

Radio Developments

THE next big move by the Australian Broadcasting Company will be right across the continent to Perth, where they commence operations at 6WF early in September. 5CL, Adelaide, will not come within their activities until early next year, but in the meantime 4QG, Brisbane, will be taken over. The last studio to come within their jurisdiction will be 7ZL, Hobart, but that will not be until the end of 1930.

A LARGE American concern have opened a station in Washington, built exclusively for the transmission of pictures to the public by radio. It is believed that this is the only station in existence at present built for broadcasting pictures only. The television audience is estimated at 20,000, but as the station intends to enlarge its power, this number is expected to increase far beyond this.

THE Soviet of Russia has concentrated on the development of radio in the country and though considerable progress has been made, the number of licensed listeners is not in proportion to a population of 150,000,000. In the Soviet there are now 326,285 radio sets of which over 44,000 are in the villages. The broadcasting is not only devoted to entertainment, but political propaganda plays a large part in the programme of all stations.

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News from Across the Tasman

Impending Broadcast Attractions

PROGRAMMES consisting entirely of old-time dance numbers are at present a highly popular feature in Australia. These programmes have met with such universal enthusiasm that there is little doubt that listeners regard them as, perhaps, the most enjoyable of all. Not only do old people prefer them for the memories they recall of bygone days, but the younger

THE A.B.C. should be very proud of their recent morning service innovation. A letter of gratitude received recently ran as follows:—"I wish to express my great appreciation of the beautiful little service you are so good to broadcast at 11.15 every morning from 2FC. I am an invalid, unable to attend our church services, so this call to prayer is to me a very great comfort, as I am sure it must be

Australian Broadcasting Company, hinted that a new "B" class station might shortly be established in Western Australia.

AUSTRALIA, despite her sparse population, compares very favourably with other great countries in regard to the number of listeners, and from the latest sources of information it is possible to ascertain what world ratios exist.

	Listeners per 1000 population.
Australia	47.90
Austria	53.31
Great Britain	59.48
Germany	43.92
Hungary	20.10
United States	68.10
New Zealand (approx.)	30

The license increase for the past two years in Australia has been a steady 25,000 per year, and it is predicted that in 1930 there will be 330,000 licenses in the Commonwealth.

AN item of especial interest to New Zealand listeners will be broadcast from 2FC by Miss Jean McArthur, who recently left New Zealand to study music. Before her departure she was listening-in one night to 2FC, and heard Alexander Sverjensky broadcasting. She at once decided that she would like to study music under him, and so wrote to him asking if he would accept her as a pupil. He agreed, and now, curiously enough, she is broadcasting from the very station responsible for her emigration.



1YA STUDIO TRIO—MISS INA BOSWORTH, MISS MOLLIE WRIGHT, and MR. ERIC WATERS (Violiniste, 'Cellist, and Pianist respectively). —S. P. Andrew, photo.

generation find in these catchy melodies a certain fascinating lilt which makes a strong appeal.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made in Australia for a series of educational lectures to be broadcast every Monday until December 2. It is hoped that this series will be so successful as to justify its continuance after Christmas. The lectures, which occupy half an hour, cover a wide range of subjects, including poetry, agricultural science, birds, plants, music, and books. These should prove very interesting, and New Zealand listeners should make an effort to hear them all.

to many similarly situated. I thank you, and pray for its continuance." Not often do broadcasting companies receive such a genuine and touching tribute, and this letter alone should amply compensate them for any trouble they may have taken in arranging for this period of daily worship.

THE fifth annual exhibition of the West Australian Wireless Institute, held at Perth early in September, proved an unparalleled success. It was arranged to coincide with the official reopening of 6WF, Perth, which now operates on a wavelength of 435 metres (690 kilocycles). Sir Benjamin Fuller, in speaking of the policy of the

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