

# PEOPLE IN THE PROGRAMMES



Green and Hahn photograph  
A NEW photograph of Haagen Holenbergh, whose piano playing is now widely known among listeners. Most of his more recent broadcasts have come from 3YA



Spencer Digby photograph  
JUDITH BAGNALL, who is to play three Chopin compositions from 2YA on Sunday, September 22, at 8.26 p.m., has only recently returned from England, where she was studying pianoforte under Vivian Langrish, at the Matthay School



Alan Blakey photograph  
A. B. THOMPSON, who has been talking for 1YA in a series entitled "The Adolescent Child." This week his partner in the talk was to be a member of the British Medical Association. Next week, on Thursday, at 7.30 p.m., he will discuss "The School and Vocation" (No. 4 of the series) with Miss M. E. Adams



EVELYN BUSBRIDGE  
From Albertland  
LIKE several other Auckland musicians —Lalla Hemus and Dora Judson, for example—Evelyn Busbridge, who will be giving a mezzo-soprano recital from

## Through Artists' Eyes

LEONARD BOOTH (below) was to talk from 3YA on Wednesday of this week (September 18), with H. Winston Rhodes in the Winter Course series. Their subject was to be "Things as Seen by an Artist: Particularly Things in New Zealand." Leonard Booth is known throughout New Zealand as a painter of portraits. From his brush came the portrait of Professor Shelley, Director of the National Broad-

at Adelaide University College, and is now Lecturer in English Literature at Canterbury University College. He is the author of many published articles on sociological, literary, and artistic subjects. Listeners to 3YA know him as a versatile reviewer of books.

Next week's talk, on Wednesday, September 25, at 7.32 p.m., will be given by D. Glover and Leo Benemann: "Things as Seen by a Printer."



LEONARD BOOTH

casting Service, hanging in the National Art Gallery. During recent months, it accompanied the Centennial collection on its tour. In earlier years he was known in New Zealand and Australia as a regular contributor of drawings to the Sydney "Bulletin." He also writes. He is part author of a play that was performed, by a professional company, throughout Australia.

Winston Rhodes started as a student of medicine at Melbourne University College, but left medicine for literature. He was appointed Lecturer in Literature

## Cousin of Natzke

MARIE LEECH (soprano), who will be contributing to 1YA's evening programme on Saturday, September 28, is a young singer who has been making impressive progress re-



MARIE LEECH

cently. It will interest many to learn that she is a cousin of Oscar Natzke, the New Zealand bass, but she does not need to content herself solely with sharing the celebrity of her famous relative. Marie Leech has already taken several prizes at the Wellington Competitions, including a first in the vocal solo under 18, and seconds in the Boosey

Ballad and Radio Vocal solos, and she received special mention from the adjudicator, John T. Leech. Recently she gave auditions to Heddie Nash and Roland Foster, both of whom predicted a brilliant future for her, given proper tuition.

## Speakers on Politics

CHARLES E. WHEELER is co-operating with Dr. Leslie Lipson to give two talks in 2YA's "Background of New Zealand" series. They are discussing politics. Last Monday, in their first talk, they covered last century. Next



Spencer Digby photograph  
C. E. WHEELER

Monday, September 23, at 7.40 p.m., they will come forward into this century. Mr. Wheeler is the senior member of the Parliament Press Gallery and was for many years a contributor to National Broadcasting Service programmes with talks on travel and politics. He was originally an English journalist who came to New Zealand to view at first-hand our political experiments. He remained to record them, and only returned to his homeland as a visitor to tell the story of his impressions in a series of radio talks. When in 1936 the New Zealand Parliament made broadcasting history by going on the air, Mr. Wheeler temporarily left his Press Gallery seat for a place on the floor of the House. From this position he described the election of a new Speaker,



Alan Blakey photograph  
WINIFRED COOKE, pianist, is one of the three local artists featured in 1YA's concert programme on the evening of Saturday, September 28

1YA on Friday evening, September 27, is a descendant of the pioneer Albertland settlers (in her case the Beecrofts) and her family still live at Port Albert in the Wellsford district. As a singer, she has broadcast several times before from 1YA, and she is also a member of the Auckland Dorian Choir, but she has also taken her L.T.C.L. in pianoforte. Singing, however, has claimed more of her interest, and she studied voice production for several years under Robert Simmers. At present she is studying under Dr. S. Kenneth Phillips. For her recital on Friday next, she has chosen art songs by modern English composers.

and the remarkable change in the political scene following the first appearance on the Treasury benches of a Labour Government.

Dr. Lipson, whose photograph we published last week (page 24) now Professor of Political Science at Victoria University College, was educated at Balliol, Oxford, and graduated with a double first. He won many university scholarships. When he was awarded the Commonwealth Fund Fellowship he went to the U.S.A. to study political science and took a doctorate at the University of Chicago.