

Opera

Christmas Day:

The Third Act of "Parsifal," by Richard Wagner, contains some of the most beautiful music in the whole opera and it is this portion which will be presented, in recorded form, from 1YA at 9.5 p.m. by soloists, chorus and orchestra of the State Opera, Berlin.

The Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Leopold Stokowski, will be heard in a recording of "March of the Smugglers" from "Carmen," from 3YA at 8.30 p.m.

"The Dream," from "Manon," is the excerpt chosen for to-night's session of "Thrills from Great Operas" from 4ZB at 7.30.

Plays

Christmas Day:

"Four Looked Down One Morn," a radio play by W. Graeme Holder, and produced by the NBS, to be broadcast by 2YA at 9.15 p.m.

Saturday, December 31:

"Last Call For Husbands"—a topical New Year presentation from 3YL Christchurch at 9 p.m.

Dance Music

Monday, December 26:

A programme of old-time dance music supplied by Colin Campbell's Dance Band, on relay from the Caledonian Hall, will be broadcast by 3YA from 9.30 p.m.

Victor Silvester and Benny Goodman supply the dance music from 3ZB between 10 and 12 p.m.

Wednesday, December 28:

Sammy Lee and his American Canadians supply the dance programme for 2YA (relay from the Majestic Cabaret) from 10 to 11 p.m.

Friday, December 30:

"Rhythm on Record," a programme of new dance records.



Even Gracie Fields is doing the Lambeth Walk. Hear her in a recording of "The Lambeth Walk," with male chorus, from 4YA on Tuesday night.

Leo Rasmann and Howard Jacobs present the dance music from 3ZB between 11 and 12 p.m.

Saturday, December 31:

An old-time dance programme by the "Pirate Shippe" Dance Band (on relay from the "Pirate Shippe," Milford) will be presented from 1YA at 11 p.m.

A special New Year's Eve dance programme will be broadcast from 1ZB at 10.30 p.m.

Sammy Lee and his American Canadians supply the dance programme for 2YA and 3YA (on relay from 2YA) from 10.10 to 11.50 p.m.

Special Broadcasts

Christmas Day:

Christmas greetings by the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. M. J. Savage, and the Controller of Commercial Broadcasting, Mr. C. G. Scrimgeour, will be broadcast at 9 a.m. from 2ZB, and relayed to 1ZB, 3ZB, 4ZB, and 2ZA.

Interprovincial salutes from the mayors of the four cities will be broadcast by the four ZB stations on a national hook-up at 2 p.m.

Christmas greetings to Empire residents in New Zealand from 2ZB at 9.30 a.m.

Saturday, December 31:

His Excellency the Governor-General, Viscount Galway, extends New Year greetings to the people of New Zealand from 1YA, 2YA, 3YA and 4YA at 9 p.m.

At 12 midnight 1YA will broadcast a description of street scenes and celebrations, on relay from the Ferry Buildings, Queen Street.

At 11.55 p.m. 2YA will broadcast a description of New Year celebrations in Post Office Square.

Humorous And Dramatic

Christmas Day:

Judith Anne and her Uncle John discuss "A Rift in the Lute" from 2YC Wellington at 7.30 p.m.

"Big Ben Looks Down," a cavalcade of the 20th century, devised and presented by L. E. Strachan, from 2ZB at 8 p.m.

Monday, December 26:

You'll live every vivid emotion expressed in the unfolding of the story of Peter MacGregor's one and only love—the poignant memory of a crotchety old man. Listen to "The House of Peter MacGregor" from all ZB stations, from Monday to Friday, at 10.30 a.m.

"Grief Comes to Mr. Grandy" is the title of episode eight of the thrilling serial feature, "The Exploits of the Black Moth," to be broadcast from 1YA at 8 p.m.

"John Halifax, Gentleman," a radio dramatisation of Mrs. Craik's famous novel, from 1YA at 8.45 p.m.

Clapham and Dwyer present an original humorous sketch, "It Isn't Cricket," from 1YA at 9.19 p.m.

"The Count of Monte Cristo," a dramatisation of Alexander Dumas's novel—is presented nightly from 2ZB at 5.15 and from 2ZA at 6.30.

A radio comedy, "Mutiny of a Hero," produced by the NBS, will be presented from 2YA at 9.5 p.m.

"Khyber"—a thrilling story of the Indian North-West Frontier—will be broadcast from 4YA at 9.34 p.m.

"Coronets of England—The Life of Charles II, the Merry Monarch" will be presented from 4YA at 9.5 p.m.

Tuesday, December 27:

Nat Gould's greatest racing story, "The Double Event," is broadcast from all ZB stations at 9 p.m.

"Singapore Spy," a thrilling drama of the exploits of international spy ring in the great fortress, will be broadcast from 3YA at 8 p.m.

A radio comedy, "A Marriage Has Been Dis-Arranged," will be presented from 4YA at 9.17 p.m.

Wednesday, December 28:

Astonishing facts about wild animals and Indian tribes are revealed in the superb adventure drama "Black Flame of the Amazon," broadcast to-night, to-morrow and Friday from all ZB stations at 6.15.

"Coronets of England—The Life of Mary Queen of Scots," will be presented from 1YA at 9.5 p.m.

"Mona Lisa" is the title of chapter 12 of the romantic serial of the Middle Ages, "Into the Light," which will be broadcast from 2YA at 9.5 p.m.

A further episode in the thrilling drama, "The Stonehill Prison Mystery," will be broadcast from 3ZB at 8.45 p.m.

"Mittens," an epic of the Turf, presented by George Edwards and Company from 4YA at 8 p.m.

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame," a dramatisation of Victor Hugo's famous novel, from 4YA at 9.18 p.m.

Thursday, December 29:

"Westward Ho!" a radio dramatisation of Charles Kingsley's



One of the most famous names in the musical firmament is that of Jeanette MacDonald, star of many screen successes. She is to be heard in a solo, and also in a duet with Nelson Eddy, from 2YA on Tuesday evening.

stirring story, will be presented from 1YA at 8 p.m.

"Jules Moreau"—a drama in cameo—from 1ZM, Manurewa, at 8 p.m.

"The Bray of the Mule"—a five-minute thriller—will be broadcast from 2YA at 8.33 p.m.

Episodes five and six of the new comedy serial, "The Rich Uncle from Fiji," will be presented from 2YA at 8.41 p.m.

A dramatic presentation of the life story of one of England's greatest admirals—Lord Nelson—is broadcast by 3ZB at 8.45 p.m.

George Edwards and Company present "The Case of the Special Investigation," introducing Inspector Scott of Scotland Yard, from 3YA at 8.10 p.m.

"Personal Column," drama from the agony column of a newspaper, to be heard from 3YA at 8.48 p.m.

"Man Through the Ages—The Eternal City," an historical panoramic serial written by James J. Donnelly and produced by the NBS, will be presented from 4YA at 8.40 p.m.

A BBC recorded feature, "London Traffic"—a mosaic of actuality and letters compiled by Felix Felton—will be broadcast from 4YA at 9.20 p.m.

Friday, December 30:

"Stories of the Songs You Love" are told from 1ZB at 9.30 p.m.

Saturday, December 31:

A radio dramatisation of the exploits of Edgar Rice Burroughs's famous character "Tarzan," is presented from 1ZB and 2ZB at 6.30 p.m.

The final chapter of "The Life of Emile Zola" will be broadcast by 2YA at 8.32 p.m.

Walt Disney's Silly Symphony, "The Blind Mousketeers" will be presented from 2YA at 9.56 p.m.

"Coronets of England—The Life of Mary Queen of Scots" will be presented from 3YA at 8.35 p.m.

Midnight Mass From Wellington's St. Gerard's

MIDNIGHT Mass will be given at St. Gerard's Church, Wellington, on Christmas Eve, notable feature of the Mass being the plainsong, "Credo," No. 1, sung by male voices only.

This is the earliest known setting of the creed, dating back to the fifth century, and is severely modal in character. The custom of singing the creed to plainsong is being largely restored by recent Papal decrees.

Other portions of the Mass are in modern harmony and include Sir Richard Terry's "Kyrie," and "Gloria," Dr. Smith's "Sanctus" and "Benedictus," and Van Bree's "Agnus Dei," as also Dr. Tozer's "Proper of the Mass."

Mr. Henry Mount is organist and choirmaster, and before Mass will play his own fantasia on the old French Carol, "The First Nowel," and at the close of the service Wiellart's "Pastores."

Xmas Day Play By New Zealand Radio Writer

"FOUR Looked Down on Christmas Day" is the title of a special Christmas Day play from 2YA, written by W. Graeme Holder.

Play has four symbolic figures, a Mystic, a Poet, Old Age and Youth, who look down on the fortunes of a New Zealand family, reflecting on their doings in character.

The lesson of peace and charity is remarkably well-drawn. Play is far away from the mystery vein in which Mr. Holder has won distinction, yet has a strength and breadth of its own.

Last Of Private Radio Stations In Auckland

LAST of the privately owned B stations in Auckland, 1ZJ, went off the air for ever last Thursday night.

Government has purchased the station and complete equipment and has closed it down.

Station 1ZJ first took the air in 1927. Ever since, 1ZJ has been operating on a schedule totalling six hours per week. On many occasions applications were made to different Governments for extended hours, but these were never granted.

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