

*Across the Seas**Prime Ministers Converse*

THE Prime Minister of Australia, Mr. Bruce, in Sydney, conversed with Lord Passfield, Secretary of State for the Dominions, in London, by means of radio telephony. The transmission was arranged by Mr. Fisk, managing director of Amalgamated Wireless. The speakers discussed inter-Imperial trade relations. They are the first two Ministers of the Crown who have communicated direct between Australia and Britain. The thirteen-thousand mile talk lasted ten minutes and the speakers were amazed at the clarity of the reception.

*Mr. Snowden's Address**Received in Wellington*

MR. SNOWDEN'S address was heard by a local Wellington amateur with a short-wave set on loud-speaker with wonderful clarity from 7.35 to 8.13 on Tuesday morning (9.5 to 9.43 o'clock the previous night at 2LO) relayed from 5SW, Chelmsford. It was a modest, eloquent and dramatic story of the splendid fight put up successfully by the British delegation. The personal triumph of Mr. Snowden was not emphasised in the least, and he paid a fine tribute to the efforts of M. Jaspar and M. Briand to bring about the settlement.

Mr. Snowden gave a graphic and thrilling description of the last scenes when the conference was on the point of breaking and sear: for the delegates had actually been booked in the Paris express. He pictured the last moments' meeting with the Continental delegates in one room and the British in another and M. Jaspar passing from one room to another as intermediary. When M. Jaspar brought the first increase of £100,000 on the previously rejected offer, Mr. Snowden replied, "You have obtained £100,000 in half an hour. At that rate you will bring them up to our figure by midnight. Be not weary in doing good!"

And at 11.45 p.m., the final offer was made and accepted, said Mr. Snowden, and he claimed that the efforts of the British delegation had re-established Britain's prestige in Europe. He added that the storm of criticism of Britain in the Continental Press was really more amusing than irritating, and he instanced their desperate efforts to find anything to fling at Britain. He remarked that one French cartoon had dragged in Britain's treatment of Joan of Arc, Mary Queen of Scots, and the banishment of Napoleon!

Mr. Snowden said that under the arrangements for the evacuation of the Rhineland, the last of the British troops should have left there by Christmas. He has a splendid voice for the microphone and after his eloquent account of the negotiations one does not wonder so much at the success of the Socialist Government.

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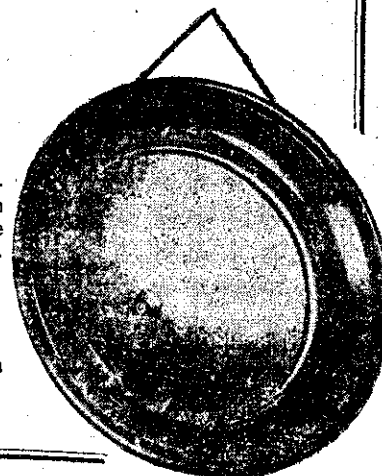
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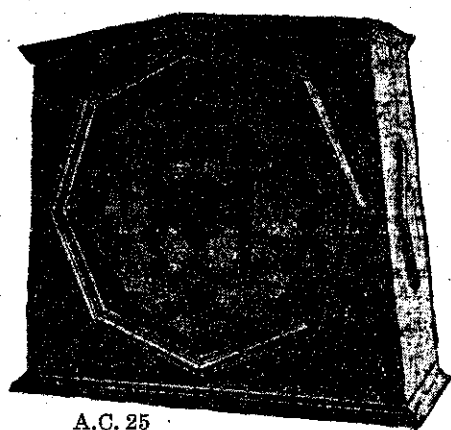


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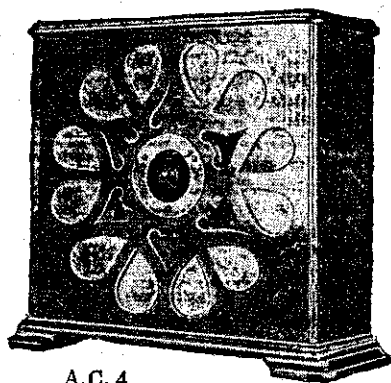
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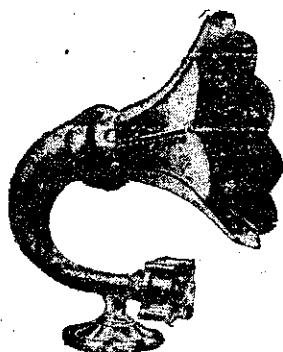
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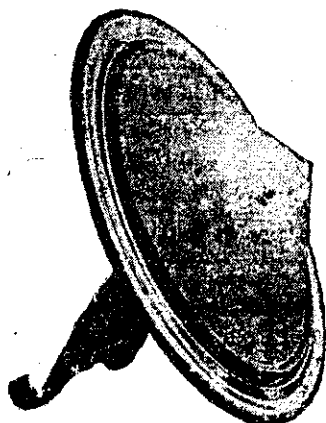


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