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BIG BROADCAST OF 1949

"The Listener's" Chart for Election Night

FROM seven o'clock onwards on Election Night, Wednesday, November 30, political theorists (which means almost everybody) and practical politicians (the called as well as the chosen) will be at their radio sets to hear results of polling for the election of New Zealand's 29th Parliament. This election there are 11 parties or groups, compared with 19 in 1943 and nine in 1946, and their political labels, in addition to the familiar Labour and National, range from Christian Democrat to Independent Social Credit.

No fewer than 196 candidates for the 76 European and four Maori seats were left in the field when nominations closed, not much more than 24 hours before *The Listener* went to press. In most electorates there will be a straight out fight between Labour and National candidates. As in the past *The Listener* provides in the pages following this one a chart which will help listeners to keep abreast of the voting. All that is needed is a pencil—ink on newsprint paper spreads, as the Crossword Puzzle experts know from experience.

Maori Election

AS usual, polling in the Maori election will take place the day before the European election, that is, on November 29. As a result of the Licensing Amendment Act 1949 this will be the first Maori vote on the licensing issue, and the roll, which contains 30,091 names, will be used for both the general election and the licensing poll. Progress results will be broadcast by 1, 3 and 4YA and the four YZ stations which will link with 2YA at 6.40 p.m., 7.0 p.m. and

★ State of the Parties ★

OLD PARLIAMENT		NEW PARLIAMENT	
Labour	41	Labour	
National	38	National	
Others	—	Others	
Total	79	Total	80

(The Western Maori seat became vacant shortly before the end of the last session through the death of M. Ratana, the Labour Member.)

7.30 p.m., and at the end of the Prime Minister's speech. Following the 11.0 p.m. news bulletin, the four YA stations will give results and Station 2YA only will stay on the air for results after the 11.15 p.m. link. Stations 1YD, 2YC, 3YC and 4YC will link at 8.15 p.m. and 8.55 p.m. Stations 1XN, 1XH, 2XG, 2XP, 2XA, 2XN, and 3XC, with the four ZB stations and 2ZA, will broadcast results at intervals throughout the evening.

Full details of the broadcasting arrangements for November 30 will be found in the programme pages, but the over-all plan may be summarised as follows:

All YA and YZ stations will link at 7.30 p.m., and will remain linked until 11.30 p.m. (approximately), when the YZs will close down. The YA stations will remain linked until approximately midnight, according to the programmes, but in effect until the issue is beyond doubt or until counting stops for the night. Local results will be handled mainly by the ZB stations and the coverage stations 1XN, 1XH, 2XG, 2XA, 2XP, 2XN, and 3XC, but the YZ stations will also give local results at 8.0, 9.4, 10.0, and 11.0 p.m. All stations will summarise the general situation at 8.15, 9.15, 10.15, and 11.15. Musical programmes and the 9.0 p.m. News Bulletin will be broadcast by the YC stations and general entertainment by 1YD and 2YD.

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

THE following abbreviations have been used to indicate the status and party affiliation of candidates listed on the Election Chart pages (overleaf):

●	Sitting Member	Ind. Lib.	Independent Liberal
Com.	Communist	I.S.C.	Independent Social Credit
D.L.	Democratic Labour	K.	Kauhanganui
I.	Independent Labour	L.	Labour
I.L.	Independent Labour	N.	National
I.L. & R.	Independent Labour and Ratana	R.S.	Revolutionary Socialist

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