

RWORLD on SHORT WAVE

Conducted by the N.Z. Shortwave Club

Club Notes

From the Secretary's Pen.

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Forthcoming Shortwave **Broadcasts**

Russian Opera Broadcast.

FROM RNE, Moscow, 50 and 25 metres (possibly the proadcast will be confined to 50 metres), a special broadcast of opera from the Moscow Grand Theatre with announcements and explanations in foreign languges. This will take place on Saturday, December 29, at 7.30 p.m., Moscow Time, which is 4.30 a.m. on Sunday, December 30, in New Zealand,

On 25 metres at 11 p.m., Sunday, December 23, there will be a children's halfhour. On Sunday, 30th, at 11 p.m., a talk on the "Prospects of the New Year in Russia." At 9 a.m. on New Year's Day in New Zealand there will be a "Review of the Year," on 50 metres.

Note: These broadcasts will also be or long-wave, 1724 metres.

World Broadcast from W2XE.

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from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., E.S.T. (in G.M.T. these commence at 11 a.m. and 10 p.m.). On both occasions Captain Hall, representing the N.Z. Shortwave Club and the International Dxers' Alliance. speak and send greetings to all friends. The power is 5000 watts and the address c/o Columbia Broadcasting System, 485 Madison Avenue, New York, U.S.A. The captain would like to hear from listeners who pick up his talk.

Holiday Notes.

A S many listeners will be spending their holidays in other parts, I would suggest that they wear their Club badges. To those who take out portable battery sets, a pocket lamp battery, flat type, is very handy as an emergency "A" tery, also a length of aerial wire, one or two insulators and a ball of string. weighted string thrown over a high branch will enable an insulated aerial to be drawn taut; take care to keep the aerial as far away from the tree as possible. Also, take a notebook to jot down items for reports.

THE stations in Java are picked up at excellent strength in Perth, Western Australia. A correspondent says a good way to identify the stations is to listen to the clock chimes and, by means of the time, one will have an idea of the locality. These Java stations have a habit of pop ping up on new wavelengths at different

INDICATIONS show that the Empire station intends to keep its promise to provide as good a service as other countries, if not a better one. Entirely new aerial systems have been worked out by the engineers.

Russian Programmes

English Programme for December, 1934.

Broadcasts take place day, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12 midnight Moscow time, 9 p.m. Greenwich mean time, on wavelengths of 1724 and 50 metres. On Sundays three additional broadcasts take place: 6a.m. M.T. 3 a.m. G.M.T., and 6 p.m. M.T., 3 p.m. G.M.T., on a wavelength of 25 metres only; 2 p.m. M.T., 11 a.m. G.M.T., wavelengths of 1724 metres

Wednesday, 19th: History of the Russian Revolutionary Movement, No. 8, reading from Henri Barousse's book on Stalin.

Friday, 21st: Art and Culture, No. 2: The Moscow Children's Museum. Children's half-hour; a Soviet children's newspaper.

Sunday, 23rd, 6 a.m.: Talk, the Meaning of Soviets.; 2 p.m., children's halfhour; the life of young pioneers; 6 p.m., talk, the meaning of Soviets; midnight. Soviet Working Conditions, No. 6: woodworkers.

Monday, 24th: Round the U.S.S.R., No. (7; a trip through the Caucasus. Talk. December 25 in the Soviet Union.

Wednesday, 26th: History of the Russian Revolutionary Movement. Talk, Winter Sports in the U.S.S.R.

Friday, 28th: Women's half-hour: Women in the Soviets. Discussion. The Soviet Elections.

Saturday, 29th, 7.30 p.m.: Special broadcast of opera from the Moscow Grand Theatre with announcements and explanations in foreign languages.

Sunday, 30th, 6 a.m.: Talk, Prospects of the New Year in the Soviet Union. 2 p.m., and 6 p.m., the same, Midnight, A Review of the year 1934. Conclusion of Socialist competition between nouncers.

Monday, 31st: Talk, The Old Year and the New.

Every broadcast includes news and

sometimes music. Sunday's broadcasts all include a review of the week.

Questions and answers (based on listeners' letters) are given in the first three Sunday broadcasts and on Monday

The editor reserves the right to after the programme without previous notice. A time-table of all foreign language broadcasts can be had on application to the Radio Centre, Moscow.

THE following shortwave notes are from Mr. H. I. Johns (N.Z.171W.). of Wanganui:-

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7.

Launching of s.s. Orion.

One of the two most outstanding broadcasts on the short waves during the past week, was the launching of the s.s. Orion at Barrow-in-Furness, by the Duke of Gloucester, from Brisbane. At 10.20 p.m. the Wellington-Sydney phone stations were picked up, Sydney testing and playing records prior to putting the Duke's speech over the YA stations to rebroad-cast. I later picked up GSF, 19.8 m., and listened to the launching from that

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