

from which he must have died instantly.

## MEMORIAL BAND ROOM OPENED

Although there was a strong wind, the weather was fine and sunny for the massed brass and pipe bands display, held at the Domain grounds, Opunake, on Saturday before a very good attendance.

The seven bands under the marshal, Mr. E. Saunders, paraded along Tasman Street to the domain where they were welcomed by the Mayor, Mr. R. H. Hughson. Mr. H. Shields, president of the Opunake Federal Band, also welcomed Mr. H. Patterson, deputising for the president of the Taranaki Brass Band Association. Other speakers were Messrs. Patterson and P. H. Harding.

Selections were presented by the bands, followed by a massed display by the three brass bands under the conductorship of Mr. H. C. A. Fox, of Hawera. The four pipe bands performed a serpentine march in and around the brass bands.

A display was given by the Opunake marching girls' team, who were accompanied by the Hawera Pipe Band. Mr. W. Humphries was marshal at the domain.

Prior to the display the Opunake federal memorial band room, erected in memory of the late Mr. J. Humphries, conductor of the band for many years, was opened