

Two Calcaterra Men To Marry N.Z. Girls

Two crew members of the U.S.S. Calcaterra will miss the next tour of picket duty, which begins on Wednesday. They have been given leave from the 19-day tour to marry New Zealand girls.

They are Radarman (D) Charles V. Schneider, who will marry Miss Jenifer (D) Thomas G. Chicago (Illinois), and Electrician's Mate (D) Thomas G. Binkley, of Nashville (Tennessee), who will marry Miss Jacqueline Hillind, of Timaru, on December 15.

Miss McMullan and Mr. Schneider will be married on December 27.

The Calcaterra returned yesterday from a 30-day tour of duty. The captain, Lieutenant-commander W. C. Earl, said the trip was quiet and the weather calm. The two high points of the trip were calling at Campbell Island and Lyttelton, where 70 tons of stores and 1,700lb of mail were taken on board.

A gridiron match, between the officers and crew, will be played at Moller Park at 4.30 p.m. tomorrow.

Uneventful Trip For Calcaterra

"A very quiet trip, and very pleasurable," the acting executive officer of the U.S.S. Calcaterra, Lieutenant B. P. Schultz, said today, describing the ship's 30-day picket duty in southern waters which ended when the Calcaterra tied up at the oil wharf.

Lieutenant Schultz said the tour had been without incident and the weather settled for nearly the entire trip.

Before returning to Dunedin the Calcaterra visited Lyttelton where 70 tons of stores and 7,000lb of mail were loaded.

Towards the end of the week the new executive officer, Lieutenant R. G. Mazeika, from the naval station at Port Washington, New York, will arrive to take up duties.

He replaces recently promoted Lieutenant (now Lieutenant-commander) G. W. Horsely who was injured while playing a gridiron match at Moller Park when the ship was last in port.

Lieutenant Mazeika has had previous duty in United States destroyers and eight years service in the navy.

On Thursday the officers will play the crew in a return gridiron match at Moller Park at 5 p.m.

The Calcaterra will sail for a further weather picket at 8 a.m. on December 15.

Calcaterra's Generator Is Replaced

The new generator for the U.S.S. Calcaterra was installed yesterday and the hole cut in the side of the ship to facilitate its installation was being resealed today.

No complications were experienced in fitting the new generator which was flown out from America for the ship.

The Calcaterra will probably move back to the oil jetty to top up on fuel before it begins its next tour of picket duty.

At present it is expected that it will get under way as planned on Friday.