. Went to the
Beach and back.

MON.

11

Having Revision
M. day.

OCTOBER 1943

in a 22.1 ② noon 11.4 TUES.

12

Revision all day
Went to the pictures
with Mr. & Bill. Exam
tomorrow. Received
letter from. Fred. Maran
Egypt.

WED.

13

Had our 1st Exam of
Exam paper this
morning 3 hrs. Easy
paper.

OCTOBER 1943

THU. Full Moon ☾ 1.23 a.m.

14

Waited around
all day for our
Off Chas. Russell
5 letters from Fred
Harrison. Near Day

FRI.

15

Russell in Misamis
Egypt.

Had my Grade Test Board that
this morning. Done all right.
Left Nelson 7.30 p.m. by By-Tang
small steamer.

180

OCTOBER 1943

SAT.

16

arrived Wellington 6 am. Had to
clean up washboard around the
streets with Bird. Mrs. What and
to Breakers Bay to Japs Harbor.
Place Left Wellington 3.40 by Express.
Japs Baby 1 year old.

SUN.

17

arrived Hamilton 5.30 am
Lived and feeling fed up. Arrived
out at the Narrows. Group
Express allocated beds to men
and turned in early.
Very small camp. Discipline
nearly to be lax.

181

OCTOBER 1943

MON.

18

Full Moon @ 1.22 a.m.

Had our first job over at
the Hagers. Sweeping up
and erecting tents. They have
now over a 100 for us and our
baths are getting very dirty.

TUES.

19

Swept out the hagers
about 8 p.m. took 4 loads
of tents. To the old
Hager.

OCTOBER 1943

WED.

20

Swapped the bags for
things. Took two loads of
Lanta across to the Hager.
Went into Hamilton for the first
time tonight with Bill and Max.
Saw to he not had place
Last Qr. (1.42 p.m. THU.

21

Missed a fixed up
morning. Started to work
on a Hudson. A.B.
Bill and I leaning under
the Bomb Bay Doors

OCTOBER 1943

FRI.

22

Received letter from Dad.
Started work on a
2058. Nelson. Fitting new
floor boards. The ones are
thicker causing a lot of trouble
when fitting back.

SAT.

23

Worked this afternoon
Still fitting the floor-
boards. Went in 8. Two
tonight and went to the
pictures. Home back in
even 12:30. am

OCTOBER 1943

SUN.

24

Did not wake up until
11.45 am. Had dinner. Liked
the put up. Saved my
eyes on my great coat.
Went to bed early.

MON.

Labour Day 25

Finished fitting the
floor boards at 1.45
2058. Went to bed.
Worked through dinner hour
till 1 pm. Worked over time
tonight till 2 pm

OCTOBER 1943

TUES.

26

Messed about all
day. Mackery much to do.
205 went to Trail
flight. Worked tonight
until 9pm.

WED.

27

Bill Mac and I started
on another Hudson R.O. 49
Taking out all the floor
boards, and inside of the
Went to Jack Cameron
and home to Mary

186

OCTOBER 1943

THURS.

28

Mam started on the
U.C. of the Hudson R.O. 49
Cleaning it down by hand
then dirt job. Worked
tonight till 9pm

New Moon ● 1.59 p.m. FRI.

29

We were payed today
25.10/- I am now carrying
a heavy A.R. pack. Went
into town and to the
pictures

187

OCTOBER 1943

SAT.

30

Worked all day today.
Packed all my B. boxes
and packed my up. &
my jacket. We are getting PA leave
from Tuesday night.

SUN.

31

Got up 6:15 am. Had
a shower. Laid the
put up. Done some washing.
Wrote to Fred Harwood. Went
into town and saw the RTO. Took
Railway station for tickets to
188
Mesa. Bill and I for PA Leave

NOVEMBER 1943

MON.

Hawke's B. & Marl. Prov. Anniv. 1

Have been cleaning under the
U.C. of Hudson 49 all morning.
Seen about our Personal
Leave. Shifted from Hudson
to S.P. fighter. Hope to leave
camp. tomorrow night. TUES. 2

Have permission to
had a lot of trouble getting
my leave fixed. Left tractor
6 pm for Del Rio to gain
brother down. Left way

NOVEMBER 1943

WED.

3

Arrived Wellington Ldn late
Spent the day messing
about the streets
by Steamer Express
for Platts

THURS.

4

arr. Lylton. 4 pm
Lto R. 8.33 am
Train broke down
between Clinton and
Milton. Arr. Lylton
10.15 pm. 1 1/2 hrs late

190

NOVEMBER 1943

First Qr.) 3.22 p.m. FRI.

5

Spent most of the day
trying to fix the camera
Went in to see Jim Moe

SAT.

6

Went up the street
in the morning and
went to the lecture
with Dad & right

191

NOVEMBER 1943

SUN. NOV 8 1943

7

got up at Cam and gave
Mud Dad Verna a cap
of tea in bed.
Took Ding for a walk
& the Jett and back

MON.

8

Went up the street
in the morning and
fixed the camera in the
afternoon. Went to the
pictures with Dad

192

NOVEMBER 1943

TUES.

9

Went up the street with
Verna in the morning &
got her new coat changed
Harry Smiths.

WED.

10

Spent morning messing about
Went up the street with Mum
in the afternoon. Bought
a shirt for Dad 2 shirts
pair of shorts for myself

193

NOVEMBER 1943

THURS.

11 Armistice, 1918

Went down the street with Dad
in the morning and afternoon
Went for a drive with
Dad and Miss Dad out
Mill road and back again

FRI. Full Moon ☾ 1.26 p.m.

12

Went up the street in
the morning with Grace M.
pence. George Conway
Mrs Conway spent the after-
noon at old place. Went to
for a drive out in the country.

194

NOVEMBER 1943

SAT.

13

Left Inver 6.15 a.m.
Arr. Ch. Ch. 7pm
Left Lythton 9.45 a.m. Steamer
Express Arr. Wellington 6am

SUN.

14

Arrive Wellington
6am. Messed about the
streets until 3pm. Caught
Richland Express. Sat
beside a ship who was on
sick leave from Welling. A
rotten trip

195

NOVEMBER 1943

MON.

15

Arr. Franklin 4:30 am
Caught a taxi & camp
Started work 4:30 pm
Worked overtime tonight
until 9 pm Feeling very tired

TUES.

16

Worked all day Still
feeling half asleep
Started work on 5:00
Paintless Dice Bombs
etc.

NOVEMBER 1943

WED.

17

I am working on the Cockpit
and fuselage. Have been
working clearing part
of the afternoon.

THURS.

18

On the Cockpit and
fuselage of 5012.
Paintless Dice Bombs
Up to 8 Rep Campbell
also 8 Time Billard &
went for a walk

NOVEMBER 1943

FRI.

19

Working on 5012. Took the
bookfit food of today.
Went into Hamilton and
Mac. Bill and went to the
pictures.

SAT. Last Qr. 10.43 a.m.

20

Got up early this morning. Had a
shower. Received letters
from Jack, Barbara and Mum.
Went for a walk with Bill.

NOVEMBER 1943

SUN.

21

Got up about 7.30. Had a shower
and shave. Bill, Mac and I got
dressed and walked out to the
Main Road. Got a lift in to town.
Hamilton a very pretty place.
Went to YMCA for tea and to see
concert.

MON.

22

Feeling very tired today.
Went to YMCA and had
for bits for the week.

NOVEMBER 1943

TUES.

23

Received letter from
Mum wrote to
Fred Harrison. Went
to Mum. Washed the
put out and cleaned the

WED.

24

Windows

Started on a new plane
No 27. In Main Place. Had
some of cards with K.M. and
Billy tonight

NOVEMBER 1943

THURS.

25

Out in afternoon for
long weekend leave
I went to bed early
and read a book

FRI.

26

Left for Auckland by Express
from Hamilton. Arr. Auckland
10.45 pm. Embarked by the
side of the Railways Station
Backed in at the YMCA
Had supper. Bacon and eggs

NOVEMBER 1943

SAT. 27

27

Had a good sleep Went to the 2.00 this morning. Went down to look around the Wharfs Went to the pictures and then to a Gun Fair. Lasted till 12.30. Then

SUN. New Moon ● 3.23 a.m.

28

Went out to Mr. Edin's. Beautiful view of Loch Lomond. Went across in the bus this afternoon at Mayford Bay. Caught the 6.40 Express to Mammoth and in camp. 10.15

NOVEMBER 1943

MON. 29

Westland Prov. Anniv.

Still on Llanthyller. Fine weather. Very hot day.

TUES. 30

St. Andrew's Day 30

Paid today 2 pence 1/6 and back 19/- My pay from museum is £7 1/- for night

DECEMBER 1943

WED.

1 Westland Prov. Anniv.

Finished Pine Books
Started on Hudson 49
in Miss Plumes

THURS.

2

Raining most of the
day.

DECEMBER 1943

FRI.

3

Went into Hamilton and
went to the pictures
with Bill and Mae Bought
some Christmas Cards

First Qr.) 11.03 p.m. SAT.

4

Stayed in camp in the
afternoon. Went into town
at night with Bill and
went to the picture

DECEMBER 1943

SUN.

5

Worked on Anniv.

Stayed in camp today
Went down the river
(Wapiti) for a swim and
Sun Bath. Went home
to Mum.

MON.

6

First Gr. 11:45 P.M.

Still working on Hudson
4-9. Adjusting flaps all
day. Got a new book from
YPCA library. Many old books.
Received letter from Mum.

DECEMBER 1943

TUES.

7

Received letter from
Thoma. Went for a walk
with Bill and Laverda. Walked
about 5 miles tonight. Went
to Thoma.

WED.

8

Still working on Hudson
4-9.

DECEMBER 1943

THURS.

9

Bill and I went for
a walk tonight. They are
holding a dance and a dance
line tonight but I am not going.
My name was taken for duty
I left during Christmas

FRI.

10

Very hot day. Bought
a ticket 2¢ for
picnic & be held
on Sunday next at
Matamoros

208

DECEMBER 1943

SAT.

11

Stayed in camp
in the afternoon
Don home was here
Went for a walk the river
the river tonight

Full Moon ☺ 4.24 a.m. SUN.

12

Left for Matamoros by train
truck 9 a.m. Matamoros or
Spal hot Spring Water Camp
is very nice. The bath are hot
Medaval water very strong &
swim in. and bath in camp
write to Anna.

209

845

DECEMBER 1943

MON.

13

Very hot to day.
Went to the pictures
at YMCA. Done most
my washing tonight. ^{Just}
A good week home here.

TUES.

14 King George VI born

There was a concert at
the YMCA tonight "Through
Moody." It was very
good and very pleasant
in fact. Received letter from
Mona and Mum. ²¹⁰ Replied

DECEMBER 1943

WED.

15

Received a 1944 Pair from
Mona and also a box
of lobbies mixed by
Mona

THURS.

Canterbury Prov. Anniv. 16

Going off job about the
4.9. It finished for all
Pictures on in the WMA
tonight

DECEMBER 1943

FRI.

17

Started on 50/2 mudstone
Lamin the rock pit this time
by self. It will be a rather job
as there are so many different
people working there at one time

SAT.

18

Went into town to the picture
shop which we saw "Holloway"
Could see all the
floor boards and Paul to
see Mac and went into
town and went to the picture
Weather wet.

DECEMBER 1943

SUN.

19

Did not wake up until 10.15pm
Wrote letter to Fred Kennedy.
Wrote to Mum. Wrote Day

Last Qr. (8.03 a.m. MON.

20

But Hudson has been
down at the Kerriick Blower
all day the Kerriick is completely
Let water run to seaward
is used like a hose.

DECEMBER 1943

TUES.

21

Received cake and
book from Mum and Dad.
Also letters from Fred Morris
written to Oct 14th and Sept 28th.
Wrote home to Mum Dad.

WED.

22

Every one has a very
long feeling Christmas
feeling I suppose.
About half the class are
away on leave.

214

DECEMBER 1943

THURS.

23

We are not working
on Saturday or Sun.
25th & 26th.

FRI.

24

To day we knocked up
at 3pm. went to the bus in to
town 5.15pm Christmas Eve
very quiet. Went to the pictures
Surprised how the Morris are
about in the gutters and buildings
on groups

DECEMBER 1943

SAT.

25 Christmas Day

Did not get up until 7 am
Put my blanket out in the sun
We had Christmas dinner in the Mess
Officers acted as waiters Very good
A few had been on duty during the
night

SUN.

26 Boxing Day

Cleaned and pressed my
battle dress. Some of the new
Eggs and all have buttons
Making perfect Professor
Mum. Wrote some
Loyalty in the sun this afternoon
216
had a red and a blue book

DECEMBER 1943

New Moon ● 3.50 p.m. MON.

Bank Holiday 27

Still working on the door
in back pit. Did my
little work today. Helped
of by Electricians and
Mechanics

TUES.

28

We are hoping that our
PA leave has gone through
as we have had no word
yet to our hope. The news yesterday
Received letter from Mum
217
have sold house and
having a job. I have a house

DECEMBER 1943

WED. 3:30 p.m. New Moon

29

Received welcome from today
 Very. Private here guests. Very
 enjoyed. I have 20. And bring
 YMCA Auckland to arrange for bed
 again.

THURS.

30

Bed now again. Will not be
 able to travel on Euphrates
 tonight but by ~~Harford~~
 Euphrates in morning. Write
 home to Mum. Bill & Janet
 arrived back from P. Allen. Today
 A.W.L. Warburg. 4 Nov. 90.

DECEMBER 1943

FRI.

31

Left camp about 7:30 am.
 Received a ride bus into Hamilton
 bought Shaw train & doublet. Arr.
 Wed. 12:15 pm. Booked in J.M.A.
 Had a look around the
 shops. Went to the picture
 The streets are pretty
 narrow and are crowded
 Sell the new Year in in front
 of the Auckland Post Office
 great Exhibition area before
 Town Clock & truck 12 pm

Personal Memos

Mum's Birthday - March
Vernon. April

Dads = 15th Oct

Walked the street
until 1.15 am and then
went to the YMCA
and turned in feeling
very tired. We went to
the Farmer Trading Company
They have a few hens from the Main
St. & they shop. It is the biggest
shop I have ever seen. Well wood

going to see.

1507 7 miss

Personal Memos

Memo. Birthday. March
1891. 1891. 1891.

Dads - 15th Oct

Walked the streets
until 1:15 pm and then
went to the YMCA
and stayed in bed
very tired. Had lunch at
the Swiss Trading Company
by the lake. Left from the
St. James Hotel. It is the
only place where I can

Leave Rm

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Harwood

