

Sunshine—Sunshine was mainly above or close to normal but it showed wide variations. Eastern districts of the North Island were favoured with 40–55 hours above normal, Napier's total of 198 hours being a record high value for May in 38 years of observation. On the other hand, parts of Southland received nearly 40 hours below normal, and the West Coast was down by 25 hours.

Weather Sequence—At the beginning of May an anticyclone was centred over the Western Tasman Sea with a ridge extending on to New Zealand. On the first two days some rain was recorded in northern Hawke's Bay, Gisborne, and Northland. During the 3rd and 4th a deep depression passed to the south and the associated trough of low pressure brought a south-westerly change with fairly general rain, mainly light.

From the 5th to the 10th the anticyclone moved slowly eastward over the Tasman Sea. South-westerlies prevailed with mainly settled weather. However, light showers were recorded in some coastal districts at times. During the next two days a complex trough of low pressure was approaching New Zealand and the weather deteriorated from the south-west, with rain extending over the greater part of the South Island.

The period from the 13th to the 18th was particularly unsettled, with the heaviest rains of the month falling during the first four days. Rain became fairly general on the 13th as the trough of low pressure crossed the South Island, with some considerable falls. Snow was reported in the high country. During the 14th and 15th an anticyclone developed just east of the South Island, while a depression formed on the trough and moved slowly southward, west of Northland. Heavy rain persisted, spreading further northward, and many gales were reported. By the following day the depression was centred west of Cook Strait and the weather was

clearing in some areas, especially Gisborne and Hawke's Bay. During the 17th and 18th the depression moved southward while a second small centre developed over Northland. Rain was still fairly general but mainly light.

The period from the 19th to the 25th was one with a predominance of south-westerlies. Three successive troughs of low pressure crossed the country, while the main centre of high pressure was almost stationary near Melbourne. This was a period of unsettled weather in Southland with frequent rain also on the West Coast, becoming heavy on the 23rd. Most other parts of the South Island and parts of the North Island also received some rain during this period, mainly light.

Yet another trough of low pressure moved on to the South Island on the 26th with considerable rain in Fiordland and South Westland, and lighter falls in Southland and North Westland. On the following day the rain became heavier and spread over the South Island and parts of the North Island with the formation of a depression west of Northland. During the 28th and 29th this depression moved eastward. Rain was reported in Northland, Auckland and Waikato, besides a number of eastern districts and Southland. The main centre of high pressure was still centred near Victoria, and the last two days of the month were marked by a return to south-westerlies with yet another trough of low pressure crossing the country. A depression formed on this trough as it moved north-eastward. Rain was fairly general but mainly light, and snow was reported to low levels in Southland and around Dunedin, and also on the high country of both Islands.

J. F. GABITES, Director.

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BANKRUPTCY NOTICES

In Bankruptcy—Notice of Adjudication

NOTICE is hereby given that DOUGLAS CARLYSLE SHILTON, salesman, of 1458 Dominion Road, Auckland, was on 20 June 1972 adjudged bankrupt. Notice of the first meeting of creditors will be given later.

Dated at Auckland this 20th day of June 1972.

P. R. LOMAS, Official Assignee.

Second Floor, Government Building, corner Shortland Street and Jean Batten Place, Auckland 1.

In Bankruptcy—Notice of First Meeting

IN the matter of LEWIS KISS, panelbeater, of 31 Blockhouse Bay Road, Avondale, a bankrupt. I hereby summon a meeting of creditors to be held at my office, on the 27th day of June 1972, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon.

All proofs of debt must be filed with me as soon as possible after the date of adjudication and preferably before the first meeting of creditors.

Dated at Auckland this 20th day of June 1972.

P. R. LOMAS, Official Assignee.

Second Floor, Government Building, corner Shortland Street and Jean Batten Place, Auckland 1.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

MONTY HAROLD KIRI, of 35 Francis Street, Ngongotaha, painter, was adjudged bankrupt on 22 June 1972.

T. W. PAIN, Official Assignee.

Hamilton.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

NEIL MUSGRAVE, of Post Office, Ohope, labourer, was adjudged bankrupt on 22 June 1972.

T. W. PAIN, Official Assignee.

Hamilton.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

CLIVE ANDREW MIDDLETON, of R.D. 1, Turangi, shepherd, was adjudged bankrupt on 22 June 1972.

T. W. PAIN, Official Assignee.

Hamilton.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

PATRICIA JILL SPEAK, of Mace Road, Te Aroha, married woman, was adjudged bankrupt on 26 June 1972.

T. W. PAIN, Official Assignee.

Hamilton.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

JOHN EDWARD MARTIN, of Turakina, grocer, was adjudged bankrupt on the 16th day of June 1972. Notice of the first meeting of creditors will be given later.

J. G. RUSSELL, Official Assignee.

Wanganui.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

NOELINE LORETTA BREWER, of 1 Hinau Street, Wanganui, restaurant proprietor, was adjudged bankrupt on the 21st day of June 1972. Date of first meeting of creditors will be advertised later.

Dated at Wanganui this 23rd day of June 1972.

J. G. RUSSELL, Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy—Notice of Adjudication and of First Meeting

IN the matter of ALLAN PATRICK THOMAS, plumber and drain-layer, a bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that Allan Patrick Thomas, of Rangiora Road, Reikorangi, was on 21 June 1972 adjudged bankrupt, and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors to be held at 57 Ballance Street, Wellington, on the 4th day of July 1972, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

All proofs of debt must be filed with me as soon as possible after the date of adjudication and preferably before the first meeting of creditors.

Dated this 22nd day of June 1972.

E. A. GOULD, Official Assignee.

P.O. Box 5090, Wellington.

In Bankruptcy—Supreme Court

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends as under are now payable at my office on all accepted proved claims.

Asher, Tahu Matua Atirau, workman, 11 Hillary Street, Tawa, second and final dividend of 8.484c in the dollar making a total of 58.494c in the dollar.

Beals, Corron John, hairdresser, 135 Liverpool Street, Levin, first dividend of 21.158c in the dollar.