

it is difficult to realise that he was born outside of an English-speaking country, for his English is perfect, and there is no suggestion of an accent. He speaks six of seven languages fluently.

Boy Violinist

A YOUNG performer on the violin, Paul Valesco, a Rumanian, was heard from 1YA on Saturday, August 1, at 8.30, in several numbers. Australian critics say of him that "he has a polished technique. His tone is not large, but is unfailingly perfect, and he plays with extreme control and masterly certainty. In fields other than vaudeville, he should develop into a violinist of high merit, but his retention in vaudeville seems assured, for he is also an essential equilibrist in the equally-polished and perfectly-timed turn given by his parents." This refers to an appearance of the boy with his parents styled the "Musical Marvels," at the Tivoli Theatre, Melbourne, the occasion being a variety and vaudeville season of international stars.

Orphans

SOMETHING savoury generally follows the sweets, so Bina Addy, Indian mezzo-contralto, will give a chat from 3YA on August 17 on the "Indian-

British Relationship." Miss Addy will also contribute a song or two for the combined orphanages concert in the Radiant Hall on August 19. It will be broadcast from the Christchurch station. On the programme, too, are the Christchurch Optimists' Club, the Tuahiwi Maori Concert Party, Miss Cecily Audibert (soprano), Miss Nellie Lowe (contralto), Mr. J. L. Tennent (bass), Mr. S. Andrews (tenor), the Rev. L. A. North (baritone), and Mr. R. Malcolm (exponent of Scottish humour). This will probably be Mr. Malcolm's more than a thousandth performance in the cause of valuable charities.

New Song

MR. W. McNAIR, leader of community singing in Christchurch, and his charming pianist wife, have written a new song for community singing. "It's Best to Smile" is the title, and it is in such a form that it can be played in any time, straight, fox-trot or waltz. There are two verses and one chorus.

"Women In Business"

EARLY in September there will be a series of talks specially arranged for the benefit of women and the problems of employment. The talks will be delivered under the general heading

of "Careers for Women," and the series will be introduced by a general survey of education for women both in business and domestic spheres. The series will deal principally with women in commerce, nursing and catering (the last dealing with restaurant management) and other subjects. A general survey, concluding the series and dealing with the previous talks, will be given by Mrs. Peter Fraser.

Popular Artists

DURING their lengthy stay in Auckland, when they performed at 1YA, the touring party of overseas artists comprising Madame Florence Austral, John Amadio, Browning Mum-

MALCOLM SARGENT

First Performance This Thursday

DR. MALCOLM SARGENT makes his first radio appearance in New Zealand on Thursday night this week, when a choral and orchestral recital, with solos by the Russian tenor, Senia Chostiakoff, will be broadcast from the 2YA studios.

A special interview with the great English conductor will appear in next week's "Radio Record."

mery, Sydney de Vries and Carl Bartling, were immensely popular with all the officials at the studios. Quite a number of the staff from 1YA farewelled the artists at the Auckland railway station on Monday night of last week when they departed for Christchurch to continue their engagement with the National Broadcasting Service. Although she has travelled in many parts of the world over a period of years, Madame Austral made no secret of the fact that she was not looking forward to her crossing of Cook Strait in the steamer express. Although suffering from a bad cold, Browning Mummery was most cheerful. That neither Madame nor the Australian tenor suffered an ill effects was shown by their fine voices heard from 3YA later in the week.

New Team

THIS Friday a big team of overseas artists is to arrive at Auckland under engagement to the National Broadcasting Service. Headed by the noted Russian tenor, Senia Chostiakoff, who was so popular when he toured the national stations two years ago, the team includes comedians, singers and the London dance band leader Dave Howard, who is also a fine saxophonist. All will appear in conjunction with good local artists at the big charity concert to be presented by the National Broadcasting Service in the National Theatre, Auckland, on Wednesday, August 12, in aid of the Mayor's Metropolitan Unemployment Fund. 1YA's studio orchestra will be



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