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# Memorial Plaque At Kaponga Unveiled

The feature of the Anzac Day observance at Kaponga was the unveiling of a memorial plaque upon which is inscribed the names of 14 men from the town and district who gave their lives in the Second World War. Set into the memorial gates at Victoria Park, the plaque was unveiled by Dr. G. H. Thomson, O.B.E., E.D., New Plymouth.

Speaking to a large gathering Dr. Thomson referred to his association with men of the 2nd New Zealand Expeditionary Force, not only in training camps in New Zealand and in Egypt, but also in Greece, Crete and German prisoner of war camps. After unveiling the memorial, Dr. Thomson received many wreaths from various organisations and relatives of the fallen which were placed on the memorial.

The service in the town hall was conducted by the Rev. P. H. Warren, Opunake, following the parade in which returned servicemen (under the command of Mr. R. A. Law) and Boy Scouts (under the command of Scoutmaster H. V. McKay) took part.

Dr. Thomson in his address said that the world was in a state of unrest, uncertainty and suspicion. He urged the returned men to take an active part in public life. As in the war they had offered themselves for freedom and righteousness so in peace they had to try to uphold the ideals for which they had fought.

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