

4YA MOVES

OLD POST OFFICE AS NEW STUDIOS

THE existing studios of NBS station, 4YA, in Stuart Street, Dunedin, have been sadly inadequate for a long time. Unfortunately it had proved difficult to find space of a kind suitable, and there has consequently been a delay in moving.

Last week in Dunedin, the Acting-Minister of Broadcasting (the Hon. F. Jones) announced that the Government intended to convert the old Garrison Hall in Dowling Street into broadcasting studios. The situation is central and quite suited to the purpose, but extensive alterations will be necessary before 4YA and 4YO can be housed comfortably.

The plans are already in preparation, and as soon as they are completed tenders will be called by the Public Works Department and the job put in hand as quickly as possible. The building is very roomy, and it should be sufficient for all reasonable extensions of the service for a number of years.

Garrison Hall was built about 1877, and formed the headquarters of the volunteers who had previously erected a shed to provide a similar function as far back as 1863.

Extensive changes were wrought in the interior, and the building was converted into Dunedin's Chief Post Office, and it retained that dignified classification until last year, when the eight-storied post office in Princes Street was opened.

Symphony Concert

SECOND concert of the 1938 season will be given by the Wellington Symphony Orchestra at the Town Hall on August 16. Station 2YA will relay the concert. Included in the programme is Mendelssohn's "Midsummer Night's

BUDDING ARTISTS

APPARENTLY there is no dearth of budding radio artists in New Zealand. Many queer applications for engagement are received by YA officials. For instance, only last week a lady appeared in person and modestly confided that she had not sung or played the piano for years, but thought she would like an engagement. Could she use one of the station's pianos to practice upon? It was difficult to practice in her boardinghouse.

"No, I am sorry you could not practice here as all the pianos are in use," she was told.

Thereupon she thanked the man and departed

Dream" Overture, and "Symphony No. 4 in A Major," while Brahms' "Rhapsody for Alto Solo, Male Chorus, and Orchestra," will be presented by the Apollo Singers under the baton of Mr. H. Temple White, in conjunction with the Symphony Orchestra. Sir Edward Elgar's "Crown of India" Suite will conclude the programme.

1ZB's Voice

SINCE its new transmitter went on the air some months ago, 1ZB's voice reaches out far and wide. Recent letters show that programmes from the station are frequently heard in the United States. Only last month a special programme for Dx-ers was broadcast especially for American listeners. And now Arthur Collins is preparing another special session, with the New Zealand DX Club, for broadcast to America. Consisting of wide range music and items of interest to American Dx-ers, it will be given at 1 a.m. on September 9.

Break Of Day

STATION 4ZB had an early morning relay recently, when the microphone was taken up to the residence of Colonel E. R. Smith, C.B.E., V.D., at the astonishing hour of 7.12. It happened because that day Colonel Smith celebrated his eighty-third birthday, and officers and members of the Trumpet and Bugle Band thought it would be a good idea to mark the celebration with a novel touch. They paraded outside the colonel's residence in London Street, and sounded the reveille, which was followed by the "General Salute." Listeners were able to share in the fun.

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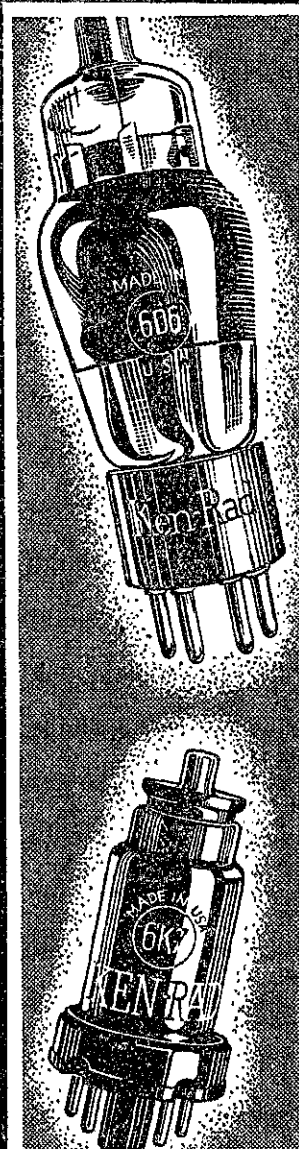
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