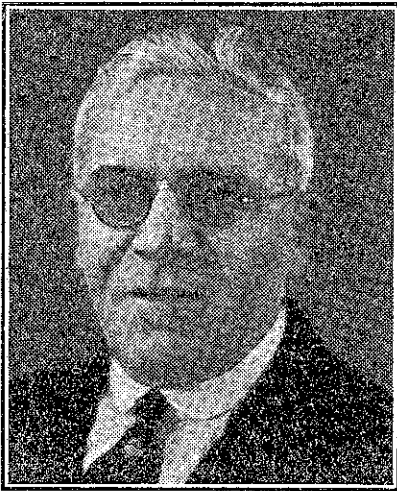


cribed as a person who cast artificial pearls before real swine, said Mr. Hitchcock, but what about one who broadcasts? he asked. Whatever Professor Shelley's policy was, there would certainly be nothing static in it!

Records and Photos

THE arrangement between 4ZO, Dunedin, and 2ZR, Nelson, to exchange records is proving of benefit to both stations. Already 4ZO has broadcast and returned to Nelson a batch of 140 records which were sent down south on loan, and the northern station is at present making use of 100 discs from the Dunedin studio. Both stations are finding these temporary additions to their libraries distinct assets, giving as they do further variations to the programmes broadcast in each town. The Dunedin station also has some 500 personally autographed photographs of Wee Willie Davis for distribution. Although the wrestling season is



BLIND PETER.—Gordon Hutter's references to his ringside companion at the Auckland wrestling bouts have turned Blind Peter into one of New Zealand's leading radio personalities. He is pictured above.

fast closing, there are still many interested persons who are inquiring for these photographs and maybe some in the north would care to write enclosing 3d. in stamps for these pictures, or perhaps of Boesch, some of whose are still available.

Dancers, Please Note

THERE'S nothing like a change, even in dance music. On Saturday, December 12, the dance programme from 1YA is to be dispensed by the dance band at El Rey Night Club, well out in the suburbs. The band at this well-known and popular club is to play modern dance music from 10.10 to 11.15 p.m.

Season's Farewell

WHILE some musical bodies in Christchurch are busy making their farewells as active participants in instrumental and vocal work for the season, others are in the height of their year's programmes. Last week the Christchurch Orchestral Society presented the final concert of the 1936 season in the Radiant Hall, with Mr. Will Hutchens as conductor, and Mrs. Harold Cordery as soloist. The orchestra presented, among other items, "Menin Gate Vision," composed by Mr. Percy Nicholls and orches-

trated by Mr. Arthur Lilly, both of Christchurch. On the other hand the Laurian Club, under the presidency of Mr. Harold Beck, gave its second concert, appropriately including a number by Michael Head, who has been so popular as a contributor to broadcasts by the national radio stations.

Those Maori Names!

SOME of the announcers that have recently arrived from Australia and are now heard from 1ZB are finding pronunciation of certain Maori names extremely difficult. In a recent children's session there was reference to "Cow High" Street in Auckland, which local listeners probably promptly identified as Kowhai Street. In the same session the correct pronunciation of Te Atatu presented another difficulty. There would no doubt have been an even greater difficulty had the place names been either Kaukapapa or Ngaruawahia!

After Sister

THE Helmrich family is in the limelight in two ways at least. Not long ago Miss Dorothy Helmrich delighted New Zealand with her appearances at national stations' microphones. Now her brother, Dudley Helmrich, who is manager of the Australian swimmers, is to follow in sister's footsteps with a microphonic word or two. On December 14 he will speak from 3YA on all sorts of things, with swimming, of course, uppermost in his mind.

Only Holidays

A NEW announcing voice caused Dunedin people to wonder at the apparent addition to the announcing staff at 4YA. "Of course," they said, "this is the result of the 40-hour week; there must be another man to help keep down the hours of the others." Many considered him an asset to the list of microphone men who are already familiar speakers from the station, but now they are wondering why his voice has ceased as abruptly as it began. The truth is that he was transferred from Christchurch for a fortnight while one of the regular Dunedin announcers departed on annual leave. Now he is back in the Cathedral City carrying on the good work from the stations there, while Dunedin's holidaying announcer has returned to his position at the microphone.

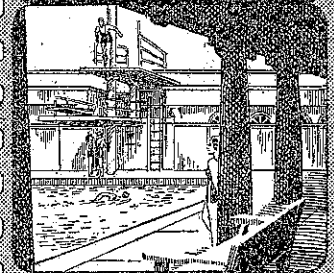
Professor Honoured

SEVENTEEN organisations, 13 of them vocal or choral, three drama and one fine arts, were freely represented in Christchurch the other night when Professor James Shelley, Director of Broadcasting, was presented with a lounge chair, in appreciation of his services to art in New Zealand. "We will find a substitute, no doubt, but we will never be able to replace him," said Mr. Roy Twynham for the Canterbury Repertory Society. Other speakers were Messrs. A. G. Thomson, conductor of the Christchurch Musical Society, and Sydney L. Thompson, for the Canterbury Society of Arts. One speaker claimed that Professor Shelley and Van der Velden, one an educationist and the other a painter, had done more for the fine arts in New Zealand than anyone else. Professor Shelley expressed the appreciation felt by himself and Mrs. Shelley of the recognition of whatever work he had been able to do.

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