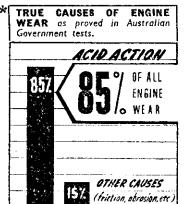
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From TV Back to Radio

WHEN Alan Morris arrived in England five years ago he had only $\pounds 5$ in his pocket. With two years' experience of broadcasting--as a copywriter at 4ZB—behind him, he had gone to the other side of the world "on his own steam" to find out what he could about how the job was done there. Now back home again. Mr. Morris has joined the staff of 3YA to do special programme work and write scripts - a job which will include some producing as well; and the other day he told *The Listener* about some of the things he had done while overseas,

That £5, Mr. Morris knew, wasn't going to last very long in England, so he was relieved when he heard of a job with the publishing firm of Cassells. "They wanted someone for publicity work," Mr. Morris said. "The job covered anything I could devise that would help to sell their books in England and abroad. During the seven months I was with them I had a hand in floating the first volume of Winston Churchill's War Memoirs. I was also able to do something for ZB Book Review-I recorded one of our authors for this session.'

At the end of 1948 Mr. Morris went through a staff training course at the



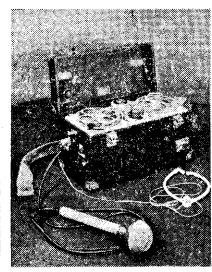
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BBC with a number of people from broadcasting organisations in several countries. "I think I was the first one not attached to any broadcasting organisation to go through the course," he said, "When I'd completed it I went to Holland -- that was at the beginning of 1949-where I worked with Radio Nederland till the end of August, 1950."

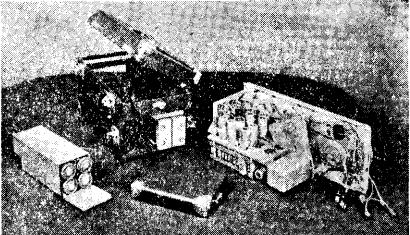
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Torch - battery

Tape - recorder



WHEN Arnold Wall, Talks Officer at 3YA, set off for England in a Hastings bomber recently, he took with him two lightweight battery-operated tape-recorders on which he will collect his material for broadcasts. These machines - illustrated here - are the latest technical aid for programme building which the NZBS has invested in, and are designed for collecting material in areas where electric power is not available, or where the commentator cannot take technicians with him. The machine is about the size of a portable typewriter, 151/2 inches by 71/2 by 8, and weighs 163/4 pounds, including its four torch-size batteries. Each tape has a playing time of 15 minutes, and a commentator normally takes machines with him in case of technical troubles, and about 20 tapes. The NZBS is equipping each centre with two



THE BATTERY-OPERATED tape-recorder partially dismantled to show the mechanism (the four standard cells are seen at left). ABOVE: The assembled recorder with cover up, showing the spools and tape in position