Rain

OUIET rain, and a gentle wind, And one lone cricket voice Mourning monotonously.

Rain,

Beating with a quiet refrain Like the countless beat Of tiny, restless, elfin fect. Stirring with a quaint wild thythm

And the bass

Runs through like the long low roll of drums.

Drip, drip, patter-pat, beat, beat, Echo, echo, restless feet.

Rain, and the soaked fragrance of

And the sweet Soft soothing beat Of the rain.

FROM out the great grey dampness comes the strange

Near murmur of the sea frotting its shore

Incessantly. Nearer, the pines stir--

A swan cries dismally from somewhere high

In the mist. Each gum, each sighing fir,

Lifts dark moist boughs into the

And all the time.

Comes hauntingly

The long, low, hushing of the

And a cricket mourns again-Monotonously.

-Nancy Munro

Calling West Africa



THE Omoba Adenrele Ademola, * one of the daughters of the Alake of Abeokuta of Niceria, speaking in the programme "Calling West Africa," in the BBC's Empire Service. She has been training as a nurse at Guy's Hospital, London, and is now fully qualified.

Women at the ZB Stations

OUSEWIFE, mother, singer, composer, not to mention her work as shopping reporter-these are some of the accomplishments of 3ZB's 'Elizabeth Anne," in private life Mrs. R. A. Horne, Born in Auckland "Once upon a time" (to use her own words) "Elizabeth Anne" has nevertheless spent most of her life in Christchurch, except for a period in Western Australia. Her husband is R. A. Horne, a wellknown composer, and her young son David is the editor of the Children's Radio Newsreel. Mrs. Horne has often appeared as soloist for the Christchurch Orchestral Society, and has also tried her hand at composing.

OYCE HAMER, the 4ZB Home Service Announcer, was married on January 14, at St. Matthew's Church, Dunedin, to Ivan Tilbury. It had been arranged for Jessie McLennan to take Joyce's broadcast, but just before the session was due on the air, and right in the middle of the wedding breakfast, it was discovered that some of the necessary script had been mislaid. Fortunately, the bride was able to help locate it.

THE 4ZB staff was recently strengthened by the appointment of Miss Erana Newbold, who is very well-known in Dunedin theatrical circles. Miss Newbold was specially complimented on her excellent performance as the old lady in the Dunedin Operatic Society's 1941 production, A Country Girl.



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