

ROUND THE B STATIONS.

Valuers To Assess The B Stations

Inventories Expected To Be Made This Week in Auckland — Great Link-up For Uncle Scrim's Welcome-Home Meeting—Air-Pilot McKillop Makes His Last Appearance at 1ZB.

AT last the valuers are expected in Auckland this week to assess the worth of the three B stations operating. Radio engineers from the Chief Post Office are already in Auckland to act on behalf of the National Broadcasting Service and to take inventories of the apparatus used at the different stations. They will also investigate activities of each station so that they can arrive at a basis of valuation of the listener service being rendered.

FIFTEEN loudspeakers and six microphones as well as half-a-dozen telephones, and a staff of more than a dozen technicians, were required to instal and operate the comprehensive relay and public address system used in connection with the public welcome to the Rev. C. G. Scrimgeour in the Town Hall, Auckland, last Sunday, August 23. The preparatory work occupied almost a week, the technical staff of Johns Limited, under the technical manager, Mr. George Hart, working in conjunction with the technicians from 1ZB. The function in the Town Hall and Civic Theatre on Sunday last was the biggest undertaking in the history of B station broadcasting in New Zealand. Everything went according to plan, and was a huge success. Much has been heard about the technicians, the artists and others, but little about the man responsible for the whole of the arrangements. This was Mr. Harry Bell, the secretary of the Friendly Road. He handled the thousand and one details in a masterly way, and this no doubt made the difference between success and failure in such a big undertaking.

FOR the last six years, Air-Pilot

McKillop has been one of the most consistently-featured speakers from 1ZB. A member of the Auckland Aero Club who has done much to help the club, he has become widely known for his talks on aviation. Generally and popularly known as "Mac," he sails this week to take up a business position in Sydney. After his final talk from 1ZB last Friday, the station thanked him on behalf of many hundreds of listening friends for his voluntary services rendered and wished him every success in his new undertakings.

British-Israel

MEMBERS of the Dunedin branch of the British-Israel Association and many others who are interested in its teachings flocked to hear Dr. W. Pascoe Goard last week, when he gave two public addresses and also spoke at a luncheon in the Y.M.C.A. rooms, but there were many more who welcomed the service of the radio as their only means of hearing this author and speaker. His first public talk in Burns Hall was relayed by 4ZM, which devoted nearly two hours of its regular Tuesday night schedule to this broad-

cast, and it was probably the fact that the visitor's voice was thus made available to a much wider audience that resulted in the main Town Hall being filled the following night. Dr. Goard was also heard speaking from the 4ZM studio at 9.30 on his second morning in Dunedin, and from 4YA two hours later. Each broadcast talk was full of interest, and was on a different phase of the British Israel subject.

Tales of India

ALWAYS a place of interest, many tales have been told about the North-West Frontier of India, and the life of the British Army stationed there. Mr. Charles Collyns, yet a young man, who not long ago retired from the Imperial Army after completing six years' service in India, has been telling some good and interesting stories concerning his experiences, from 1ZB. He holds listeners with details of adventures, and has a happy and humorous way of weaving intimate word pictures of the everyday life of the professional soldier in India. He broadcasts from 1ZB every Friday evening at 8.35.

Musical Carnival

THE secretary-organiser of the Great Northern Eisteddfod, Mr. McLellan, in a 10-minute talk from 1ZB last week, made some pertinent remarks concerning the big vocal and musical carnival. Mention was made of the task which confronted the adjudicators, especially where the standard of performance was generally high, and he pointed out that although the audience could perhaps not separate the best four or five, it rested with

the adjudicator to fine the best down to two. This, he said, was an unenviable job. He appealed to all competitors to show true British sportsmanship, and suggested, if they were winners, to accept victory with becoming modesty, and if losers, to be the first to congratulate the winner. Entries for the Eisteddfod, which has begun, are a record for Auckland. On Wednesday, September 2, 1YA is to broadcast on relay the demonstration concert on the final night.

4ZB, Dunedin

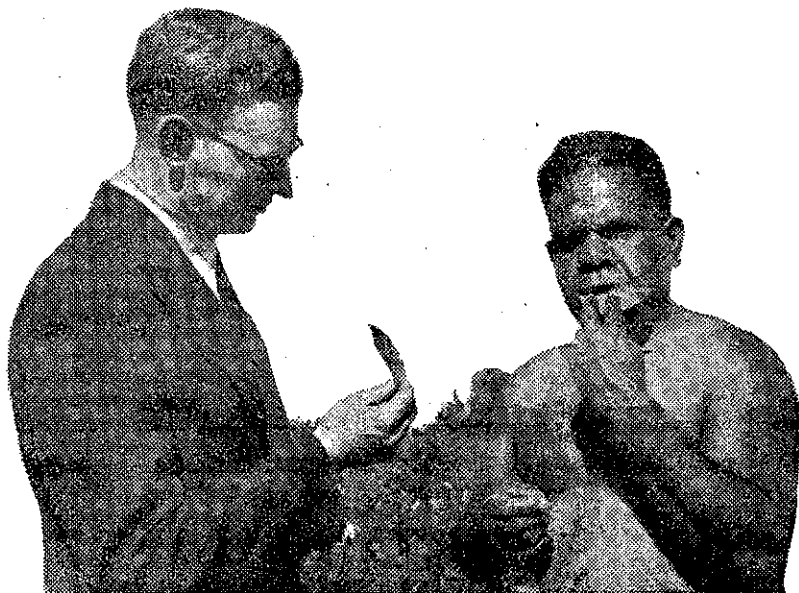
Programmes for Week

Sunday, August 30: 10 a.m.: Selected recordings. 10.30: Short sacred service. 11.0: Announcements. 11.5: Light musical programme. 12.0: Close down.

Wednesday, September 2: 6 p.m.: Light music. 6.30: The Smile Family in music, song and verse; also the "Music Box" Mouth Organ Band. 7.45: Further light music. 8.0: Concert programme, stealing through the classics. 9.0: Announcements. 9.5: A programme of Scottish music. 10.0: Music that pleases. 11.0: Close down.

Thursday, September 3: 6 p.m.: Light dinner music. 7.0: Light vocal and instrumental programme. 8.0: Concert programme; massed bands in marches and popular music with vocal interludes. 9.0: Announcements. 9.5: Something to please everybody. 10.0: Dance music. 11.0: Close down.

MY political life is only just beginning.—Prince Starhemberg.



"SCRIM" AMONG THE ABORIGINES.—The Rev. C. G. Scrimgeour, well-known Auckland radio man, shown listening to an Australian native playing on a gum leaf. So impressed was "Scrim" that he has had recordings made for broadcast in New Zealand.