

SPECIAL RECORDING FOR POPE PIUS XII

CBS Presentation Follows

Encharistic Congress

"THIS is a tangible expression of our goodwill." With these words the Controller of Commercial Broadcasting, C. G. Scrimgeour, handed to the Apostolic Delegate, Archbishop Panico, a documentary recording prepared by the CBS of the highlights of the recent Eucharistic Congress at Wellington.

Archbishop Panico has now returned to Australia, and the recording will be sent on to His Holiness Pope Pius XII. It is anticipated that it will be broadcast from the Vatican City Radio.

His Grace expressed his pleasure at this thoughtful gesture. "I can assure you, Mr. Scrimgeour," he said, "that a very real interest has been taken in the Eucharistic Congress held in your New Zealand Centennial year, and this unique recording will be greatly appreciated."

Archbishop Panico also thanked Mr. Scrimgeour for the assistance given and the courtesies extended to him during his visit to New Zealand by the Commercial Service. The recording made of the Pope's special broadcast to New Zealand was invaluable, particularly as conditions had somewhat affected the re-broadcast by Dominion stations. The leaders of the Church had been able to hear the words of the Holy Father, and this was deeply appreciated.

The Congress recording itself was broadcast from 2ZB on Thursday night, February 29, on the eve of Archbishop Panico's departure, and has since been heard from the other ZB stations. It contains brief extracts from the speeches made during the Eucharistic Congress, together with excerpts from the Pope's message and the opening and closing

addresses of the Papal Legate. Portions of Cardinal Hinsley's broadcast from Britain are also included.

The various choirs are heard, and the whole is bound together by a commentary giving an accurate impression

of the events and scenes of the Congress. Bryan O'Brien, of 2ZB, handled the production of the recording.

A splendid tribute was paid to the CBS by Monsigneur King, who acted as aide to Archbishop Panico during his stay in New Zealand, when he arrived back in Australia last week. "The way in which we were received in New Zealand, and the courtesies which were extended, will remain always as a happy memory," he added.



ARCHBISHOP PANICO WAS PLEASED: The Controller of Commercial Broadcasting, C. G. Scrimgeour, hands over to the Apostolic Delegate, Archbishop Panico, the documentary recording prepared by the CBS of the highlights of the recent Eucharistic Congress in Wellington. This recording will be sent on to His Holiness Pope Pius XII. At left is Monsigneur King, of Australia, who acted as aide to His Grace during his visit to New Zealand

"Enchanted Orchard"

New Radio Fantasy From ZB Stations

BEGINNING at 1ZB on Monday, March 18, at 5.15 p.m., and at the other ZB stations on succeeding weeks, a new feature of particular interest to children is being presented by the Commercial Broadcasting Service.

Written and produced by Bryan O'Brien, of 2ZB, "The Enchanted Orchard" undoubtedly is a fine piece of work. A pre-audition of the presentation at the Head Office of the CBS was enthusiastically received even by the most hardened radio critics, for the artistry of the children, combined with effective producing, has resulted in a radio fantasy of unusual charm and genuine merit.

"The Enchanted Orchard" portrays the adventures of two children in a haunted orchard where pixies work at their tasks of painting colours on flowers and fruit, and where they wage a constant war against the adverse elements of storm and wind.

It will be heard on Monday and Wednesday evenings at approximately 5.15 o'clock. Details of the starting dates at the various ZB stations will be given in the published programmes.

NEW MOTORING SESSIONS FOR 1ZB

ROD TALBOT, well known to listeners for his Diggers' Session, has branched out—he will be heard on the air from 1ZB at 10.0 on Friday evenings in the new Motorists' Session.

In bringing the motor enthusiasts this service, 1ZB could not have chosen a better man. Rod has had 25 years' experience handling motors of every description, from vehicles of almost pre-1914 vintage to the sleek streamlined automobiles of the present day.



ROD TALBOT

In the early days Rod spent a great deal of time on the road, with ancient contraptions, and in bad travelling conditions. The experiences gathered should prove invaluable, and some, no doubt, more than a little interesting. Apart from touring, Rod had

participated in motor races. Rod recalls one particular race of which so far there is no official record: it happened in Egypt when he was stationed there during the last war. He and a brother soldier found a car before it was lost—a staff officer's car, to be exact—and while cavorting among the sand dunes they were spotted and chased. However, all went with a bang, and not a little speed, and they had the car parked, and were out of sight when the pursuers arrived at the base. Rod says the only reason they won was by adhering to the old saying "Nothing but the best"—they had borrowed a Rolls Royce, all shining and new, while the other car was a broken down Daimler.

Still, that is rather beside the point. Rod has created two road records which would seem to remain unbroken, his principal success being between Palmerston North and Levin.

Popular Luncheon Session

Once again, after a lapse of two or three months, the voice of Denis Sheard is heard at 1.20 p.m. each Friday from 4ZB. Associated with him is Airini Grennell, and together they present a short vocal session which brings a new note into the routine programme.

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