

## Air Force Band Records Popular

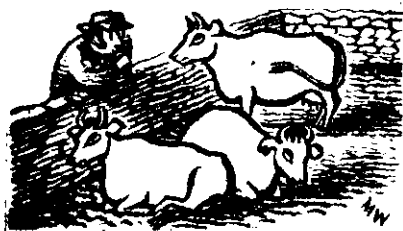
SOME months ago, the Commercial Broadcasting Service was asked to make some records of the R.N.Z.A.F. Band in New Zealand to be sent to Canada, mainly for the benefit of New Zealanders stationed there. These have been enthusiastically received. They have been used over the stations of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, and have also been broadcast by the American Blue Network. The Maori items are especially popular, and recordings are being made of these for use in service clubs in Canada and also at the Anzac Club in New York. The CBC commented particularly on the technical excellence of the recordings from New Zealand.

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London Meat Market—increased from 370lb. to 800lb. The average weight of the sheep in the market increased from 28lb. to 80lb., and the weight of lambs from 18lb. to 50lb. Nowadays, we are going back to a smaller type.

### Effect on Enclosures

This enlightened use of the turnip also had another effect on farming. At the beginning of the 18th Century, the strip or open field system was still in common use in England. There was no permanent fencing, and the farming was done from villages alongside these strips. There was uncultivated grazing land too, but the main farming was done on these strips. This system of farming had, however, grave disadvantages. It could be ploughed only one way, and the constant driving of ploughs along one line caused pans to form which made drainage difficult. The



use of the turnip helped to bring an end to the strip system, because with sheep-farming it brought fencing into common use.

### Take Off Your Hat to Him

The turnip is still a useful citizen. Other stock foods, of course, are now available, and have challenged him, but he is still in a leading position. To-day we have concentrated foods and other root crops, and they are even using dried grass as a substitute for him. But although the turnip of to-day is merely a useful citizen of the vegetable kingdom, his great-grandfather was a benefactor of the British race. So the next time you see a turnip—whether it is in a field or on your own dinner table—just cast your mind back to the days of the salt meat and spiced hedgehogs, and you will realise that but for this humble plant England's economic history might have been very different.

## The Armidale

ON Sunday evening, September 5, the ZB stations will broadcast a monologue which describes the gallantry of the Australian corvette, Armidale, in her last fight. This is what J. L. Menzies, acting-Commissioner for Australia in Wellington, said of the recording after an audition: "Both producer and narrator are deserving of the highest commendation. This is not the only instance of heroism by members of the crew of small ships, which, for the most part, constitute the Australian Navy, and I am glad to know that it is to be broadcast in New Zealand."

Lloyd Berrell, a lad of 17, formerly of Wellington, is the narrator.



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