Clutha Mackenzie, director of the institute, in a broadcast from 1ZB last week. It is certain that the public will generously support such a fine scheme and that those who will not miss a shilling, florin or half-crown will forward their donations to make life just a little brighter for those less fortunate than themselves.

New Find

COMPETITIONS, elocutionary and musical, come in for a good deal of criticism, but they often bring forth something outstanding in the way of talent. An official of 3YA was hovering about the Civic Theatye a month or two ago in search of a singer, and he singled out Miss Gwynneth Hughes, of Orari, South Canterbury, contralto, as a radio possibility. Actually, Miss Hughes was one of the best in her section, and she will sing her competition selection, "Where Corals Lie," from 3YA on July 17, in the ballad hour. Much is expected of this young lady.

Improvement

AS is well-known, reveiving conditions in Invercargill are, as a rule, anything but satisfactory. Listeners in the southern town have a good deal to put up with in the way of stray electrical noises other than natural static, but it is now freely reported that the Government

intends to improve those conditions. The local radio dealers have been talking the matter over at their association meeting, and it is understood that they have been advised that a general improvement in reception may be expected when the Goyernment officials get on the job. At the present time 4ZP is the only station operating in the town, so that listeners must necessarily turn to outside transmitters for any variety in entertainment. Now it is rumoured that there is a probability of a new station being opened there to augment the local service aiready available.

G. and S.

RENEWED interest in the Gilbert and Sullivan operas was taken by the public as a result of the recent visit to New Zealand of the special J. C. Williamson Company. The company's stay in the country was all too short, and with many there was a definite want for more when it sailed back to Australia. It has now fallen to the lot of the broadcasting stations to endeavour to compensate for that want, and on Sunday afternoon next 4YA will make a start in that direction by broadcasting the first half of a complete recorded presentation of "Iolanthe." It will be readily understood that the opera's length would not permit of a full presentation in one afternoon without it becoming te-

dious to those listeners whose interest does not lie in the combined arts of G. and S.; hence the decision to broadcast only part of the opera. The remaining portion will be given at a later date.

Old Time

OLD-TIME dances, their movements and music, have a peculiar fascination for country listeners. On July 18, the dance sessions will commenge again, to the music of the Christchurch Salon Orchestra, conducted by Mr. Francis Bate. Mr. A. L. Leghorn, as Master of Ceremonies, will ensure that the right atmosphere is created by introducing a "set" in the studio itself. And so, listeners will be able to link up their evolutions with those who are "doing their stuff" on the floor of the studio. From 9 p.m. until 11 p.m. is the time for the light fantastic.

Jumped at Conclusions

"HA, ha, That's the new Government for you, starting to run the stations already," said tots of Auckland listeners on the morning of July 1, when an announcement was made from 1YA concerning the movements of the Minister of Railways, who was travelling toward Auckland in the new rail-car, In fact, one Auckland paper referred to the announcement as being the first direct effect on their daily programme to be noticed by listeners. It was just a coincidence that the announcement was made on the first day that the Government took over full con-trol of broadcasting. As he was hours behind schedule and still at Rotorua, and he did not want to keep many deputations and people waiting unnecessarily between there and Hamilton, the Minister instructed his secretary to request 1YA to broadcast the altered programme. That was all there was to

Szigetvary Again

MR. ARPAD SZIGETVARY who has been off the air for some months, began a new series of talks, "Some Little Known Countries of Europe," from 1YA on Tuesday, July 7. His subject matter embraces the republics of Andorra and San Marino the principality of Liechtenstein, the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg and the Monastery-Republic of Mount Athos. On July 17 Mr Szigetvary will deliver a special talk on the Chinese soldier. Mr. Szigetvary was born in Manchurla and spent r any years there and in China. He saw several of the conflicts in the Sino-Japanese War, the Boxer Rebellion, the Russo-Japanese War and civil wars During the Great War he was adjutant aboard a vessel carrying 3000 Chinese to France.

Not so Dull

THE child mind is of great importance in the radio world, for the small fireside listeners of to-day will be the fully-fledged citizens—with a hand in civic affairs—of to-morrow. Therefore the talks on current topics of world moment, commenced on Monday from 3YA, Christchurch, by Mr. A. J. Campbell, M.A., are of special value. Mr. Campbell told the youngsters quite a lot about Palestine, from its early days to the reign of T. E.

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- 9. NAPEI
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- 12. SONNE
- 13. ASHBURNT
- 14. **ROG**
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Example No. I.—GINLLEION. With the addition of the letter W this line spells WELLINGTON.

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Results will be published in "Record" July 24.