

Wellington Society

An Interesting Evening

THERE was a fair attendance at the monthly meeting of the Amateur Radio Society of Wellington at the Cambridge Terrace Congregational schoolroom on Tuesday, July 8. The chair was occupied by Mr. I. M. Levy, president.

The proposed Imperial short-wave broadcast station to cost between £50,000 and £100,000 was the subject of some discussion. It was pointed out that such a station with power greatly above that of 5SW, Chelmsford, England would enable all the British Dominions throughout the world to obtain good reception, so that the Dominions stations could effect first-rate rebroadcasts to enable owners of even the humblest crystal set to hear. The advantage of such a station in England, it was urged, could not be exaggerated as a means of binding the Empire closer together.

A resolution was adopted that a letter be forwarded to the Prime Minister requesting him to give favourable consideration, when the question is brought up at the Imperial Conference, as to the proposed erection of an Imperial short-wave broadcast station in England to be supported by the combined contributions of the various units of the British Empire.

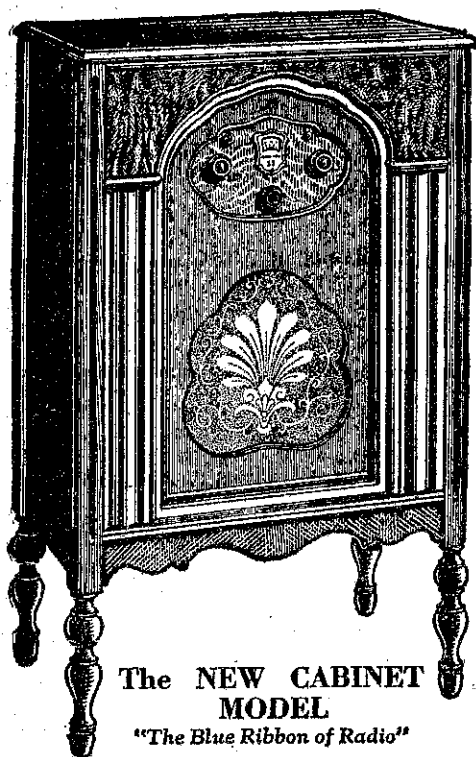
THE report of the sub-committee appointed to confer with Mr. J. Bingham, chief radio engineer of the Radio Broadcasting Co., concerning the late faulty transmission of 2YA, was submitted. It was explained that Mr. Bingham had visited Wellington and inserted a lone-pass filter in the input circuit of 2YA, which had practically eliminated the trouble complained of. The report was adopted, general satisfaction being expressed with the present transmission of 2YA, Wellington.

Mr. H. Falkner reported the existence of intense interference, from some electrical source, in Constable Street, Newtown, near Daniel Street. A motion was carried requesting the hon. secretary to communicate the complaint to the district radio inspector.

AN interesting and instructive lecture, illustrated with blackboard diagrams, on the Loftin-White A.C. audio-amplifier was given by Mr. A. Purcell, acting as deputy for Mr. C. K. Fear, who was unavoidably unable to attend. Mr. C. J. Ralph then gave a similarly successful lecture, also illustrated by blackboard diagrams, on the new system of armature movement and assembly embodied in the Farrand loudspeaker. Mr. Ralph subsequently, with the aid of the Loftin-White amplifier, electric-motor gramophone, and pick-up, entertained the members with a splendid demonstration of gramophone reproduction by the loudspeaker.

OPPORTUNITY was taken by Mr. J.

Crewes, on behalf of the members of the society, to welcome and congratulate the newly-elected president, Mr. I. M. Levy. He complimented Mr. Levy on the dispatch with which the business of the meeting had been conducted. Mr. Crewes also commented upon the attractiveness of the lectures and demonstration they had heard that evening. The chairman explained that credit for the arrangements were due to Mr. Hooker, the newly-elected honorary secretary.



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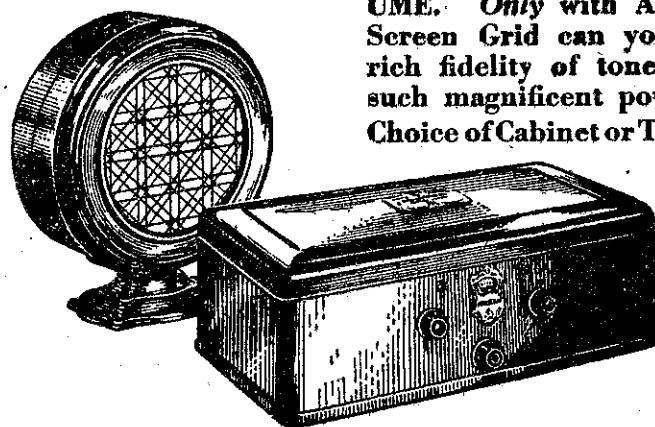
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