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## Growth of Repertory

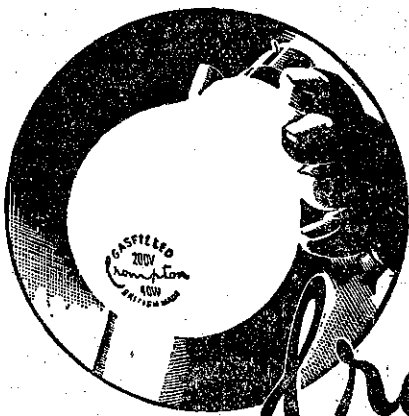
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Alfred Sangster's historical play "The Brontës," a study of the famous writing family. Although the role of Charlotte is the principal one, the play sets out to develop at length those of Emily and Ann, while the father, the Rev. Patrick Brontë is made the most charming character. This society is now seriously challenging the rival Little Theatre Society.

"As You Like It" will be the next production of the Canterbury Repertory Society, and will be staged in the Radiant Hall from July 29 to August 1.

The cast includes Dr. Robinson B. Hall, Rex Booth, Denys Cow, Professor James Shelley, A. Jackson Thomas, G. S. Salter, Hugh Hunter, Harry Blake, Cyril Wheeler, Selwyn Davies, Eric Cordery, R. H. Thomson, John Dunford, H. Taylor-Smith, Nordon Barker, Guy Cotterill, Valerie Haslam, Froma King, Barbara Griffiths and Judy Barker.

Valerie Haslam is well known for her skill in Shakespearean characters and will be remembered for her characterisation of Portia in "The Merchant of Venice" last spring. Cyril



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**FRED MCCALLUM**

Formerly producer for the Auckland Little Theatre, now manager of the Regent Theatre, Wellington.

Wheeler is an actor who performs at Canterbury College and who has recently shown great development in dramatic power.

The Drama League's festival will be held in the Radiant Hall on August 18 and 20. Various teams will compete, the winner going to Timaru to contest the semi-final, and the final will take place in Dunedin.

FOR quite some years theatricals in Dunedin have been booming, and several amateur societies have now become solidly established. Their various classes of productions are always liberally supported by an enthusiastic public no matter how frequently they may be given, especially during the winter months.

The Dunedin Shakespeare Club proposes giving an interpretation on August 6 of "Macbeth." Mr. Douglas Dall will be cast in the name part, while Lady Macbeth will be played by Miss Nellie Henaghan, with W. S. Hunter as Macduff.