

Test-Bench Kitchen

A KITCHEN used by 44,000 cooks annually! That's the aim of the Home Science Extension which you can hear about in the Extension's weekly talk in the Women's Session on the main National stations during the week February 7 to 14. This is the 2000th talk given over the past years. The 44,000 is the number of people who have benefited in some way from the Extension's services, and the kitchen, when built, will further help these people in three ways. First, it will be a model kitchen arranged for quick and easy housekeeping. As well as having the equipment placed so that it saves most work, the Extension hopes to have the latest and best models available that will help answer such questions as, "What can I use a liquidiser for besides fruit and vegetables?" and "How can I make best use of my refrigerator?"

Secondly, the kitchen will be useful for testing new recipes, products and kitchen devices. When something new comes on to the market the Extension will suggest the best ways of taking advantage of it; when the market is glutted or in short supply, hints will be given on how to cope; if someone's jams do not keep or preserving jar lids buckle the kitchen will be useful for research as to the cause.

The third use of the kitchen will be



EMILY E. CARPENTER, who has prepared the 2000th Home Science Extension talk—and many of those which preceded it

to demonstrate foods and nutrition. The actual kitchen will be arranged just like that of an average home, but the fourth wall will open out on to a large lecture room, where visitors can be shown how to ice a cake or the latest methods in preserving, or learn some national dishes from other countries.

This service will be in addition to the Extension's usual work, and no doubt that figure of 44,000 will steadily increase over the next 25 years and 2000 talks.

SPOTLIGHT ON NATO

THE North Atlantic Treaty Organisation was created on April 4, 1949, in an atmosphere of fear born of defencelessness. It now consists of fourteen sovereign States: Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, the United Kingdom, the United States—all original signatories to the treaty—and Greece and Turkey, which joined it in 1952.

The BBC has written a feature programme about NATO called *The Defence of the West*. This will be broadcast in *ZB Sunday Showcase* at 9.35 p.m. on Sunday, February 13. A team

of BBC reporters made on-the-spot investigations of the various commands which are the operational military agents of NATO. There are reports from the supply lines of the North Atlantic Allies—from the Atlantic coast to a Canadian Fighter station in Germany. René Cutforth covers the Norwegian Front and the Northern Command; Maurice Brown describes the work of Allied minesweepers in the North Sea; while Alan Burgess is with the Allied Second Tactical Air Force and the 1st U.S. Infantry Division in Germany. French and German attitudes to the European Defence Community and the re-arming of Western Germany are discussed, and finally David Woodward deals with the Allied Navies in the Mediterranean.

Defence of the West is edited by David Woodward. Edward Ward narrates and the feature is produced by Laurence Gilliam.

Oranges and Lemons, etc.

"[H]OW are your grape-fruit doing? And your oranges and lemons?" Those are sociable questions to ask in Gisborne. Such mundane back-garden produce as cabbages, potatoes, tomatoes and carrots take a minor place in the conversations of Gisborne gardeners. Or is "gardener" the word? Perhaps it is more correct to call them orchardists. Walk down a suburban road in Gisborne and you'll be impressed by the trees laden with grape-fruit, oranges, lemons, tree tomatoes, loquats, feijoas and guavas, beside the more commonplace pear, peach and nectarine.

So for this army of amateur and professional orchardists who may be eager to learn something more about pruning, spraying, grafting, and so on, 2XG broadcasts *For the Orchardist*. It will be heard at 8.2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 8, and at the same time on the second Tuesday of every month.



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