



THE CAPTAIN of the U.S.S. Calcaterra, Lieutenant-commander W. C. Earl, set an example to his men yesterday by being first in line to give blood for the Otago blood bank. Attending Lieutenant-Commander Earl are Dr D. M. Frengley (left) and Mr R. H. Harper (right), of Dunedin Public Hospital. Fifty pints of blood were given by officers and men of the ship.

American Sailors Give Blood To Mobile Bank

"Vampire Day," as the American sailors in the U.S.S. Calcaterra are jokingly calling it, began today at the ship when the mobile blood bank from the Dunedin Hospital arrived at 10.30 a.m. to begin accepting volunteers.

The ship's executive officer, Lieutenant W. Horsley, said that so far 65 men had volunteered to give blood to the bank and it was hoped to attain a target of 150

pints. The donations would probably continue in the next in-port period to reach this figure, he said.

The idea of giving blood came from the crew, who wished to show their appreciation of Dunedin's hospitality towards them, Lieutenant Horsley added.

A scheduled gridiron game at Moller Park between the officers and crew was postponed because of the numbers involved in giving blood today.

Films will be shown this week at the Anglican Orphanage, St. Vincent de

Paul Home and also at the Lookout Point Boys Home.

The captain, Lieutenant-commander W. C. Earl, will speak to the Balmacewen Intermediate School tomorrow, John McGlashan College on Friday, and attend a University Club luncheon on the same day.

The Mayor, Mr Calvert, will have lunch in the Calcaterra on Thursday—the day two primary schools in Dunedin will be conducted over the ship.

Last night Lieutenant-commander Earl inspected a parade of Dunedin and Port

Chalmers Sea Cadets at T.S. Waireka, and said he was favourably impressed by the cadets' turn out.

Later more than 100 cadets saw a film on the nuclear carrier, U.S.S. Enterprise, and Commander Earl answered questions on a wide variety of subjects connected with ships and the sea.

Commander Earl presented a plaque of the Calcaterra to the cadets, who in turn presented the commander with a pennant of the Waireka.