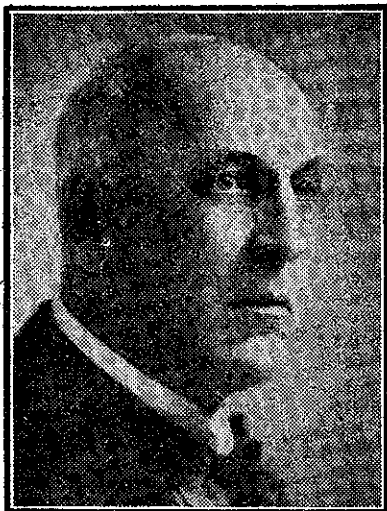


Mr. J. F. Montague**Founder and Director of
Auckland Comedy Players**

MR. J. F. MONTAGUE is one of the best-known producers and entertainers in New Zealand, who needs no introduction to the public. He was the first to produce plays for broadcasting in the Dominion, and the work of the Auckland Comedy Players, under his able direction, has been of a uniformly high standard. During his association with 1A he has produced over 60 plays, and has introduced over 50 performers to the "air." Many of the productions have been extraordinarily fine from every point of view.

Some of the most notable of these are: John Drinkwater's "Oliver Cromwell"; "Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary" (St. John Ervine); "Galapagos," "The Importance of Being Earnest" (Oscar



Wilde); "Campbell of Kilmohr," "The Philosopher of Butterbiggins" (Chapin); "The Dover Road" (Milne); "The Maker of Dreams," "Waterloo," and "The Monkey's Paw."

Besides this work of production and "coaching," Mr. Montague, as an individual performer and entertainer, is second to none in the Dominion; his versatility is remarkable, for he is equally acceptable in comedy, tragedy, and in character work, particularly so in Irish or Scottish items. He is, moreover, a fluent speaker of Maori, and is an authority on the pronunciation of that language. He has been a member of the Musical and Dramatic Advisory Committee at 1YA since its inception. Notwithstanding many claims on his time, he will continue to be heard from 1YA, for he frankly confesses he enjoys broadcasting work. Always, and indeed, he declares he regards it as a privilege to be able to speak to such a great audience. "Of course, I can't expect to please everyone," he says, "but I hope I please the majority."

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Now Available.**Children's Sessions****AT 1YA.**

TUESDAY, January 21.—Uncle George at the helm with more of his cheery stories, and Cousin Lois playing some of her delightful pieces.

WEDNESDAY.—Uncle Tom still on holiday, but Uncle Barney present, so plenty of fun and laughter and popular songs.

THURSDAY.—Thursday is here, but no Peter Pan, so just wait and see what Cinderella has. Joyce and Lois will supply duets and solos.

FRIDAY.—Welcome to Nod and Aunt Jean, who are sure to have jolly stories and songs—recitations from cousins.

SATURDAY.—Cinderella will entertain the Radio Family this evening with stories and jokes. Cousins will assist with songs and recitations, and of course the Radio Postman will go his usual rounds.

SUNDAY, January 26.—Children's Song Service conducted by Uncle Leo, assisted by Beresford Street Sunday School.

AT 2YA.

MONDAY, JANUARY 20—

Farewell to Aunt Gwen. More about this hour will be found in another part of the paper.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21—

Uncle Jim will send the birthday greetings to you little ones. Cousin Bob will play his famous mouth organ, and Cousins Helen and Ethel will sing and recite.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23—

At the Children's Hour to-night you will have four happy little cousins to make merry music for you. Jean and Deirdre will play ukulele duets and recite, and little Louie and Irene have songs to sing. Uncle George will give the birthday messages.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24—

Cousin Marjorie will sing to-night, little ones, and we hope to have cousin with his bagpipes, also little Betty, Diana, and Lucy. Brother Jack and Robinson will be here, too.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25—

We have some dear little cousins to-night, children, who will recite for us. Also Cousin Betty and Cousin Evelyn, who will play and recite little poems. Uncle Toby will arrive through the air, and will have many messages for the little birthday folks.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26—

The Children's Song Service will be conducted by Uncle George, assisted by the Cambridge Terrace Congregational Sunday School Choir under Mr. Reynolds.

AT 3YA.

MONDAY, January 20—

This is the night "Scatterjoy" meets and talks to her little friends "over the air." So keep the appointment without fail, and you will hear of travels and fun in a far-away land.

WEDNESDAY—

Uncle John is on deck now on Wednesday nights, and to-night the young Welsh folk are providing some community singing for us all. Won't you join in?

THURSDAY—

Uncle Frank in charge to-night, and Cousin Nell, a new cousin who is helping us through the holidays while the children are off holiday-making.

FRIDAY—

Storyman with his interesting nature stories, and Cousins Jack, Victor, and Heather, singing and reciting for us.

SATURDAY—

"Peterkin" and a trip in our plane, with Derek and Desmond as captain and Pilot. Fun for all.

SUNDAY—

The Children's Song Service, conducted by the Presbyterian Sunday School.



Aunt Gwen, of 2YA, who will be accorded a farewell on Monday next.

Aunt Gwen's Farewell**Memorable Occasion at
2YA**

AUNT GWEN'S farewell session is scheduled for Monday, January 20. It will be a memorable occasion at 2YA. On that evening she will say good-bye to the thousands of radio cousins she loves so well, and who, we are sure, have learned to love her just as she loves them.

Cousin George, who represents all the radio cousins on the 2YA Children's Advisory Committee, is preparing the farewell programme, and he may be relied upon to see that Aunt Gwen receives a fitting send-off. Not only will the sessional programme itself be appropriate to the occasion, but Cousin George intends seeking the co-operation of every boy and girl and every parent who can possibly listen in that evening.

Cousin George himself will tell you all about it. He is going to have a word with you over the air. Never has a New Zealand bride been accorded

Broadcasting in Canada**Special Winter
Programmes**

A PROGRAMME of 25 national broadcasts, to be given this winter (our summer) over its new Atlantic to Pacific wireless "chain," has been arranged by the Canadian National Railways, in co-operation with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. This is the most ambitious programme of broadcasting so far attempted in Canada. The broadcasts, which are to be given weekly, involve the use of 16 stations, stretching from Halifax, N.S., to Vancouver, and approximately 15,000 miles of land wire. Some conception of the engineering difficulties involved in giving effect to the scheme may be gained from the fact that five different time zones are covered, each representing a difference of one hour.

In inaugurating the first of the broadcasts, Sir Henry Thornton said that they regarded the use of radio as a great national trust. It can add materially to the social and economic life of the nation. It had already broken through the isolation of the settler, and now, through their national chain of 16 stations, they hoped to be able to foster a closer relationship between the various parts of the country and to bring home to everyone within their boundaries their national aspirations and achievements. It was also their intention to further a new intimacy between Canada and Great Britain by engaging prominent British artists for these coast-to-coast broadcasts.

such a God-speed as that which is in store for Aunt Gwen, for her "Auld Lang Syne" will echo from North Cape to Bluff. Get ready to listen in and join hands all round the Dominion on the evening of Monday next. And then, on the 29th, you will actually hear Aunt Gwen's wedding bells! Yes, she and her husband-to-be have been very, very considerate. They have consented to have the wedding ceremony broadcast.

First there will be the beautiful ceremony at St. Paul's, and then the reception at the residence of Aunt Gwen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shepherd. We are not giving away a secret when we tell you that it was only after very earnest thought that Aunt Gwen consented to face this ordeal. She would have much preferred a quiet wedding. But she could not withstand the wishes of the hundreds and hundreds of boys and girls who wish to share with her the joys of her great day, and so, as she could not possibly invite you all to the wedding, and many of you could not possibly come if she did, she agreed that the next best thing would be to make it possible for you to hear something of the joyous happenings. You will be the invisible guests of honour at New Zealand's first radio wedding.

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