

INNOCENTS ABROAD

FRED AND MAGGIE EVERYBODY, one of the earliest and most popular features from Commercial stations in New Zealand, and last heard during the war years, will be back on the air soon. Since the programme last was broadcast, Fred and Maggie—Edward Howell and his wife Terese Desmond—have had a trip abroad, and their new series is based on the trip. The thousands who heard them before are assured of more and even richer comedy situations when

ready for the trip. Letting the house and dealing with the hundred and one other things that Maggie manages to complicate nearly drives Fred crazy, and the odd ideas their neighbour, Sprogins, has about helping them only add to Fred's fury. Then there are the passport authorities to deal with, and when the time comes to have their passport photographs taken, Maggie finds her attention divided between wanting her photograph taken with her pet cat and

watching Fred being charming with the photographer's pretty assistant. As for the packing...

Fred and Maggie Everybody Abroad (as the new series is called) is written and produced by Edward Howell, and the supporting cast includes Maiva Drummond, Charles MacCallum, Winifred Hindle, Owen Ainley and Don Crosby. It will replace *Money-Go-Round* at 2ZB at 8.0 p.m. on Saturday, July 28, at 1ZB on August 4, 3ZB on August 11, 4ZB on August 18, and 2ZA on August 25. (In the week in which the change is made *Money-Go-Round* will replace *Radio Theatre* at 8.0 p.m. on Thursdays.) A preview of the new feature may be heard from each station at 8.45 p.m. on the Sunday preceding the first broadcast.



THE FACE at the porthole is Fred: he and Maggie are (characteristically) quite at sea

these two hopeless muddlers encounter foreign customs and languages.

Not, of course, that they wait till they are abroad to get into difficulties. There is plenty of confusion as they make

Football

FRENCHMEN AND FIJIANS

WINSTON MCCARTHY will give on-the-spot commentaries on all matches played by the French League Football team on its New Zealand tour, which starts with a game against the West Coast at Greymouth on Wednesday, July 25. This match will be broadcast by 3YZ. Broadcasting arrangements for other matches are: July 28, v. Canterbury, at Christchurch, 3YA; July 30, v. Wellington, at Wellington, 2YA; August 4, v. New Zealand, at Auckland, 1YA and rebroadcast by 2YA, 3YA and 3YZ; August 6, v. Auckland, at Auckland, 1YA; August 9, v. South Auckland, at either Huntly or Hamilton, 1XH; August 11, v. Taranaki, at New Plymouth, 2XP. On the day of each match there will also be a short review from the YA and YZ stations, at 6.40 p.m. for week-day matches and 7.0 p.m. on Saturday, and results will be announced in the 9.0 p.m. news. Commercial stations will include a short commentary on the games against Canterbury and New Zealand in their 6.30 p.m. Saturday sports session.

The Fijian Rugby team will also begin its New Zealand tour on Wednesday, July 25, with a match at Te Aroha against Thames Valley. This match and those against Marlborough (at Blenheim) and Bush Districts (at Pahiatua) will not be covered on the spot, but there will be a short commentary from YA and YZ stations in the evening as for the French League team's matches. For

all other matches there will be an on-the-spot commentary from local stations (in the main centres from YA stations), followed by an evening review on the YA-YZ link.

After the opening game, the Fijians will play matches on July 28, v. Bay of Plenty, at Rotorua; August 1, v. Poverty Bay, at Gisborne; August 4, v. Hawke's Bay, at Napier; August 8, v. Marlborough, at Blenheim; August 11, v. Buller, at Westport; August 15, v. South Canterbury, at Timaru; August 18, v. Otago, at Dunedin; August 22, v. Southland, at Invercargill; August 25, v. Canterbury, at Christchurch; August 29, v. Maoris, at Wellington; September 1, v. Wanganui, at Wanganui; September 4, v. Bush Districts, at Pahiatua; September 8, v. Waikato, at Hamilton; and September 12, v. Auckland, at Auckland.

Commercial stations will give results of matches, and there will be a review of the more important Saturday games in the 6.30 p.m. sports session.

Radio New Zealand will broadcast on-the-spot commentaries on the main matches, and a 10-minute review of all matches will be included in their evening programmes. They will also broadcast news of the team and messages from players.



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