

Pilot Officer Noel Robert Shakespeare Humphreys (NZ 414630), of Wellington.
 Pilot Officer Alan Edward Coates (NZ 40643), of Auckland.
 NZ 414629 Sergeant Cyril Patrick Francis Hughes, of Greytown.
 Squadron Leader Freeman Jesse Steel, D.F.C. (NZ 391370), of Napier.
 Acting Squadron Leader Philip John Lamason, D.F.C. (NZ 403460), of Napier.
 Acting Squadron Leader Stephen Delancy Watts (NZ 404008), of Morrinsville.
 Flight Lieutenant David John Verdun Henry, D.F.C. (N.Z. 40229), of Invercargill.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Ivan Oswald Breckon (NZ 40963), of Auckland.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Roy Bramwell Spear (NZ 405332), of Christchurch.
 Flying Officer Donald Arthur Adams (NZ 41859), of Hamilton.
 Pilot Officer Francis Charles Fox (NZ 40762), of Napier.
 Pilot Officer Malcolm Robert Head (NZ 413414), of Invercargill.
 NZ 402240 Sergeant Eric William Barr, of Christchurch.
 NZ 416084 Sergeant Richmond Brough, of Morrinsville.
 NZ 402061 Sergeant John Lloyd Joyce, of Wellington.
 NZ 41597 Sergeant John Anderson MacPherson, of North Auckland.
 NZ 413562 Leading Aircraftman Clarence Mervyn Glading, of Wellington.
 NZ 34151 Sergeant Thomas Richard Read, of Auckland.
 Flight Lieutenant Philip Henry Creswell (NZ 40618), of Wellington.
 Flight Lieutenant George Ronald Simich, D.F.C. (NZ 391369), of Auckland.
 NZ 401787 Sergeant James Bayntun Starkey, of Opotiki.
 NZ 40744 Sergeant Robert Alfred Turton, of Kakahi.
 NZ 405284 Warrant Officer Ralph Joffre Kennedy, of Linwood.
 Acting Squadron Leader James Phillip Farrow (NZ 402136), of Gisborne.
 Acting Squadron Leader David Stewart Gibb, D.F.C. (NZ 401266), of Motunau.
 Acting Squadron Leader Walter Jack Runciman, D.F.M. (NZ 403991), of Auckland.
 Flight Lieutenant John Pierson Ford (NZ 412673), of Christchurch.
 Flight Lieutenant David Gale (NZ 412676), of Auckland.
 Flight Lieutenant Godfrey Simon Harcourt (NZ 412684), of Wellington.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Charles Anthony Armstrong, D.F.M. (NZ 401368), of Auckland.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Frank Colwyn Jones, D.F.C. (NZ 403606), of Auckland.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Ian George Medwin (NZ 41488), of Hamilton.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Lindsay Will Munro (NZ 40776), of Kaeo.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Stanley Charles Shea (NZ 413571), of Nelson.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Ira Allison Sutherland (NZ 402909), of Auckland.
 Flying Officer Richard Bruce Berney, D.F.M. (NZ 40750), of Eketahuna.
 Flying Officer John Roulstone Cooke (NZ 404897), of Auckland.
 Flying Officer Ralph Carson Dunn (NZ 404997), of Kaiapoi.
 Flying Officer Francis Charles Fox (NZ 40762), of Napier.
 Flying Officer Charles Melvin Gibbs (NZ 412678), of Taumarunui.
 Flying Officer Peter Mercer (NZ 41395), of Hawke's Bay.
 Flying Officer John Baird Smith, D.F.C. (NZ 414691), of Wellington.
 Pilot Officer Wilfred Eric Elder, D.F.C., D.F.M. (NZ 416101), of Gore.
 Pilot Officer Daniel Clements Colemore-Williams (NZ 40816), of Auckland.
 NZ 401221 Flight Sergeant Allan Robert James Box, D.F.M., of Auckland.
 NZ 439022 Flight Sergeant Peter Gerald Dobson, of Blenheim.
 NZ 412738 Flight Sergeant Robert Cecil Rainey, of Auckland.
 NZ 391896 Sergeant Norman Victor Anthony Hadrup, of Auckland.
 NZ 405032 Sergeant James Lloyd McGahan, of Wanganui.
 NZ 404169 Sergeant Albert Reginald Read, of Kaikoura.
 NZ 405426 Corporal Arthur Jenkinson, of Runanga.
 NZ 405028 Corporal Mervyn Andrew Jillings, of Hastings.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to give orders for the publication in the *London Gazette* of the names of those specially shown below as having received an expression of Commendation for their brave conduct:—

NZ 403525 Warrant Officer Thomas Harold Hatchard, of Wellington.
 Flying Officer John Gordon Thompson (NZ 413510), of Manukau.
 Pilot Officer Sexton Ivan Baird (NZ 39897), of Wellington.
 Pilot Officer Joseph Rowland Stanley (NZ 40840), of Hamilton.
 F. JONES, Minister of Defence.

Appointments of the Distinguished Service Order and Honours and Awards approved by His Majesty the King

Wellington, 22nd May, 1944.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve of the following amendment to the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 22, dated 16th March, 1944:—

Mentioned in Despatches

Delete—

Temporary Lieutenant Ralph Burton Goodwin, Royal New Zealand Naval Volunteer Reserve.

F. JONES, Minister of Defence.

The Servicemen's Settlement and Land Sales Act, 1943.—Notice declaring Land taken for the Settlement of Discharged Servicemen

WHEREAS an application has been made for the consent of the Land Sales Court to a transaction which relates to the land described in the Schedule hereto and to which Part III of the Servicemen's Settlement and Land Sales Act, 1943, applies:

And whereas the Land Sales Committee to which the application has been referred is of opinion that the land to which the application relates is farm land suitable or adaptable for the settlement of a discharged serviceman or two discharged servicemen:

And whereas the said Committee, not being satisfied that the Crown had decided not to acquire or arrange for the acquisition of the land, did on the 11th day of May, 1944, make an order determining the basic value of the land and no appeal from the said order was made within the time prescribed by the said Act or within any further time allowed by the Court:

And whereas the said land is not the land of any serviceman who is for the time being serving outside New Zealand in any of His Majesty's Forces or in any British ship:

Now, therefore, I, Clarence Farringdon Skinner, Minister of Lands, acting in pursuance of section 51 of the said Act, do hereby declare that the said land is taken for the settlement of discharged servicemen, and I hereby specify the 14th day of June, 1944, as the date on which the said land shall be deemed to be vested in His Majesty the King.

SCHEDULE

ALL those parcels of land containing together two hundred and fifty (250) acres thirty and five-tenths (30.5) perches, more or less, being Lots 226, 229, and part of Lots 225 and 228, Deposited Plan 107, being portions of Sections 23 to 28, Block I, Maitaura Hundred, and being the whole of the land comprised and described in certificate of title, Vol. 59, folio 176 (Southland Registry).

As witness my hand, this 30th day of May, 1944.

C. F. SKINNER, Minister of Lands.

(L. and S. 36/1444/16.)

The Servicemen's Settlement and Land Sales Act, 1943.—Notice declaring Land taken for the Settlement of a Discharged Serviceman

WHEREAS an application has been made for the consent of the Land Sales Court to a transaction which relates to the land described in the Schedule hereto and to which Part III of the Servicemen's Settlement and Land Sales Act, 1943, applies:

And whereas the Land Sales Committee to which the application has been referred is of opinion that the land to which the application relates is farm land suitable or adaptable for the settlement of a discharged serviceman:

And whereas the said Committee, not being satisfied that the Crown had decided not to acquire or arrange for the acquisition of the land, did on the 17th day of February, 1944, make an order determining the basic value of the land:

And whereas an appeal from the said Order was made within the time prescribed by the said Act:

And whereas the Land Sales Court did on the 22nd day of May, 1944, make an order determining the basic value of the land:

And whereas the said land is not the land of any serviceman who is for the time being serving outside New Zealand in any of His Majesty's Forces or in any British ship:

Now, therefore, I, Clarence Farringdon Skinner, Minister of Lands, acting in pursuance of section 51 of the said Act, do hereby declare that the said land is taken for the settlement of a discharged serviceman, and I hereby specify the 15th day of June, 1944, as the date on which the said land shall be deemed to be vested in His Majesty the King.

SCHEDULE

ALL that parcel of land containing sixty-nine (69) acres two (2) roods and thirty-three and four-tenths (33.4) perches, more or less, being the residue of Lot 4 on Deposited Plan No. 14180, being portion of the block situated in Blocks II and III, Waihou Survey District, called Horahia Opou No. 1, and being the balance of the land contained and comprised in certificate of title, Vol. 328, folio 181 (Auckland Registry).

As witness my hand, this 30th day of May, 1944.

C. F. SKINNER, Minister of Lands.

(L. and S. 36/1444/5.)

Fellows of the Royal Society of New Zealand elected

Department of Scientific and Industrial Research,
 Wellington, 26th May, 1944.

IT is hereby notified that at the annual meeting of the Council of the Royal Society of New Zealand, held on the 17th May, 1944—

Lucy May Smith and
 Frederick Thomas Seelye

were duly elected Fellows of the Royal Society of New Zealand.

F. J. A. BROGAN, Assistant Secretary.