

When Towns Crashed in Ruins

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By Thursday most of the hospital patients had been transferred to established camps, some evacuated. The Government at this stage took over the transmitter, changing its call to ZLN, and transferring it to the temporary Post Office in the Hastings Street School.

Further good work was done by ZL2XP, Mr. W. M. Dawson, of Wellington, who, soon after the news was received, hurried to Napier. He was quickly established in the Hawke's Bay club's grounds, utilising the substantial flagpole as an aerial mast. Down on the forty-metre band, he contacted the two Christchurch stations, 3AW and 3AD, and handled Press and private messages. Several thousands of words were sent through under very difficult conditions.

By Thursday traffic had eased owing to the telegraphic communication being established, and 2XP ceased operations. He had done commendable work.

ALL over the country the hams have proved their worth in an emergency. No task they considered too great to attempt and no distressing circumstance withheld them from their jobs. Throughout New Zealand they responded. It is difficult at this stage to know who did help. There were many whose names we cannot record, for information on their work is indeed scant. Yet all New Zealand appreciates the great work and great task they bravely faced and so nobly carried through.

Motoring Talks

From 4YA Shortly

THE Otago Motor Club has arranged for a series of talks to be broadcast from 4YA for the purpose of giving useful advice to motorists as well as pedestrians.

Motoring talks are regular features at the YA stations. In this respect, Mr. R. E. Champtaloup, touring manager for the Auckland Automobile Association, has been very enterprising, and talks prepared by him, specially for the summer touring season, have been broadcast by 1YA, 2YA, and 3YA.

4YA has the following schedule arranged:—

February, 10: Mr. H. Halliday.
February, 24: Mr. J. L. Passmore.
March, 10: Mr. Wm. Wright.

Sanders Cup

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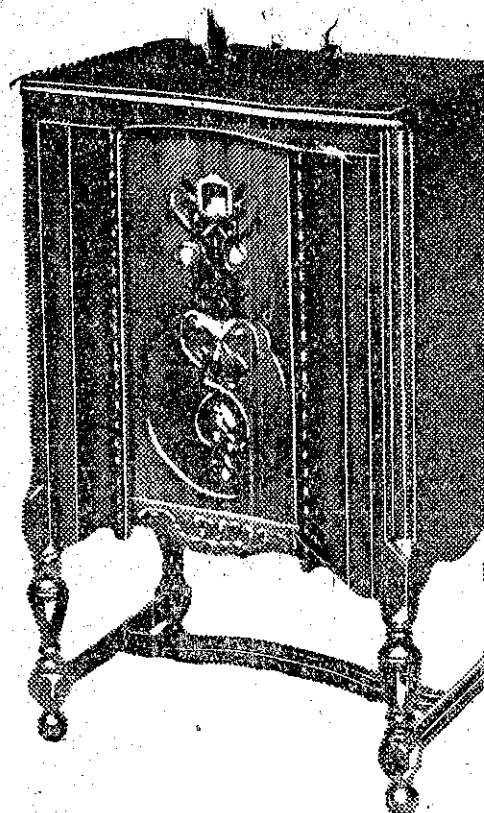
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