

Brian Salkeld browsing through his collection housed at the National Library.

Despite his obvious obsession with music Brian studied science at Canterbury University until the sudden death of his father forced him prematurely into the workforce as the breadwinner. A career in radio seemed the most natural step, especially since he had already compiled some programmes on historical recordings for broadcast in 1946. He was offered contract announcing for 3ZB and after twelve months joined the permanent staff. He remained with radio for forty years, moving from Christchurch to Palmerston North, Whangarei, Hamilton, and finally, Wellington. During these years he tried his hand at just about