In the Shadows

ONALD KERSHAW is chief accountant of the big importing firm of Maxwell and Vincent, a position he has held for many years. He lives with his wife and family in the usual comfortable villa in a middle-class suburb. They are all engaged in local activities, tennis clubs, women's clubs, municipal politics, everything that goes to make up active. normal, respectable lives Suddenly Donald Kershaw is arrested for embezzline his firm's money. No sacrifice is too great for his defence. He continually affirms his innocence. His family believes him, but a jury finds him guilty and sentences him to five years' imprisonment.

Under the Shadows of Doubt, the family's relationships one with another and with people outside the home become increasingly strained, but the day comes when the shadows move away. By then the Kershaws have learnt who are their friends and the need for true inner fortitude in themselves.

In the shadows, too, live the men and women who haunt them for preferencesmugglers. The ZB feature Contraband tells many stories of the perverse determination which has gripped men and made them do battle with the Law, from the time when Excise authorities were first set up. The strangest commodities are handled by smugglers, from narcotics to refugees, from money to parakeets (which must be kept quiet by ingenious methods while being run through Customs checks).

ZB listeners can follow the adventures of the Kershaw family in Shadows of Doubt on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7.30 p.m., starting October 12. Contraband begins from all ZB stations on October 8 and will be heard on Wednesdays and Fridays at 10.30 p.m.

Music from Belgium

HE music library of the NZBS recently received a generous gift of the scores of works of contemporary Belgian composers from the Belgian Legation in Wellington. There are violin concertos by René Defossez and L. de Vocht, a piano concerto by R. Chevreuille, and other piano and violin works by Toussaint de Sutter and Marcel Poot. Seven works have been donated by the Legation on behalf of the Belgian Government, and one of them, the Chevreuille Piano Concerto, won first prize at an International Piano Competition held in Brussels in 1952. The Defossez Violin Concerto was also presented at an International Violin Competition held in Brussels in 1951. An interesting work in the group is Defossez's piano suite for children, Caprices de ma Poupée. Toussaint de Sutter contributes a Toccata for piano, Marcel Poot a Ballade for violin and piano, and Chevreuille a Sonatine for piano.

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of America, the question of admitting the communist government to the United Nations in place of the Nationalist government arouses passionate feeling. Only this week an influential American Senator has expressed his opinion that the United States ought not to stay in the world organisation if the Chinese communists should be admitted. We can only hope that the American Government will resist the pressure of this sort of public opinion and realise that an intransigent policy of exclusion serves to destroy the very principles for which the United Nations was founded.

-DR. G. P. BARTON, September 18, 1954.

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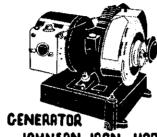
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