



Between Items

Chestnuts—Gentle Thrusts—And One or Two Ideas

by THE IMP



THE four 2/6 prizes go this week to the persons sending in the paragraphs marked with stars. The Imp's mailbag is now growing amazingly bulky, and many paragraphs are having to be held over from week to week.

★ **"OLIVER TWIST"**: Wouldn't you rather have the money, Oliver? I would. D.M.C. (Oamaru): It would be impossible to act on your suggestion, as the Australian programmes do not often come to hand until the day the paper goes to press. Besides, advertisers usually specify the position they want in the paper. "Well-wisher" (Tauranga): We have set the times out very clearly in the Australian programmes. Surely you don't expect us to do more? E.M.B. (Timaru): Letter posted.

FROM 2NC, Newcastle, the other Sunday evening during the church service, the parson announced that the "choir will now read the anthem, 'Oh, Gladsome Light,'" and, by heavens! they did!!—L.W.A. (Patea).

★ **WOULD** 2YA consider repeating the titles of records after playing as well as before? Many of the Australian stations do this, and it is most helpful when one has tuned in too late for the opening announcement. This would be particularly helpful in the event of future music competitions, when so many items are so familiar but can't quite be identified.—"Familiar Tune" (Wanganui).

ABOUT two weeks ago I arrived home from town, went singing through the house, and with much gusto switched on the radio. From its depths came Clive Drummond's voice saying "I heard you singing." "Did you, Clive?" I replied.—M.F.S. (Masterton).

HEARD from a B station when an uncle of the children's session was announcing the name of a boy who was going to play the piano. "Listen carefully while he gives you a piece of the piano." I wonder how many pieces are in the piano, as I have not got mine yet?—G. C. Juggernaut (Christchurch).

I HAD no idea of Tuesday evening's programme at 2YA, and was reading this week's "Radio Record." "Fancy," I remarked to a member of the family, "Gracie Fields has made four million records." Member of the family: "I don't care for Gracie Fields." Clive Drummond: "You are now to hear Miss Gracie Fields in two humorous items."—Crystal Set (Wellington).

COULD you please tell me what has become of the Maori singer from 2YA? I think his name was Toko Poko, or something like that.—Worried (Gore).

★ **CAN** you use your influence to let us have the joy of hearing to-night's marvellous B.B.C. Scottish programme repeated on a Sunday afternoon? Personally, I come from the

particularly bright, clever, straight and friendly young lady, I'll have to eat my hat, as I've been admiring her sense of humour for years. "Amazons" are of the feminine sex, or were at least (if I may quote your fellow-scribe), "last time I was in Dahomey," some years ago, and I enclose a photo of one, who can obviously carry more on her head, although not in it, than you can. If "Amazon" is her brother, I take off my hat to him, anyhow. For a man he must be an extraordinarily decent chap.—G. Fraser (Ohura).

★ **IT** was one of those bitterly cold nights, and we sat close to the fire enjoying 2YA and Frank Crowther's orchestra. Our lady visitor, who was not exactly accustomed to broadcasting, pitifully remarked: "Those poor souls must be frozen going up Mount Victoria to play on a night like this!"—NZ16W (Wellington).

I WOULD like to say that in my opinion Gordon Hunter is the best all-round sports announcer in New Zealand. Congratulations on the new "Radio Record"; it would be cheap at twice the price, as it caters for the "ole darn family."—"Little Willie."

★ **MY** husband and I were listening to the Mamos v. Paterson bout at Greyhound on Saturday evening. Mamos had Paterson in a hammerlock, and could not get it up far enough for the latter to submit. My husband suddenly shouted out, "Push it up, Mamos," and as though the announcer had heard him, he immediately said, "Someone has just shouted out 'Push it up, Mamos.'"—E.N.H. (Auckland).

Drama in N.Z.

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another group; a play by Ilma M. Levy, 'God Made Two Trees,' is a well-constructed offering, while the last of the group, 'It'll Happen Again,' is a play by a pupil of Rongotai College.

In the last 12 months the Drama League has spread its net wide and there are now branches in almost every part of the country. Festivals have recently been held at Masterton and Dannevirke; there are to be others at Napier, Christchurch, Timaru, Dunedin, Invercargill and Auckland in the near future. Hawera's has just finished. Winners from these centres will compete at Wellington for the national finals on September 23 for a trophy which will be presented by the Governor-General, Lord Bledisloe. Mr. Lloyd will announce, at this festival, the winners of the "Radio Record" and "Dairy Exporter" trophies.

TO-DAY'S PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT

Photos of IYA Officials Early in September

WE include in to-day's issue our second special pictorial supplement—this time of the announcer and several of the officials at 2YA, Wellington. When the first supplement, containing photographs of members of the New Zealand Broadcasting Board, appeared several of our readers assumed that these supplements would appear weekly until the photographs of New Zealand's broadcasting officials had been exhausted. This is not the case. The next supplement—photographs of the IYA announcer and officials—will not be published until early in September. 3YA and 4YA will follow.

A limited number of copies of the "Radio Record" for Friday, July 21, in which the first supplement appeared, is still available from the publisher, "Radio Record," Box 1032, Wellington.

scene of the plot, my various neighbours from the "Draughty Winds" of Angus, the Borders, and Aberdeen, and I'd like to have the opportunity of letting them hear it if possible. It was about the best thing that the B.B.C. has sent us yet!—G. Fraser (Ohura).

A **CLERGYMAN** was passing Mrs. Moggs's house when he said: "I see you have installed a radio set, Mrs. Moggs." Mrs. Moggs (indignantly): "Nothing of the sort, sir, we paid cash for it."—J.M.H. (Roxburgh).

BY the way, Mr. Imp, I've a bone to pick with you. I noticed that you referred to "Amazon" as "he"! If "Amazon" whose radio letters I've followed for the last six years is not a