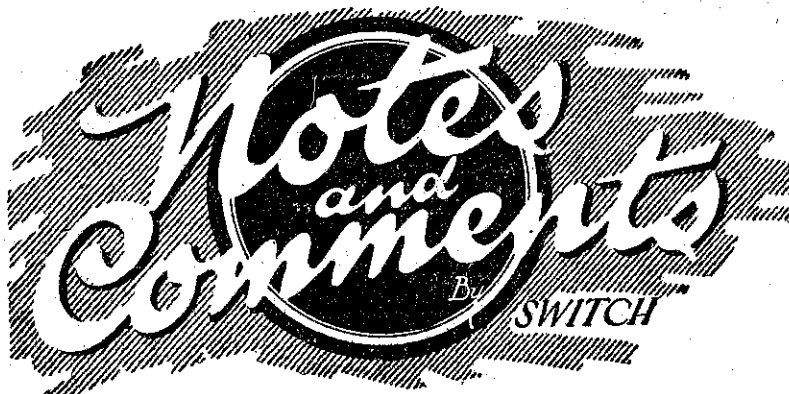


THE relay by 2YA, Wellington, of the all-talking picture, "The Hollywood Revue," from the Western Electric Co.'s private audition theatre on Thursday night of last week was easily the best talking picture relay yet heard from 2YA. The dialogue was crisp, and free from the characteristic hollowness which is associated with some of the relays one hears. The talk itself was smart, and therefore entertaining. The vocal and instrumental music was thoroughly enjoyable.

MUCH curiosity has been evinced by listeners as to the dancing in the talking picture, "The Hollywood Revue," which came across so successfully from 2YA, Wellington. Without a doubt the dancing in the latest American talking films sets a new standard for this art, and "Switch" understands that it is of the very highest order in "The Hollywood Revue." At least, listeners could hear the brisk clatter of the clogs keeping time with irresistible music.

ONE must concede that the humour in the talking picture, "The Hollywood Revue," was most entertaining, and listeners had many a laugh at the clever dialogue. One of the best "hits" was the balcony scene in "Romeo and Juliet," enacted with up-to-date American dialogue. The "Lon Chaney Song" was a smart item, which picture enthusiasts in particular relished greatly.

BROADCASTING is now so firmly established in Europe that it is not surprising to learn that the radio industry is in a flourishing state. The total number of license holders in Great Britain is rapidly reaching the three million mark, and the British Broadcasting Corporation is expanding every day. All the British stations are linked with telephone cables to one another and to the chief cities of Europe, enabling them to broadcast to their listeners concerts from all over the continent. It is impossible to foretell with any degree of accuracy what another ten years will mean to broadcasting.



HERE'S a good suggestion, made by a Melbourne listener, for owners of crystal sets equipped with a cat-whisker. He says: "Quite a number of crystal set owners think that it is necessary to have a buzzer to test their crystals. If the electric light is laid on to their house all that is necessary is to flick the switch on and off. A click will be heard when you have a sensitive spot, and when you touch the switch a loud hum (if alternating current) will be heard. This test will also show if valve sets are in order."

Erecting an Efficient Aerial

WE regret that owing to pressure on space this feature has had to be withheld till next week.

A NEW "B" class station has commenced transmitting in Newcastle, N.S.W., under the call sign 2HD, operated by the Air-sales Broadcasting Company. The station is situated at Sandgate, seven miles from Newcastle, but the studios are in that city. The new station works on a wavelength of 221 metres (1360 k.c.), and is equipped with a 500-watt radio frequency amplifier panel. The transmitting ap-

paratus is stated to have cost £2000. Possibly this is the station "Switch" has heard lately.

A WELLINGTON City radio trader told "Switch" last week that his establishment had just completed a splendid five months' business despite the proverbial slackness of the summer season. He related that there is still a heavy demand for component parts, especially power transformers for audio amplifiers. Battery sets still have a very fair market, he said.

RECENTLY "Switch" heard the open-air community singing, accompanied by a band, in Ashfield Park, near

Sydney, relayed by 2BL, Sydney. The voices of juveniles seemed to dominate the singing, which, however, was well done. The Ashfield band was located in the rotunda, which has somewhat of a history. It was first erected in Centennial Park thirty years ago, when the Commonwealth was initiated. It was used on that occasion for formal proceedings in which the present king, then Duke of York, took part. The rotunda was subsequently sold to the Ashfield Council and removed to Ashfield Park.

NEW ZEALANDERS will, before many months have elapsed, have another Australian "A" class station to tune in. The Commonwealth Postmaster-General recently announced that arrangements are being pushed ahead to erect a broadcast station at Rockhampton, which is on the coastline of Queensland, north of Brisbane. He said that the new station would be equipped with a more modern plant than that of the existing Australian "A" class stations.

THE best of the New Zealand B class stations heard lately by "Switch" are 2ZM, Gisborne, and 4ZL, Dunedin. These are consistently the best, with a shade in favour of the Gisborne station. The other B class stations are heard more or less regularly, but in the writer's experience they are sorely afflicted with fading.

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