

of toys for poor children. Health has returned to him since, and he is continuing his fine work. He broadcast an appeal for toys, material, and supplies to enable him to carry on this year.

"Boy Aviator"

THE exciting exploits of "Peter, the Pilot," the boy aviator from Timaru, which have enthralled listeners to the new 2ZB children's hour, came to an end at 2ZB, at all events, on a recent Saturday. Some hundreds of essays on favourite pilots came from many parts of New Zealand, the winners being Peter Kirk and Peggy Abraham.

Soprano Returns

RECENTLY returned from a visit to Australia, Madame Annette Chapman, whose fine mezzo-soprano voice is



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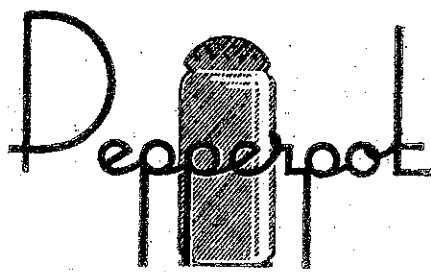
heard from 1YA, looked in to see friends at this station. A few days after her arrival in Sydney Madame broadcast a recital from 2FC. They evidently liked her work for she was given another engagement from the same station. The Auckland vocalist could have got a tour of the ABC stations, but it would have meant waiting several weeks in Sydney. However, she may shortly return to fulfil a longer engagement.

Limericks

OVER 2700 entries received in a fortnight for the limerick competition conducted by 2ZB in conjunction with the Transport Department are now being judged by Messrs. Duff (2ZB) Herd (NOBS), Chorlton (Government), and Miss M. Magill, of the Road Safety Council. The task has been made most difficult by the high standard set by the majority of competitors. The Hon. R. Semple will announce the winner from 2ZB at an early date.

Winter Sports

TWO of the leading winter sports will come in for attention from 4YA next Saturday afternoon. At 3 p.m. the senior Rugby match will be relayed from Carisbrook, and, before that, beginning at 1.45 p.m., the match between the English women's hockey team and the Otago women's hockey team will be relayed from the same ground. That master of sporting commentaries, Mr. R. ("Whang") McKenzie, will be at the microphone.



ANNOUNCER, 1YA, 7.26 p.m., June 2: "Two striped marlin were caught by Lady Fishermen."

Improved Model.

WRESTLING announcer, station 2YC, Monday, June 6, Steel v. Meon contest: "Meon has a forward headlock on Steel just below the microphone."

Not Punts, Drop Kicks, Gordon!

GORDON HUTTER, 1YA, 9.45 p.m., June 4 (at wrestling): "And you can hear them punting and panting now."

Practically Nude.

COMMENTATOR on parade at Domain, 1YA, 10.30 a.m., June 6: "They have their shirts rolled to the elbows."

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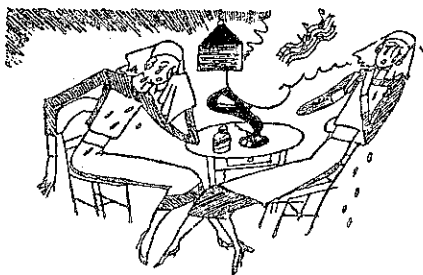
GRAN, 1ZB, 2.48, May 31: "We don't want sickness, but it is handy to have."

Tyres, of Course!

ANNOUNCER, 1ZB, May 19, 7.45 p.m. (talking of tyres): "They give you extra protection against kids."

So Young, Too!

JOHN BATTEN, 1ZB, May 31, 12.50 p.m.: "Now to Betty, of Herne



Bay, who rang up at the end of a session and was cut off in the middle."

"Chinese Eschelon."

CLIVE DRUMMOND, air pageant, Rongotai, 3.55 p.m., June 4: "These 'planes are flying in eschelon, one behind the other."

N.Z.'s Gracie

WELL known in Auckland, Miss Adele Taylor, soprano singer, recently returned after a long absence during which time she has been touring with a well-known revue company in Australia. Known as Julia Dare, the "Lancashire Lass—New Zealand's Gracie Fields," Miss Taylor does numbers just like Gracie, patter an' all. She has been booked to sing from 1YA on July 9.

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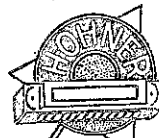
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