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A SPARKLE and zest for life single out Mrs. Dorothea Joblin, of Palmerston North. Her interest in people and places has taken her on two world trips, about which she has written most entertainingly in her series I Stayed There, at present being broadcast in the

ZB Women's Hour. During her first trip she spent FOR LIFE some time in what must be every woman's dream world-a famous fashion house in London. Her second trip realised a longheld ambition to travel right round the world, going to places off the beaten track and meeting all sorts of people. Mrs. Joblin says she has always been interested in art in one form or another. For quite a while she did dress designing and proved herself very adept at it. Now she is interested in words, and her powers of colourful description have won her a wide audience for her

WHEN Harold Mattingly retired from his post at the British Museum in 1948 and came out to New Zealand to see his daughter at Blenheim, he liked the place so much that when he was asked last year to come to Otago University as Williams Evans Visiting Pro-

accounts of wonderful experiences and

strange sights abroad.

fessor in Classics he had no hesitation in accepting. He will be here till December. "We are very fond of New Zealand, particularly of the places we know best—Dunedin, Blen-

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heim and Picton," he says. "Here and there we could find some-

thing to criticise. It strikes us, for example, that New Zealand might be aiming at more independence in her periodical literature than she yet attains. But it's a country in which an Englishman can very easily feel at home, and if there's not the same glory of the past there are almost unbounded hopes for the future."

Professor Mattingly, who is to give four talks on St. Paul from 4YC (see page 23), was a Fellow of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, in 1910. "When I retired in 1948," he says, "they very kindly made me an Honorary Fellow, which implies no special rights and no duties, but is a very pleasant com-pliment to have from one's old College." It was in 1910 also that Professor Mattingly joined the Department of Coins and Medals in the British Museum as Assistant-keeper in Charge of Roman Coins. In the 38 years he was there he published five volumes of Roman Imperial Coins for the Museum. He has also translated Tacitus, Agricola and Germanis for the Penguin Classics; and he is a Fellow of the British Academy, the Society of Antiquaries and the Royal Numismatic Society, and Past-President of the Numismatic Society.

"I came to coins through my oldstanding interest in Roman history." Professor Mattingly explains. "The attractions of the subject have grown on me, so that today I'm prepared to be interested in almost any kind of coin even the Chinese with their square hole in the middle of the round and no types."

FILMGOERS whose memories reach back easily to the early 1930's will remember Bebe Daniels and Ben Lyon, but it's now 18 years since they left Hollywood to go to London. Over the years they

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have become popular broadcasters with the BBC, and one of their best-known shows Life

With the Lyons, is now to be heard from NZBS stations. In this listeners will meet not only Bebe and Ben—who



HAROLD MATTINGLY weighs an ancient coin

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