

general way in which it is presented, not as though it were propaganda, but as though it were entertainment. And the frequency of it — not merely several times a day, but Sundays also!

"The great value to me of these crime sessions has been in those in which the criminals' mistakes have been revealed. These I have carefully noted, and in the life of crime that I am shortly going to institute on Mars these mistakes of course I shall avoid, and the success I anticipate I shall acknowledge to the NBS."

Well I thought, sir, that you and your readers would be interested in the above, and as no one on Earth as yet will be able to spoil his plans, I don't consider I've broken the confidence of the Messenger from Mars.

F.J. (Wellington).

COMPLAINT FROM SCHOOL

Sir,—Being a student in the sixth form, my taste in music is beginning to develop. My only free time for listening to the radio is during the 8.45-9.15 period. Night after night in an endeavour to get some good orchestral music I try the National stations, to find that little of this is on until 10 p.m. or later. Thus my craving for music of the best type is insatiable. I believe that a great opportunity is being lost in failing to present good music at suitable times to create in the youth of this country the musical taste and discrimination it should have.

R. G. STONE (Wadestown).

APPEAL FOR OLD PEOPLE

Sir,—I would appeal to all readers who agree with Sam Weller's letter, to back him up. We have been deprived long enough of good listening except for a quarter of an hour now and then. Sam is a stranger to me, but Mr. Editor, let his actual suggestions be carried out, and we'll have more to offer on those lines. I believe there are thousands of us waiting.

And do keep down the instrumental blare between items, please.

L. BISHOP (St. Albans).

Sir,—I am sorry to have given a wrong impression in my previous letter which some of your readers took too

seriously. Actually most of it was written with a good-natured chuckle, especially the bit about the announcer, against whom I really haven't the slightest ill-will. My critical remarks were mainly from the viewpoint of the old folks for whom the broadcasting service certainly doesn't cater early in the evening, so imagine my delight on reading the recent letter from "Sam Weller" on this very subject.

I now put out the suggestion that some stations (including 2YC) cater for young and old on alternate evenings. None of my young friends could deny the fairness of such an arrangement.

GENTLE ANNIE (Nelson).

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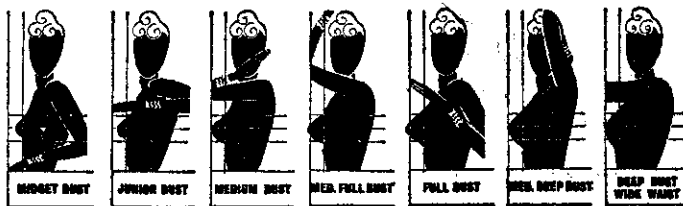
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