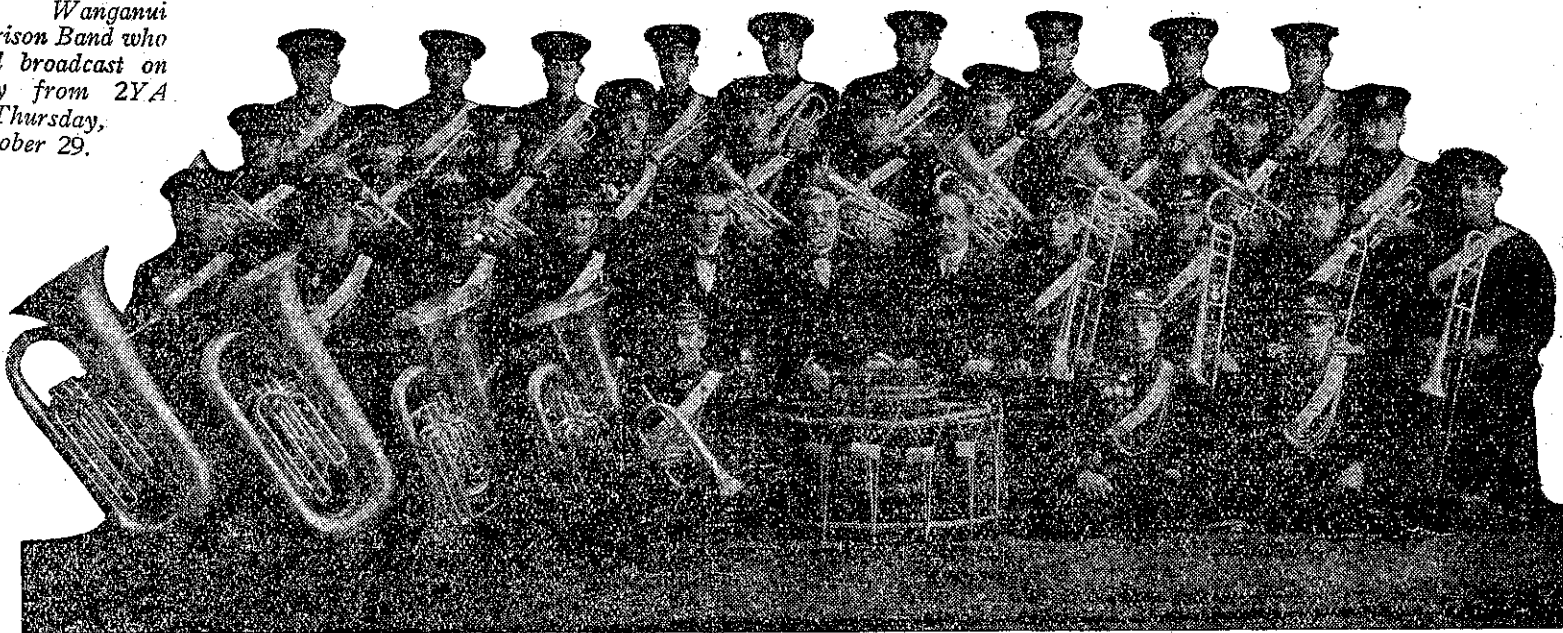


The Wanganui Garrison Band who will broadcast on relay from 2YA on Thursday, October 29.



Famous N.Z. Band to Broadcast Relay from Wanganui

ONE of the main features most listeners can look back with pleasure to is the relays of the concerts given by the Wanganui Garrison Band in their own city. Another of these concerts will be given on Thursday, October 29, and listeners are assured that this concert will come up to the very high standard already set.

The band itself has a splendid record. Formed in 1882, and therefore one of the oldest contesting bands in the Dominion, it has a record second to none in New Zealand and Australia. To its credit in band championships are 27 firsts, 10 seconds and four third prizes. Among these is the championship won at the Christchurch International Exhibition—the largest band contest ever held in New Zealand, in which 29 bands, including the famous Newcastle City Band, under W. Bricknell, contested.

The band, playing under James Crichton, gained the honour of the International Prize Band. In 1910 the band, under Albert Wade, won the championship of Australia

at Ballarat. It is the only band which has visited Australia and been successful in winning the Australian-New Zealand Championship. At the Dunedin Exhibition contest in 1926, when F. J. Rickets, better known as Kenneth Alford, and conductor of the Argyll and Sutherland



Mary Massey, L.A.B., whom you will hear next Thursday from 2YA. Miss Massey is well known in Taranaki as a dramatic soprano.

Highlanders' Band, was adjudicator, the combination was successful in both contest selections.

Still numbered among the ranks are W. Francis, Jas. M. Grath, J. Collins, W. Summers, Scotty Miller and H. Hall, members who have been with the band very many years and who have helped to build up this creditable record.



Mrs. S. Kendall, F.T.C.L., a talented pianist, who will be one of the accompanists.

The late secretary of the band, J. Trussell, who has been a member for over 40 years, is in charge of the Junior Band, comprising over 30 members. Some 14 members have graduated from this combination to fill the ranks of the senior band.

The band will be supported by many fine vocalists, including Mary Massey, L.A.B., dramatic soprano, and Edna Rothery, siffleuse, both well-known Taranaki artists; C. Haar, who will sing two of Wallace's freebooter songs; and Geo. Boshier. Other soloists will be Jim Scott (musical monologues), C. Tucker (flute solos), Owen Williams (euphonium solos) and J. Farrell (cornet solos).

Among its items, the band will include the march, "Wanganui City," composed by Thomas Gray, deputy-conductor of the band. Mr. Gray is one of the best-known bandsmen in New Zealand, having won New Zealand championships with trombone, euphonium, and E flat bass.

The other items will include selections (Concluded on page 10.)



Edna Rothery, Siffleuse. A well-known New Plymouth artist who will be heard in several numbers.