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SUDDENLY it's Spring! And at 2ZB they celebrated with a mannequin parade which brought "Ooh's" and "Ah's" of admiration

from the studio audience (for the fashions) and 2ZB's announcers and

PARADE assistant to the Supervisor of Women's Programmes, Com-

tively, in the photograph we print below). Station 2ZB's new interior colour scheme came in for comment, too. The impact of having every

wall in every room a different colour, from chartreuse to lilac, sky to

cream, some might find a little dizzying, but not 2ZB.

technicians (for "les girls"). Describing the parade were

Doreen, 2ZB's Shopping Reporter, and Valerie Spencer,

mercial Division (left and right of the microphone, respec-

≺HOUGH the academic life of the Old Country is reputed to go round in little circles, and Cambridge is one of the older Universities, there are still plenty of goings-on to enliven the existence of its daughters. Sarah Campion, a University daughter of long standing, remembers very few stretches of boredom in her forty years' experience of the place; and, in a series of four talks now being heard from 4YC, she describes what life in this East Anglian backwater was like-for her. Her father, the medieval historian G. G. Coulton, was one of the town's many eccentrics, and a lively, exasperating companion: through him, his daughter met a good

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## Open Microphone,

of the Golden Bough, to Ronald Searle. of St. Trinian's. Her memories cover changes in Cambridge during the two major wars of this century: the emergence of women into full academic life as a result of, though (characteristically) a good while after the 1914 war; and the even more appalling changes which resulted from the Second World War, when, to its unveiled horror, the University had parts of the London School of Economics quartered upon it, all seething with alien ideas which could not but leave their mark. In this way Cambridge, which Sarah Campion first knew in 1910, has at last emerged from being a University mainly for people with money, to a University in which the only true aristocracy is that of brains and character—it has become. with a great deal of trouble to itself. democratic.

It has always been full of odd and interesting people, most of whom can be remembered with pleasure. Rupert Brooke posing in a punt on the river during a hot summer afternoon; Sir James Frazer courteously suffering the buffetings of Lady Frazer: A. E. Housman ruefully explaining that his poetry has a great attraction for the criminal classes: the present Bishop of Durham. then an insufferably self-assured schoolboy, treading on the speaker's toes during a hop in the Guildhall: Harold Laski bursting like a small bomb into the sleepy circles of academic life: Lydia Lopokova (now Lady Keynes) describing the pleasures of washing-up—all these form the texture of the

when she was young--the life about which she reminisces with the maximum of pleasure and the minimum of sentimentality. A certain amount of nostalgia there must be, since for so long Cambridge was "home." Like so many of its daughters. Miss Campion wandered away from the University a great deal: in one of her talks she describes what looking back to Cambridge was like, whether from Germany or Queensland, Capetown or Toronto-and what sort of a homecoming the University gives to its returning wanderers.

()NE of the current phenomena of the phenomenal United States entertain-ment business is a 34-year-old pianist named Liberace (pronounced Liber-ahchee), with a huge following - mainly feminine. Television made him a star on 100 stations. His flair for showmanship has sold a solid 250,000 albums of re-

## **KEYBOARD** HEART-THROB

cords, and last year he was the only concert artist to pack the 20.000-seat Hol-

lywood Bowl. Liberace (for R. L. Walton. Auckland, and others who may be interested) is the son of Italo-Polish parents and was born in Milwaukee, Paderewski visited the family when Wladzui Valentino was seven. He heard the boy play and advised professional training for him. It was Paderewski, too, who suggested using the surname only. Formally trained at the Wisconsin College of Music, Liberace was inclined towards popular music, and toured the night clubs for ten years before rocketing to success on television and the lucrative "pop" concert circuit. Liberace makes his own arrangements of the classics, and varies his programmes with an occasional baritone lyric, sometimes sentimental, sometimes satirical. His audiences are two-thirds women, from bobby-soxers to grandmothers, who love his greying hair, the romantic aura from the silver candelabra on the piano. the engaging comments made into a strategically-placed microphone. Liberace's aim: "To be to the pieno what



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