

B Stations and Copyright

Misleading Statement

WE are given to understand that a statement in the daily press (and accepted by us in good faith), allegedly emanating from the secretary of the recently-formed Association of B Class Stations, to the effect that arrangements have been made between the Australasian Performing Rights Association and some groups of the stations for a resumption of operations, is not fully correct. It is understood that an agreement has been reached between the Manawatu Radio Society and the copyright people in respect of the operation of the Palmerston North station, the basis being the payment of a fee of ten guineas to the end of the current year. Information available to us is to the effect that finality has not been reached in respect of the position between B class stations and the copyright authorities, but that the result of a deputation from the association to the Postmaster-General was general advice that the members of the association would be well advised to make the best arrangement possible with the Australasian Performing Rights Association.

New Telephone Device Records Messages on Tape

TELEPHONE users in Belgium and Switzerland now may leave a message for the person called if he is absent when his telephone rings.

The attachment which makes this possible is called a "telephonograph," and is a combination telephone and telegraph instrument on which the person calling, by means of a prearranged system of code, can signal a message to the absent party. This message is recorded on the automatic telegraph apparatus attached to the telephone, and is transcribed on a tape unrolling from the recorder.

Another advantage claimed for the system is that in the event of it being difficult to understand a distant speaker, owing to a faulty wire, it will be possible to transmit the message on the ticker. Important letters and documents could also be transmitted in this way, and discussed simultaneously.

Impending Radio Picnics

Elaborate Preparations by 3YA

YOUNG radio listeners of Christchurch, together with their parents and friends, will be looking forward to next Saturday, February 21, when the radio picnic organised by the Radio Broadcasting Company is to take place.

The picnic is primarily intended for the entertainment of the young artists who have assisted Aunt Pat during the year, but a general invitation is extended to everyone, with the result that there is certain to be a very large crowd on Addington Trotting Course to enjoy the many attractions which have been arranged.

All manner of side-shows will be there, and all will be free. The scene will be a particularly lively one. There will be two brass bands on the ground to supply music, a merry-go-round, a Punch and Judy showman, Jack and the Beanstalk, Highland dancing, the Mysterious Mr. X, clowns, who will wander around and make fun wherever they go, free rides on ponies, and free rides in old coaches. There will also be free rides on a miniature railway.

These, besides other attractions, have been arranged for the amusement and entertainment of all.

During the afternoon, a description of the happenings will be broadcast from the ground, and the children's session will also take place there. This in itself will be of a unique nature.

In Auckland, preparations are also in train for a picnic to be held on Saturday, March 7. This decision was arrived at at a meeting of the IYA Children's Sessions Advisory Committee, held on January 30, when there were present:—

The Rev. L. B. Busfield, representing the Sunday School Union, presiding.

The Rev. A. V. Whiting ("Uncle Bert").

Miss C. J. Platt (National Council of Women).

Mrs. Jean Le Petit ("Aunt Jean").
Mr. P. F. Nash ("The Farmer's Boy").

Mr. V. Drew, (Y.M.C.A.).
Captain Albert Chandler, (Salvation Army).

Miss R. Palmer (Children's Sessions Organiser).

Mr. L. C. Barnes (Station Director at IYA).

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. J. F. Montague and Mr. D. Faigan.

1YA Church Committee

THE 1YA Church Committee met on Tuesday, February 10, Mr. L. C. Barnes, station manager, presiding. There were present: The Rev. Joseph Kemp (Baptist Tabernacle), Mr. D. Donaldson (Church of Christ), the Rev. George Heighway (Congregational Church), the Rev. W. D. Morrison-Sutherland (Presbyterian Church), the Rev. H. M. Smythe (Anglican Church), the Rev. W. Walker (Methodist Church), and Lieutenant Lindsay (Salvation Army).

It was decided to adhere to the existing rota and to give the Salvation Army the fifth Sunday in August and the fifth Sunday in March next

Amateur Transmitters in Earthquake Area

A LETTER signed by A. M. Cooper (ZL2AK), Walter S. Green (ZL2GR) and H. Dixon (ZL2BO) summarises the work of re-establishing communication with the Hastings and Napier area through radio after the earthquake. In outlining the detailed position, praise is accorded to the Post and Telegraph Department for the tactful way in which order was established out of chaos and the efficient way the handling of traffic was organised. The letter concludes:—

"Without detracting from the good work done by one or two of the amateurs, the main lesson to be learned from the experience of stations operating in Napier was that most of the amateurs were hampering the establishment of continuous communication by jamming the air through constantly operating their transmitting sets, instead of keeping a listening watch for signals from the affected area. If this had been done, radio communications would have been continuous and reliable. It also shows the pressing need of stringent regulations governing the control of all amateurs' stations during such a crisis.

year, and to give two fifth Sundays to the Unitarian Church.

The service in Pitt Street Methodist Church will be broadcast on Good Friday evening and a Presbyterian service will be broadcast on Easter Sunday morning.

Relief Concert

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singers, but also as one of the finest vocal artists in the Dominion. The thousands who admire her art will be pleased to note that Mrs. Andrews will take a prominent part in the concert. Her item will be Bemberg's "Hindoo Song." Madame de Mauny will accompany.

Roy Hill.

ONE of the finest of Wellington's younger tenors is Mr. Roy Hill, by now well known far beyond the bounds of his own city, by virtue of his frequent and much-appreciated appearances before the microphone at 2YA. He will sing Denza's "Had You But Known," with violin obbligato by Mr. W. McLean.

Mr. Assheton Harbord.

AN entertainer who has come into prominence recently is Mr. Assheton Harbord. His elocutionary powers are distinctly above the average, and as an entertainer at the piano he is equally efficient. Mr. Harbord will provide humour at the piano.

The Aerial Singers.

THIS talented mixed-voice ensemble will again be heard on Monday next. Their singing, always highly popular, is sure to be specially appreciated on this occasion.

The Melodie Four.

THE Relief Concert next Monday will be the occasion of the next public appearance of the Melodie Four. This well-known quartet will again delight tens of thousands throughout New Zealand by means of the relay from station 2YA. Nevertheless, it is hoped that all who possibly can will attend this concert in person, and so help this urgent and deserving cause.

Claude Tanner.

GLUCK'S "Andante," and Popper's ever-fascinating "Butterflies," are the bracket of items to be played by Claude Tanner at the earthquake relief concert at the Town Hall on Monday next, February 23. Claude Tanner's cello technique and artistry are hardly equalled in New Zealand to-day, and his appearance next Monday with a galaxy of other 2YA artists should prove immensely popular.

Brilliant Comedy.

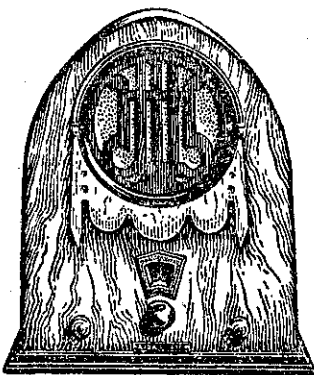
"SHE WAS NO LADY" is from the pen of Harold Brighouse, and is a splendid example of this famous Lancashire dramatist's genius in the portrayal of character. The play is rich in human understanding and wit, while pathos and comedy are cleverly balanced. The chief character is Sir Alfred Pickles, K.B.E., M.P., a new-rich knight, who "only took his title to please his wife—and a pretty penny it cost."

Sir Alfred is played by Victor S. Lloyd, well known throughout New Zealand both as the most successful producer of radio plays yet discovered by the YA stations, and also as the author of the novel, "Son of Peter," and various successful modern dramas.

Henry Learmouth (a private detective who appears to have taken up his profession from sheer love of knowing the worst about people), is played by Harry Paynter. The character of Lady Pickles will be played by Elsie Lloyd, and that of Mrs. Graveny by Susie Paynter. All of these artists have proved brilliantly successful in the delineation of character, and now Wellington is to have an opportunity of seeing them act in person. This will be on the occasion of the big earthquake relief concert at the Wellington Town Hall on Monday next, at 8 p.m.

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The reception of this set has been such that stocks were exhausted the first week. We have to advise, however, that further shipments are due February 24 and March 15, when all orders in hand will receive prompt attention. In any case this set has proved itself.

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