

CANTERBURY NOTES.

Norfolk Islanders Listen To 3YA

Mr. J. McKenzie, Station Director at Christchurch, Receives Small Token From Norfolk Island—Woolston Band's Success in Australia—"Australian Impressions" by Evelyn Edgar.

MR. J. MCKENZIE, station director at 3YA, has received an interesting souvenir from Norfolk Island "as a small mark of appreciation of the programmes—both interesting and melodious—you send us over the air." This is the "Norfolk Island Times," the newspaper of that tiny dot of land in a vast ocean, and a bright and interesting little journal of ten foolscap pages, published weekly. That the island's population is progressive, is proved by mention in the paper of the opening of the Rifle Club, an annual cricket match, the announcement of the opening of new summer goods for both sexes, a correspondence column, shipping and church news, social notes, a performance by the amateur dramatic club, three pages are devoted to overseas news, the announcement of New Zealand's new Governor, Lord Galway, and the decision to extend the life of Parliament to four years, advertisements at the rate of 2/6 an inch, and a write-up of one of the residents' experiences on a recent tour of the East. Just how much radio must mean to these lonely inhabitants may be judged by the appreciative remarks of the sender of the journal.

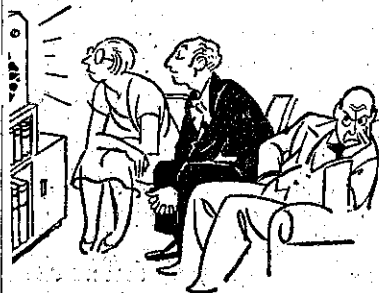
CHRISTCHURCH is very proud of the success of the Woolston Band in Australia, and on its return to Christchurch last week it was given a great reception. Mr. R. J. Estall, the conductor of the band, found the standard of the bands in Australia very high, but Woolston could hold its own with any of the combinations, and while in Sydney, four records of marches played by the band were made. The Woolston Band was given a wonderful hearing at its concerts, and the broadcast was very successful. The first broadcast of the band after its return, will take place at 3YA studio on Monday, November 26, when listeners will have the opportunity of hearing and judging the combination which was an object-lesson to bandmen in Australia.

THE clever pianiste, Miss Agnes Shearsby, will be heard in piano novelties of her own arranging, in the variety programme from 3YA on Saturday,

day, November 24. The same programme includes selections by the 3YA Orchestra, Jock Lockhart (comedian), and Miss Lottie Colville (soprano).

MR. GORDON ANDERSON (pianist) and Mr. A. G. Thompson (baritone) will be heard in the first part of the programme from 3YA on Friday, November 23. Mr. J. L. Ten-

Famous People Correct B.B.C. Announcers' Pronunciation



The B.B.C. Advisory Committee on Spoken English, whose standardisation of the pronunciation of many doubtful English words for the benefit of the B.B.C.'s announcers, has aroused intense controversy in England, is to be greatly increased in size. Previously, it consisted of seven members, with Mr. George Bernard Shaw as chairman, and Professor Lloyd James as honorary secretary; now the seven are to be augmented to 23 by the addition of many well-known personalities in education and literature.

Included among the new members are Mr. P. H. B. Lyon, the headmaster of Rugby, one of the most famous public schools in England; Miss Rose Macaulay and Mr. Maurice Baring, the novelists; Lady Cynthia Asquith; and the president of Magdalen College, Oxford, Dr. George Gordon.

nent, the well-known bass and one of the members of the Christchurch Harmony Four, will be the narrator in the next theme programme, entitled "Down Among the Besses," scheduled for the same evening.

MISS EVELYN EDGAR'S talk from 3YA last Tuesday night entitled "Australian Impressions," proved very interesting to listeners, especially just now when Melbourne and the Centenary are in everyone's minds. Miss Edgar spoke of the wonderful dancing at which she adjudicated in Ballarat, describing some of the sets,

which cost anything up to £250, and drawing favourable comparisons with the dancing she had witnessed in New Zealand some two years ago. Melbourne is one of the most beautiful cities she has ever been in, even more beautiful than some of the North England towns with which she is familiar.

HER colossal job of adjudicating lasted far into the evening, and considering that over eighty-three groups had to be gone through, not counting the solo work, her time was pretty well occupied. During the day, however, Miss Edgar's time was taken up with sight-seeing, visiting many places of interest, even to getting a peep at the koala bears which unfortunately are becoming extinct in Australia. Miss Edgar spoke of the fine singing in the Centenary Aria contest, and was privileged to hear the eight finalists, and to use her own words, "even Melba would have been thrilled to hear such fine voices." The finalist in this aria, which drew nearly 100 of the picked voices in Australasia, was a Dunedin boy, Mr. Denis Dowling, whose voice has been often heard from 4YA.

MISS EDGAR'S talk was of special interest to Canterbury listeners, as it gave a description of the reception and fine playing of the Woolston Band, and listeners will be eager to hear Miss Edgar again, when perhaps she will give some details of her work in Australia.

A MEETING of the Radio Society of Christchurch (Inc.) was held recently. The lecturer for the evening was Mr. F. O'Connell (ZL3BW), who chose as his subject "The Building of a Suitable Cabinet for a Portable Receiver." Mr. O'Connell, who has been specialising in this branch of radio activity for some years, gave members the full advantage of his many experiments. He prefers a cabinet built of three-ply wood covered for appearance's sake with rexine and strengthened with steel straps. Two of his recent efforts were shown to members and any reader experiencing any difficulty in this matter would do well in getting into touch with Mr. O'Connell, who would be only too pleased to assist. On Thursday, October 25 after the usual business had been dealt with, Mr. F. Mason, who has recently joined the Permanent Air Force gave an interesting talk on "How an Internal Combustion Engine Works."

MY appearance is hardly Aryan.—
Mr. Victor Rothschild.

THE Italian dictatorship was the result of the premature adoption of Parliamentary government.—Sir John Marriott.

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