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MOUNT IONIA CLIMBED

AIR TRANSPORT FOR MOUNTAINEERS

SUCCESS OF CANON NEWTON'S PARTY

Highly pleased with the success of the arrangements made for the transport of the party, equipment, and stores by aeroplane, Canon H. E. Newton, one of New Zealand's most active climbers before the war, but now resident in England, returned to Christchurch during the week-end from a successful trip to the headwaters of the Arawata river, South Westland. With Misses M. I. Roberts and M. B. Scott, of Dunedin, Mr Alec Graham, and Guide Jack Cox, Canon Newton made the first recorded ascent of Mount Ionia.

Canon Newton has been delighted to get back into his old haunts, grounds in the New Zealand mountains, but he told a reporter of "The Press" last evening that one of the things that have given him most pleasure was to find how interest in mountaineering has increased among New Zealanders in the last few years. He is generous in his praise of the thorough exploration work that has been carried out by parties from the New Zealand mountaineering clubs in a comparatively short space of time.

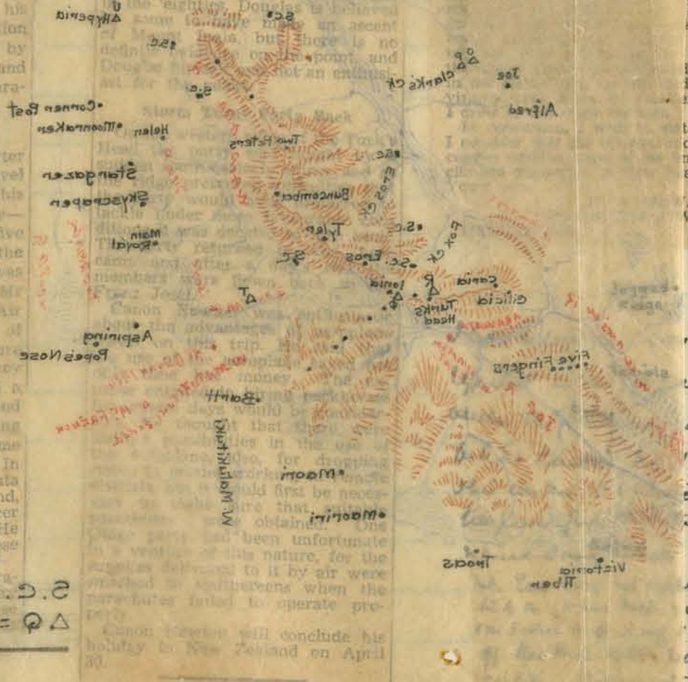
Natural Landing Ground

[illegible] the reporter [illegible] of Air Travel [illegible] had transported his party into the Arawata in a day—[illegible] that would have taken five days. [illegible] Watho in the [illegible] party's gear was [illegible] to Okuru [illegible] boat and Mr [illegible] picked it up there. Air transport for mountaineers, of course, was limited by the nature of the country in which the [illegible] but it was a remarkable thing that clearings and [illegible] flats suitable for landing grounds were found in some of the most inaccessible country. In the neighbourhood of the Arawata there was a natural landing ground, and it was there that Mr Graham was now erecting a hut [illegible]

The party was flown into the Arawata [illegible] 23, an excellent [illegible] for [illegible]

spent in cutting a track through the bush to give access to the peak, which has a fine leading ridge of saw-tooth appearance. Again the party bivouacked at a high camp, and then an interesting [illegible]

[illegible] Canon Newton will conclude his holiday to New Zealand on April 30.



S.C. = Survey Camp
△ C = Observation Point

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Hypoxia 5570
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In this map from the Alpine Journal the "Devil" saddle the "Devil" Saddle is really on the S. ridge of Mt Lewis.

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