

# The WORLD on SHORTWAVE

Conducted by the N.Z. Shortwave Club

MANY listeners have written re the latest "thriller." The correct address is "Radio Podesbrady, Czechoslovakia," which address they are using instead of the call letters. We were awaiting their advent but they forestalled us by a fortnight. The waves they were testing on were 19.698, 25.51 and 49.05, and the test continued for a number of hours. Perhaps the tests may continue until reports show them the best waves to use.

HJ1ABE on the 31-metre band is not a new station but the transmitter is new, the old one goes on to broadcast. They appeared to be calling and working COCQ. HJ1ABP is also on the 31-metre band, and like HJ1ABE is in Cartagena, Colombia. The HJ's change around very often.

Owing to the very heavy press of correspondence I have printed a large number of extra copies of the "Shortwaver" and have posted one to each correspondent so that they can pick out the information they ask for without having to wait their turn for a reply. I hope this action will be appreciated.

Mr. J. B. Thompson, Palmerston North, advises that HJ1ABE called New Zealand with a special programme on the 18th, at R7, QSA3-4, about 7 p.m. EAQ is still keeping regular schedule and, on the 26th, at 2 p.m., it gave a statement of the position in Spain in various languages. In his locality he finds TPA4 (Radio Coloniale), though a little weaker in volume, much clearer, and among the regulars, VK's 2 and 3ME, 3LR, HBL, W2XAF, W1XK, VPD and HJ1ABA. He finds that Ger-

many fades out by 7 p.m., whereas in Wellington, we cannot do much with them after 6 p.m. as a rule.

News this week is rather brief as we are having a spring cleaning in order to arrange for increasing club business. However, letters are always welcome.

## Listeners' Reporting Contest

WITH the object of interesting short-wave listeners in amateur transmissions and assisting them in giving useful reports, the New Zealand Short-wave Club and the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (Inc.) have organised the above contest.

The following are the conditions:—

(1) Open to any shortwave listener in New Zealand other than those holding an amateur transmitter's license or equivalent examination.

(2) There is no entrance fee and all entries must be on plain paper, signed

by the entrant together with his or her full postal address.

(3) The contest shall consist of each entrant submitting his or her version of an ideal report upon an amateur transmission.

(4) On Friday, September 11, at 11 p.m. N.Z.S.T., amateur station ZL2OV, located at Wellington and transmitting on a frequency of 3790 kilocycles, will call and work another New Zealand amateur station on the 80 metre amateur band on radio telephony.

(5) The operating procedure will be as follows:—11.00 p.m. to 11.05 p.m. ZL2OV will call the other station and, at the end of this period go over to him. 11.05 p.m. to 11.09 p.m. The other station will call ZL2OV, and at 11.10 p.m. will commence to QSO. No reports will be exchanged between the two stations and the QSO will conclude at approximately 11.30 p.m.

(6) Entrants are to submit reports upon the transmissions of BOTH stations from their conversations during the whole QSO and forward their entries to "Listeners' Contest," P.O. Box 489, Wellington, C1, so that it is received on or before 5 p.m. Thursday, September 24.

(7) The name of the winner, together with a copy of the winning entry, will be published in this magazine.

(8) The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into regarding same.

(9) The judges are the Headquarters Committee, N.Z.A.R.T., Wellington.

(10) A certificate, suitably inscribed, will be awarded to the winner.

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