

Following the usual custom, the Midnight Mass will again be relayed from St. Gerard's Redemptorist Church by 2YA this year. This service is one that is always full of interest for listeners of all denominations. A feature of the service is the music which is always so admirably sung.

From Christchurch

A TALK about the forthcoming New Zealand tennis championship will be broadcast from 3YA by Mr. Reg. Browning.

At 3YA, a two hours' studio concert programme will be followed by an hour's dance music. From 11 o'clock till 11.55 there will be Christmas carols, when a rebroadcast of the Midnight Mass at St. Gerard's Redemptorist Church, Wellington, will be carried out.

A number of negro plantation songs will be included in the studio concert, and old favourites such as "Up from Somerset" and "By the Waters of Minnetonka" will be sung. A novelty turn will be a number of vibraphone items, played by a duo. Piano solos will be contributed by Miss Bessie Pollard, to an accompaniment by the Studio Octet. Selections by the Octet will include Coleridge Taylor's "Christmas Overture" and Hurst's "Bells o' Somerset."

Dunedin Notes

THE 4YA Studio Trio will present all the instrumental music on 4YA's programme. At the conclusion of the dance session, which will follow the concert, 4YA will broadcast Christmas music till the midnight chimes.



MISS Marjorie Chapman, cellist of the 3YA Studio Octet, commenced study of the pianoforte at the convent of the Sacred Heart, Christchurch, in 1920, and later continued under Mr. Heward Moody. Her study of the cello began in April, 1922, under Herr Zimmerman, joining in a few months' time Miss Flint's juvenile orchestra. In 1924 she became a member of the Christchurch Orchestral Society, afterwards playing in the orchestra at the Crystal Palace and Civic Theatre. In 1925 she became a pupil under her present teacher, Mr. Harold Beck. —Steffano Webb, photo.

THURSDAY

Xmas Features from 1YA

Special sessions will be observed at all stations to-day (Christmas Day).

1YA, 3YA and 4YA will hold children's sessions at 9 a.m. and 2YA at 10 a.m.

At 11 a.m. 1YA will relay Divine service from St. Matthew's Church. Canon Grant Cowen will preach and Mr. J. H. Philpott will be at the organ. The station will be on the air during the afternoon from 3 o'clock on. At 7.30 p.m. approximately there will be a relay of the concert to be given in the Albert Park by the Congress Hall Band, under the conductorship of Mr. T. Paice.

Christmas Day this year will mark the occasion of the opening of the Porirua Mental Hospital radio installation. This is to take place at 3 o'clock, and will be a unique event in that the official opening speech by the Minister of Health (Hon. A. J. Stallworthy) will be relayed from the Minister's residence, Auckland. At the conclusion of the opening ceremony a special programme of selected gramophone recordings will be given from the studio.

Wellington Notes

AT 8 p.m. 2YA will be on the air with a studio programme. The Orchestra will play the following selections: "The Christmas Overture," a selection from the opera "The Jewels of the Madonna," the "Adagio" from Mendelssohn's "Hymn of Praise," the "Polonaise" from the "Christmas Eve Suite" by Rimsky-Korsakov, Massenet's "Angelus," and a selection entitled "The Chapel Chimes."

Xmas Day at 3YA

AT 7 o'clock 3YA will relay a full choral evensong service from the Anglican Cathedral. Christmas carols will also be sung. The concert programme will be one of superior standard.

Recitals will be given by Mr. Rex Harrison (one of the finest baritones who has ever broadcast in New Zealand), Miss Cicely Audibert (soprano, with a reputation earned on the professional stage in Australia), Mr. J. J. Flewellyn (Dickens sketches), Mr. H. G. Glaysher (harp solos), and Mr. James Shaw (tenor, who was a B.B.C. artist).

From 4YA

AT 10.30 a.m. 4YA will relay a church service conducted by the combined denominations.

A feature of the 4YA programme, which has been arranged by Mr. Ernest Drake, will be the choral singing. The principal soloists who took part in the recent highly successful recital in the Town Hall will be singing. Of special interest will be a chorus of twelve voices, which will present all the Christmas carols on this programme.

FRIDAY

Auckland Notes

The results of races at Auckland and Dunedin will be broadcast by 1YA and 4YA. These stations will be on the air all the afternoon.

1YA listeners will hear the Christmas pantomime, "Cinderella Up to



JAMES SHAW,

a fine tenor, who, prior to his arrival in New Zealand, made frequent appearances before the B.B.C. microphone.

Date." L.C.B. and Mr. Eric F. B. Waters, in collaboration, have succeeded in arranging and adapting this well-known pantomime in a snappy and up-to-date style that should prove very popular with listeners. Mr. Waters needs no introduction with listeners, for he composed the music of the opera "Tutankhamen," recently produced at His Majesty's Theatre with outstanding success. The cast has been well chosen and includes some of Auckland's leading talent. The instrumentation will be in the hands of Mr. Reg. Morgan and his orchestra, who will also provide a programme of dance music from 9.30 p.m. till 11 p.m.

From Wellington

THE 2YA programme will feature Mr. Jock Lockhart. The orchestra will play popular and novelty numbers. A dance programme, to conclude at 11 p.m., will follow the concert session.

3YA Items

A description of some of the New Zealand tennis championship games will be relayed from 3YA this afternoon.

Solos, duets, and choruses from "No, No, Nanette," "The Sunshine Girl," and "The Quaker Girl" will be

heard from 3YA. Humorous recitations will be given by Mr. H. Instone. A bright instrumental programme will be provided by the Studio Octet.

Dunedin Features

DUNEDIN'S variety programme will include an entertainment to be given on the marimbaphone by Mr. H. Dalziel. The entire programme will be of a very popular nature.

SATURDAY

Auckland Notes

RESULTS from the Auckland Trotting Club's meeting will be broadcast by 1YA, and 4YA will broadcast results of the Dunedin Jockey Club meeting.

At 7.40 p.m. Mr. G. D. Rutter will give a talk on "Gladioli."

The Municipal Band, under the conductorship of Mr. Hal McLennan, will present another of their popular concerts at 8 p.m. in the Auckland Town Hall, and this will be relayed by 1YA. The session will conclude with dance music from the studio from 10 p.m. till 11 p.m.

From 2YA

THE vaudeville programme from 2YA will feature the Salon Orchestra and a new mandolin duo. Miss Leah Johnston, a young Masterton mezzo-soprano, will sing several light ballad numbers. Maori songs and ballads will be featured by Mr. Toki.

Christchurch Features

THERE will be several noteworthy features about 3YA's programme. Mr. Roy Hill, the well-known 2YA tenor, and Miss Belle Renaut, now of 2YA, but previously a very popular 3YA vocalist, will both be singing. A new instrumental trio—Miss Thelma Cusack (violin), Miss Marjorie Chapman ('cello), and Mr. Fred Page (piano)—will be playing. Miss Elaine Moody's Hawaiian Quartet, with guitars and ukuleles, will play popular airs, with vocal refrains by Miss Moody.

Notes from Dunedin

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