Sunshine—Sunshine was below normal over most of the country, some areas in Hawke's Bay, Waikato, and the West Coast, by as much as 40 hours. Stations at Greymouth and Westport recorded their lowest June sunshine total since the stations began. The only areas with above normal sunshine hours were parts of Northland, Otago, and Southland.

Weather Sequence—At the beginning of June the weak ridge of high pressure that had moved onto New Zealand at the end of May persisted. A depression that had been centred near Tasmania had become complex and had moved towards the country. A cold front associated with this depression moved onto the South Island on the 1st, and on the 2nd had moved eastwards, bringing rain to most areas except east of the ranges in the South Island. The main centre of the depression moved south-east to the south of New Zealand. A small-wave depression formed on a front in the Tasman Sea on the 3rd and this moved across central New Zealand early on the 4th bringing a severe thunderstorm and heavy rain to the Wellington region. Pressures were high over southern Australia, and a ridge of high pressure extended onto the South Island. Early on the 5th a cold southerly airflow covered the country and temperatures were cold in most areas.

On the 6th the anticyclone had started to move slowly east towards New Zealand, pressures being low to the east of the country. During the 7th and 8th this anticyclone had moved south-east to pass to the south of the country. A cold front associated with a depression to the east of the North Island passed over central New Zealand and the North Island on the 8th. A depression near Tasmania had begun to move eastwards early on the 9th, and the ridge of high pressure over the country had weakened. By the 10th the situation in the Tasman Sea had become complex, one depression in the north deepening, and another in the south moving southeast towards Campbell Island.

By the 11th the ridge of high pressure had moved eastwards away from the country and the depression in the north Tasman had moved slowly south-east towards the North Island. A cold front associated with this depression moved onto the North Island on the 12th and heavy rain was recorded in Northland. On the 13th the depression moved slowly over the country and rain was reported over the whole of the North Island, heavy in Poverty Bay and Hawke's Bay. An anticyclone over Australia had extended a ridge of high pressure eastwards into the Tasman Sea and by the 14th this had moved onto New Zealand. Pressures were low to the south of the country and south of Australia.

A cold front had moved north across the South Island on the 15th, and heavy rain was recorded on the West Coast, Southland, and Otago. An anticyclone was situated over the whole of the North Island. A depression near Tasmania had begun to move south-east and the anticyclone to the north of New Zealand had begun to move away by the 16th. The depression crossed central New Zealand on the 17th and rain was reported over most of the country, heavy falls especially in Fiordland and Buller. Pressures were high to the north and south of the country. By the 18th a depression had formed in the north Tasman Sea, and another to the west of the South Island, with a ridge of high pressure extending onto the South Island from an anticyclone near Campbell Island. Heavy rain fell in Auckland and Waikato on the 18th, as a cold front associated with the depression just to the west of the country crossed over the North Island. Temperatures were cold over most of the country. On the 19th the depression passed over the country, and the depression in the north Tasman Sea moved slowly north-east.

Early on the 20th a warm front associated with this depression moved south-east across the North Island with the low pressure centre also moving south-east. As the whole system moved across the North Island on the 20th and 21st very heavy rain was recorded in Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Poverty Bay, Hawke's Bay, exceptionally heavy around Gisborne where major flooding occurred. As the depression moved eastwards away from the country it was replaced by a ridge of high pressure on the 22nd.

A cold front associated with a depression to the south of the country moved onto the South Island on the 23rd and weakened as it moved northwards. By the 25th an anticyclone had become established over the whole country which persisted until early on the 26th. A wave depression which had formed on a front in the Tasman Sea moved slowly south-east and deepened, and crossed the country on the 26th, 27th, and 28th. Gales and heavy rain in both the North and South Islands were reported during this period.

As the depression moved away a strong westerly airstream covered the country until the end of the month. Small disturbances in this flow brought a few showers to isolated areas and warm temperatures over most of New Zealand. A depression near Tasmania was moving slowly east towards the country on the 30th.

J. S. HICKMAN, Director.

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BANKRUPTCY NOTICES

In Bankruptcy-Supreme Court

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends are payable at my office on all proved claims in the under-mentioned estate:

Gower, Allan James, of 237 Regent Street, Invercargill, salesman, First dividend of 0.20c in the dollar.

W. E. OSMAND, Official Assignee.

Supreme Court, Invercargill.

In Bankruptcy-Supreme Court

NOTICE is hereby given that dividends are payable at my office on all proved claims in the under-mentioned estates:

Freeman, George Bernard, of 21 Edinburgh Crescent, Invercargill, grocer, second and final dividend of 0.001977c in the dollar, making a total of 0.034977c in the dollar.

Clark, Alan Harold, of Charlton Road, Gore, labourer, first and final dividend of 0.0267c in the dollar.

Pope, William Robert, of 20 Aitken Street, Ashburton, labourer, first and final dividend of 0.006c in the dollar. Gutsell, William Arthur, of 30 Irwell Street, Gore, farm-hand, first and final dividend of 0.045c in the dollar. Cull, Brian Alfred, of 100 O'Hara Street, Invercargill, labourer, first dividend of 0.098c in the dollar.

W. E. OSMAND, Official Assignee.

Supreme Court, Invercargill.

In Bankruptcy

ALBERT RICHARD READ, of Spencer Road, Tarawera, farmer, was adjudged bankrupt on Monday, 25 July 1977.

Date of first meeting of creditors will be advertised later.

A. DIBLEY, Official Assignee.

First Floor, Charles Heaphy Building, Anglesea Street, Hamilton.

In Bankruptcy

TERENCE BOURK, of 33 Rata Street, Edgecumbe, workman, was adjudged bankrupt, on Monday, 25 July 1977.

Date of first meeting of creditors will be advertised later. A. DIBLEY, Official Assignee.

First Floor, Charles Heaphy Building, Anglesea Street, Hamilton.

In Bankruptcy-Supreme Court Notice of Order Annulling an Adjudication-Section 119, Insolvency Act 1967

TAKE notice that the order of adjudication, dated 14 July 1977, against MURRAY W. RAYNELL, of Higginson Road, Whatawhata, agricultural contractor, was annulled by Order of the Supreme Court at Hamilton, dated 15 July 1977.

Dated at Hamilton this 27th day of July 1977

A. DIBLEY, Official Assignee.

First Floor, Charles Heaphy Building, Anglesea Street, Hamilton.

In Bankruptcy

In the matter of ALBERT RICHARD READ, a bankrupt. Creditors meeting will be held at Rotorua Courthouse, on Tuesday, 16 August 1977, at 10.30 a.m.

A. DIBLEY, Official Assignee.

First Floor, Charles Heaphy Building, Anglesea Street, Hamilton.