



# THINGS TO COME—



## STATIC



**A** MAN who proposes to sail round the world in a small yacht, taking one novel with him to read on the voyage has just left Vancouver. He has gone with the wind.

“O O said this war was all Boche?”

**M**AY I use your telephone?  
Certainly. Is yours out of order?

Not exactly, but sister is using it to prop up a window, ma's cutting biscuits with the mouthpiece, and baby is teething on the cord.

**W**E had been wondering why A. Hitler was so fond of having dancing girls perform for him; now, of course, we have guessed—it's because he's got an eye for booty.

**A**CCORDING to the “Sunday Chronicle” the authorities in a distant part of the Empire received a cable from Whitehall on the outbreak of war: “War declared. Intern all enemy aliens.” Shortly afterwards, Whitehall received the reply: “Have interned six Chinese, three Russians, four Swedes, eight Germans, twelve negroes. Please cable who enemy is.”

**D**ADDY, vat is the meaning of a vacuum?  
A vacuum, Sammy, is a void.  
I know—but vat's the void mean?

**F**IELD-MARSHAL GOERING is supposed to be a keen meteorologist and weather prophet. He should know all about belts of high pressure!

**T**HE Polish coin being the zloty, this must be handy for zlot machines.

**R**EVERTING to Hitler's liking for dancing girls, it's a wonder he didn't call it the Ziegfeld line.

**A**LECTURER declares that our nursery rhymes are hopelessly out of date. He says: “Old King Cole would send for his radio nowadays.” His twiddlers three?

**T**HEN there was one girl who was so determined to marry her local curate that she even took to wearing stained glass in her spectacles.

**T**WO snails were walking up the garden path, when one of them turned round and saw a slug. “Don't look now, Ermyntude,” said she, “but we're being followed—and by a nudist.”

**W**HETHER it is true or not that the Scots migrated to the colder climates when they came to New Zealand, it is true that next week the three southern city stations are concentrating more than North Island stations on the celebration of St. Andrew's Day. In Christchurch, on Thursday, November 30, at 9.25 p.m., 3YA will broadcast the Rev. A. C. Watson's reflections on The Day. At 9.30 p.m., 4YZ will celebrate for Invercargill; and 4YA will devote an hour between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. to a Scottish concert by the Lyric Choir, with instrumental interludes to give Dunedin everything from an “Eriskay Love Lilt” to “Tail Toddle.” In Wellington, 2YC will relay a concert by the St. Andrew's Musical Society from 8 to 9 p.m.

### Well, What?

Listeners are given no clues to the material in the item “What Do You Think?” to be broadcast from 2YA's Exhibition Studio at 8.32 p.m. on Friday, December 1, and we don't propose to enlighten them. Radio items are much more interesting when you don't know what they're about. Or is that not quite the right thing to say? But this particular item is not all mystery. If you don't know the answer it will be given to you at 8.45 p.m.

### Eastern Mystery

“Out East” anything can happen. In the lands of long gin slings, coolies, rubber plantations, and remittance men, mystery is “in the air.” Listeners should find the play “Magic Hours” more than a little spine-chilling. This play by Howard Peacey, to be presented at



9.25 p.m. on Sunday, November 26, from 2YA, Wellington, is the story of an ex-service man, who, after the war, finds himself out of work and unwanted. In Singapore he is given an introduction to the manager of a rubber

estate. But having gone out to the plantation he discovers among other things that there is a ghost and that the manager is a brute; various misfortunes befall him, and he uses a kind of Yogoism to rescue himself from a charge of murder. More we cannot tell you, but if you listen in you should find plenty of excitement.

### Doubts and Difficulties

Among the little doubts connected with our garden there is the one big doubt about whether anything will ever grow in it; but other people seem to have some success and, like the 23 handicap golfer, must be forever plaguing themselves to improve on already good results. We are inclined to follow the lead of 1YA's garden expert, who has lately been concentrating on vegetables, for they have a reassuring way of growing when they're least expected to succeed, but there are no doubt many among the listening public who desire to know more and more about their multiplying doubts and difficulties. The answer is not just “super,” or lime, or even a lemon, as gardeners will hear if they tune to 3YA at 7.35 p.m. on Monday, November 27.

### Bringing Up

Although 3YA's educational sessions ended well before the others, Christchurch is still busily concentrating on bringing things up. From “Bringing up the Small Child,” by Mrs. Beeby, they have transferred to “Children We Know,” by Miss Dolton, and still have Mrs. A. M. Spence-Clarke, who is to talk about “Bringing up a Puppy,” at 7.40 p.m. on Friday, December 1. We have to point out that Mrs. Spence-Clarke has not given subtitles for a series about “The Aggressive Puppy” or “The Clinging Puppy,” although no doubt she could, for she likes dogs and knows that first impressions are as important for puppies as for children.

### Hot and Cold

With dietitians everywhere raising difficulties, it is refreshing to find the A.C.E. resolving them. Listeners who have lately been convinced by the radio that their vegetables must be fresh and plentiful, and by their experience in shopping that they're more often stale and expensively scarce, will be glad to hear of a talk on “How to Save Money and be