

Read by the Author

IT was late afternoon when Martyn Tarne turned into Carpet Street, lifting one foot and then the other, determined not to drag them. A young New Zealander looking for work in the theatre in London, she had had a bad day. But there was still the Vulcan Theatre at the bottom of the street. What awaited her there? She was to discover soon enough that she'd been given the wrong tip. The show at the Vulcan, with the part she was looking for, was to go on that week.

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NGAIO MARSH

the Ngaio Marsh thriller which is to start the rounds of National stations of the NZBS next week. And they will soon find themselves held by what happened to Martyn in the days that preceded the opening night of Dr. Rutherford's new play—and by what happened on the opening night itself. As those who read the interview with Ngaio Marsh in *The Listener* of April 10 will know, *Opening Night* was written when the author was very busy in the theatre, and its publication coincided with the opening night in Sydney of her British Commonwealth Company. Ngaio Marsh has herself adapted the book for broadcasting, and it is her voice which listeners will hear reading it.

Opening Night will start first from 3YA, which will broadcast it in the afternoon session of *Mainly for Women* on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, starting on Monday, May 18. Starting dates from other stations are: 2YA (*Women's Session*), June 8; 2YC, June 8; 4YA (*Topics for Women*), June 9; 2YZ, June 22; 4YZ (*Women at Home*), June 29; 3YZ, July 20; 1YZ, July 27; 1YA (*Feminine Viewpoint*), August 10. It will be heard later from X stations.

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