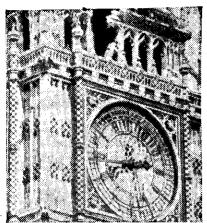
THESE THEY HAVE BOMBED Stop Kidney

"Big Ben" Among Victims Of Nazi Raids



IG BEN' has been bombed. On May 10, when Nazi bombers Carried out a blitz on London, the famous tower of Westminster, which houses the best known and best loved clock in the British Empire, was damaged, but fortunately not destroyed. 'Big Ben,' the symbol of British broadcasting, was among the victims of the raid, his huge clock face, 23 feet in diameter, being badly gashed, though his

internal mechanism was not put out of

action. "Radio, and more recently the war, has brought 'Big Ben' a world-wide fame. His solemn strokes time the doings of a hemisphere. Eighty-nine million people, it is estimated, hear them night after night. Millions of fathers wind up millions of clocks and place the minute hand just where it ought to be; millions of people say, 'Well, it's time for bed'; millions of lovers make their last farewells: and here in New Zealand, far from the battlefronts, thousands join at nine o'clock each night in silent prayer for those who have rallied to the call in defence of freedom, liberty and justice.

"On the night when his face was scarred, 'Big Ben' looked down on Westminster Abbey; heard the thudding crash as the roof immediately in front of the high alter crashed in a mass of burning wreckage on to the floor. A Nazi incendiary bomb had set fire to the low, square tower at the centre of the Abbey, and only the fact that there was a 4,000 gallon tank of water in one of the twin towers saved the Abbey from being a total wreck. Four years almost to the day after the King and Queen were crowned in the Abbey, the spot on which they sat was buried beneath the debris."

Such is the graphic introduction to a programme These They Have Bombed, devised and compèred by Les Strachan, of the CBS head office staff, which will be heard from Station 1ZB on Sunday, September 28. These They Have Bombed gives a vivid picture of many famous London landmarks which have been damaged or destroyed by Nazi bombs, including the Guildhall, Christ Church, in Westminster Bridge Road, St. Margaret's, Westminster, Queen's Hall, St. James' Palace, Buckingham Palace, the Church of St. Martin's in the Fields, Chelsea Hospital, the Temple Church, and St. Paul's Cathedral.

Ben" Looks Down, and once again the sonorous chime of "Big Ben" (whose damaged clock face can be seen in the photo, left) runs through as a connecting theme, introducing the various "pictures." The voices of several famous statesmen are heard, among them Lloyd George, Ramsay MacDonald, Stanley Baldwin, and Neville Chamberlain; there are musical numbers by the choirs of Westminster Abbey, Christ Church, St. Margaret's, the Temple, by the Lon- been heard from the other ZB stations.

It is a similar programme to "Big don Palladium Orchestra, Mark Hambourg, Dame Clara Butt, the Queen's Hall Orchestra, and by Flotsam and Jetsam, who render their latest war monologue "The Londoner and the Hun." John Gielgud is heard in two Shakespearean excerpts, the late "Pat" McCormick in portion of a service broadcast from St. Martin's in the Fields, and King George in part of a broadcast following a visit to one of the bombed

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