



THINGS TO COME—



FROM the A.C.E. you have learnt to cook, to give life to the living room, to keep bugs out of milk, to buy cheap vitamins and avoid shoddy carbohydrates; but the Home Science Tutorial Section of the University of Otago is the last place from which you would expect tuition in the latest get-rich quick technique. Yet hints for money-raising efforts will be given in a talk from 4YA on Friday, August 18, at 3.15 p.m. Although we hope there may be something in it for impecunious listeners with an eye on A Good Thing, we expect that the A.C.E. merely intends to give advice on how your club or association should go about the painful process. It is very unlikely, though, that they will take the risk of confining all Otago indoors with the threat of another street appeal, or mention bazaars unless they have some very new ideas about them.

With the Whalers

It was said many years ago of the old whaling industry that it was the most arduous and perilous calling ever followed by man. To-day in New Zealand waters men chase the whale in powerful launches with harpoon guns fixed in the bow, but it is not so many years ago since they hunted in open boats pulled with long oars, with a harpoon in the bow and a steersman with twenty odd feet of steer oar in the stern. The industry is closely interwoven with our early history, and many are the stories of daring and hardship connected with it. On Thursday evening, August 17, in the Job of Work series at 2YA, A. G. Jackson, a man who was born in the whaling community in the Marlborough Sounds and followed this calling for many years, will be interviewed. Mr. Jackson's grandfather gave his name to Jackson's Bay, and his father was born in the Sounds. He himself saw his first whale caught from an open boat when he was fifteen.

For the World's Fair

By the last American mail an important parcel was despatched by the Commercial Broadcasting Service. It contained eight recorded programmes specially prepared for broadcasting at the New York World's Fair

on New Zealand's Day, which is set down for September 22. Featuring the charm of Maori song and story, these programmes are a credit to all concerned in their production, and should help to put New Zealand on the map. After being played at the Fair arrangements will be made for them to be broadcast by a large number of independent stations throughout America.

If He Dared . . .

"Oh, Mr. Goodman, you can't do that!"

Poor old Mozart would probably spin so fast in his grave that he'd meet himself face to face if they dared to "swing" his music. Even if Goodman is Goodman, Benny would most likely get badly haunted by the com-



poser's irate ghost if he dared . . . But this gets us nowhere. Benny does not "swing" Mozart on this occasion, and there's no need for the horrified looks on the other gentlemen's faces in the picture. It's just a little idea that occurred to us when we learnt that Mozart's "Quintet in A Major" will be played by the Budapest String Quartet and Benny Goodman (on the clarinet) from 2YN, Nelson, at 8 o'clock on Thursday, August 17. It should be worth hearing.

"The Barber Married"

Here's something to make all those addicted to carolling among the soap suds sit up and wonder if they aren't annoying the neighbours after all. It is said that, as a child, the composer Mozart had so keen an ear that he was able to detect a difference of an eighth of a tone. Remember that when your light baritone or mezzo-soprano floats discordantly through the frosted glass, and be humbled. Mozart wrote many operas, one of the most charming of which is the "Marriage of Figaro,"

which is a continuation of the story told in Rossini's "Barber of Seville." In Mozart's opera the barber goes a-wooing, and many complications arise, all of which are straightened to merry music. Two acts of the "Marriage of Figaro" will be heard from 2YA on Sunday, August 13, at 9.5 p.m.

Trouble Among the Ogboddys

While Eve is trying to curl up her side bits and stop perspiring, the young man contemplates the dismal prospect of having to listen to the curate's jokes. It is the night of the Choir Supper and the Ogboddys are preparing. There is much discussion about Eve's pores, and the detrimental effect of using starch instead of face powder to stem their inconvenient activity. The B.B.C. item, "The Ogboddys' Outing" will be broadcast by 1YA on Wednesday, August 16, at 9.35 p.m.

Still a Secret

Hearty laughter heard last week in the operating room of the CBS Headquarters in Wellington suggests something good in store for ZB listeners. It was a pre-hearing of a coming National Feature, and if it makes the hardened programme executives laugh it should at least do the same to ordinary listeners. The title we'd like to tell you, but as yet it's just a mirthful secret.

History for Hawke's Bay

Quite a number of the pioneers in New Zealand founded families that are still prominent and built up estates that are still farmed by their descendants. Douglas Cresswell's series of talks about them will start at 2YH, Napier, on Wednesday, August 16 at 8.10 p.m. The first concerns the Rhodes family, and others are about the Deans of Riccarton, John Grigg of Longbeach, the Bidwells and Morisons of the Wairarapa, Samuel Williams of Te Aute, Donald McLean of Maraekakaho, and the Holden family.

Operatic "Walk"

We have heard all about the law of compensation; and sometimes it even works. For example, we have been hearing opera jazzed for many a day, and even nigger minstrels usually have their little bit of fun with the Soldiers' Chorus from "Faust." So it is a