

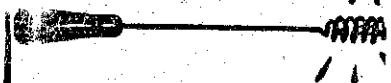
WOMEN FAREWELL LADY BLEDISLOE

Christchurch Scene of Big Gathering This Week.

THE Christchurch branch of the National Council of Women is giving her Excellency Lady Bledisloe a farewell in the Winter Garden this week—Thursday, November 8. Miss Mildred Trent is the president, and all the women's organisations in Christchurch are assisting, of which there are 23 affiliated societies and 24 unaffiliated, representing in all nearly 15,000 women.

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The farewell is to take the form of an afternoon party, and her Excellency will be received on arrival by Mrs. J. K. Archer (the Deputy-Mayor's wife), Miss Trent, the president, and Miss F. L. Cooper, the secretary of the Christchurch branch of the council. Four hundred guests are expected, and the presidents of the various societies will be presented to her Excellency by Mrs. Archer. During the afternoon Welsh airs will be played by an instrumental trio, the members of whom are Norma Middleton (violin), Noel Cape-Williamson ('cello) and Althea Slack (piano). Mrs. R. J. McLaren will sing a song by a New Zealand composer. Mrs. A. I. Fraer, who is a past-president of the council and a life member, will present a basket of flowers to Lady Bledisloe. The basket has been made by a returned soldier, and is similar to one Lady Bledisloe admired during her visit to the Winter Show in Christchurch last August. The guests at the official table with her Excellency will be: Miss M. Trent, Miss L. M. Jamieson, Miss E. A. Chaplin, Mrs. A. I. Fraer, Miss Jessie Mackay, Mrs. E. R. McCombs, M.P., Mrs. West Watson, Mrs. James Hight, Miss V. Hynes and Miss F. L. Cooper. The decorations will be in purple and gold, the colours of the council.

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The board has been wise to follow this policy—it is in essence the only sound policy possible. The first essential is the capacity to deliver the service into the home and that constitutes good broadcasting equipment.

We do not pretend, nor do we imagine does the board, that the programmes of the past era have been perfect. The programmes never will be perfect. They represent, however, a tremendous improvement upon preceding efforts both in relation to hours of transmission and quality of fare provided. It is utterly wrong and misleading for the Christchurch "Press" to describe the board's programmes as "bad." They are not bad. They are, in point of fact, good and of a high standard. It is charged against them that they are "lacking in educational and cultural matters." This very phrase shows the poor comprehension of the "Press" writer of broadcasting requirements. To the average broadcast listener "an educational and cultural atmosphere" is anathema. He does not want to be educated: he wants to be entertained and it is because the responsible officers of the board appreciate the value of entertainment to the public that the marvellous increase of the number of listeners has been made.

We agree with Mr. Macfarlane that the time is definitely ripe for a fuller understanding by the press and through it, by the public of the work that has been done in the cause of radio by the New Zealand Broadcasting Board.

Household Hints

ORDINARY glass fruit jars are splendid substitutes for covered refrigerator dishes; and you can see their contents at a glance.

AT a time when there is much mail to be stamped and no sponge is at hand, use a soap dish, wet a face cloth and fold it up to a small square. Stamping letters then becomes much easier.

USE the rinds of lemons (from which all juice has been extracted) to clean copper or brass. Dip the rinds in salt and rub the metal surface. Rinse in warm water and dry thoroughly. Do not use on oxidised brass or copper.

HERE'S a tasty filling for picnic sandwiches. Peel and chop two apples finely. Mix with a pinch of chopped onion, half a teaspoonful of chopped parsley, a peeled and sliced tomato, and seasoning. Bind with a little mayonnaise.

WHEN darning fine wool garments do not use wool that will shrink. Instead, use loosely twisted knitting silk and darn very loosely. When washed, the new texture will have almost the same thickness as the knitted article.

WHEN brushes are new, soak for several hours in cold water, then thoroughly dry. This will prevent the bristles coming out. When dirty, wash in soapy water, rinse, and dry. When not in use, hang up with a wire or string loop so that the bristles do not rest on the ground.

TO make raisin cordial, peel two lemons very thin and pour a gallon of boiling water over the peel. When cool, add the strained juice of the lemons, 1 lb. loaf sugar, and 3 lb. raisins. Stand for five days, stirring daily, then strain and bottle.

WHEN your machine needle becomes blunt, or the end is turned—especially if it is the last one in the house, and you want to sew something very important—just remove the needle and rub it on a smooth stone or fine file, and you will find that your needle is as good as ever.

THE best way to keep spoons and forks from becoming discoloured is to wrap them in green felt. Each side of the felt should be doubled to the middle, thus forming a long pocket at each side. It should then be divided into rows large enough to take spoons, forks, etc., and these should be slipped into the pockets.

THE secret of making a good cup of tea is thoroughly to dry the teapot after it has been heated before putting in the leaves. Many make the mistake of leaving a small drop of water in the pot when the water used to heat it is poured away. The flavour of the brew is then completely spoiled by saturating the leaves with half-tepid water before the boiling water is poured in.