

DISCONTENT AMONG SOLDIERS

A SECOND CLASS SHIP

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Discontent arose at Sutton Veny amongst the soldiers ordered to embark on the *Waimana*. The authorities insisted that the defects would soon be remedied and that the accommodation was better than on ordinary troopships, but the officers and nurses joined in the protests on the grounds of being allotted a second class ship. Eventually the trouble was "short circuited" by the Ministry for Shipping with drawing the ship from the Australian list on the ground that General Monash was converting her into a troopship instead of conveying third class families, for which purpose the vessel was originally allocated.

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