

B.B.C. Handbook**Fitting Production of a Results to be Published
Year of Progress**

THE second annual edition of the B.B.C.'s Handbook, that for 1929, has come to hand and is truly representative of the progress achieved by the B.B.C. Printed on good paper, well bound, and profusely illustrated, this edition forms no mean asset to the bookshelf of the wireless enthusiast.

The book is divided into four main sections—special articles (Finance, Empire Broadcasting, the Regional Station, etc.), a general section which is subdivided, a technical and a reference section.

THE special articles, forming as they do a unique editorial introduction, forecast a great future for wireless. The aim of the British Broadcasting Corporation has been to educate, not merely in the narrow sense of teaching but in the wider and more general sense.

Realising that wireless is in millions of homes, the Corporation has realised its importance and provided a unique system. This has been developed in the Handbook, and editorial pages express the determination to keep this view before them and steadily advance upon it.

In the general section, almost every topic associated with wireless, apart from the technical aspect is treated, programmes, broadcasting in the English counties sport, music, drama and variety, teaching dancing by wireless, religion, education, home and garden, and a hundred other topics could be selected merely from the index. A chapter is devoted to bands, orchestras and instruments. Following, a discussion of the bands put on the air by the B.B.C. is a more detailed description of each instrument. Two plates are included to add to the interest. This chapter alone would grace a book with far greater pretensions.

One could prolong an article to great length, merely by commenting on some of the more important sections, and even then justice could not be done to the book.

This section is concluded by a brief account of the two English magazines which are its official organs, and to which we frequently refer—"Radio Times" and "World Radio."

THE technical section is very comprehensive, embodying as it does most of the phases of broadcasting, transmission and reception. Such topics as man-made static, how to

The Radio Competition Christmas and New Year**Details of Publication**

WE have to advise readers and the trade that the following arrangements will apply for publication of the "Radio Record" over the Christmas and New Year period.

The issue of Friday, December 28, will be printed and published on the preceding Saturday, December 22, in order to avoid clashing with Christmas and Boxing Days, and allow of distribution throughout the Dominion prior to the period covered by the programmes, viz., December 30 to January 6. Changes of advertisements and other notices desired for insertion in this issue should reach us not later than Thursday, December 20.

The issue bearing date January 4, will be printed and published on the preceding Saturday, December 29. Changes of advertisements and other matter should reach us not later than Thursday, December 27, and earlier, if possible.

SUBSCRIBERS who may change their addresses for the holiday period are advised that we will be glad to meet their convenience by altering their address for the period in question, if notification is given us.

The same facility will be given to dealers. If any of their regular subscribers are going away for a few weeks' holiday, and desire the paper posted on to them, we will undertake the service from this office at the ordinary wholesale rate.

After Church**Broadcast by 3YA**

An after-church concert, given by the boys band of Auckland Jubilee Institute for Blind, was broadcast by 3YA on Sunday evening. While the concert was on listeners-in rang up the theatre and promised donations to the funds. These gifts were announced over the air, as also was the offer by another anonymous donor that he would give ten pounds if nine other people would give similarly by Tuesday evening. The visit of the boys' band to Christchurch was very successful, and broadcasting helped it materially.

Commander Byrd**Broadcast by 4YA**

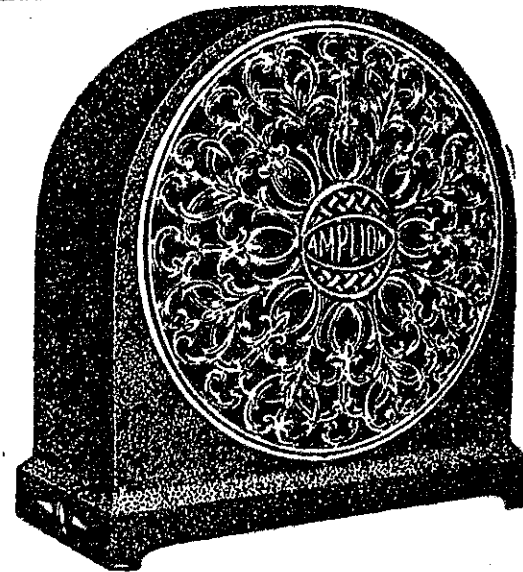
4YA was very successful with the Byrd Antarctic Expedition. The famous American is a very difficult man to get to the microphone, but 4YA got him at the civic reception which Dunedin tendered to him on Thursday evening last. The speeches of Commander Byrd and Chief Officer Lofgren came through exceptionally well, owing to the fact that both men addressed the microphone, whereas other speakers unaccustomed to broadcasting kept turning round. 4YA also broadcast a description of the departure of the two ships of the expedition, the City of New York and the Eleanor Bolling, which left Sunday morning. 3YA rebroadcast the civic reception, but the daylight transmission on Sunday was not suitable for rebroadcasting.

Interesting Lectures

TWO interesting lectures are announced for Thursday and Friday of this week from 2YA.

At 7.30 on December 6 Dr. P. Marshall, the well-known geologist and formerly head of Wanganui College, will lecture on "The Pageant of Education."

At 7.40 on the evening of December 7 Mr. N. R. Jacobsen, M.Sc., will give a very timely talk on "What a Parent Wants for His Boy or Girl at School and How to Get It."

**Radiolux.**

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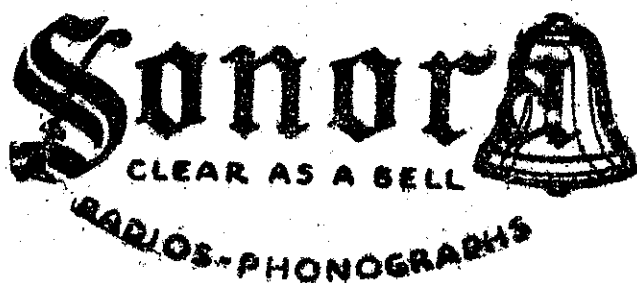
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