

A Two-valve Helmet Set

A WIRELESS set fitted to a London policeman's helmet was the most novel display at the Radio Exhibition at Olympia, which opened on September 19. The cone-shaped back of the London helmet provides an ideal loud-speaker, while the top portion accommodates the aerial and the tiny batteries needed to supply the two-valve set used.

Though the total weight of the complete outfit is only a few ounces, the wearer can pick up messages broadcast from headquarters within a range of eight miles.

Children's Sessions

FROM 1YA.

TUESDAY, September 30.—Uncle Dave has more of his interesting stories to tell, and cousins will present dialogues and a small play.

WEDNESDAY, October 1.—Uncle Tom in his usual happy vein, and Cousin Rena singing more sweet songs.

THURSDAY, October 2.—Mr. Griffiths is bringing his jolly choir, and they will sing choruses and part-songs, while Peter Pan will tell stories and send birthday greetings.

FRIDAY, October 3.—The happy hour to be spent with Nod and Aunt

Jean, who have more cheery songs and stories, and little Shirley will sing.

SATURDAY, October 4.—Duets, solos, and sketches from Cousins Joyce, Lois, and Muriel, and stories from Cinderella.

SUNDAY, October 5.—Children's song service conducted by Uncle Bert, assisted by Beresford Street Sunday School.

At 2YA.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.—Uncle Toby will send birthday greetings, and the 8 O'Clock Revue Company, who have been broadcasting "grown-up" children's hours, will give a special evening for the real "children's hour." Uncle Billy has written this "Five o'clock Revue," and the company hope all will enjoy their special programme.

SUNDAY: Uncle George, who conducts the service to-night, will be assisted by the choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

MONDAY, September 29: To-night Claude Saunders is providing the entertainment. There will be plenty of merriment and fun. Cousin Marjorie with her clogs will again be here to dance. It will be Uncle Jeff's evening, so all listen in for his new puzzle.

TUESDAY: A splendid programme of chorus work will be given to-night by the pupils of the Northland Convent, under the direction of Isobel Halligan. The session will be conducted by Uncle Jim.

THURSDAY: The programme will be entirely of an Irish nature this evening. Cousin Jeane is providing it. There will be "Irish Medleys," "Londonderry Airs," and "St. Patrick's Day Variations." Uncle George will be here to act as host.

FRIDAY: Big Brother Jack will welcome the pupils of Chilton House School at the studio to-night. They will sing choruses and songs and give recitations and pianoforte solos. Story Book Lady will also be among the entertainers for to-night.

SATURDAY: Mr. Kenneth Small is providing a Gypsy Caravan Party to-night, and with Uncle Toby and all the little gypsies he is bringing we should have a very happy time.

SUNDAY, October 5: Mr. Aked, who conducts the Children's Choir at the Thorndon Methodist Church, will bring the choir to the studio to-night. Uncle George will conduct the service.

It is assumed in some quarters that the radio and gramophone industries will soon be one. A real wireless wedding! Will television divorce them?

The B.B.C.

Amazing Growth

AN extraordinary picture of growth is revealed by the announcement by the British Broadcasting Corporation that the wireless license holders in Great Britain now number 3,363,000, exclusive of 17,000 licenses issued free to blind people. This is estimated to represent a potential audience of 15,000,000 listeners, which is an estimate on the conservative side in view of the further statement that there is now a wireless set in two out of three houses in the country. These figures emphasise the tremendous place now



MISS GWALDYS PAYNE,
A soprano soloist and a member of
the 1YA Broadcasting Choir.
—S. P. Andrew, photo.

being taken by broadcasting in the national life. This matter is emphasised further by the statement made by the Hon. R. Ramsay MacDonald, Prime Minister, in opening the National Radio Exhibition. "In future," he said, "broadcasting is destined to play a most important part in the cultivation of a friendly understanding between nations. The rapid development of this new power over Nature gives us great opportunities, both cultural and industrial, and it is all important that we should make the best use of them." At the Radio Exhibition mentioned there will be displayed 400 stands by exhibitors, representing an output of sets and apparatus computed to be worth £5,000,000.

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