

twelve cases involving New Zealand soldiers the Germans or Italians responsible have been tried, found guilty, and punished, the sentences varying from the death penalty to various lengthy terms of imprisonment. A number of other cases are still under action.

NEW ZEALAND CADET CORPS

During the period under review there were more than 23,000 cadets undergoing Army or A.T.C. training in secondary schools. Such training is arranged by the schools themselves, Army participation being limited to the provision, as required, of small instructional staffs and of uniforms, arms, ammunition, and equipment. Annual courses for school officers, N.C.O.s, and prospective N.C.O.s were held throughout the country in January.

The "Governor-General's Trophy," which is awarded annually to the Cadet rifle-shooting team attaining the highest figure of merit in the Imperial Challenge Shield, was won this year by Southland Boys' High School with an average score of 96.68 per cent.

ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF AUSTRALIA

Eight New Zealand Cadets were selected for entry to the Royal Military College of Australia in 1947. There are at present 21 New Zealand Cadets at the college, and 1 officer of the New Zealand Regiment is serving on the staff.

ARMY SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Activities in the Army School of Instruction, Trentham, were limited to the conduct of basic training for Regular Force recruits, qualifying courses for prospective Regular officers, and specialist training of signallers and electrical and mechanical engineers for 2 N.Z.E.F. (Japan). A conversion course for ex-officers of the Royal Navy and R.N.Z.A.F. applying for commissions in 2 N.Z.E.F. (Japan) was also held.

ARTILLERY

During the year the balance of major items of equipment required for coast defences became available, and all installations and fortress communications are now nearing completion. Proof firing of 9.2 in. guns at Auckland and Wellington was carried out satisfactorily.

Thirty-two officers and other ranks of the Royal New Zealand Artillery are now engaged in a three months' course of instruction in anti-aircraft and coast artillery. The course includes field-firing with 40 mm. and 3.7 in. anti-aircraft guns.

SIGNALS

With the release of all Army signals personnel at 30th September, 1946, it was necessary to close down the Wellington terminal of the New Zealand-Melbourne Army wireless link. As a temporary measure, all Army signal traffic is being handled by the R.N.Z.A.F. overseas link at Ohakea.

ARMY EDUCATIONAL AND WELFARE SERVICE

Army educational services were maintained throughout the year among Army personnel in Japan and New Zealand.

N.Z.E.R.S., Japan, is a well-equipped education unit and provides a wide range of both formal and informal activities. At the end of March, 1947, the number of students on the formal education roll was 1,617, or more than one-third of the Force. Professors I. A. Gordon and I. G. Sutherland made a six weeks' lecture tour of the B.C.O.F. area under the auspices of A.E.W.S.