

Jack Maybury presents a Humber Bicycle to Elsie Tindall, aged 8, of Rotorua, who was the first winner in the Colgate Dental Cream Competition. This competition runs weekly in the Jack Maybury programme "Scoop the Pool" (Wednesdays, 7 p.m.) and is open to children between the ages of 8 and 15 years of age. All children have to do is to trace or draw the words Colgate Dental Cream exactly as these words appear on the familiar red Colgate carton. A prize of a Humber or Raleigh or Rudge Cycle is given for the neatest and most accurate entry sent in each week.

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you can always turn off your radio" when it comes on, but that is not what the sponsors want, is it? So I return to my first question—can you give us any idea when we will be hearing the last episode?

LONG-SUFFERING LISTENER
(No.—Ed.) (Lower Hutt).

THE FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS

Sir,—I would like to question a statement by P. J. Alley in his letter on "The Faithful Followers." He refers to the 1000 million Communists to the North. This implies that he considers the entire populations of Russia and China to be Communists. Assuming a Communist to be defined as either a member or supporter of the Communist Party, this is most definitely not the case. Party membership in Russia especially is very restricted, and a fair proportion of the Russian populace is known to be, to say the least, lukewarm toward the Soviet system.

Mr Alley also states that Communism is international in its scope. This is precisely why so many people in Western countries object to it. The avowed intention of international Communism is to impose itself upon the rest of the world by any means possible, including subversion and force if necessary, even though this may be completely against the wishes of the victims, who are assumed to know no better.

Finally, Mr Alley's statement that the story of British Empire building is not pretty is in some respects regrettably true. But, while the story of the British Empire is to a point one of snobbery and a certain degree of exploitation, that of Soviet Russia is one

of violence, cruelty, and injustice unequalled in European history.

TALK SENSE (Auckland).

A WORD FOR ESAU

Sir,—On Saturday, June 22, from 2YC I was very pleased to hear the Greek writer, Kay Cicellis, put in a good word for Esau, in her talk with the Gaelic minister. How often have I heard clerymen condemn Esau because he sold his birthright for a mess of pottage! During the last war I was stationed at Assab on the shores of the Gulf of Aden. There were 350 miles of desert between us and the nearest town, which was Dessie, in Abyssinia. An Arab told me that when a man got lost in the desert his body became so dehydrated, and his throat muscles so useless, that he could speak but not swallow. They would make a thick porridge of split peas or lentils, put a ball of it into his mouth and push it back against the throat with a stick. After a while this poultice relaxed the muscles and he was able to swallow, when the whole condition cleared up.

When Esau said that he would die if he did not get the pottage he was stating a fact. I have read the life of Esau very carefully since then and he emerges a bigger man than his brother.

J. NICOL (Tahunanui).

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

H. B. Gould (Christchurch): Thanks; but there is no plan to repeat the programme.
Auckland Admirer: Please send name and address, not for publication.

Regular 2YC Listener (Wellington): While the deficiencies of a 15-year-old transmitter are most clearly detected by high-fidelity reception, its reduced selectivity carries its own penalty in liability to adjacent channel interference, such as you describe. The renewal plan does not extend to 2YX; but possibilities can be considered.

N.Z. LISTENER, JULY 12, 1957.

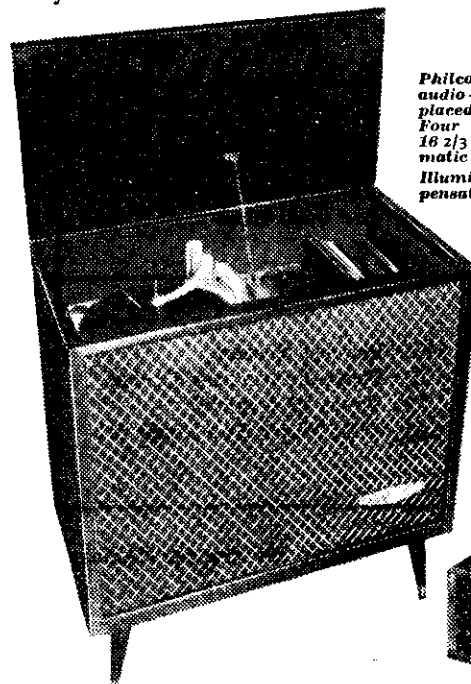
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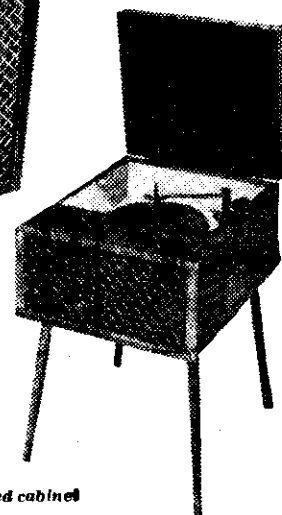
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