

Six days of strong westerlies followed. During the 9th and 10th a depression crossed the North Island and moved to the east of the South Island; and a cold front moved over the country behind the depression. Rain was fairly general. The westerly to south-westerly airstream behind the front continued for two more days, with rain on the West Coast, in the Alps, and in parts of Southland, and showers in western districts of the North Island. Somewhat similar conditions still persisted during the 13th and 14th as a depression passed close to Campbell Island and the associated cold front moved on to the South Island. The rain on the West Coast and in the Alps became much heavier.

The cold front was stationary over the northern half of the South Island on the 15th and 16th, owing to the formation of a wave depression on it over the Tasman Sea. Heavy rain persisted over Westland while many parts of inland Canterbury and North Otago were blanketed with heavy snow. Coastal Canterbury also received considerable rain, and lighter falls were reported over the remainder of the South Island and northern districts of the North Island. During the 17th and 18th the cold front crossed most of the North Island and the depression developed a second centre to the east of Cook Strait. Rain became general, with heavy falls in some western and northern districts of the North Island; while some lighter falls of snow were still being reported in Canterbury. By now the front was losing intensity. It became stationary again over Northland from the 19th to the 21st, with some further rain over most of the North Island, while the weather cleared in the south.

From the 22nd to the 24th pressures were high to the north and very low to the far south; and westerly conditions again prevailed, with three troughs crossing the country in succession. Rain covered the South Island except for the Canterbury Plains and coast, and it extended also to the North Island except for most eastern districts. Further very heavy falls were reported in the Alps. A weak ridge of high pressure brought a clearance in some areas on the 25th, but the rain persisted on the West Coast, and it was also reported in Bay of Plenty.

On the 26th a deep depression was centred over the South Tasman Sea, and on the following day it moved just to the south of Southland. Once again very heavy rain was reported in the Alps, with fairly heavy falls also on the West Coast and in parts of Nelson and the Marlborough Sounds. Some rain extended to remaining areas of the South Island, apart from the Canterbury Coast and most of Otago and Southland. Somewhat similar conditions persisted during the 28th with the formation of a small depression off the Westland coast, but the rain in the Alps was lighter. During the last two days of the month a trough associated with this depression crossed the North Island. The rain cleared over the southern half of the South Island and also over North Canterbury and most of Marlborough; and it now affected also districts north of a line from Wanganui to Wairoa, with some very heavy falls in Bay of Plenty.

J. F. GABITES, Director.

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Reserve Bank of New Zealand, Wellington

PURSUANT to section 33 of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act 1964, the Reserve Bank, acting with the approval of the Minister of Finance, hereby gives notice that as at the close of business on 20th December 1967, and until further notice, balances to be maintained in the Reserve Bank by each trading bank shall be equal to an amount which, when added to that bank's holdings of Reserve Bank notes as disclosed in that bank's latest available weekly return of Banking Statistics under the Statistics Act 1955, will be not less than the aggregate of: 18 percent of that bank's demand deposits in New Zealand, plus 3 percent of that bank's time deposits in New Zealand, as shown in the last preceding monthly return furnished by that bank, in accordance with section 31 of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act 1964.

A. R. LOW, Governor.

18th December 1967.

Reserve Bank of New Zealand

PURSUANT to section 33 of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act 1964, the Reserve Bank, acting with the approval of the Minister of Finance, hereby gives notice that, as at the close of business on 5 January 1968, and until further notice, balances to be maintained in the Reserve Bank by each trading bank shall be equal to an amount which, when added to that bank's holdings of Reserve Bank notes as disclosed in that bank's latest available weekly return of Banking Statistics under the Statistics Act 1955, will be not less than the aggregate of: 21 percent of that bank's demand deposits in New Zealand, plus 3 percent of that bank's time deposits in New Zealand as shown in the last preceding monthly return furnished by that bank in accordance with section 31 of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act 1964.

A. R. LOW, Governor.

Wellington 3 January 1968.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICES

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

JOHN OLIVER NORTHCOTT, of 17 Manuroa Road, Takanini, farm hand, was adjudged bankrupt on 21 December 1967. Creditors' meeting will be held at my office, on Thursday, 4 January 1968, at 10.30 a.m.

E. C. CARPENTER, Official Assignee.

Fourth Floor, Dilworth Building, Customs Street East, Auckland 1.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

KELVIN JOHN ROBINSON, of 40 Trinidad Road, Takapuna North, driver, was adjudged bankrupt on 21 December 1967. Creditors' meeting will be held at my office, on Wednesday, 3 January 1968, at 10.30 a.m.

E. C. CARPENTER, Official Assignee.

Fourth Floor, Dilworth Building, Customs Street East, Auckland 1.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

ANTHONY RICHARD GRAINGER, of 38 Oxtown Road, Sandringham, produce assistant, was adjudged bankrupt on 20 December 1967. Creditors' meeting will be held at my office, on Tuesday, 2 January 1968, at 2.15 p.m.

E. C. CARPENTER, Official Assignee.

Fourth Floor, Dilworth Building, Customs Street East, Auckland 1.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

BARRY BILTON, of 203 Karangahape Road, Auckland, dental surgeon, was adjudged bankrupt on 19 December 1967. Creditors' meeting will be held at my office, on Tuesday, 2 January 1968, at 10.30 a.m.

E. C. CARPENTER, Official Assignee.

Fourth Floor, Dilworth Building, Customs Street East, Auckland 1.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

DANIEL JAMES WILKIE, of 7 Stewart Place, Otara, labourer, was adjudged bankrupt on 21 December 1967. Creditors' meeting will be held at my office, on Wednesday, 3 January 1968, at 2.15 p.m.

E. C. CARPENTER, Official Assignee.

Fourth Floor, Dilworth Building, Customs Street East, Auckland 1.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

MARGARET MEIER POPPE, of Harwood's Road, Tirau, married woman, was adjudged bankrupt on 15 December 1967. Creditors' meeting will be held at the Courthouse, Hamilton, on 28 December 1967, at 11 a.m. This meeting will be adjourned to 17 January 1968, at 11 a.m.

D. R. BROWN, Official Assignee.

Hamilton, 18 December 1967.