

PEOPLE IN THE PROGRAMMES



BBC photograph

THE HALLE ORCHESTRA, conducted by JOHN BARBIROLLI, which will be heard from 2XN at 8.0 p.m. on Monday, May 9, in a BBC "British Concert Hall" programme. The Orchestra will present "Ein Kleine Nachtmusik" (Mozart), Intermezzo from "Fennimore and Gerda" (Delius), and Beethoven's "Symphony No. 4."

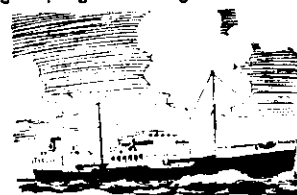


DOROTHY HOPKINS, soprano, who will be heard in a studio recital of five songs from IYA at 8.14 p.m. on Friday, May 13.

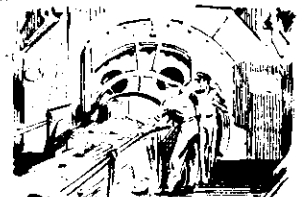


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The latest addition to the Shell Fleet will make marine history. For some years Shell have been experimenting with various types of oil fuel and different engines in their tankers. A new ship just launched, the "Auris", is the most revolutionary ship of its nature yet to appear, and marine experts all over the world are watching its progress with great interest.



There is an increased demand everywhere for the more refined types of petroleum products, owing to the increase in motor transportation, the greater use of aircraft, the mechanisation of farming, and so on. The marine diesel engine types, therefore, tend to be in short supply, and so the "Auris" will use a new type of oil turbine engine which consumes low grade fuel oil—the first of its kind designed for marine propulsion. But the experiment goes further, for "Auris" will also have diesel electric engines, one of which will be made to use ordinary boiler fuel. No risk, however, is taken should these experimental engines fail, because the ship will be equipped with other diesel engines operating in the normal manner.



Before the oil turbine is installed in "Auris" an extensive programme of tests will be carried out on shore, to make sure that everything goes smoothly once this tanker uses the engine at sea.

As a result, it is possible that this latest Shell tanker may be the means of introducing a new driving force into ships all over the world, which will not only prove more efficient than existing methods but will also be much cheaper to operate because its fuel costs less.

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WHEN the London Missionary Society vessel John Williams VI visited Dunedin, her master, CAPTAIN STANTON PAGE (second from left), and his crew of Gilbert Islanders were interviewed by 4YA announcer Rex Sayers. A programme of hymns and songs sung by the Islanders was also recorded, and this was recently broadcast from 4YA with the interview. In this picture, taken on board, the announcer, with the assistance of a diagram, is explaining to listeners the routes taken and the area covered by the ship in her missionary work