

ESCAPE FROM THE ENEMY

THE radio-serial version of H. E. Bates's novel *Fair Stood the Wind for France*, which began from 1ZB on Thursday, April 10, and will begin from 2ZB on Thursday, April 24, is a story of the last war. But the war is a very distant background to the plot, and its importance is that only under war-time conditions could the peculiar circumstances of this drama be found. When John Franklin and the crew of his Wellington bomber are brought down in France the story of attempted, thwarted and finally successful escape, begins. There are side-issues, naturally. The farm on which the bomber crew hides is owned by a Frenchman with a daughter, and although the flyers depart early in the story, Franklin himself is forced by his wounds to remain on the farm. But "survival and freedom" are the themes and when Franklin finally crosses the French border into Spain, with the farmer's daughter, the climax is reached. *Fair Stood the Wind for France*—a title derived from the early 17th Century "Ballad of Agincourt," by Michael Drayton—will be broadcast each Thursday evening at 7.0 p.m. from the four ZB stations. The first broadcast from 3ZB will be heard on May 8, and from 4ZB on May 22.

Maori Life Today

THE well-known Rotorua commentator on Maori subjects, Enid Tapsell, is to broadcast another series of talks from 1YZ, beginning on Thursday, April 17. Presented weekly, following the 7.0 p.m. Station Announcements, this series, *The Maori Way of Life Today*, reveals factors which have had an important bearing on the conditions under which the Maori people now live. Enid Tapsell has previously given talks on such subjects as *Te Kooti* and *Legends of the Maoris*, and her new series will add to the picture of the Maori people which she has already given Rotorua listeners.



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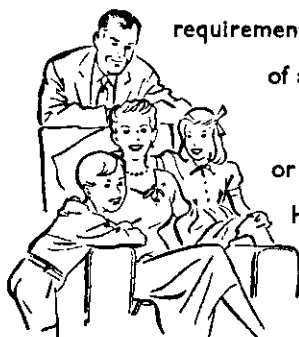
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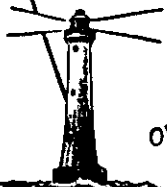
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