

AROUND THE STUDIOS.

NEGRO DEBATERS ON AIR

Broadcasts from Auckland and Christchurch—Re-opening of Parliament—Kipnis Next Week—New Features from Commercial Stations

VSITING New Zealand for contests with the University Colleges, the team of negro debaters from LeMoyne University College in U.S.A. will be heard in debate with Auckland University on June 28. The subject is "That Continued Work for Peace is Impossible as Well as Undesirable." This debate will be broadcast by 1ZM.

THE team will debate with Canterbury College on the proposition "That the People of America have Found a Formula for Happiness." This debate, on July 18, will be broadcast from 3YA.

The visitors will take the affirmative in each of these debates. The two debaters are:

James Spencer Byas, aged 21, born Tennessee, and graduated from LeMoyne College with B.Sc. degree last year.

Charles Webster Gilton, aged 22, born in Georgia, also graduated B.Sc. degree at LeMoyne.

MR. BYAS has represented his university in two debating tours in California and New England, and Mr. Gilton has represented it for the last four years. He has spoken against Oxford University and the Anglo-Scottish Union.

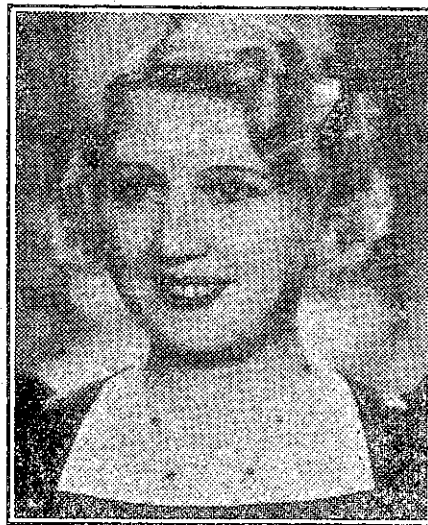
MANAGER of the team is Professor Boris G. Alexander, head of the Department of Economics and Government at LeMoyne College. He was born in Moscow and educated there, in England and in America. For the last six years Professor Alexander has been news commentator over a number of radio stations.

LeMoyne College, Memphis, Tennessee, was founded in 1870 for negroes by the American Missionary Association.

DURING the tour Professor Alexander will give a series of talks, one at each of the four main stations, on "Let's Visit America."

No arrangements have been made to broadcast the team's debates with Victoria College and Otago University.

IN aid of the Hard of Hearing League, two plays written in U.S.A. with expert knowledge have been produced and recorded in New Zealand by the NBS. The plays



ERNA SACK.

Renowned singer heard in shortwave German station concert rebroadcast from Wiesbaden on June 5.

illustrate the affliction of deafness and the best methods of treating it. The first play is to be broadcast on June 30 from 3YA.

PARLIAMENT opens on Tuesday, June 28, for the forthcoming session. His Excellency, the Governor-General, Lord Galway, will perform the opening ceremony at 2.30 p.m. Proceedings will be broadcast by 2YA.

WELLINGTON'S Town Hall will be the mecca of music-lovers on the evenings of June 25 and 28, when Alexander Kipnis, famed Russian singer, will make two public appearances scheduled by the NBS. Noel Newson, one of New Zealand's finest pianists, is associated with Kipnis in the role of accompanist and assisting artist. Station 2YA will relay the concert. Alexander Kipnis arrived Wellington by the Awatea on Monday, to begin his New Zealand tour.

NEW Sunday evening features offered by the ZB stations are "A Tale of Two Cities," already running at Auckland, which begins at 2ZB and 3ZB

on Sunday next, and at 4ZB, July 10. Time: 9 p.m. all stations. "Mirth Parade," the new Sunday evening humour session, is now running at all ZB stations at 8 p.m.

WEEK before last a 1ZB announcement stated that the station would be glad to hear from listeners in all districts about the quality of reception of the new transmitter. The announcement was broadcast only three times, and as a direct result hundreds of letters were received at the station, all helping materially to determine the coverage.

"Strife"

ADAMIRERS of the plays written by John Galsworthy have been well served this year by the National stations. Following the broadcasting of "Old English" and "Loyalties" comes "Strife" at 9.5 p.m. on Sunday, June 26, from 2YA. The plays deal with an industrial dispute. Galsworthy's method, essentially objective, leans towards the presentation of a series of analyses rather than a continuous flow

FOR MUSIC

PLANS FOR NATIONAL CENTRE

LONG-AWAITED announcement of Director Shelley's New Zealand Conservatorium plans was made by the Acting-Minister of Broadcasting, the Hon. F. Jones, last week.

Provision is to be made in the new headquarters of the NBS to be erected behind the Parliamentary Buildings, Wellington, for the gradual development of a conservatorium of music and for the future installation of a short-wave station and television equipment.

Plans approved by Cabinet for the new broadcasting centre allow for a building of several stories. Architects are now preparing the final plans and working drawings.

No ambitious conservatorium scheme is to be launched. The scheme will grow as the needs of the Dominion demand, with the collaboration, it is hoped, of the Education Department, the University and cultural organisations.

It is expected tenders will be called for the new building toward the end of the year.

Asked by the "Record" if he would make a statement, Director Shelley said: "I prefer to do the job first, talk about it afterward."