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KOREA (1950 –1953)

CONSCRIPTION

Weekly Review 448

National Film Unit 1950. Duration 2:34

THE CALL UP : The three year compulsory military training scheme begins with 14 weeks in camp. Here, trucks deliver recruits to Linton army camp. “A little army training never hurt anyone”. Peter Fraser's Labour government, notable for its high percentage of former pacifists and conscientious objectors, brought through a referendum on compulsory conscription in 1949.

NEW ZEALANDERS IN KOREA 1951

This is Korea (extracts)

National Film Unit 1951. Duration 3:26

New Zealanders on duty in Korea, with a cold war pocket history about simple peace-loving peasants and the rightness of the United Nations & Commonwealth initiative.

MALAYA (1948 –1960)

MALAYA 1956

Pictorial Parade 41 (extracts)

National Film Unit 1955. Duration 3:29

WAIOURU CAMP – SALUTE TO THE S.A.S. From the 616 men who volunteered for service with the S.A.S. colours, 175 men were selected. An intensive 4 months of training in jungle warfare will be required of the men before departing for Malaya.

WAIOURU TRAINING

Pictorial Parade 46 (extract)

National Film Unit 1956. Duration 3:38

WAIOURU CAMP – REGULAR FORCE TRAINING: The Regular Force trains to fulfill New Zealand's commitment to the United Nations. They practice manoeuvres and attend lectures on transport and weapons. “Even atomic warfare won't find the unit unprepared.”

MALAYA 1960

Pictorial Parade 101 (extract)

National Film Unit 1960. Duration 4:16

HIGH COMMISSIONER VISITS NEW ZEALAND REGIMENT: The 2nd Battalion of the NZ Regiment return from the jungle for a welcome break at base. The Commander must report to Intelligence for debriefing while the men hand in their weapons and receive their pay. They buy beer and fruit, have hair cuts and play rugby. The tracker unit is nearby and the dogs are exercised. The High Commissioner to Malaya, Mr CM Bennett visits the men on a mission up the river. With him are Col Brooker and Col Aiken. The regiment prepare a hangi for the Commissioner. 1300 New Zealanders served as part of a Commonwealth force including army, air force and navy. Fifteen New Zealanders lost their lives – only three died as a result of enemy action.

VIETNAM (1965 – 1972)

NEW ZEALANDERS IN VIETNAM 1965 - 1972

In The Shadow of Vietnam (extracts)

Top Shelf Productions 1995. Duration 2:14

New Zealand veterans of the conflict speak of their experiences against a backdrop of unofficial footage from the war. Between 1964 – 1972, 4,000 New Zealanders volunteered for service in Vietnam. Their average age was 21. Their tour lasted 12 months.

PROTEST 1969 - 1972

Rebels in Retrospect (extracts)

Vanguard Films 1991. Duration 1:59

Footage of Anti-Vietnam War protests and one of its popular leaders, Tim Shadbolt. The validity of this particular conflict came under question, especially by the young, and the scenes of students fighting with Returned Servicemen in Christchurch were the turning point in a nutshell. Veterans of the two world wars were understandably deeply offended by anti-Vietnam protesters laying wreaths (against the US & NZ war efforts) at ANZAC celebrations and the protesters had every right to question the wholesale slaughter of hundreds of thousands of Vietnamese civilians in a war many saw as illegal anyway.

POST VIETNAM

TIMOR

3 News: 07/09/00 (extract)

TV3 Network 2000. Duration 2:35

Reinforcing an idea of ourselves established during the war years. This footage shows New Zealand troops helping UN staff in West Timor. In the post ANZUS footing however the emphasis has changed, the peace-keeping ethos is becoming entrenched, at least in our own back yard, the Pacific.

AFGHANISTAN

S.A.S. 2002

One Network News: 11/09/02 (extract)

TVNZ 2002. Duration 2:01

NZ SAS troops in Afghanistan to return home. Pressure on government to divulge the troops' activities.

REGULARS 2003

3 News: 25/08/03 (extract)

TV3 Network 2003. Duration 2:12

Nearly 100 NZ troops left for Afghanistan today to join an international force helping to rebuild the country.

Ngati Uriao (Soldier); Neville Reilly (Commander); Helen Clark; Kim Whipp (Matthew's Mother).

IRAQ

POLITICS 2005

3 News: 19/07/05 (extract)

TV3 Network 2005. Duration 2:59

The Prime Minister gets personal, claiming Don Brash would 'sell New Zealand's interests down the river'. With newspaper ads quoting Don Brash as saying he would have sent New Zealand troops into the war in Iraq. Brash refused to answer questions about whether the statement was true. New Zealand's

position aligns with many other nations outside the “Coalition of the Willing” but has to weighed up against our military involvement in Afghanistan.

SOLOMON ISLANDS

PEACEKEEPING 2006

3 News: 23/04/06 (extract)

TV3 Network 2006. Duration 0:57

A Solomon Islands MP has been arrested for violating curfew while investigations take place into allegations that recent riots were organised by Opposition MPs. Plus 53 more New Zealand troops are leaving for the Solomons.

S.A.S. 2002

One Network News: 27/04/06 (extract)

TVNZ 2006. Duration 2:06

Four days later and some interesting points of difference about the reaction to Kiwi soldiers from the locals.

MEMORY

ANZAC DAY 2001

3 News: 25/04/01 (extract)

TV3 Network 2006. Duration 11:52

Anzac Day in New Zealand and overseas.

THE UNKNOWN WARRIOR 11/11/04

The Tomb of the Unknown Warrior: Live Broadcast (extracts)

TVNZ 2004. Duration 12:46

From Parliament to Buckle Street. The Governor General and Vincent O’Sullivan speak.