

PERSONALITIES

ON THE AIR

BEHIND the much appreciated relays of services from St. Paul's Cathedral, Wellington, in future, will be the experienced hand of the newly-appointed organist and choir-master, Mr. David Blair, F.R.C.O. Mr. Blair's early training was received at St. Mary's Dalkeith, Scotland, the private chapel of the Duke of Buccleuth, where for eight years he was choir boy, for four of which he was solo boy; later he became professional bass singer in the same choir, and from time to time used to act as deputy-organist and choirmaster. For the teaching of singing, Mr. Blair holds the diplomas of A.R.C.M. and L.R.A.M.

The evening service from St. Paul's Cathedral will be relayed on Sunday, March 27.

TRIO THAT PLEASE FROM 1YA.

Often featured on 1YA's concert programme is the Euterpe Trio, an unusual musical combination made up of a flute, a soprano and a piano. Frank Poore is the flautist (he's one of the best in the Dominion), Patricia McLeod, the soprano, and Allan Pow,



PATRICIA McLEOD.
... *Sings For 1YA Trio.*

the pianist. The trio got its name from Euterpe, the Goddess of Music in ancient mythology, who is credited with the invention of the flute. The three members do solo work and also play concerted numbers. People like them. Pat. McLeod's soprano voice is peculiarly suited for this work.

Their next recital will be given from 1YA, on Saturday, April 2.

Entertainer From Age Of 4.



DORA LINDSAY.
... *"The Female Harry Lauder."*

Clever comedy artist and character impersonator, Dora Lindsay, is to begin a tour of the national stations, her first performance being from 2YA on Thursday, April 14. Miss Lindsay toured New Zealand in 1936.

She comes from Alhambra Glasgow, and is called "The Female Harry Lauder." Those who have seen her on the stage either in England and Scotland or in New Zealand will appreciate her attitude of conserving her resources until the show is on.

She is a great favourite with the followers of the Long Tack Sam Company and the fact that he did not think it was necessary to have another comedian, the usual male, with his company says much for his confidence in Miss Lindsay's ability.

She comes from professional people, her grandfather, Louis Lindsay, having been recognised as being the greatest negro impersonator of his day.

Miss Lindsay herself has been entertaining since she was able to stand on a chair at Good Templar concerts, her age then being just four years.

SNUFF-BOX OF NAPOLEON.

There is a story of Lord John Russell who once sat at a large city dinner next to a civic magnate who, taking from his pocket a very beautiful snuff-box, said: "This was given my father by the first Napoleon, there is a 'hen'

on the top of it." "Surely," said Lord John, "it cannot be a hen; it must be an eagle." "No sir," said the owner of the treasure, "It's a 'hen,'" pointing, as he said so to the letter "N" on the lid.

A dramatised episode in the life of Napoleon Bonaparte, "His Father's Sword," will be presented from 2YA on Wednesday, March 30.

SHIP THAT SAILED THE VOLGA.

The hero of a vivid Symphonic Poem composed by Glazounov, is that fierce marauder and outlaw Stenka Razine, who gives the piece its name. Stenka Razine was a terror with his fierce horde, over a wide area of the Volga, where his own ship sailed in more than regal splendour. The sails were silk, the oars of gold, and in the middle of the pavilion there rested, surrounded by every mark of opulence, the Princess Persanne, Stenka's captive and mistress.

This musical masterpiece will be heard from 1YA on Friday, April 1, played by the Brussels Royal Conservatoire Orchestra.

LONG LIST OF CHARITIES.

Two 1ZB personalities have achieved extraordinary success with their "Diggers" session." One is Mr. Rod Talbot, pictured here, who, with the aid of Mr. John Brown, 1ZB programme supervisor, is



ROD TALBOT.
... *For Good Works.*

responsible for the following good works: Installed New Zealand's largest radio system in the Auckland Mental Hospital—thirteen speakers, 150 pairs of headphones, at a cost of more than £200; installed a radio system—six speakers, and headphones in 200 cells—at the Auckland jail; raised funds for more than 75 children of re-