

Short-wave News

PCJ's New Schedule.

PARTICULARS of their revised hours of transmission have been received from PCJ. These are as follow (New Zealand time):—

Thursday—4.30 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.

Friday—1.30 a.m. to 5.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

Saturday—5.30 a.m. to 7.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

ANC, France.

A NEW French short-wave station is reported to be working on 47.77 metres. This is located at Strasbourg with the call-sign of ANC.

The hours of transmission at present have not been published.

Broadcast from W3XAL.

AN announcement from W3XAL picked up during the week-end by the secretary of the New Zealand Short-wave Club stated that on May 22 between 9 and 10 p.m., E.S.T., Dr. Milligan and other eminent American personalities would broadcast. This should be heard in New Zealand on Saturday, May 23.

Rio de Janeiro.

A NEW station at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, transmits daily on 31.75 metres from 10 a.m. till noon, New Zealand time.

Spanish Broadcast.

MR. GEORGE E. BRIGGS, Moreere, H.B. (N.Z.8W), reports an interesting item: "I tuned in at 12 noon on Thursday, April 30, on an experimental 30-metre coil, to a station broadcasting, I presume, from Spain. At the time the new President of the Republic was delivering a speech for the benefit of the people in America. This was being rebroadcast in New York. The speech was afterward translated into English. He spoke about the past history, their future policy, also their trade relations with America. Continuing, the translator said: "I will

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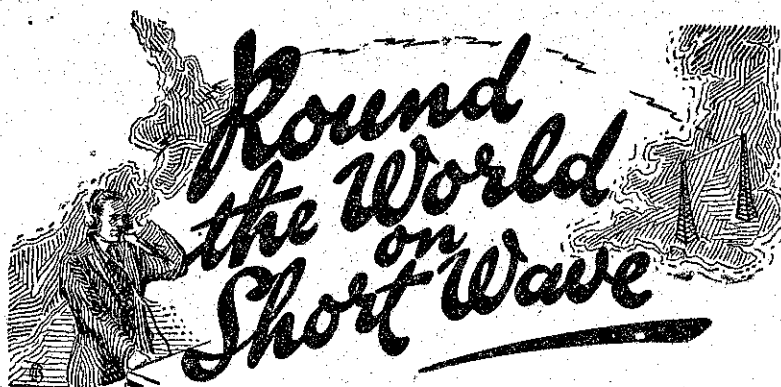
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THIS page is conducted in the interests of shortwave enthusiasts. A weekly log comprising notes of reception and interesting topical events is contributed by Mr. F. W. Sellens, Northland, Wellington, but all listeners are invited to send in paragraphs of general interest.

return you to New York," and continued on "duplex."

Reception was R9 with one stage of audio.

Mr. Briggs, who is using a "Differential Four," inquires if anybody else heard this interesting broadcast. If so, which was the station?

A Unique Broadcast.

WE have heard about the song of the nightingale being broadcast from the woods in Surrey, but to hear the roar of lions in their native jungle would be thrilling. The "Wireless Constructor" (London) made arrangements with the director of the East African short-wave station, VQ7LO, Nairobi, for a unique broadcast. Microphones were to be placed near a pool on the outskirts of Nairobi, where the lions are in the habit of slaking their thirst before starting out on their nocturnal hunt for food. As these kings of the jungle usually roar a good deal before and after drinking, this should provide a thrill for the listeners who were lucky enough to pick up this novel broadcast.

Notes on Reception During Week Ending May 9

Mornings.

THE two Russian stations on 50 metres and about 45.4 metres respectively continue to be well received each morning. HVJ, Vatican City, on 50.26 metres, from 6.30 a.m., is excellent, but talk only is heard. Radio Maroc, 32.26 metres, on Monday morning was again excellent at R9 from 7.30 a.m. OXY, Denmark, 31.51 metres, is audible at times, but a morse station is often too close. Zeesen, 31.38 metres, is not quite so good now. Volume about R8, but subject to gushiness.

PCJ, 31.28 metres, on Thursday was R6 at 6.30 a.m., increasing to R9 by 7.30 a.m. Saturday morning volume was less all through.

G5SW, 25.53 metres, is very poor till after the interval between 7.30 and 7.45 a.m., when reception improves wonderfully. On Tuesday, after the usual interval, it was announced that Lloyd George would inaugurate a series of talks on free trade and protection. Mr. Lloyd George commenced his talk at 7.50 a.m. by reviewing the changes that had taken place since the commencement of his political career. Reception was very good at R8-9; speech being 100 per cent. readable. I could

only stay to hear the opening remarks of this talk.

12RO, Rome, 25.4 metres, continues to be well received each morning—one of the best.

W2XAD, 19.5 metres, was heard on Monday morning, being R4 at 6.30 a.m., increasing to R5 by 7 a.m., but going off again very rapidly.

Afternoons.

STATION W9XF, 49.83 metres; W5XAL, 49.5 metres; and W3XAL, 49.13 metres, come in best late in the afternoon. W1XAF, 31.48 metres, comes in earlier, being readable soon after 1 p.m. and increasing to R9 soon after 2 p.m. W1XAZ, 31.85 metres, is not so consistent, but often comes through quite well. W5XK, 25.25 metres, also is very changeable, but is best about 1.30 p.m.

Evenings.

THERE is not much doing on the short-waves during the early evening, except duplex telephony. RV15, 70.1 metres, can be heard soon after 8 p.m., increasing in volume as the hour grows later.

VK3ME, 31.55 metres, on Wednesday and Saturday is very good from 9.30 p.m., but subject to severe fading. W1XAZ, 31.35 metres, starts at 11 p.m., but a trifle weak, about R4-5 just now. G5SW at 11 p.m. during the week has been too weak to be readable. Saigon, 49 metres, with me of late has been smothered by a morse station.

Short-wave Club

The Secretary Writes

ALL radio listeners in the Dominion will be interested to know that, in company with Mr. E. Hackett (NZ1OW), I called on Petty-Officer Telegraphist A. J. Williams, of the Antarctic research ship Discovery, to present him with an honorary member's certificate and badge in recognition of his great work in connection with radio in the Antarctic. Owing to the conditions of the voyage I am unable to give an account, only to say that the direction-finding apparatus and various appliances were very up to date. Mr. Williams was much interested to hear of the club and thanked us for literature and copies of the "Record." At a future date a test will be carried out with two of the club's transmitting members on a speci-

fied wavelength, the two operators being well-known amateurs.

The first official broadcast of the club took place on Tuesday, May 5, at 11 p.m., when NZ18W, better known as ZL2AW, delivered a technical lecture as a test. Official listeners made notes.

A letter from a gentleman widely known in radio circles says: "The founding of the New Zealand Short-wave Club is certainly one of the greatest advances in wireless ever made in New Zealand." We very much appreciate these sentiments and trust that the club's efforts in the future will be of benefit to all listeners."

By the time these notes appear all that remains of 5000 QSL cards will be posted; the second order of club badges is rapidly going, and another typewriter ribbon is finished.

For the benefit of many inquirers who have missed copies of the "Record," the annual subscription for all members outside Wellington city is 5/- per annum. Enamel badges are 2/6.

In all probability the next lecture will be by the president, Mr. Sellens, on "Wavelength Calibration" (easy way to find stations).

Lists of stations logged, together with particulars, will be welcome. They should be posted in time to reach me by Friday at the latest, so that Mr. Sellens can check up. Sometimes members in other parts get interesting broadcasts that we miss here.

Our radio circle is still growing, but there is room for more. Letters always welcome. Address: The Secretary, New Zealand Short-wave Club, 274 Cuba St.—Yours,

MAC.

An Unconscious Intruder

THE story is related of how a telephone linesman became an impromptu announcer far out on the plains of Texas. The linesman scaled a telephone pole to repair a wire. He tapped a line, intending to communicate with his home office. He listened over his attachable telephone a minute, then yelled in amazement to his foreman on the ground:

"Great Gosh! There's music on this darn line."

Unknowingly, the linesman had tapped the wire carrying National Broadcasting Company programmes to its south-western network, and his exclamations were broadcast far and wide.

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