

LETTERS (Cont'd)

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THE UNITY OF RELIGION

Sir,—May I make a small comment on the letters of Milton Thornton and Geoffrey Hodson. Religion means the acknowledgment of God and obedience to His commandments. It is essentially a kind of life; therefore, where there is any religion there is unity. Religious doctrine is quite another matter, as demonstrated by Mr. Hodson, who does not show much understanding of true Christian doctrine. He says "A study of World Faith reveals the following doctrines (enumerated) common to them all, despite difference of nomenclature." However, his statement reveals confusion of ideas, rather than names, and is not Christian at all from his first "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man." Christian brotherhood requires the "hearing of the Word of God and keeping it." Christ spoke of another kind of Father—"Your Father the devil." Again, Mr. Hodson mentions "Salvation, Liberation, Christhood as the assured destiny of every human being." This reads like foolishness from the point of view of Christian doctrine, having no support in the Word of God.

CHRISTIAN (Auckland).

GOLD PAINT

Sir,—A paragraph in a recent issue of *The Listener* says that Lionel Hall in a BBC talk on Post-War Poland, says: "Heaven knows where the Poles got the gold paint from for use in their fine theatre."

Is it possible that they got it from the Wellington City Council, who seem to have had plenty and made a regrettable use of it?

RICHARD O. GROSS
(Auckland).

RADIO SPEECH

Sir,—Nobody who listened to the broadcast from Ellerslie on Boxing Day can fail to agree with the views expressed by your correspondent, H. C. Wright, in his recent letter. It should surely be reasonable to assume that anyone who undertakes broadcasting—and, presumably, is paid to do so—should at least be able to handle the sounds "ou" and "ow," and that if he cannot do so he should be required to learn before he is permitted to be heard "on the air." The NZBS will be sadly lacking in its duty if steps are not taken to improve the standard of speech heard from every station in the country.

H.B. (Hastings).

THIS NEW ZEALAND

Sir,—Seeing that New Zealand is going to start a shortwave service I suggest that the call be a New Zealand bird or a Maori song. And may I ask at the same time for New Zealand news first after the weather broadcast. It is surely strange not to have a schedule time for New Zealand news. If one does not want to hear the overseas news one does not know when to switch on again for the New Zealand news. Also why cannot the stations play part of the New Zealand national anthem at 7.30 and on as many other occasions as possible. Let the world know that New Zealand has splendid songs, and also is up-to-date with her own Broadcasting.

NEW ZEALAND FIRST (Ohope).

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS
Mrs. Bent (Te Kawa): Not to our knowledge.



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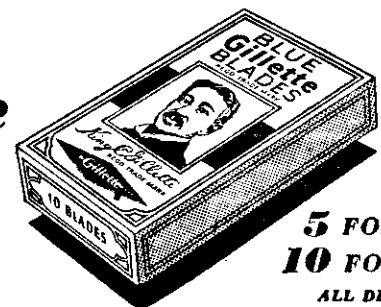
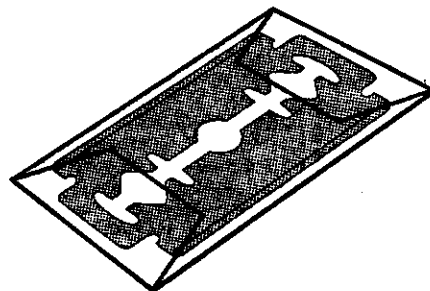
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