



Gen. Puttick

**NEW ZEALAND** Boasts that every able man is engaged in some form of national service. What New Zealand has achieved in relation to her 1,640,000 population makes her war effort one of the proudest among all nations. Of 355,000 men of military age (16 to 60 years), 335,000 are performing military or civil defence service. Of these, 235,000 are in the armed Services. New Zealand's Army is composed of four forces: NZ Expeditionary Force, age 21 to 40; Territorials, 18 to 45; Home Guard, 16 to 60; National Military Reserve, men of the last war. Under conscription, introduced by a Labor Government and regarded by New Zealanders as the fairest basis of sacrifice, this system makes possible valuable conservation of her small manpower. Munition workers (more than 15,000 in munitions and military supply production) and exempted men (exemption is stiff) are simultaneously trained soldiers in the Territorials or Home Guard. In their first year, Territorials do three months in camp and two months spare-time training. Equality of sacrifice is a New Zealand principle. Dominion claims to have conscripted wealth as well as men. Nation levies compulsory war loans, bearing no interest for three years and 2½ per cent. thereafter. These splendid pictures show New Zealand's army training at battle stations. GOC NZ land forces is Lieut.-General Edward Puttick, 50, brought home after earning glory in the Greece and Crete campaigns, whom his men admire as "a fighting soldier."



ALLIED INFANTRY following up Australian-manned General Stuart tanks in the Buna attack. (Dept. of Information photo.)

Fig. #2