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THE N.Z. INTERNATIONAL QUIZ TEAM (from left): S. Edgar Craig, J. B. Mora, D. P. Wallace and E. R. Dearnley

## INTELLIGENCE TEST MATCH N.Z. v. Australia in International Radio Quiz

**T**EAMS representing Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Great Britain are now engaged, by radio telephone, in an Empire Quiz, as part of a campaign by the Australian Government to raise its fifth security loan. The New Zealand team will go through its paces in 2YA's studio and its opponents in a studio in Sydney, with the New Zealand quiz-master questioning both teams. Questions and answers in the Austrama versus New Zealand contest will be broadcast by 1YA, 2YA, 3YA, 4YA, 2YH, 3ZR, and 4YZ on Tuesday, April 6 at 6.45 p.m., and from 1ZB, 2ZB, 3ZB, 4ZB, and 2ZA on Sunday, April 11, at 7.30 p.m.

Each team consists of four competitors, chosen from entrants who underwent preliminary tests in each of the four main centres, and both the New Zealand and Australian teams will be called on to answer questions prepared by the NZBS. These questions have been, in turn, examined by the judges to satisfy themselves that both questions and answers are accurately stated and that no answers except those officially specified are possible. In this type of quiz, trick questions, queries requiring a multiple answer and tongue-twisters are not regarded as being in the interest of any of the teams.

During the contests the judges will sit as a panel, taking no part in the proceedings unless appealed to by the quiz-master. There are 24 questions—

in six rounds of four questions each—with eight emergency questions for use singly to each country in turn in the event of a tie. The questions embrace history (four), geography (four), literature, art, music, etc. (eight), and general knowledge (16).

International and Commonwealth quiz sessions have been conducted to support the last four loan campaigns, and while no attempt is made to keep them over-dignified or stilted, care has been taken to see that the competitors maintain a proper attitude. But that has not ruled out occasional flashes of humour, all the more interesting for their spontaneity. Last year Australia won four out of five international contests, being beaten by one point only in the match against South Africa. On that occasion Canada and the United States also took part.

### The N.Z. Team

Here are the names of the four New Zealand contestants, with some short biographical details:

S. Edgar Craig, of Auckland, aged 48, a school-teacher, student of science, astronomy and mythology, an extensive reader and book collector, holder of a teacher's B certificate, but no degrees or diplomas. He has had no former experience of a quiz session.

J. B. Mora, B.A., of Christchurch, aged 41, graduate of Canterbury University College in history and political science and now first assistant at the Richmond Primary School, Christchurch. His hobbies are the study of history and world affairs, the United Nations Association and the Youth Council. He has had quiz session experience with Station 3ZB.

D. P. Wallace, University student of Dunedin, aged 25. In 1943 he won a University of New Zealand senior scholarship, the Otago University, Geo. Young scholarship, the James Clark

prize in Latin, and gained his B.A. degree. In 1944 he graduated M.A. with first class honours in Latin and gained highest marks for New Zealand. In 1945-46 he was assistant in the classics department, University of Otago, and won the James Clark prize in Greek; in 1947 he gained his medical intermediate and is now a second-year medical student. During the last four years he has had quiz experience at Station 4ZB.

E. R. Dearnley, of Wellington, aged 32, civil servant on the staff of the Census and Statistics Department in Wellington. He was dux of the New Plymouth Boys' High School in 1933 and



The Australian High Commissioner (A. R. Cutler, V.C.), who will be one of the three local judges in the international quiz

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tabs of different colours, each one meaning by its continued presence on the chart that some aspect of the arrangements is not yet complete, and the programme cannot be despatched even though it is ready in every other respect. There is one tab each for technical quality, cue-sheet, copyright, contract with performers, authorization of payment, and publicity material. And until they are all removed, the discs must be held back. Sometimes it has happened that practically everything has been made ready and a last-minute hitch in one matter has spoiled everything.

**T**HERE is also the printing-room, where a number of girls operate several small hand-platen machines for printing the titles of the labels (which already carry the "dog-and-lamp-post" symbol, or more accurately the red lion rampant and the black tower of Westminster).



BBC photograph

BINDING the parcelled recordings with steel tape. A special packing has been evolved for the despatch of programmes overseas

continued his education at Auckland University College and at Victoria College, where he graduated M.A. at the age of 22. He is secretary of the Wellington branch of the Esperanto Club.

The New Zealand judges are the Australian High Commissioner, A. R. Cutler, V.C.; Professor Ian Gordon, Vice-Chancellor of the University of New Zealand and Professor of English at Victoria University College; and Professor F. L. W. Wood, Professor of History, Victoria University College.

What listeners will hear from the main National stations on April 6 and the Commercial stations on April 11 will be a complete recording of the contest, Australia versus New Zealand.