'HE' PROGRAMMES



Spencer Digby photograph Il be heard from 3YA with Gladys Vincent and io on Monlay, April 21. A note about him appears on page 8



broadcaging an item, is one of the clever young The Youn Show," the ZB programme heard every Wednesday night



RENA ROCHE, Dunedin contralto, will sing three songs from 4YA's studio conducts the "Shopping Reporter's on Tuesday, April 22



MARINA, well known 1ZB personality, session every week-day except Friday at 11.30 a.m.



BBC photograph MAJOR OLIVER STUART. M.C., A.F.C., is the authority on the air war whose talks are a popular feature of the BBC's Overseas Service. He is the author of a number of books on military flying



NANCY LEACH is one of the featured players in the new ZB programme "Academy Award" played every Tuesday and Thursday at 8.0 p.m. over all ZB Stations



PROFESSOR A. B. FITT will discuss "The Changing State" from 1YA at 7.35 p.m. on Thursday, April 24

Items From The ZB's

HE big G. P. MacGregor production, "Academy Award," has apparently proved immediately popular with ZB listeners. The artists featured are Ona Munson, Gale Page, Elliott Lewis, Lurene Tuttle, Edmund Macdonald, and Nancy Leach, whose picture is printed on this page. The plays are all from original scripts, and titles which will be heard soon include "Appointment at Eight," "For the Love of Pete," "The Castle of Santa Maria," "The Wrong Mr. Wright," and "Margo Meets a Ghost." The plays are a nice mixture of comedy and thrills.

THE "Information Please" session, which is a variation of the usual form of quiz, has added to the National Savings accounts of a large number of contestants. "Information Please" is conducted over the four main commercial stations, and at each session it is possible for the four contestants to win a total of 35/-, prizes being paid out in savings certificates. When an analysis of results was made recently, only one competitor, D. Butcher (3ZB, Christchurch) had managed to survive every round. At 1ZB, S. Targuse survived five rounds, before dropping out, while Mrs. D. Rudman and J. Fisher were still in with six rounds to their credit. There had been 11 contestants since the start of the session. At 2ZB, out of 11 contestants, R. Pollard survived five rounds, while F. Johnson, a later entrant, was four rounds up. At 3ZB, the best performance was that of Mr. Butcher, but Miss M. Wilson had survived seven sessions. At 4ZB, Mrs. D. H. Purves and H. C. Beckingsale each had six rounds to their credit. There had been eight contestants.

SHIRLEY KIRKWOOD, the 4ZB "Bachelor Girl," whose picture appears on this page, is Dunedin born, and has lived there practically all her life. Like "Jessie" and "Andrina," who conduct other 4ZB sessions for women, she is interested in repertory work. She has taken leading parts in Repertory Society, Playbox, and Little Theatre productions, and has won awards at the Dunedin competitions. She is a keen sportswoman, her games being tennis and golf.

NEW ZEALAND trained announcers seem to land on their feet in Australian radio. Latest news of Peter Bathurst, a former 1ZB announcer, is that he is conducting a "digger-quiz" programme from 2GB entitled "Ask the Army." New Zealanders living in Sydney have been pleased to note that he welcomes with a Maori greeting every New Zealand soldier who comes to the microphone. Apparently he is no mean linguist, for when a Fijian soldier turned up to be "quizzed," he was greeted in Fijian. Peter is also branching out into newsreel commentary work, and his commentaries have been heard in this country for some months now.