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## Thorough Senate Radio Probe Seen Certain

## White Resolution Gets Favorable Report; President **Considering Many More Names for FCC Vacancies**

AN ALL-inclusive inquiry into the radio regulatory structure, involving top personnel of the FCC and striking at the roots of the law under which it functions, now appears imminent as a result of activities on the Washington scene during the last fortnight.

With two appointments on the FCC to fill existing vacancies expected momentarily, another Congressional manifestation of attitude toward radio and the FCC developed suddenly Aug. 11 when the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee re-

ported favorably the sweeping White Resolution (SRes-149) for a "fact-finding" in quiry into all phases of broadcasting and communications practices and regulation

tion. Unless Congress adjourns post-haste, the resolution [BROADCAST-ING, July 15] will be passed and the probe begun—probably in No-vember or December, or just be-fore the new Congress convenes in January. A fund of \$25,000, to de-fore the new represe and to fray investigation expenses, and to compensate special counsel, is sought.

## Looking for Business Man

At the White House it was ascertained that President Roosevelt has before him several dozen names as prospective appointees to fill the two vacancies existing on the FCC -one of them the chairmanship vacated by the death last month of Anning S. Prall. That he is searching for an outstanding figure in business life for the FCC helm has been clearly indicated, but he appears to be having difficulty in getting that type of man to accept the call.

In informed circles, it is thought the Administration desired to short-cut a possible inquiry into the FCC by appointing to the ex-isting vacancies men of highest reputation. The White House has indirectly resisted other investing indirectly resisted other investigait was loath to see a New Deal agency under possible political at-tack and because the presidential family itself probably would be drawn into the inquiry. The posi-tion of Elliott Roosevelt, son of the President, as vice-president of Hearst Radio in charge of its Southwastam stations; his status Southwestern stations; his status Southwestern stations; his status as a prospective station owner in his own right by virtue of his pur-chase of KABC, San Antonio, sub-ject to FCC approval [see page 12]; a similar purchase of KFJZ, Fort Worth, by Mrs. Elliott Roose-velt, also awaiting FCC approval; the former radio activities in New England of James Roosevelt, eldest

son of the President, now of the White House secretariat-all have been mentioned as possible inquiry fodder.

If the Senate approves the far-reaching 27-point White Resolu-tion [see July 15 issue for text] during the waning days of this session, then it is likely that the Interstate Commerce Commission will begin its inquiry in November or December, or before the next Congress convenes. Senator Wheeler (D., Mont.), chairman of the Committee, favors such proced-ure, as does Senator White (R., Me.), author of the resolution and the best informed man in Congress on radio and communications.

CONTINUING his one-man cam-paign against WLW and its 500,000

watts, begun during the October allocation hearings, Telegraph Commissioner George H. Payne on Aug. 14 wrote Powel Crosley, chief

owner of the station, requesting detailed information on the finan-

cial structure and profits of the

In his letter, given out to news-papermen on Aug. 13 but dated

Aug. 14 for release on Aug. 16, the Commissioner said he asked cer-

tain questions at the October hear-ing regarding the "monopoly" of "unusual power of 500,000 watts" held by WLW "under the guise of

held by WLW "under the guise of an experimental license in the in-terests of science." He added there is no great secret about the fact that instead of this experimental license being for scientific research, "it is used sim-ply as a means of earning unusual commercial profits." He added that Mr. Crosley had not yet furnished

Mr. Crosley had not yet furnished the information and that no answer to his letter of Nov. 10, 1936, had

been received. The five-page Payne letter is-

station.

The inquiry, which Senator White repeatedly has asserted would be in the nature of a "factfinding" study rather than a "fish-ing expedition", probably would be directed jointly by the chairman and the Maine Senator, with the full committee of 20 members or those than a subcommittee sit rather than a subcommittee sit-ting. A fund of \$25,000, for retention of special counsel and clerical assistance is sought, together with customary authority to subpoena witnesses and records and to hold meetings at the call of the chairman whether or not Congress is in session.

#### Members of Committee

Members of the Committee in addition to the Chairman and Senator White are: Democrats—Smith, South Carolina; Wagner, New York; Barkley, Kentucky; Neely, W. Va.; Dieterich, Illinois; Loner-gan, Connecticut; Brown, New Hampshire; Bone, Washington; Conahey, Ohio; Minton, Indiana; Moore, New Jersey; Truman, Mis-souri; Andrews, Florida; Johnson, Colorado, and Schwartz, Wyoming. Republicans—Davis, Pennsylvania; Austin, Vermont. Farmer-Labor— Shipstead, Minnesota. Should the resolution fail of tor White are: Democrats-Smith,

sued as an FCC press release,

mentioned an invitation extended

to attend a baseball game on June

30 along with an informal lunch. "As I had never met you," the let-ter said, "the invitation and the proffered 'good fellowship' seemed unusual. When I wrote, however,

that an official letter that I had addressed to you had remained un-answered for over six months, the

problem became one not of gauche-rie but of defiance of the law."

The Fayne letter also made men-tion of a "gratuitous and valuable advertisement" of WLW contained in the last FCC annual report which he said was "surreptitiously inserted". Obviously, he alluded to the so-called clear channel survey of the FCC Engineering Depart-ment which on the basis of post-

ment which, on the basis of postcard returns, showed WLW to be

the first station among rural listeners in 13 states. The Payne letter made mention of the speech of

Senator White (R-Maine) on March

17 relating to radio and monopoly and another on July 19 by Rep. (Continued on Page 62)

The Payne letter also made men-

enactment at this session, its con-sideration at the very outset of the next Congress in January is regarded as a certainty. In the House there is pending the Connery Reso-lution (HRes-92) for an inquiry mainly into alleged monopolistic tendencies in broadcasting by a select committee, but the necessary rule to bring it up on the floor has not been forthcoming in spite of strenuous efforts by some members to jar it loose. The White Resolution embodies

a full portrayal of perhaps every question raised pertaining to broadcasting and its regulation during the last half-dozen years. It also covers comprehensively the common carrier aspects of communications and its regulation. In additions and its regulation. In addi-tion to monopoly questions, it goes into purported playing of politics by the FCC; sale of stock by sta-tions and companies; so-called "trafficking" in licenses; extent and desirability of newspaper own-ership of stations: effect of chain ership of stations; effect of chain operations upon affiliates and independent stations, and the desira-bility of special regulations governing claims; time used for broadcasting of commercial programs, and whether there should be control or regulation of advertising; investments, sales prices and fair value of stations; geographical dis-tribution of facilities; advisability of rate regulation, and related subiects.

The Senate Committee action was without dissent among the ten members present. Chairman Wheel-er was out of town but recomer was out of town but recom-mended favorable action before his departure. The actual legislative course to be pursued, according to Senator White, awaited the return of Senator Wheeler during the week of Aug. 16. Senator White has openly indi-cated that the FCC rather than the broadcasting industry would be the primary subject of inquiry

be the primary subject of inquiry. He, along with Chairman Wheeler, has repeatedly criticized current FCC practices, and both have ques-tioned the advisability of newspaper ownership of stations.

#### FCC Nominee List Grows

Just when the new FCC appointments will be made, remained in doubt as BROADCASTING went to press. At his semi-weekly press conferences, the President stated he was giving consideration to the vacancies and that he proposed to fill them while Congress is in session so as to procure Senatorial confirmation, rather than make re-cess appointments without such confirmation.

Many names—possibly 50—have been presented and considered at the White House. Several prospec-(Continued on Page  $\hat{6}2$ )

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Payne Resumes Personal Investigation

Of Crosley in Letter Asking WLW Data

## Is AFM Acting as the Catspaw of ASCAP? — An Editorial

RADIO faces another crisis. The American Federation of Musicians threatens to strike Sept. 16 unless the broadcasting industry brings in an acceptable plan for reemployment of musicians. AFM lays down "14 points" to broadcasters and 16 more to transcription and phonograph record manufacturers, which, if complied with, would spell the doom of many independent stations—conceivably destroy the industry.

The whole operation of AFM has a familiar ring. It fits the mould of ASCAP which has several times subjugated the broadcasting industry by employing a technique of manipulation and lobbying seldom encountered in other pursuits. We find that the very plans of AFM's international board were concocted in the ASCAP headquarters in New York; that the "conferences" at which the AFM demands were made likewise were held in those offices, and that ASCAP is openly seeking to align itself with the American Federation of Labor of which AFM is a chapter.

At this juncture we interpose several questions: Can it be that ASCAP is aiding AFM in an effort to divert the industry's attention from its own copyright campaign, which has had rather telling effect in recent months? Is it ASCAP's plan to slide under the wire when present contracts expire at the end of 1939 with more arbitrary demands for increased royalties for the right to perform music? We'll leave the answers to the reader's judgment.

#### Sound Movies Created Unemployment

Why should the musicians make the demands they do from radio because of unemployment? The movies, and not radio, are responsible for it. From the day in 1927 that the first sound picture (*The Jazz Singer*, with Al Jolson) appeared, the local musician began to hit the skids. The fiddler and the twofingered pianist, the organist and the horntooter, in thousands of local motion picture houses, lost out. Only theatres having stage shows kept staff orchestras. Few of them were qualified for anything else and have remained without musical employment. (Many are only musicians on the side, anyway.)

And the movies, we understand, have made their peace with AFM simply by agreeing to cease re-recording, or "dubbing" of music from film to film or film to disc, and thus making mandatory the use of an original orchestral rendition for each film production. There isn't any requirement for "stand-by" orchestras in theatres throughout the country, and the producer isn't "licensed" by AFM.

Now let's see where radio came into the picture. About the time of the advent of the sound picture and the demise of the theatre orchestra, broadcasting began to come into its own. NBC was born in 1926. CBS came the following year. Both hired many musicians. Name bands began to prosper. There are several hundred today, getting radio spots, touring circuits, answering an unprecedented demand. Before radio the name bands could be counted on one hand.

#### A Local Problem for AFM

Also, we understand, the various locals of the AFM are autonomous. They decide for themselves the rules under which they function. Are they in sympathy with AFM demands on a national basis? It seems to us that the matter is one for the locals to decide with their local stations and not for the national organization to attempt to solve.

The fact is that the bulk of the unemployed musicians probably could not qualify for radio anyway. The majority are old motion picture house musicians, or symphonic players whose instruments are the oboe or the French horn or the flute. Radio does not require that type of talent because the public does not demand it. The modern tempo requires modern musicians. If the driver of the one-horse street car couldn't qualify as a motorman, the traction company didn't pay him for "stand-by" work.

We do not contend that AFM does not have an unemployment problem. The nation has one too. But we do protest any such demands as are being made of broadcasting as confiscatory, unjust, audacious and impossible of accomplishment. AFM, we understand, has 125,000 members who pay a tax of 10 cents per month per man. It is said to have a bank balance of \$3,000,000. With that fund, and with a prosperous paying membership (thanks largely to radio employment and promotion) it should be able to work out a form of unemployment relief for the older men who no longer fit into the modern musical sphere, without sapping the life-blood of radio.

There is perhaps some justification for the demand against so-called "dubbing" or re-recording of music for transcriptions. Likewise, we can see where the off-the-air recordings cut in on work to which musicians are entitled. But this proposal to make mandatory the employment of stand-by musicians whose chief work could be thumb-twiddling, and the "licensing" of stations and transcription companies by AFM, is untenable.

We think it high time that radio again assert itself. It did when Warner Bros. attempted to pull out of ASCAP, only to find that without plugging its motion picture business was seriously threatened. We think radio should not permit itself to be sabotaged and intimidated in the way proposed, even if radio suffers temporarily in the effort.

#### Plenty of Other Material

Let AFM call its "general strike" next September if it does not care to get down to reason. There are quite a few thousand good phonograph records around which would make excellent program material in a pinch, along with hundreds of playing hours of high-quality transcriptions. Script shows, too, go nicely a part of the time, and of course the broadcast day, in such an emergency, can be abbreviated.

A few days, or even weeks, of that sort of operation, with the public kept fully apprised by the stations at regular intervals of the reasons for it, probably would shake AFM out of its dictatorial complex. And how long would AFM remain what it is if its best paying members, unwilling to accede to such orders, pulled out? Would CIO stand idly by with such an opportunity to crash into one of the strongest units in the AFL?

The public wants its radio. It isn't concerned about copyright or the degree of unemployment existing among 125,000 AFM members, who happen to have a parent organization with \$3,000,000 in the bank.

If there is going to be a strike, let's have radio walk out on the musicians, too—and make it unanimous.

## Sleet Master Campaign Timed for Fall, Winter

ANDERSON Co., Gary, Ind. (Sleet Master), will use a Saturday afternoon sports and news program this fall following football broadcasts on WOR, Newark; a Saturday evening sports summary on WIND, Gary; participation in *Heinie's Grenadiers* on WTMJ, Milwaukee; *Yankee News Service* five times weekly on WNAC, Boston, WEAN, Providence, and WTIC, Hartford; and daily weather reports on WOKO, KDKA, WHAM, WFIL, WFBR, WRC, WRVA, WMC, WGN, WFBM, WJR, WTAM, WCKY, WTCN, WHO, KSD, KMBC, KFAB, KOA, KVOO, WFAA, KTHS and a few other stations yet to be selected. Schwab & Beatty Inc., New York, is agency.

### **Ralston on for Year**

RALSTON PURINA Co., St. Louis (cereal), on Aug. 30 will start a series of thrice-weekly transcriptions, quarter-hour in length, for a full year on 25 stations. Time of presentation will vary slightly but for the most part will be broadcast around 7 a. m. The account is placed by Gardner Adv. Co., St. Louis. Stations are WHO, W B A P - W F A A, W W L, WLS, KDKA, KMOX, WCAU, KOA, W B Z - W B Z A, WFLA, KMBC, W R V A, KARK, V:KY, WLW, KPRC, KTSA, WSB, WGY, WOW, WCSH, WHAM, KFH, KWTO, WBT.

KFAM are the call letters assigned by the FCC to the new 100-watt station on 1420 kc. which it has authorized the *St. Cloud* (Minn.) *Times-Journal* to construct. WCTU Plans Drive

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMP-ERANCE UNION, Evanston, Ill. is currently planning a series of 12 weekly quarter-hour transcriptions depicting the evils of drunken-driving. Last spring eight weekly transcriptions were used on 52 stations in 41 states and an even larger group will be used this fall. Each state WCTU unit will place the transcriptions locally, according to Mrs. Munns, an official at the national h e a d quarters in Evanston. Critchfield & Co., Chicago, is the agency.

LINTON WELLS, noted American newspaper correspondent and globetrotter, whose book of memoirs *Blood* on the Moon was published in July, has been signed for a sustaining series titled Bit of Life to be heard on NBC-Red Saturdays, 8:30-8:45 p. m. (EDST), starting Aug. 21.

## **Coughlin May Return**

FOLLOWING conferences the week of Aug. 16 with his new Archbishop, Edward Mooney, Father Coughlin is expected to announce plans for a new series of broadcasts over an independent hookup similar to those previously used. Tentative plans call for a 26week Sunday series to begin Oct. 31.

## **Pancake Flour Spots**

A L L I E D MILLS Inc., Chicago (Kreemex Pancake flour), will start 25-word to one-minute announcements on at least seven eastern stations Sept. 25, five and six times weekly. Other eastern stations may be added. Stations chosen so far are WGR, WESG, WHEC, WFBL, WSYL, WIBX, W L E U. Morris - Schenker - Roth Inc., Chicago, is agency.

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## **Industry Conferences Seek Music Solution**

## Stations, Networks Prepare Plan to Avert Strike By BRUCE ROBERTSON

PUSHING all other duties to one side, leaders of the broadcasting industry are working on plans to present before the American Federation of Musicians on or before Sept. 16, when conferences regarding employment of additional musicians in radio will be resumed.

At the breakup of the first conference with the executive board of the union, from July 26-Aug. 3, the musicians ordered the representatives of the networks to return on Sept. 16 with a statement of how many additional musicians the industry will absorb. If that statement is not forthcoming, says the union, a general musicians strike will be called. All during the week broadcast-

All during the week broadcasters had repeatedly pointed out that the problem is essentially a local one, to be worked out in each city between the stations and the local musicians union, but the AFM refused to view it in that light. "It is an industry problem," they said, "affecting the entire country and it must be settled on a national basis. We can speak for the entire 125,000 members of the AFM and we believe that you representatives of national and regional networks should be able to speak for the broadcasting industry."

#### Demands of Union

Faced with this ultimatum, representatives of the NAB, NBC, CBS, MBS, Yankee and Colonial, and Don Lee networks, sent out two letters to all broadcasting stations. The first letter, outlining the demands that the union had made on broadcasters, was dispatched July 31 and was printed together with the demands in the Aug. 1 issue of BROADCASTING.

The second letter, sent Aug. 5, contained the demands made by the union on the transcription and record manufacturers and discussed the AFM plan for licensing stations, that is, permitting stations which employ a number of musicians satisfactory to the union to broadcast records and transcriptions as well, and forbidding the makers of these reproductions to supply them to unlicensed stations under threat of themselves being deprived of the services of union men.

men. A special meeting of some 30 leading broadcasters at the Stevens in Chicago on Aug. 14 was called Aug. 11 by Credo Harris, manager of WHAS. Among those expected to attend were Walter Damm, WTMJ; Arthur Church, KMBC; Harry Stone, WSM, and Martin Campbell, WFAA. Presumably the meeting would discuss a method of approach on the musicians matter and determine whether the broadcasters individually or collectively should deal with AFM.

Throughout his discussions with broadcasters, Mr. Weber has stressed the working out of a "suitable yardstick" which might be applied by AFM in connection with broadcasting.

## NAB to Make National Survey

AN INDUSTRY-WIDE survey on the musicians' situation will be undertaken at once by the NAB, it was decided Aug. 13 by John Elmer, NAB president, and James W. Baldwin, managing director. To serve as a clearing house on industry information in connection with the current deliberations with the American Federation of Musicians over unemployment, Mr. Baldwin will send a questionnaire to all stations seeking data on employment and musical talent payrolls. AFM has claimed that the aggregate musical employment within the industry totals 781 men, on the basis of a survey it has made. This figure, however, is questioned as being too low. In canvassing the industry, the NAB will urge prompt return of the questionnaires to permit it to collate the necessary data at the earliest possible time. Throughout the conversations with the AFM, both the NAB and the networks have consistently stated they could not bind their respective members and affiliates in any agreement. The NAB survey, it was emphasized, is not to be construed as a move toward collective action by the industry, but is simply a fact-finding matter.

#### The Aug. 5 letter continued:

Both the purpose and tactics of the AFM are obvious. The AFM insists that many more musicians be regularly employed by broadcasting stations. It has elected not to follow the ordinary practice of approaching radio statious individually through local chapters of the AFM and considering the problem of each radio station locally and on its own merits, but, rather, to put pressure on broadcasting stations by attempting simultaneously and by national action to deprive them of the services of union musicians, not only at the stations and by remote control, hut also through the medium of electrical transcriptions, network programs and phonograph records. We have urged that this approach is not a fair one.

The International Executive Board of the AFM, rather than the local unions, has assumed exclusive jurisdiction to determine whether the number of musicians employed by any particular station is "satisfactory". although rates and, presumably, hours will be determined by local regulation. What number will be satisfactory to the Board it declines to say and we have no means of knowing.

It is clear that every broadcasting station must solve this problem for itself, bearing in mind, however, that the problem must be solved for the industry as a whole, and that the solution by each broadcasting station of the problem as it relates to that station will contribute to a solution of the entire problem for our industry.

We urge upon each broadcaster that he address himself to this problem as one of the most serious which has confronted our industry. All of the undersigned will continue to work cooperatively and to meet at intervals in New York during the period between the date of this letter and Sept. 16. It is our feeling that broadcasters will find it useful not only to confer with any one or more of what has happened and what is happening but also that they will find it advantageous to confer with the appropriate persons at the AFM. The officers of the Federation have notified the broadcasters that they will be available for conferences during the ensning period, and an executive committee of three has been or will be appointed which can be convened on two days' notice.

two days' notice. The solution to the present difficulty depends upon the cooperation of each and every member of the broadcasting industry. The undersigned cannot commit or even speak for you. Your cooperation is needed and needed now.

By letter and wire the networks are urging their affiliated stations to send representatives to New York to confer with them and with the AFM subcommittee, consisting of Weber and two other members of the executive board, selected from the entire board as available. NBC is arranging individual appointments for its stations; CBS is making group appointments for a number of its stations at a time. Both of these networks expect that by Sept. 1 the majority of their stations will have personally discussed the situation with union officials.

Two main purposes are achieved by these meetings: The station men are given a chance to present their individual problems before the union executives and to show the latter that the final decisions on how many men each station can employ must eventually be made with the local unions, and the individual broadcasters are also given a first hand view of the seriousness of the situation, which quite a few broadcasters have been inclined to laugh off or to consider as something for the networks and the NAB to handle but as of no special concern of the individual stations.

#### Asks "Collective Answer"

Typical of the meetings now being held was one Aug. 6, when union officials met with a CBS delegation including Arthur Church, KMBC; Lee Coulson and Joe Eaton, WHAS; J. I. Meyerson, WKY, KLZ and KVOR; I. R. Lounsberry, WGR and WKBW; John A. Kennedy, WCHS, WPAR and WBLK, and John R. Beacham, WJNO. These broadcasters discussed their local situations and offered to work out individual arrangements, only to be met by Weber's insistence that the problem is one for the industry to deal with collectively.

"Find out how many men you can hire," he said, "and tell your representative so he can give us your collective answer Sept. 16."

Asked how many musicians they would have to employ to be given a satisfactory listing by the AFM, and on what basis they should figure, Weber replied that these were questions for the broadcasters and not the musicians to decide. A suggestion was made that station rates be used as a basis of figuring, that, for example, a station employ one staff musician for every \$10 of its one-time evening quarter-hour rate. But with the wide variation in minimum hour and wage requirements among the various local unions, it was pointed out that this would not work out fairly to the broadcasters, and again it was urged by the broadcasters that the AFM turn the whole problem over to its locals to work out, which suggestion Weber again turned down.

As this sort of experience is apparently to be expected from all such informal conferences, network officials are urging their stations to consider their local situations carefully and to report how many musicians they will be willing to add to their payrolls to either the networks or to the NAB before Sept. 16. "Unless we can present some kind of an industry figure to the AFM at that time," one network executive stated, "we will find ourselves faced with a gen-(Continued on page 60)

CBS SUGAR-CAKE MODEL—Complete in every detail is this four-foot cake model of the new CBS "million-dollar" Hollywood studios, now under construction. Gogo de Lys, CBS artist making guest appearances on network programs from the Coast, is applying the sugar-gun. The model, constructed from rough plaster and finished architects' plans by Gus Waser, chef of the Los Angeles Biltmore, includes landscaping, internal lighting, windows and other architectural features.

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## **Union Battle Squeezes WHN Pending Labor Board Decision**

AFL Threatens to Call Strike of Its Affiliates; Station Willing to Accept Either AFL or CIO

By PAUL C. BRINES

WHN, New York, found itself in the middle of the bitter warfare between the Committee on Industrial Organization and the American Federation of Labor at a hearing in Washington, Aug. 11, before the National Labor Relations Board on the unionization of its 18 engineers

AFL spokesmen threatened to call a strike of Federation affiliates if the WHN technicians joined the American Radio Telegraphists As-sociation, a CIO affiliate, rather than the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employes & Motion Picture Machine Operators, its member union. Behind the appar-ent question of which union the technicians should join lay the es-sential issue of craft union (CIO) versus the industrial union (AFL), a struggle that involves the future

of broadcast labor relations. Testimony taken before a trial examiner of NLRB in New York July 6 [BROADCASTING, July 15] plainly showed that the 18 WHN technicians wanted to join the ARTA and had signed an agree-

ment, it was stated. Irving H. Greenfield, counsel for WHN, said the station would negotiate with either union, but when gotiate with either union, but when AFL threatened a strike powerful enough to force it off the air, he declared that WHN didn't know what to do. WHN is owned and operated by the Loew Booking Agency, which is owned in turn by Loew's Inc., Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer subsidiary. The majority of Loew's employes are members of some AFL affiliate and a general strike would not only force WHN off the would not only force WHN off the air but would tie up the whole en-tertainment field, Mr. Greenfield said. He added that WHN had lost \$2,000,000 in its 12 years of oper-ation and suggested the NLRB di-rect the 18 technicians to join IATSE so that a strike might be avanted averted.

Are Technicians Entertainers?

The essential question was whether or not radio technicians are an actual part of the entertainment business. Murray S. Kaplan, counsel for IATSE, argued that engineers are so closely connected with radio presentations that they are a part of the entertainment business and as such belong under the IATSE. He said that IATSE contracts are closed shop contracts and that IATSE controls the men who employ the WHN technicians. He stressed the point that AFL has had jurisdiction over WHN since 1932 and that ARTA did not begin to bargin with the employee begin to bargain with the employes until May 1937. CIO, he continued, controls only five radio employes in New York City and only 100 ra-dio employes in the United States whereas affiliates of AFL have

held a dominant position in the en-tertainment field since 1903. Chairman J. Warren Madden of NLRB asked Mr. Kaplan if he felt the wishes of the 18 technicians should be respected in the selection of a winon Mr. Kaplan replied that of a union. Mr. Kaplan replied that a minority of employes should not be allowed to dominate a situation now controlled by an AFL ma-jority.

Mervyn Rathborne, president of ARTA, argued that the broadcasting industry is separate from the entertainment industry and that radio engineers are not connected with entertainment. He stated that only 10 stations in the country are owned by theatrical enterprises. The technicians of Warner Broth-ers' KFWB, Hollywood, are mem-bers of CIO, he said.

Of the remaining stations CIO has membership in 50 and contracts with seven or eight. He referred to newspaper-owned sta-tions and argued that it would be absurd to consider the press as a bargaining unit. He pointed out that radio technicians are licensed by the government and may be employed in a business that has no connection with entertainment. The CIO, he concluded, has no desire to enter the entertainment field, but does insist that it has a legal right to organize radio engineers

The hearing ended with counsel for AFL threatening a strike and counsel for CIO urging the NLRB to accept this challenge and up-hold the laws of the United States. WHN remained in the middle. The NLRB was expected to hand down its decision within a week.

## WJJD-WIND, WXYZ JOINING WLW LINE

WITH THE addition of two major market outlets — WJJD - WIND, Chicago, and WXYZ, Detroit—ef-fective Sept. 15, the WLW Line will comprise at least six stations, and other affiliations are in the offing.

Keyed from the 500,000 - watt Cincinnati station, the "line" is being built not as a nationwide network entity, but as a means of providing a new unduplicated program service outside the WLW primary service area. Other sta-tions in the group in addition to WLW are WHN, New York; WFIL, Philadelphia, and KQV, Pittsburgh.

The Line is represented nationally on an exclusive basis by Transamerican Broadcasting Television Corp., of which John L. Clark is president. Both WJJD and its sister station WIND will affiliate in the Chicago-Gary area because the former station, a 20,000watt outlet, operates limited time, while WIND with 5,000 watts day and 1,000 watts night, operates full time. Neither station is now a

network outlet. WXYZ is a member of the NBC basic Blue, and also is the key sta-tion of the Michigan Network. It tion of the Michigan Network. It operates with 1,000 watts power. The arrangements with the Chi-cago-Gary outlets were consum-mated by Virgil Reiter Jr., Trans-american vice-president, with Ralph L. Atlass, president of WIND and WJJD.

BILL BACHER. formerly producer of the CBS *Hollywood Hotel* program sponsored by Campbell Soup Co., from Hollywood, was scheduled to take over the duties of Metro-Goldwyn Mayef Studios radio supervisor and production executive, on Aug. 15, re-porting at the Culver City, Cal. plant.

NORMAN CRAIG



Mrs. Craig in Charge **Of Representative Firm** After Husband's Death NORMAN CRAIG, president of the station representative firm of Craig & Hollingbery Inc. and man-ager of its New York office, died suddenly of a stroke at his home in New York on July 31. His interest in the firm was inherited by his widow, Jeanne Craig, who had been active in the business and who has taken over many of her husband's duties as head of the New York office.

No new president has been elect-ed as yet, George Hollingbery coned as yet, George Hollingbery con-tinuing as head of the Chicago of-fice and F. Edward Spencer as general manager of the New York division. No changes are contem-plated in the lineup of stations represented by the firm, to which WDRC Hartford was added on WDRC, Hartford, was added on July 30. Mr. Craig, who was 63 at the time of his death, was a pioneer in

the station representative field, entering it with Scott Howe Bowen in 1928, and later forming his own organization. He began his business career as a stenographer with Armour & Co. in Chicago, later becoming manager of a group of branch offices for that company, which he left to enter the advertising business. He served as vice-president of Fuller & Smith and in the same capacity with Frank Seaman and was later associated with Campbell-Ewald before entering the representative field.

## **Graham-Paige Spots**

GRAHAM - PAIGE MOTORS Corp., Detroit (motor cars), has started 100 - word announcements four times weekly over the Michigan Network. In addition announce ments are being used on KRNT, Des Moines, and WBEN, Buffalo. The auto firm has also renewed its ten-minute program broadcast six times weekly on WCAU, Philadelphia, and is using one-minute an-nouncements on WBZ - WBZA, WJSV, WISN and WOR. J. Wal-ter Thompson Co., Chicago, has the account.

## **Elliott Roosevelts Get Second Station**

Acquire KABC, San Antonio, **From Present Operators** 

PURCHASE of a second station-KABC, San Antonio-by the El-

KABC, San Antonio—by the El-liott Roosevelts, was effected Aug. 2, subject to FCC approval. Henry Lee Taylor, San Antonio attorney and part owner of KABC, announced Aug. 2 that plans for sale of the station to Mr. Roosevelt, second son of the President, and Southwest vice-president for Hearst Radio, had been completed and that an application seeking of

Hearst Radio, had been completed and that an application seeking of-ficial approval would be filed. The purchase price was said to be in the neighborhood of \$55,000 on a "sliding scale" basis. Last June Mrs. Elliott Roosevelt, the former Ruth Goggins of Fort Worth, purchased the majority stock in KFJZ, local station operat-ing on 1370 kc. The application for assignment of license was set for hearing by the FCC Broadcast Di-vision at its meeting July 30. KABC operates on 1420 kc. with

KABC operates on 1420 kc. with KABC operates on 1420 kC. with 250 watts local sunset and 100 watts night. In addition to Mr. Taylor, who owns 30% of the stock, other stockholders include Mrs. Thurman Barrett, holder of 35%, and R. E. Willson, produce broker, balday of 20%holder of 30%.

Mr. Roosevelt it is understood, has arranged for the purchase of KABC as an individual investment rather than for Hearst Radio. He has been Hearst Radio vice-presi-dent in charge of its Southwestern stations for the last two years.

## Strike Crisis Is Eased By Philadelphia Stations

RADIO stepped into action in Philadelphia Aug. 2-4 when a local trucking union strike affected the movement of 5,000 trucks and tied up food deliveries. WCAU immediately installed lines in Mayor Wilson's reception room in City Hall under the supervision of Ken Stow-man, public relations director, and all six stations in the city joined together to broadcast news bulletins, reports and comments by the Mayor. The broadcasters stayed at their posts day and night for three days until the settlement of the strike was first announced over the

radio by Mayor Wilson. Micky Fields, writing in the local Radio Press, commenting on the work, called it one of the greatest radio jobs ever attempted in Philadelphia, and particularly commended the stations for forgetting their rivalries and cooperating for the common welfare.

## **Cuban Tobacco Plans**

DISCLOSURE of the intention of the Cuban tobacco industry to use the Cuban tobacco industry to use radio advertising in this country developed Aug. 7 with the receipt of a cablegram by WCKY, Cincin-nati, from President Bru of the Island Republic. In a message to L. B. Wilson, congratulating the station on dedication of its new 10,000-watt transmitter, President Bru said WCKY is received clearly Bru said WCKY is received clearly in Cuba and is "a great help" to the commercial relationship of America. "We will soon use your station as a medium for advertis-ing for Cuban tobaccos abroad," the message said.

## Peanutville's Kindergarten for Agencies

By WALTER J. DAMM

## Tricks of Time Buying That Broadway Doesn't Teach: An Answer to Some Recent Criticisms of Radio

PROLOGUE Day after day, broadcasters are being admonished to use showmanship in program building. They are urged, cajoled, and pleaded with to merchandise programs. All of which is fine—as far as it goes! But what happens when stations do all this? Do the advertisers believe the station manager when they are told that such and such a program at such and such a time has built up a following and that in the station manager's opinion it will do a better job for them than their pro-

posed programs? No! The ready-made program comes through along with a de-mand for a specified time.

The following might well be a copy of a file of correspondence, but it isn't. Although, it is as true as life!

NEW YORK CITY, JULY 8, 1937 RADIO STATION ABCD PEANUTVILLE JOE DO WE

PEANUTVILLE JOE DOAKS AGENCY ON BE-HALF OF CLIENT FIVE-CENT CIGAR ACCOUNT PLACING THREE PROGRAMS PER WEEK WANTS SIX TO SIX FIFTEEN MONDAYS WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS STOP SHOW WILL BE DRAMATIC TRANSCRIPTION BASED ON HISTORICAL HIGH-LIGHTS STOP CAN YOU CLEAR. HENRY HOAKS YOUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE \* \*

PEANUTVILLE JULY 8, 1937 HENRY HOAKS OUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE NEW YORK CITY

NEW YORK CITY SINCE YORK CITY GLAD TO KNOW JOE DOAKS AGENCY INTERESTED IN THREE FIFTEEN MINUTE PERI-ODS STOP THIS BUSINESS WEL-COME ADDITION TO OUR FALL SCHEDULE STOP SUGGEST AGENCY CONSIDER LOCAL SHOW WHICH OVER PERIOD OF TIME HAS BUILT UP UN-USUAL ACCEPTANCE HERE IN GREATER PEANUTVILLE FOR PERIOD REQUESTED STOP PEA-NUTVILLE LISTENERS AS YOU KNOW DON'T WAN'T DRAMATIC SHOWS AT THIS TIME AND FURTHERMORE IT IS CERTAIN THAT MAJORITY OF FIVE-CENT CIGAR USERS NOT GREATLY. INTERESTED IN DRAMATIC PROGRAMS AND MUCH LESS IN HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS. F. FOAKS-STATION ABCD \*\*

## YOUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE New York City

July 9, 1937 Mr. Frank Foaks, Manager, Radio Station ABCD, Peanutville. Dear Frank:

Prior to receipt of your wire, in fact even before we wired you for time clearance on the behalf of the Joe Doaks Agency (the 5c cigar account), we had a long talk with

the space buyer regarding the Pea-nutville situation. We pointed out— 1. That Peanutville should be an ideal market for their five-cent cigar account as 70% of the male population is in the so-called work-ing class.

THEY eat supper in their shirt sleeves at 5:30, these everyday folk in Peanutville. They may or may not listen to a program dispensed by a time buyer a thousand miles away who stops for cocktails after work and wears a necktie at his 7 o'clock dinner. This simple theme inspired that pioneer broadcaster, Walter Damm, of WTMJ, to do a piece in defense of stations and in offense at a situation that station executives encounter every day. Of late the agencies have been taking pot shots at radio. Now Walter takes the floor, and no one is better equipped to tell advertising agencies what's what and watt's watt.

2. That this group is at work by 7:30 or 8 in the morning and is home by 4:30 and not later than 5 o'clock.

3. That people of this class usually are sitting at their dinner table by 5:30, certainly not later than 6, and as a result, when they turn on their radio set, they are not inclined to listen to dramatic programs.

4. The experience you have had in the past with dramatic shows at this time, and your efforts during the recent months in restricting this period to music of a type that you know from past experience the majority of people in Peanutville

like. We regret to say that our arguments failed to make an impression and we were informed that it would be impossible to consider a local show. We were further told that in the test campaign which was run in Walnutville the program which

they propose was highly successful. Will you please let me hear from you as to whether you can clear this time and will accept this pro-

Yours very truly, Your Special Representative, HENRY HOAKS.

RADIO STATION ABCD

Peanutville July 12, 1937

Mr. Henry Hoaks, Our Special Representative, New York City.

Dear Hank:

I can well appreciate the efforts which you made in our behalf in trying to sell the Joe Doaks Agency the local program for use by the five-cent cigar account, rather than the transcriptions. As you know from past experience, this situation is not an unusual one. If the agency will accept 6:15-

6:30, we will accept the transcrip-

## A CHALLENGE TO ARTHUR PRYOR And Ned Midgley, Too; Small Station Manager —Dares Them to Make Good Their Promises—

#### EDITOR, BROADCASTING:

Once upon a time the writer, a small station manager, attended an NAB convention in Chicago where Arthur Pryor Jr. "spanked" radio stations (as I afterward read in BROADCASTING). Mr. Pryor said stations should build good sustaining programs and submit them to his and other agencies, and that they would be considered. He also said that power was secondary, and had the support of his colleague, Ned Midgley.

With mouth open, the writer thought of one program that had been on his station as a sustainer for two years. This program is of high calibre and has a tremendous following.

After the convention the small station manager flew back to his home town biting his fingernails over his program that would be presented by mail to Arthur Pryor and Ned Midgley. He called the printer and ordered a nice cover for the presentation. The program was mimeographed and along with it went market data obtained from

BROADCASTING and other authentic sources.

Armed with this presentation the writer took the liberty of daring to approach Arthur Pryor and Ned Midgley (by mail of course). Now this small station manager had never had any BBDO correspondence (excepting form mail for transcriptions to be placed by local dealers). Remembering that Midgley and Pryor had stated that everything was carefully tucked away in their files, the small station manager eagerly waited, morning after morning, for an answer, or at least an acknowledgment. "Sorry, nothing from BBDO today," says the postman who now is mumbling to himself in pity.

The small station manager therefore makes this challenge: If Pryor and/or Midgley can produce the material he sent them, he will

buy them a box of good cigars. An identical copy of this ma-terial is enclosed with this letter.

MAURICE C. COLEMAN, Aug. 4, 1938 WATL, Atlanta tion program since this period is farther removed from the dinner hour of the Greater Peanutville listeners than is 6-6:15. However, we wish to definitely go on record and would appreciate your informing the agency that it is our sincere belief that this program will not produce the expected results in this area.

We feel that this client would make a far better investment if he were to use early morning time-that is, before 7:30, or be guided by our experience in connection with another account which took our advice and used 12:30 to 12:45 at noon. The noon period is during the lunch hour of the factory work-ers in Peanutville and we know that during that time the majority of the workers go to the nearest tavern with their lunch pail and sit around in groups with a glass of beer and their lunch.

Everyone of those taverns has a radio set turned on and we have gone out of our way to deliver the type of program that appeals to these people. Incidentally, the same type of program appeals to the wives of these men with the result, as has been shown in past surveys, that Station ABCD has by far the majority of listeners. This fact, we believe, will be further substanti-ated by the forthcoming survey now being completed by the John Boaks Research Inc.

Cordially, FRANK FOAKS, Manager.

NEW YORK CITY, JULY 16, 1937

RADIO STATION ABCD PEANUTVILLE

JOE DOAKS AGENCY ACCEPTS SIX FIFTEEN TO SIX THIRTY MONDAY WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY STARTING AUGUST FIFTEENTH ORDER FOLLOWS. YOUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

## JOE DOAKS AGENCY New York City July 22, 1937

Radio Station ABCD,

Peanutville.

Attention: Manager

Gentlemen:

Through your representative we are forwarding an order for the Smokem Cigar Co. for the program to be known as *Historical High-lights*, which is to run Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 6:15 to 6:30 m storting Aug 15

6:30 p. m., starting Aug. 15. The client has no salesmen cov-ering your territory and therefore it will be necessary for you to render certain merchandising service.

The client requests that— 1. You contact as many cigar outlets as you possibly can and urge them to call their local wholesaler and order a supply of Smokem Cigars so that they will have them on hand when the first program is broadcast.

2. You arrange for the installation of window displays of which we are sending you 500 sets. 3. To those dealers and outlets which you are not able to call on

personally, you send a letter along the lines of the sample attached.

4. You contact your local news-papers and urge them to run the publicity stories and pictures which (Continued on page 44)

## **Time Sales for the Half-Year Reveal an Increase of 28.7%**

NAB Finds Six-Month Volume Totals \$65,426,432;

Usual Seasonal Letdown Is Lessened

GROSS time sales of networks and stations increased 28.7% for the first half of 1937 as compared with the same period a year ago, ac-cording to figures released Aug. 13 by the National Association of Broadcasters. The six-month time sales totaled \$65,426,432 which compares with the 1936 half-year figure of \$50,802,179. The principal increase for the half-year period occurred in the na-tional network field, volume rising

tional network field, volume rising from \$11,527,860 a year ago to \$16,528,100 for the current year, a percentage gain of 43.4%. Close behind this figure was the 26.3% bening this ngure was the 20.070 surge in national network business as computed by the NAB, the total mounting from \$28,181,976 in 1936 to the current figure of \$35,564,039.

to the current figure of \$35,564,039. Local advertising for the six-month period rose from \$10,447,-870 a year ago to the 1937 volume of \$12,665,000, an increase of 21.1%. Smallest increase among the various types of business oc-curred in the regional network field where a gain of 3.8% was re-corded, the dollar volume rising from \$644,473 to the current \$669,293. \$669,293.

Broadcasting far outstripped other advertising media in the per-centage increase for the first half of the year, national magazines making the next best showing, fol-lowed by a gain in national farm papers and a slight increase in newspaper advertising.

#### Types of Rendition

Transcription volume for the Transcription volume for the half-year rose from \$5,723,950 to \$7,121,380. Live talent programs soared from \$10,643,770 to \$14,-593,890. Records increased from \$5,184,890 to \$6,948,420 and an-nouncements went all the way from \$5,184,890 to \$6,948,420. These rendition figures apply only to nonnetwork business

Total broadcast advertising for the month of June reached the fig-ure of \$10,611,913, reflecting a lesdecline since it was only 6.2% be-low May. The volume, however, was 34% above June of last year with national nonnetwork volume with national nonnetwork volume again showing the greatest gain over 1936 with its 44.2%. Na-tional network volume was 39.5% over a year ago, regional network 21% and local business 13.5%. Drincingl rains in June of com

21% and local business 13.5%. Principal gains in June as com-pared with May occurred in these groups: National network clothing and financial, regional network beverage and toilet goods, national nonnetwork automotive and financial, and local toilet goods and soap and kitchen supplies. Retail volume declined 5.4% from May to June but was 20% over June of last year

Increases for June over the same

## Newspaper Buys WAYX

COMPLETION of negotiations for the sale of WAYX, Waycross, Ga., 100 watts on 1200 kc., to Jack Wil-liams, publisher of the Waycross Journal-Herald, was disclosed in an application filed with the FCC. The station is now owned by Dr. E. F. Sapp and S. F. Sapp and first went on the air Oct. 12, 1936.

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month last year were fairly general, outstanding gains being in these fields: National network household equipment, financial and tobacco; regional network toilet goods, soap and kitchen supplies and financial; national nonnetwork clothing, foodstuffs and tobacco; local tobacco and department store. The six-month gross time sales

follow:	1937	1936
Nat. Net	\$35,564,039	\$28,181,976
Reg. Net	669.293	644.473
Nat. Nonnet	16.528.100	11.527.860
Local	12,665,000	10,447,870
TOTAL	\$65,426,432	\$50,802,179
Figures for follow:		June, 1936,
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	June	May
Nat. Net	\$5,554,987	\$5,875,531
Reg. Net	128,126	137.734
Nat. Nonnet	2.716.000	2.962.200
Total	2,212,800	2,349,700
TOTAL	\$10,611,913	\$11,325,165

#### **Zephyr's Placements**

AXTON - FISHER Tobacco Co., Louisville, will use radio exclusive-ly to introduce its new Zephyr ly to introduce its new Zephyr cigarettes, starting by sponsoring established local programs with large followings on stations in New York, Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis and Indianapolis. In New York, Martin Block's *Make Be-lieve Ballroom* on WNEW will be used. Both WIRE and WFBM, In-dianapolis, will also be used Other dianapolis, will also be used. Other stations and programs remain to be selected. McCann-Erickson Inc., New York, is placing the campaign, which will start late in August.



Above Past Years MIDSUMMER radio advertising has hit an all-time peak on CBS, according to that network's report on its billings for the first week in August, midpoint of the summer season. During this week 41 CBS advertisers, an increase of 46% over 1936, spent \$422,105, an in-crease of 51% over 1936. Average time costs per advertiser for the time costs per advertiser for the week were \$10,295, as compared with \$9,978 in 1936. Evening sales for the week totaled \$296,530, a gain of 20% over the same week a year ago. But the really astound-

gain of 20% over the same week a year ago. But the really astound-ing gain was in daytime advertis-ing expenditures, which increased 284% over last year, to \$125,575. The number of daytime advertis-ers also increased from 4 to 14. The increase in daytime pro-grams sponsored by advertisers that has been one of the outstand-ing phenomena of the year is con-tinuing right through the summer, according to figures released by NBC which show that July week-day daytime revenue from NBC advertisers totaled \$728,880, an in-crease of 38.0% over that of the same month last year. Evening billings for the month, \$1,907,327, were only 3.4% ahead of July 1936. For the first seven months of 1937, weekday daytime billings ag-gregate \$6,250,862, a gain of 74.2% over 1936. For the same period evening billings were \$15,127,518, passing last year's mark by 7.5%. PAYSON FUBLISHING Co. Inc.

PAYSON PUBLISHING Co. Inc., New York, will use an MBS network to advertise Commentator Magazine. to advertuse Commentator Magazine, beginning Sept. 19. Program talent has not been selected nor the exact time set, but it will be a Sunday eve-ning, half-hour show on WOR, WGN, WLW and the Don Lee network. Account is handled by Cecil, Warwick & Legler Inc., New York.

## **HOUSEHOLD GOODS** LEAD CBS ADVANCE

BREAKING down its time sales for the first half of 1937 CBS re-ports increases in the number of advertisers, the total expenditures and the average expenditure at all and the average expenditure at all times of the day. By industries, soaps and housekeepers' supplies showed the largest gain over a year ago, 98%. Tobacco gained 61%; foods and food drinks, 59%; and automotive accounts, 57%. and automotive accounts, 57%. Time sales for the first half of 1936 and 1937 follow:

Morn Aft Total Day _ Eve	\$778 \$1,452 \$2,228 \$8,957	5,852 \$1 2,551 \$2 3,403 \$4 7,372 \$10	937         % Incr.           ,828,466         136           ,262,540         56           ,091,006         84           ,712,259         20
Total	\$11,180	5,775 \$14	,803,265 32
No. Clients	No. Clients	Aver. Spent	Aver. Spent
1956	1937	1936	1987
Morn 8	10	\$96,982	\$182.847
Aft16	24	\$90,784	\$94,273*
Total Day 20	31	\$114.202	\$131,968
Eve47	49	\$190,582	\$218,618

\* Includes eight users of Pacific Coast regional broadcasts and "one-time" programs.

## New Athens, Ga., Station

Is Favored by Examiner ON THE heels of the recent re-moval of WTFI from Athens, Ga., into Atlanta, where it is now oper-ated by the Atlanta Journal as WAGA, Examiner Hill on Aug. 12 reported favorably to the FCC on the application of J. K. Patrick & Co. for a new 100-watt night and 250-watt day station on 1310 kc. in Athens. The new company is a partnership headed by Earl B. Braswell, former WTFI manager and publisher of the Athens Ban-ners-Herald, with J. K. Patrick, Tate Wright, C. A. Rowland and A. Lynee Brannen as the other partners. Is Favored by Examiner partners.

Examiner Bramhall the same day reported favorably on the ap-plication of the Atlantic City Press Union for a new 100-watt day and 250-watt night station on 1200 kc. Examiner Dahlberg recommended granting the Roberts McNab Co., operators of the new KRMC, Jamestown, N. D., a new station with the same powers on 1420 kc. in Bozeman, Mont.

### **Bakery List Enlarged**

ADDITIONAL stations carrying the 15-minute transcribed series, The Freshest Thing in Town this fall have been announced by Fred-eric W. Ziv Inc., Cincinnati agen-cy, originators of the campaign for cy, originators of the campaign for bakers. Stations recently added to the list are: WWNC, WSB, KRNT, WFBR, KFEL, KIEM, WHBF, WJIM, KROC, WBRE WKBN, WFIL, KSOO, WEAU, WJBO, WSAZ, KSTP, WDBJ, WJBO, WSAZ, KSTP, WDBJ, WKRC. Recorded in the Chicago studios of RCA, the series com-prises 130 transcriptions which are to be broadcast on schedules calling for three and five programs a week.

#### May Add Outlets

FITZPATRICK BROS. Inc., Chi-cago (Automatic Soap Flakes and Kitchen Klenzer), may add other outlets for its Meet the Missus interview programs this fall. Quar-ter-hour programs broadcast five times weekly are now being spon-sored on WBBM, WJR, WHK, WKRC. Neisser-Meyerhoff Inc., Chicago, is agency.

## Major Network Time Sales for July Total 24% Above Figure Last Year

NATIONAL advertisers spent \$4,780,224 with the national net-works in July, 1937, making it by far the largest July in radio his-tory, 24% ahead of the July 1936 total of \$3,832,319. For the first seven months of the year the coast-to-coast networks have collected \$40,547,616 from the advertising industry, an increase of 26.8% industry, an increase of 26.8% over the \$31,977,544 taken in dur-ing the January-to-July period of 1936.

1936. Considered individually all net-works show a gain for the seven months over the same period a year ago, although NBC-Blue and Mutual both had lower July in-comes than in 1936. To date this year, NBC-Red has a total income of \$15,973,431, a gain of 34.8%; NBC-Blue, a total of \$6,682,126, a gain of 0.7%; the combined NBC networks having taken in \$22,655. gain of 0.7%; the combined NBC networks having taken in \$22,655,-557 during the 1937's first seven months, 22.5% ahead of 1936. CBS total for this period is \$16,791,677, an increase over last year of 34.6%. Mutual shows a 9.2% in-crease, with an income of \$1,100,-382 for 1937 as compared with \$1,007,919 for last year. For the month CBS showed the largest gain both in dollars and in percentage, its July income of \$1,988,412 exceeding the \$1,292,775 figure for July 1936 by 53.8%. NBC-Red had the highest income

for the month, \$2,018,820, a gain of 25.1% over the July 1936 total of \$1,613,148. NBC-Blue's July total of \$688,630 was 15.7% below the \$816,835 revenue in the same month last year. MBS reported \$84,362 for July 1937, 23.0% less than the July 1936 revenue of \$109,561.

## **Gross Monthly Time Sales**

N	BC-Red	
	% Gain	
1937	Over 1986	1936
Jan\$2,374,633	37.6%	\$1,725,172
Feb 2,273,973	34.0	1,697,524
March _ 2,531,322	32.2	1,915,357
April _ 2,304,035	30.7	1,762,201
May 2,261,344	37.0	1,650,046
June 2,211,560	48.4	1,490,426
July 2,018,820	25.1	1,613,148
NE	BC-Blue	
Jan\$1,167,366	22.0%	\$ 956.643
Feb 1,021,809	0.5	1,016,776
March _ 1,082,961	-3.5	1.122.516
April _ 973,802	-0.6	979,727
May 953,475	4.6	911,674
June 791,827	4.9	833.030
July 688,630		816,835
	CBS	
Jan\$2,378,620	24.2%	\$1,901,023
Feb 2,264,317	18.6	1,909,146
March _ 2,559,716	17.8	2,172,382
April 2,563,478	31.4	1.950,939
May 2,560,558	46.4	1.749.517
June 2.476.576	64.8	1,502,768
July 1,988,412	53.8	1,292,775
	MBS	
Jan\$ 187,362	12.7	\$ 166,266
Feb 202,088	24.4	162,358
March _ 220,256	15.0	191,483
April _ 173,746	24.3	139,834
May 133,432	2.7	129,907
June 99,136		104.510
July 84,362	23.0	109,561

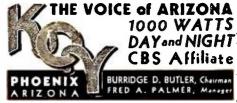
# By DEMAND!

WLS first broadcast its Dinner Bell program from the Illinois State Fair at Springfield in 1924.

Illini demands to see the WLS National Barn Dance became so persistent that fair officials arranged for its presentation. WLS ticket sales always break opening day records.

In 1937 the WLS National Barn Dance will *again* officially open the fair for the third consecutive year — *by demand*.





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## Wage-Hours Bill Is Not Applicable Directly to Radio Congress Nearing Final Action

**On Black-Connery Measure** 

THE Black-Connery bill, providing minimum wages and maximum hours for industry generally as a modified substitute for the outlawed NRA now in the final stages of Congressional consideration, is not expected to affect the broadcasting industry in any material way as the legislation now stands.

Although involved in an eleventh hour legislative jam, it is expected the bill will become law at this session. Specifying broadly a minimum wage of 40 cents per hour and a maximum work week of 40 hours, the legislation does not appear to affect any of the important employe groups in broadcasting, with the possible exception of miscellaneous help, such as messengers around stations and in other branches of the industry. Practically all classes of station employes which might be classified in the professional group, according to industry information, are well above the minimum standards specified in the pending legislation.

## Limited Provisions

Unlike the NRA legislation, the Black-Connery measure does not provide for control over trade practices within industries but is restricted entirely to wages and hours and protection of collective bargaining arrangements.

The measure passed the Senate on Aug. 2 but has been involved in controversy in the House Labor Committee which on Aug. 6 reported out one bill only to revise it substantially Aug. 11. Basic provisions, however, remain the same. The revised House bill provides

The revised House bill provides that employes may be worked a maximum of 40 hours per week, except on extraordinary occasions, but no maximum is set for any particular day. In other words, employes could work 10 hours per day for four days during a week and still fall within the terms of the bill without payment of timeand-one-half for any hours over eight worked in any one day, as the Senate bill provides.

A board of five members would administer the act. The law would apply only to industries in interstate commerce and would not affect purely intrastate business. State boards would decentralize administration. The board would be permitted to determine minimum wages and maximum hours only in industries where substandard labor conditions exist.

Nothing in the act interferes with the right of employes to bargain collectively or to seek a wage above the minimum or a shorter work week.

## Horse & Mule Series

HORSE & MULE ASSN. of America, Chicago, is planning resumption of its annual radio series during 1938, using spot announcements as in previous campaigns. Rogers & Smith, Dallas, is agency for the Association and not Gale & Pietsch, as incorrectly announced in the Aug. 1 issue of BROADCAST-ING.

## **Comet Rice Expanding**

COMET RICE Co., New York, and Steinhagen Milling Co., Beaumont, Tex., have consolidated to form Comet Rice Mills Inc. Headquarters will be in Beaumont and the advertising account has been transferred to Freitag Adv. Agency, Atlanta. The product will continue to be marketed as Comet Rice, first of all rice to be marketed in this country in sealed packages. The original Comet company has used radio in the Southeast but a wider campaign is planned for autumn in the Southeast and Southwest, including radio. Later it is planned to expand the advertising to other sections.

## Malt-O-Meal Discs

CAMPBELL CEREAL Co., Minneapolis (Malt-O-Meal), will start a transcribed program, *Rube Appleberry*, over WGN, WCAU and WLW Sept. 27 with other outlets to be added later. The quarterhour show will be broadcast six times weekly. Mitchell-Faust Adv. Co., Chicago, is agency.





WHEN THE U. S. Census Bureau makes it decennial population census in 1940 there will be a "nose count" of radio sets, it was learned in official quarters Aug. 6.

Already drafting the questionnaire to be used by census takers, the Bureau has tentatively decided to inquire about radio set ownership both in urban and rural communties to procure an actual figure on radio set population for the country.

In the last population census, taken in 1930, a count of radio sets was made for the first time. This showed a total of 12,048,762 sets. Since then industry estimates on radio set population have been made, the last figure, as of Jan. 1, 1937, showing an aggregate of 24,500,000 sets in homes. In addition, there are some 3,000,000 automobile radio receivers while a number of homes have two or more sets which, it is estimated, brings the aggregate number of sets in this country to 30,000,000 — more than half of the sets in use throughout the world.

In discussions involving radio questions, it is understood that it has been tentatively decided to break down the set inquiries into two categories—rural and urban. Presumably the city question will be simply that of whether the particular household has a radio set, whereas the farm question will include both the set and whether it is powered by a direct power line or through a farm electrical system.

## **Pinex Placing**

PINEX Co., Fort Wayne, Ind. (Pinex), will start a new quarterhour barn-dance type program on at least four of the WLW-line stations with the possibility that other stations of the new network may also be used. The new program will originate in WLW and will be on WHN, WFIL and KQV. The program will be broadcast from 7:45-8:00 p. m. (EST) five times weekly with a full hour, 7-8 p. m. (EST), on Saturday nights. In addition to the network show, transcriptions of the program will probably be used on other stations. Baggaley, Horton & Hoyt Inc., Chicago, is the agency.



NEW HOME OF WGY—Architect's drawing of new studio structure of General Electric's 50,000-watter at Schenectady, which will occupy 20,000 square feet of space and ground for which was broken early this month. Building will be of steel, granite and marble, one and one-half stories in height and 173 x 102 feet in dimension. Above, General Electric officials break ground for the new home of WGY, to be ready by Christmas. Left to right are Kolin Hager, WGY manager; E. E. Tallmade, head of GE Realty Corp.; Chester H. Lang, manager of GE publicity department. Among modern conveniences in the building will be a twostory audience studio and a kitchen studio. Work is under way on the new 600-foot antenna.

## New Firm Project Dropped by Petry Asserts Proposed Rep Concern

## Might Divide Attention

BECAUSE it might lead to "divided attention", Edward Petry, president of Edward Petry & Co., national station representatives, announced Aug. 7 that he and his associates have abandoned their project for a new representation firm to represent all classes of stations, including locals.

nrm to represent all classes of stations, including locals. Mr. Petry disclosed original plans for the affiliated company at a luncheon meeting of the 40 Petry-represented stations during the NAB convention [BROADCAST-ING, July 1]. It was announced then that the stations had raised no objection to the project, original plans for which included taking some of the present Petry stations and placing them in the new firm. The firm's tentative name was to be Christal, Petry & Voynow, after the three partners in Edward Petry & Co., but it was planned to have a separate manager and separate staffs.

Mr. Petry's statement gave the reasons for dropping the plan as follows:

"After a thorough study of the various factors and considerations involved, we have definitely decided against establishing a subsidiary company to represent lowpowered stations and stations in minor markets.

"The idea of such an organization first occurred to us when it became obvious that the rapid growth of broadcasting would mean an increasing number of radio outlets in minor markets, or that additional small stations would become units in the various national networks.

"After giving the greatest consideration to all aspects of the matter however, we felt that no matter what technicalities seemed to divide and separate the two companies, they would have a common interest which would necessarily divide the attention of the executives between the two companies.

"We decided that this division of attention would have an unfavorable result on both companies and inasmuch as the present concern is sufficiently large to require constant and diligent supervision, we felt that it would be unfair and unwise to divert any of this attention to another similar enterprise.

"We express our sincere appreciation to those stations which expressed an interest in having the proposed new company represent them nationally."

#### Listerine Back on Net

LAMBERT PHARMACAL Co., St. Louis (Listerine, toothbrushes, toothpaste) will return to network broadcasting Sept. 28 with a new program titled Grand Central Station on 23 NBC-Blue stations, to be heard 9:30-10 p. m. Tuesdays. Lambert sponsored Metropolitan Opera broadcasts on NBC-Red during the winter of 1935-6 but has been an infrequent radio user since that time, placing only occasional spots. Some months ago the company had a premium tieup with Campana Corp. in connection with a program of the latter sponsor. Lambert & Feasley Inc., New York, is the Listerine agency.

## WHAT ABOUT THE

PACIFIC NORTHWES

Ross Federal Research Corporation interviewed 300 leading dealers. distributors and retailers in Seattle. between dates of April 12th and 18th, 1937.

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## Question No. 1:

ROSS

ERA

"What radio station do you, as a business man, listen to most frequently?"

Type of Business	No. of Interviev		All Other JR Stations≯
Drug		64%	36%
Radio	50	56%	44%
Electrical Equipment	nt 50	74%	26%
Hardware and Paint	50	84%	16%
Gas and Oil	50	74%	26%
Groceries and Foods	50	72%	28%
TOTAL	300	70.66%	29.34%

## Question No. 2:

"What radio station do you think is most valuable to a national or local advertiser in Seattle?"

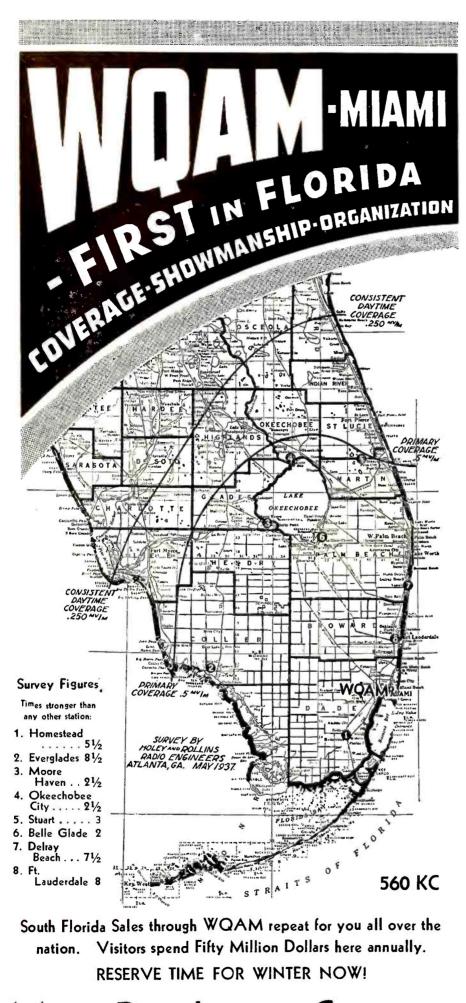
Type of Business	No. of Interviews	комо-кл	All Other R Stations <del>#</del>
Drug	50	72%	28%
Radio	50	72%	28%
Electrical Equipmer	nt 50	78%	22%
Hardware and Paint	50	78%	22%
Gas and Oil	50	84%	16%
Groceries and Food.	50	74%	26%
TOTAL		6.34%	23.66%

★ There Are 12 Other Stations in KOMO-KJR's Area.

KOMO NBC Red—5000 watts 1.s. Seattle's Pioneer Radio Stations



Complete Ross Federal Survey Available at All Offices of Edward Petry & Co., Inc.



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Octimany	0,200,000
France	2,626,000
Czechoslovakia	928,000
Canada	867,000
Belgium	746,000
Australia	745,000
Denmark	651,000
Italy	530,000
Poland	519,000
Switzerland	
Hungary	365,000
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	350,000
Mexico	250,000
Norway	
New Zealand	
Rumania	150,000
Union of South Africa	137,000
Finland	144,000
Uruguay	115,000
Irish Free State	104,000
Cuba	100,000
Arabia	. 25
Ethiopia	25
Swaziland	15
French Guiana	8

"Ownership of receiving sets has increased materially in recent years in countries where possession is not hindered by the economic status of the population or by some unnatural restrictive measures," according to J. H. Payne, Chief of the Electrical Division.

Many of the receiving sets originated in the United States, according to Mr. Payne, who stated that exports of American-made sets in 1936 numbered 635,984 units, valued at \$16,041,147, a high figure for all time.

American sets have established an "enviable reputation" in foreign countries and future sales abroad will be in proportion to the efforts which are devoted by American manufacturers to share those markets which will develop with the increasing ability of foreign peoples to purchase sets of a quality such as are produced in this country, Mr. Payne stated.

## **General Paint to Place**

GENERAL PAINT Corp., San Francisco (paints), thru Walter Adv. Agency, Los Angeles, in April of 1938 will launch a radio campaign in the 11 western states, plus Denver, Dallas, Tulsa and Salt Lake City, using a quarterhour transcribed series featuring Cordelia Pearl, color consultant and interior decorator, with production recorded by the program division of Walter Biddick Co., Los Angeles. Series will tie-in with the firm's new Colorscope Magazine, due from the press April 1, which will be available through retail stores carrying General Paint Corp. products. Sponsor has previously used a color horoscope as a giveaway on its radio time. Although station list will not be made up for some time, actual production of the transcriptions is scheduled to start Sept. 1.

WORLD PEACEWAYS Inc. New York, non-profit organization devoted to combating war, on Aug. 8 started a series of talks by W. P. Ainsworth. director. titled *World Observer*. on WNEW, New York, with object of placing them later on other stations on sustaining basis. Organization for several years has been placing advertising in leading class magazines on a gratis basis accepted because of its aims.

## Power-with a purr

## . . that's Columbia

Power to drive a message *home* — geared to the most precise measurements in radio to tell you *whose* home and *where*. Power to make that message live—with all the soft-spoken strength of radio. Power to cover a continent—delivered by the world's largest radio network. *That's Columbia*—year after year, the choice of more leading advertisers than any other network.

Columbia, for example, has carried in 1937 (as in 1936) more hours of automobile advertising than the other major networks combined. Automobile advertisers on Columbia in the first six months of 1937, included: CHEVROLET - CHRYSLER - DE SOTO - DODGE FORD - LINCOLN - ZEPHYR - LINCOLN - NASH - PLYMOUTH - PONTIAC

The **COLUMBIA** Broadcasting System

www.americanradiohistory.com

## Radio Walks the Plank at St. Louis Ad Club Session .....



ALL OF the old bugbears of radio advertising, plus a host of new ones received professional treat-ment last month at the "Shirt Sleeve Session" of St. Louis Advertising Club,

with four of the Mr. Convey city's broadcasters on the receiv-

ing end. Members of the Club, including members of the Club, including local advertisers and agency per-sonnel, popped sizzling inquiries at a panel of broadcasters assigned the subject "This Business of Ra-dio". Bob Convey, president of the subject "This Business of Ra-dio". Bob Convey, president of KWK, presided at the July 27 ses-sion, with James D. Shouse, KMOX general manager; Robert Coe, KSD chief engineer, and Bill Durney, WIL promotion manager,

comprising the balance of the broadcasting battery. The meeting, described as the most successful of the summer series of the club, was heralded in the Club's weekly bul-letin as "Radio Walks the Plank".

Question No. 1 was tossed in the lap of Mr. Durney: "What about cutting down the wordage of cutting

copy?" He responded: "The limitation He responded: "The limitation of commercial copy is no longer the problem that critical listeners believe it to be. This improvement is not only the length of copy, but also in the quality and conserva-tiveness of material — thus, two forces, working in unison. First of all advertisers as well as agencies all, advertisers as well as agencies have learned that they defeat their own ends, if they overburden their programs with sales messages. "Second, radio stations have been

a constant force in showing advertisers and agencies the results which can be obtained through an intelligent use of the broadcast medium.

Question No. 2 to Mr. Shouse: "Why not eliminate break announcements between network programs?

"Advertisers," said the KMOX head, "do not buy full hour shows, full half-hour shows or full quarter-hour shows. They understand, or if they do not understand, they can be shown that there are necessary delay intervals between the signoff of their shows and the beginning of the next. Even if there were no spots between shows, the delay interval would still have to be there, and it would be a distinct loss to the broadcasting industry, if these intervals should be left silent." Also, said Mr. Shouse, the elimination of spot business would be a genuine local loss to advertisers if they could not avail themselves of that effective and economical method of advertising their products. The spot has also been made necessary for local tieins, he added.

#### What of Television!

Bob Coe, engineering expert at the session, answered the technical questions, which, in the main, had to do with television. He said that television by its very nature and its many complications answers the question as to its long delay in coming into common use. "The question as to its long delay in coming into common use. "The three-year-old radio will still re-ceive present-day programs", he pointed out, "but television equip-ment of three years ago would be utterly useless in receiving the tel-evision broadcasts of today. That is one reason the industry has been reluctant to place receiving sets on the market, even though there are indications now that sending equipment is passing out of the experimental stage into the realm of reality." He ended his discussion with the prophesy that television will become one of the major channels of advertising and entertain-ment within a few years.

#### Acceptable Advertising

The highlight came with the question: "Why does radio accept certain advertising contracts which are not acceptable to newspapers?" Mr. Convey paried for further details. "Did the questioner mean,"

he asked, "that radio's advertising back yard should be kept as clean back yard should be kept as clean as the national average in news-papers?" "Did he mean that ra-dio's general advertising tone should be kept on a par with one newspaper in St. Louis which had exceptionally rigid requirements?" This brought a man in the audi-ence to his feet who nurported to ence to his feet, who purported to be employed by an East St. Louis furniture house that would give two apple trees and build a garage, with the purchase of a "colossal, with the purchase of a "colossal, sumptuous, extraordinary over-stuffed living room suite selling for only \$29". "Why, as an ex-ample", queried the young man, "would radio stations accept busiwould radio stations accept busi-ness from his furniture house, when newspapers would not?" With this to guide him, young Con-vey asked his questioner why radio should in any sense regard news-papers as a shining example of read advantiging holeview Padia good advertising behavior. Radio could stand on its own feet, so why make invidious comparisons. As a matter of fact, said Convey, newspapers might with good reason follow some of the examples of radio. "There are plenty of ads running in St. Louis newspapers today that radio would not touch with a ten-foot pole." "For instance?" enquired the

"For instance?" enquired the young man in the audience. "For instance, whiskey ads," re-sponded Convey. 'For instance a whale of a lot of proprietary medi-cines. We are no more bound to follow the individual whims of newspaper ethics than a billboard company is compelled to follow the pattern of a Chicago daily. To be perfectly frank, it is generally known that a lot of business criticized in radio today is being solicited by the daily press—but they can't get it." At this point, an official of the St. Louis Better Business Bureau

took the floor to point out that indeed there is no uniformity among the press on what constitutes good advertising and what is bad. He made a short plea for the various media to get together on what business they should accept or reiect.



THE Michigan Radio Network-WXYZ Detroit, WOOD Grand Rapids, WBCM Bay City - Saginaw, WFDF Flint, WJIM Lansing, WKZO Kalamazoo, WIBM Jackson and WELL Battle Creek-gives your sales message a primary coverage of 85% of Michigan's buying power.

## "And is That Salad Dressing De-licious!"

Betty Barton and her jolly chef have been welcome forenoon guests in Detroit and Michigan homes since last October.

"Happiness Hour" is the title and it's correctly descriptive of this popular program.

Interesting chatter, helpful suggestions, an occasional chuckle, a weekly guest speaker, usually feminine—all this so informally done as to suggest the ad-lib.

Foods are mentioned naturally. Commercials become integral parts of the day's dialog.

Miss Barton pulls a heavy spontaneous mail and a significant array of gifts and tokens.

Here's a natural for you, Mr. Food Manufacturer. A quarter-hour, Mondays through Fridays at 11:15 a.m. Intact or participatingyou say which.

## King-Trendle Broadcasting Corp.

300 Madison Theatre Building • • Detroit

Wm. G. Rambeau Co. Representative Home Office: Tribune Tower, Chicago



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• This non-academic question is directed mainly to national advertisers . . . and specifically those who are already using network or spot radio, but not WBBM: The Chicago market is a big melon, a ripe melon . . . a rich melon. So why nibble?

No matter what your choice of network or station, no matter what your particular appeal, a campaign on WBBM reaches *new* millions . . . yes, millions . . . in an area which accounts for more than 10% of the entire nation's purchasing power.

Many advertisers have already found the way ... the WBBM way ... for WBBM is carrying more national spot programs than any other station in Chicago—programs that *pay*. All this in addition to the complete and exclusive schedule of the Columbia Broadcasting System, world's largest network.

The Chicago market deserves extra effort. For extra results from that extra effort, use the leading station in the nation's second largest market.\*

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WBBM • 50,000 WATTS • CBS-Owned-and-Operated • Represented nationally by RADIO SALES, a division of the Columbia Broadcasting System; New York • Chicago • Detroit • Los Angeles • San Francisco

**Rises 9 Million Dollars** 

TOTAL gross income of RCA and its subsidiaries during the first six months of this year, amounting to \$53,167,621, represented an in-crease of nearly \$9,000,000 over the crease of nearly \$9,000,000 over the figure for the same period in 1936 when it was \$44,382,100, according to the report for second quarter operations made public Aug. 2 by David Sarnoff, RCA president. Net profit of \$4,647,386 for the first six months of 1937 represented an in-crease of \$2,883,606 over the cor-responding period of 1936. The sec-ond quarter of 1937 alone showed a net profit of \$2,404,329. While RCA does not break down its report to show the revenues and profits of its subsidiary companies, the report on gross time sales reve

the report on gross time sales reve-nues of NBC for the first six months of this year showed \$19,-948,107, indicating that these rep-resent some two-fifths of the parent company's gross.

SIX stations were added to the NBC Farm & Home Hour Aug. 2, bring-ing the total to 70.

## RCA's Half - Year Gross Federal Shortwave Bill, Station Tax To Die With Congress Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT of Congress will mark the death of two bills against which broadcasters have taken a vigorous stand, namely, the Celler Bill (HR-4281) proposing a gov-ernment-owned international shortwave station and the Boylan Bill (HR-6440) proposing to tax broad-casting stations \$1 to \$3 per watt per year according to power. Both bills were suggested originally by Telegraph Commissioner George H. Payne, but in neither case was a companion measure introduced

a companion measure introduced in the Senate. Whether either bill will be re-vived in the next Congress is problematical. Neither was pushed very strenuously in this Congress, although Rep. Celler (D-N.Y.) re-ported in a speech July 20 that Secretary of State Hull had recom-mended his measure favorably to mended his measure favorably to President Roosevelt and said that it was also backed by the Navy and the FCC. The Celler Bill proposed erection

near Washington of a powerful shortwave station by the Navy under a \$750,000 construction appropriation, and a \$100,000 annual appropriation for operation, to broadcast programs of national and international interest. Rep. Celler would call the station the "Pan American Radio Station" and he wanted it used to combat foreign shortwave propaganda, particularly from Germany and Italy. Five frequencies set aside by executive order after the Montevideo conferorder after the Montevideo confer-ence of North and South American nations would be utilized for the station, which Mr. Celler said would be "powerful enough to per-mit shortwave broadcasting that would reach to the nethermost ends of the earth." Both the Navy Department and the Budget Bureau were understood

the Budget Bureau were understood to have approved the station, whose programs would be handled by the U. S. Commissioner of Education, but no word was ever expressed

The Tallest. Vertical.

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Radiates **SALES** 

FOR ALERT ADVERTISERS OVER

WJBC

BATON ROUGE, La.

1120 KILOCYCLES

**500 WATTS** 

HIGH FIDELITY ALL WESTERN ELECTRIC EQUIPPED

On a New Wave Length-

publicly on it by President Roose-velt. The NAB at, its recent convention passed a resolution opposing it as threatening an entering wedge toward government operation and a waste of taxpayers' money in view of the existence of other stations which might per-form the same task.

A recent report by Acting Secre-tary of the Navy, Admiral William tary of the Navy, Admiral William D. Leahy, estimated the station would cost \$1,200,000 to build and \$160,000 a year for upkeep. The understanding with the Navy was that the broadcasting studios in the new Interior Department build-ing would be used and that the station would be turned over to the station would be turned over to the

station would be turned over to the Navy in time of war. The Boylan Bill was written and first announced by Commissioner Payne in a press release April 14 and then introduced by Rep. Boy-lan (D-N.Y.). The Commissioner asserted in his public letter trans-mitting the bill to Rep. Boylan that "there has been a widespread conthere has been a widespread conviction that the enormous profits viction that the enormous profits made by the broadcast stations more than justify a special tax as they now enjoy the use of a great national resource and it is the gov-ernment that bears the burden of the regulation without which they could not exist." He estimated the tax yield would be \$6,946,395 if a tax were imposed of \$1 per watt tax yield would be \$0,540,555 if a tax were imposed of \$1 per watt on stations under 1,000 watts, \$2 per watt on stations of 1,000 to 10,000 watts and \$3 per watt on stations above 10,000 watts.

## **TELEVISION STATUS**

**TELEVISION STATUS HALTS CBS EDIFICE** FOREGOING its original plans to have its new radio building at 59th St. and Park Ave. completed in time to welcome the visitors to New York's World's Fair in 1939, CBS has quietly suspended all plans for the new structure, which was to have surpassed even Radio City as the world's most modern broadcasting center, for an indefi-nite period. Construction, which was to have been begun this year, will probably be delayed for at least another 12 months and pos-sibly longer, it was admitted by CBS officials, although no formal announcement has been made con-cerning the postponement. The rapid development of television was given as the chief reason for the delay. This new phase of radio, which is expected to become a practical reality in the near future, makes it imperative that the new building be equipped for the broadmakes it imperative that the new building be equipped for the broad-casting of sight as well as sound, casting of sight as well as sound, yet to date engineers have only the haziest ideas as to what sort of studios will be needed for this new art. Another reason for the delay is the trend toward Hollywood as the major center of the broadcast-ing industry, it was stated.

## **Rogers Silver to Resume**

INTERNATIONAL SILVER Co., Meriden, Conn., will launch a series of half-hour dramatic pro-grams on a nationwide CBS net-work early in October in the inter-est of 1847 Rogers Bros. silver-ware. Programs, to be broadcast Sunday afternoons, will be dram-atizations of short stories and nov-els, produced in Hollywood and broadcast under the title The Sil-ver Theater. Series is placed through Young & Rubicam Inc., New York. INTERNATIONAL SILVER Co.,

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# DIXIE is BUSY

The charts, the maps, the indices by which economic diagnosticians feel the pulse of business all show that the South is booming.

Particularly North and South Carolina. The tobacco and furniture factories. the textile mills, and the agriculturalists are beaverishly busy this year meeting the growing national demand for their products.

Forbes Sales High-Spots for June, for instance, shows the Piedmont section of the Carolinas second in sales increases for the entire country.

That is where WBT does its best work. Its 50,000-watt signal welds the 1,750.000 people who live in its service area into one neighborhood. These people are good buyers— and good listeners. too. If you'd care to convert them into good customers, enlist the aid of their favorite station—through any office of RADIO SALES.

## 50,000 WATTS, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Owned and operated by Columbia Broadcasting System. Represented by Radio Sales: New York, 485 Madison Ave.; Chicago, 410 N. Michigan Ave.; Detroit, 902 Fisher Bldg.; Los Angeles, 5939 Sunset Blvd.; San Francisco, 601 Russ Building.

Of three major Twin City Stations, this LOCAL ADVERTIS-**ER chooses WTCN** because he KNOWS it returns more sales per dollar spent.

Because there are scores like him who have experienced the same good returns, WTCN has MORE LOCAL ADVERTISERS THAN THE OTHER TWO MAJOR TWIN CITY STA-TIONS COMBINED!

> NBC **BLUE NETWORK** STATION

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## Fight Broadcasts BUICK TO SPONSOR Found Effective in **Buick's Promotion**

Ready-Made Audience Secured; **No Big-Show Competition** 

By THOMAS A. CORPE Advertising Manager. Buick Motor Division, General Motors Corp.

BUICK will broadcast, on Aug. 26, the fourth major boxing match it has sponsored in the past three years. The continuation of such efforts in itself is testimonial as to their

Mr. Corpe effectiveness, at Mr. Corpe least from our standpoint, and we have every reason to believe that the broadcasting of the Tommy Farr-Joe Louis match will be as successful as its predecessor broadcasts.

Buick's adventures in the radio program field during the past few program held during the past few years have been exclusively con-fined to major broadcasts of the big pugilistic events. From time to time, we have gone in for spot ra-dio announcements locally, but we have not used the usual type of radio program advartiging

radio program advertising. We have found the fight broad-casts extremely valuable. They have the first advantage of having a huge, ready-made audience. It is unnecessary to build up a program or to develop listener interest in the program inasmuch as the fight the program inasmuch as the fight broadcasts are a spot news event of greatest sports interest and command the attention of millions. Furthermore, this special broad-cast is not in competition with other highly expensive network programs that have been in effect for some time, such as the Max-well House program, Lucky Strike program, and many others equally program, and many others equally successful and appealing.

#### No Time Problem

When a major ring event is broadcast there is no difficulty in clearing station time. The event is of such importance that it is given right of way over the large net-works. The radio audience listen-ing to the fight broadcasts is not selected, but covers all types of listeners, including women and children as well as men if they are ardent fight fans — which often they are. In the case of the Louis-Braddock fight, I believe this radio audience was the largest ever to tune in on a major broadcast.

In this connection, it is interesting to note the comment of the New York Herald - Tribune under the heading "Pugilistic Kilowatts".

It said: "Owing to the fact that many New Yorkers were unable to at-tend the Braddock - Louis fight Tuesday night in Chicago, those listeners to the radio broadcasts at home created an unusual demand for electricity during the fight pro-gram. At 11:15 p. m. according to for electricity during the fight pro-gram. At 11:15 p. m., according to the system load chart of the Con-solidated Edison Co., the load showed a gain of 171,000 kilowatt hours, or 20 per cent, over the night before at the same time. The nearest approach to Tuesday night's peak was during the Baer-Louis fiasco at the Yankee stadium, when the demand was 131,000 kilowatt hours above that of the night before, or 40,000 kilowatt hours

## **THREE MORE FIGHTS**

Coincident with announcement that the bout between Joe Louis, heavyweight champion of the world, and Tommy Farr, British challenger, on Aug. 26, will be broadcast by all 136 stations in NBC's combined Red and Blue networks, with the Buick Motor Co. again sponsoring the blow-by-blow description of the battle, it was learned that NBC had ob-tained from Mike Jacobs, fight pro-moter, the exclusive radio rights to not only this but the next two heavyweight championship fights as well. as well.

Buick is said to have options on these bouts too, but this could not be verified. Network and agency officials also refused to comment on the price paid for the broad-casting rights. From informed sources it was learned, however, that the three championship broadcasts cost NBC \$100,000, of which Buick is paying \$35,000 for the present fight. If this rate is maintained for each of the three events, NBC will have regained one-third of the \$15,000 it charged off to prestige on the Braddock-Louis fight, a c c or d in g to the same sources who state that the network paid \$50,000 for the exclusive broadcast but collected only \$35,000 from Buick.

As the event was signed so shortly beforehand it was imposshortly beforehand it was impos-sible for Buick to merchandise it through boxes in the regular news-paper advertising of the concern. Window posters announcing the event and tieing in with the slogan "It's Buick Again" have been sent to all dealers, however. Arthur Kudner Inc., New York, Buick agency, handled the details.

less than Tuesday's gain. The in-crease in the use of electricity on these occasions is not due to the use of the radio alone, but to in-creased illumination in the homes." Buick, as is well known, broad-cast the two fights above referred

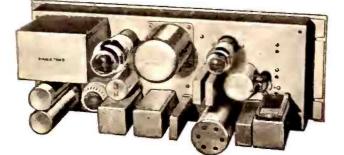
As a result of the Braddock-Louis broadcast, the Buick division of General Motors has received fan mail numbering thousands of letmail numbering thousands of let-ters and telegrams, predominantly commenting upon the excellence of the broadcast and commending Buick on keeping its commercials short and unobstrusive. These let-ters also complimented Buick on the scleation of Clore McCorthy the selection of Clem McCarthy and Edwin C. Hill as broadcasters of the event.

Another advantage of the fight broadcasts is that it has so happened that the fight broadcasts so far sponsored by Buick have been timely from the standpoint of sales strategy. The events have allowed strategy. The events have allowed us to capitalize through our deal-ers by means of various sales pro-motion activities in connection with the fights. Dealers like-wise have been able to capitalize on local coverage by taking local time immediately beind the based time immediately behind the broad-

time immediately behind the broad-casts. A great many dealers did this and found it well worth while. The whole sponsorship has linked Buick with a wanted broad-cast. We, of course, have no defi-nite means of ascertaining the ac-tual number of car sales resulting from the broadcasts, although it might be of interest to know that might be of interest to know that we are sure of at least two! James Braddock and Joe Louis, both bought new Buicks and are now driving and enjoying them.







## 2 Stage line amplifier

Incorporates Western Electric system of Stabilized Feedback. Impedances: input 600 or bridging (10,000); output 600. Frequency response: flat within ± 1 db from 30 to 10,000 cycles. Gain: approximately 45 db. Gain Control: range 38 db. Power supply: completely selfcontained, operating from 105-125 volts, 50-60 cycle AC. Distortion level: less than 1% at 400 cycles for 20 db output. Noise level: -60 db unweighted, -75 db weighted (as the ear would hear it) at maximum gain. Occupies only 7" of standard rack space.





## 3 Stage, high gain unit

Stabilized Feedback. Impedances: 30 and 600 ohms input, 600 ohms output. Frequency response: flat within ±1 db from 30 to 10,000 cycles. Gain: approximately 70 db. Gain Control: range 38 db. Power supply: completely self-contained, operating from 105-125 volts, 50-60 cycle, AC. Distortion level: less than 1% at 400 cycles for 20 db output. Noise level: -55 db unweighted, -65 db weighted (as the ear would hear it) at maximum gain. Includes v. i. and plate meters. Occupies only 10½" of standard rack space.

Western Electric Speech Input Amplifiers



105- A

## High level amplifier

The 94C gives remarkable performance as a bridging amplifier due to Stabilized Feedback. Gain: approximately 45 db. Output power stage for driving permanent magnet or other loud speakers to a volume adequate for any normal service. Noise level: better than -40 db unweighted, zero level being 6 milliwatts. Impedances: 600 ohms or bridging (25,000) input, 8 or 500 ohms output. Frequency response: flat within  $\pm 1$  db from 40 to 10,000 cycles. Power supply:completely self-contained, operating from 105-125 volts, 45-65 cycles, AC.Either metal or glass tubes. Dimensions: 19x 7x 7½.

## Single stage pre-amplifier

A high quality, low cost, fixed gain unit—extremely compact and economical to operate. Gain: approximately 29 db. Frequency response: flat within 1 db from 30 to 10,000 cycles. Impedances: 30 or 250 ohms input, 30 or 500 ohms output. Dimensions:  $5\frac{1}{4} \ge 4\frac{7}{8} \ge 6\frac{3}{4}$ .

Three 104A's on 998 type mounting plate (as shown) occupy only  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " space on standard relay rack.

For details: Graybar Electric, Graybar Bldg., N.Y.



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## **Rate Card of CBS** Has 105 Stations

### **Cleveland Switch and Increase** In Louisville Rate Noted

LISTING 105 stations in 104 cities as against 91 stations in 90 cities, CBS on Aug. 12 announced a new rate card to become effective Sept. 1. The card (No. 23) supersedes one which became effective last

January. For the complete nationwide facilities of the network covering 104 cities, a full-hour evening rate of \$21,770 is quoted as against \$19,920 under the current rate card. The half-hour rate is quoted at \$13,070 as against \$11,960, and the quarter - hour at \$8,720 as against \$7,980. Daytime and late night rates are substantially onehalf of the night rates, being \$11,-

004, \$6,622 and \$4,400 respectively. The only impending change noted on the new card is the Cleveland switch, effective Sept. 26, at which time WGAR, present NBC Blue outlet, replaces WHK on CBS while WHK becomes the NBC basic Blue station.

For the basic network of 21 cities plus three out of five optional basic cities, a \$50 increase under the current rate card, the total for 24 cities is \$8,475 as against \$8,525 on the new rate card. The \$50 increase is absorbed card. The 500 increase is absorbed entirely by an increase in rate for WHAS, Louisville, from \$400 to \$450. The half-hour night rate for WHAS was increased from \$240 to \$270. and the quarter-hour rate from \$160 to \$180 rate from \$160 to \$180.

With the addition of WGBI, Scranton, and WEOA, Evansville, the basic supplementary group is increased from 14 to 16 cities, with

## **Nelson-Woodman Shifted**

A. E. NELSON, since 1934 general manager of KOA, Denver, and for-mer owner of WIBO, Chicago, has mer owner of WIBO, Chicago, has been appointed to the same posi-tion at KDKA, Pittsburgh, where he will take charge on Sept. 1. On the same day, H. A. Woodman, present KDKA general manager, will report at NBC's New York headquarters for an executive as-signment. Robert H. Owen, chief engineer of KOA, will succeed Nelson as station manager.

each station individually available with the basic network. The aggregate one-hour night rate for the basic supplementary group thereby is increased from \$1,975 to \$2,250.

The Southeastern group of seven cities, quoted at an aggregate of \$1,150, is increased to 12 cities quoted at \$1,800. New stations

6 MAIN STREET MICHIGAN FORT' • OHIO WAYNE INDIANA

WITHIN THE WOWO one-half millivolt area there are more than 300 towns of 1000 population and over-a radio main street 100 miles long.

-and the 517,003 families who shop along that main street spend \$520,300.000 annually for all manner of merchandise.

To these 517,003 families, 417,500 of whom own radios, WOWO is their home town station. J-99489

The HOOSIER STATION

## E. KATZ SPECIAL ADVERTISING AGENCY

WESTINCHOUSE RADIO STATIONS, INC. FORT WAYNE, IND. 10,000 Watts - NBC Basic Blue

listed in this group are WAIM, Anderson, S. C.; WCHS, Charles-ton, W. Va.; WMAZ, Macon, Ga.; WPAR, Parkersburg, W. Va., and WJNO, West Palm Beach, Fla. In the Southcentral group, an increase from 10 to 12 cities is noted, with KLRA, Little Rock, shifted from the Soutwestern group and WCOC, Meridian, Miss., added to it. A new rate of \$1,950 per night-hour is guoted as against per night-hour is quoted as against

per hight-hour is quoted as against \$1,675 under the old rate. The Southwestern group is re-duced from 10 to eight cities, with one of the deletions accounted for by the KLRA shift. In addition, KNOW, Austin, quoted separately on the europate account at a susted on the current rate card, is quoted along with KTSA, San Antonio, on the new card as a single station offering. The present card rate for the Southwestern group is \$1,750 for a night-hour and \$1,600 under the new rate card. The Florida group of four cities and the Canadian group of two cities remain the same. The present Northwestern group of four cities, however, is increased to nine cities with the addition of the following stations: WKBB, Dubuque; KDAL, Duluth; WTAQ, Green Bay; WKBH, La-Crosse, Wis.; KGLO, Mason City. Crosse, Wis.; KGLO, Mason City. The Northwestern group rate of \$875 per basic night-hour was \$875 per basic night-hour was doubled to \$1,500.

The Mountain group of six cities was increased with the addition of KOY, Phoenix, and the rate in-creased from \$1,000 to \$1,125, the entire increase being absorbed by the rate quoted for KOY.

The Pacific Coast group of five cities remains the same. No mention is made in the rate card of the projected switch in the Seattle outlet from KOL to KIRO, KOL still being named as the Seattle outlet along with KVI, Tacoma.

## United Biscuit May Add

UNITED BISCUIT Co., compris-ing independents in various cities and now on 13 stations, may add other outlets this fall. Quarter-hour Man-in-the-Street programs hour Man-in-the-Street programs broadcast six times weekly are cur-rently being used on seven starently being used on seven sta-tions in addition to a chain pro-gram over six stations of the Michigan Network. Stations are WGN, WWJ, WTAM, WDAY, WTMJ, WIRE, KMOX. Michigan Natwork list includes WFI I WEAS, WIRE, KMOX. Michigan Network list includes WELL, WKZO, WFDF, WOOD-WASH, WBCM, WJIM. Neisser-Meyerhoff Inc., Chicago, is agency.

## **Sheaffer Pen Net Spots**

SHEAFFER PEN Co., Fort Madi-son, Ia. (pens) on Aug. 27 will start weekly musical program over three MBS stations. The program will the broadcast over W G N, WOR, and CKLW. Baggaley, Hor-ton & Hoyt, Chicago, is agency.

Sheaffer Pen will also start spot announcements on a long list of stations Aug. 16, included among which are WFBR, WBEN, WHO, KTRH, KHJ, WAVE, WREC, WWL, KSTP, KSL, KOA, WOW, KFRC, KOMO, WNAX.

KINGS COUNTY Communist Party will sponsor a half-hour broadcast on four New York stations the evening of Aug. 26. Talks by Earl Browder, candidate for president on the Com-munist ticket last year, and other speakers will comprise the program, which will originate on WINS and be fed to WMCA, WNEW and WQXR.





DO, MI, SOL,—DOUGH! Between the lines of the musical score of "Frigidaire Frolics" lies sales appeal that has brought cash results to the sponsor. Program just renewed for third time over WHEC by Harold J. Weisberg, Pres., Chapin-Owen Co., Inc., Frigidaire distributor, pictured going over the score with J. Gordon Baldwin, Musical Director, WHEC.





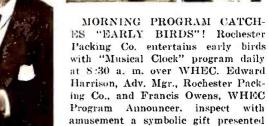
SAFE AT HOME—in the Rochester territory are Socony sales, thauks in good part to good will created by "Socony Sport Review" over WHEC. Ray Blades (in uniform), Mgr., Rochester Red Wings, has dashed from the baseball stadium to take part in a broadcast. Others (from left): G. V. Swendeman and Charles G. Thayer of Socony, Lowell MacMillan, WHEC Sports Aunouncer.



THREE WISE MEN from Rochester's advertising agencies cooperate with WHEC in judging a contest to determine the number of people in WHEC's audience at various hours on different days of the week. Left to right: E. C. Rogers. E. C. Rogers, Advertising; H. Lyman Hart, Pres., Hart-Conway Co., Inc.; and Albert T. Stewart, Pres., Stewart, Hanford and Frohman, Inc.

UP. AND OUT, AND INTO more homes in the Rochester territory go the programs of WHEC, thanks to the new high fidelity R.C.A. transmitter and Blaw Knox vertical radiator antenna recently purchased. The increased coverage amounts to 100 per cent, daytime, and 76 per cent, night time. —And it's all "bonus" because WHEC has not increased its rates. New market and coverage data now available. Write for folder.

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by one of the program's fans.

Rochester Prefers-



ROCHESTER, N. Y. BASIC CBS Representatives: Paul H. Raymer Co.; New York, Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco

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M-G-M Appoints Ford Assistant to Sydney; May Go to Hollywood TENTATIVE plans of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer to launch a largescale project for use of its name talent in radio are going forward, it has been indicated in company circles.

The latest development is the transfer of Gene Ford, manager of the Loew's Capitol Theater in Washington, to WHN, New York, in an executive production capa-city under Louis K. Sidney, director of the M-G-M station. Mr. Sidney is expected to go to Hollywood shortly to handle M-G-M radio productions, and negotiations have been in progress with several important national accounts in connection with sponsorship of programs starring M-G-M talent. Mr. Ford may accompany Mr. Sydney to Hollywood as his chief production assistant. Mr. Ford for four years was identified with the Capitol Theater in New York and in his capacity there handled the personal appearances of M-G-M stars over WHN.

Associate director and commereial manager of WHN is Herbert L. Pettey, former FCC secretary. He is now in his second year at the station, having resigned from the FCC in May, 1936, to accept the post. During that period WHN has become an increasingly important outlet in the New York area.



A UNIQUE sales campaign by San Francisco's largest department store, in which only radio advertising was used, has won acclaim because of its results. The plan was conceived by Maurice H. Hyde, advertising director of the Emporium Downstairs Store, to promote the 26th anniversary sale.

The only newspaper space used was that employed to call attention to the intensive broadcast appeal, which ran through two days on KJBS (July 31 and Aug. 1), climaxing with a big birthday party broadcast on the afternoon of the second day over KJBS and its sister station, KQW in San Jose—50 miles away.

Jose-50 miles away. The blast was accompanied by widespread distribution of 250,000 copies of a 12-page sales circular. The front page of the circular was devoted to flash copy and a color reproduction of the new KJBS studio and tower, the latter highlighted with red neon-like coloring down the sides. The first day's receipts in the sale substantially exceeded last year's opening receipts, according to Mr. Hyde, despite the fact the sales circular was eight pages smaller, no newspaper advertising

The first day's receipts in the sale substantially exceeded last year's opening receipts, according to Mr. Hyde, despite the fact the sales circular was eight pages smaller, no newspaper advertising was used and the costly threemonth hotel strike had just closed. "The results far exceeded our original estimates and more than vindicated our radio campaign," Mr. Hyde declared. Spot announcements were used every half-hour on July 31 and Aug. 1. Two half-hour programs were presented on July 31—Concert Masters, a transcribed feature at 10:30 a. m. and Cocktail Hour, a transcription, at 4:30 p. m.

On Aug. 1 two quarter-hour recorded programs were presented. *Rhythm Revue* at 9:15 a. m. and *This Rhythmic Age* at 11:45 a. m. The campaign was topped off Aug. 1 with a 60-minute birthday party from 3 to 4 p. m. over KJBS and KQW.

## **Kellogg Football**

CONTINUING the intensive sport schedule begun in Chicago last spring, the Kellogg Co., Battle Creek, Mich., has signed for sponsorship of the Northwestern home and away games this fall over WBBM. Although merchandising plans for the football games have not been completed, it is possible that they may be almost on as great a scale as the company's promotional work in conjunction with the current baseball broadcasts on WJJD, which included car cards, full page newspaper ads and billboards. in addition to presenting famous sports personalities on the broadcasts. John Harrington, regular WBBM announcer, now broadcasting the baseball games over WJJD, will announce the games. N. W. Ayer & Son Inc., Philadelphia, is agency.

## ALL NEW ORLEANS PHONED BY WDSU

PERSONAL telephone calls to every residential telephone in New Orleans were resorted to by WDSU, Aug. 1 as a means of informing housewives or heads of families that the station was joining the NBC Blue Network. Denied the customary newspaper cooperation on such matters, because radio news is restricted in all local papers, Joseph H. Uhalt resorted to the telephone notification method.

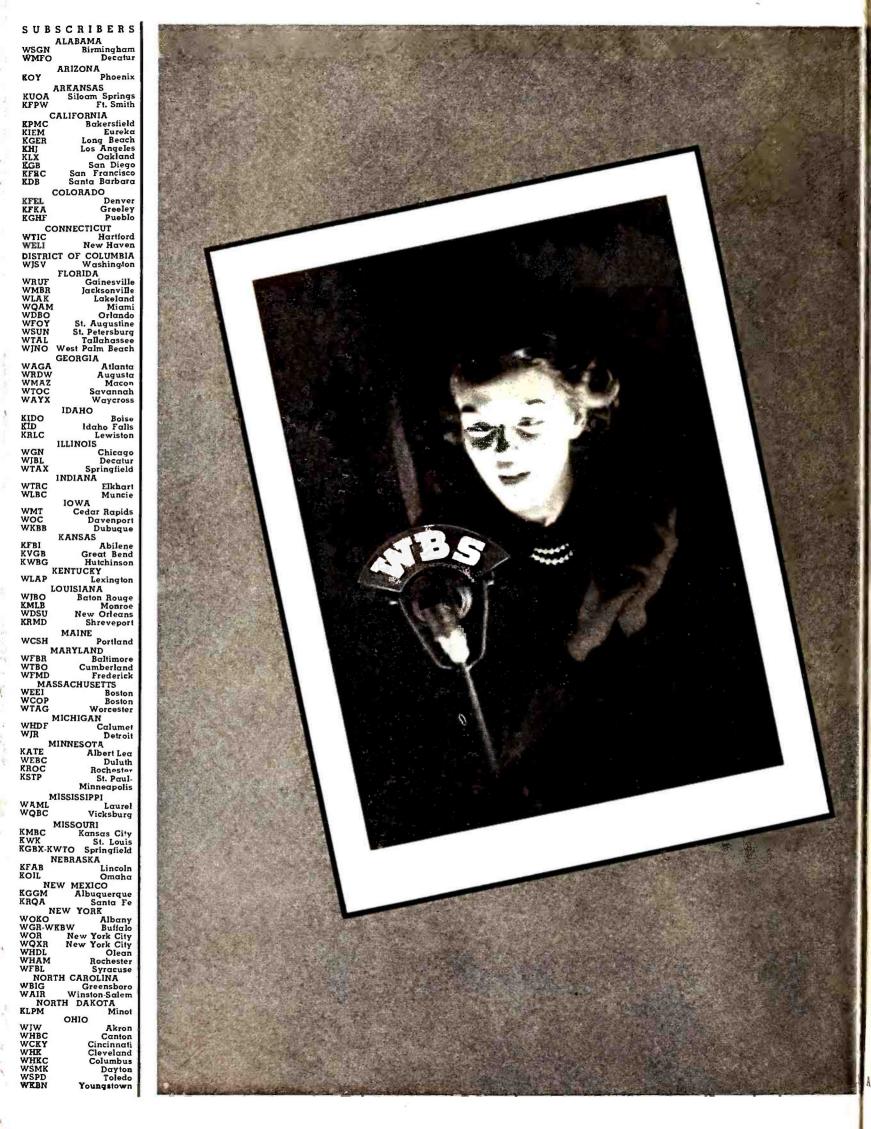
One of tea Southern stations which joined NBC on Aug. 1, WDSU used many novel promotion methods to acquaint the audience with its affiliation. Flags and bunting used in decorating the main street for the Mardi Gras were ordered out by Mr. Uhalt a week in advance of the opening day. Hugh blue lettering on white banners carried the legend "Welcome to NBC Blue Network over WDSU". Street cars carried the same message and banners were placed in many stores and all windows. The new NBC "Blue Gown" [see page 47] was displayed in a large department store and special broadcasts were made from the store.

Mr. Uhalt explained he resorted to this manner of promotion after one of the local newspapers refused a special tabloid section by WDSU on the ground that its request for a small amount of news space in the 22-page section being used for pictures of WDSU and of NBC stars was in conflict with its policy.

# NOW AVAILABLE ... THREE SURE-HIT KFYR NEWSCASTS MEYER BROADCASTING COMPANY

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RE FOR WTMJ ADVERTISERS PERIOD OF TIME SETS TURNED ON An Early Rise in 8:30 and 900 a.m. 59 PER CENT Listening Temperatures 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. 56 PER CENT 7:00 and 8:00 a. 40 PER CEN Milwaukee is an up-and-stirring industrial community not addicted to late sleeping. At least 70.3% of Milwaukee's male population is at work between 7:30 and 8:00 a.m. The other 29.7% dash for desks not later than 8:30. And of the 20% of Milwaukee women who work, the great majority meet an 8 o'clock deadline. A comparative few (lucky gals!) hit the deck at 9:30. Which proves that the use of early morning time on WTMJ is both productive and profitable. Not because Milwaukee hands turn off alarm clocks in the wee hours. But because these same hands turn on radios almost as soon as the alarm is stifled! Researchers discovered that of the 185,514 radios in Greater Milwaukee, nearly 75,000 were in operation between 7:00 and 8:00 On July 25 WTMJ switched over to its a. m. Between 8:00 and 8:30, the sets tuned new transmitter and vertical 400-foot rain soared to 103,887. And from 8:30 to 9:00, diator. The following message from hardthe number reached the astonishing total to-reach Ladysmith, Wis., 298 miles from Milwaukee, is typical of the widespread of 109,453! listener reaction: Here, certainly, is a numerical market that and when the switch was made, On Wisconsin' came in much clearer even top flight space buyers can't afford to and louder. Your station has been hard laugh off! Here's a vast listener audience to locate and next to impossible to hear whose a.m. tuning habits are largely a reover our set in the daytime, but we sult of WTMJ's morning program menu! have been able to hear it plainly today. Congratulations on the improvements?" Here are more ears for less money than can be bought at any other time of the day! Action, advertisers! THE Greater MILWAUKEE JOURNAL STATION Edward Petry & Co., Representatives NEW YORK . DETROIT . CHICAGO . SAN FRANCISCO



# "SOUND PICTURE"

• Whether sustaining or sponsored—whether for local, regional or national advertising—your program is "a perfect portrait in sound" when recorded by World's modern Wide Range Vertical method. Your listeners hear the individual artists exactly as they are—music, drama and commercials as true-to-life as the most candid camera print.

Here's the picture:

**1.** Transcription Headquarters, with complete recording facilities, in New York, Chicago and Hollywood.

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**3.** Selective Broadcasting—uniform, high-quality programs in markets of the advertiser's own unrestricted choice.

And remember—the W B S method of Vertical Recording and Reproduction is Selective Broadcasting at its best! . . . For full information, write Transcription Headquarters, 711 Fifth Avenue, New York.

> Ask to see the new W B S sound motion picture "On the Air with World"—now showing at Transcription Headquarters in New York and Chicago

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## **Cycles and Kilocycles**

LOTS of things run in cycles, besides radio waves. Among them is the pastime of making the broadcast medium Target No. 1 of the advertising field.

Of late there has been a deluge of pot-shotting at broadcasting, particularly from agencies. Perhaps Arthur Pryor Jr. and Ned Midgley have been as vehement as any of the critics in their suggestions to the industry, although both are known to be friendly to radio advertising.

Now the cycle seems to be going the other way, judging by the literary output of two broadcasters who contribute to this issue of BROADCASTING. Curiously, both chose dramatic literary devices to tell their stories. Walter Damm, of WTMJ, one of radio's pioneers, uses a letter-telegram exchange to implant several friendly suggestions in the skyscraper offices of metropolitan time buyers. Maurice C. Coleman, manager of WATL, Atlanta, obviously a bit skeptical of the sincerity of some agency promises, chose the fable method of telling his story, and he tops it off with an authentic premium offer with no box tops required.

Both sides, in their more candid moments, will admit that honest criticism is healthy and beneficial to all, since all are interested in the spending of the same dollars. To date the criticism has been honest and apparently is exerting a helpful influence. Here's to more and better verbal battles, and may both sides win!

## Into The Discard

INTO THE discard with the impending end of Congress, will go not only the Celler and Boylan bills but possibly the proposals to investigate the broadcasting industry and its FCC regulators. This means merely a breathing spell until the next Congress, for we may expect to see the measures crop up again in one form or another next January. So far as the broadcasting industry is concerned, their revival and a thorough airing of their purposes at that time may be wholly desirable.

The Celler Bill proposes a shortwave broadcasting station to be operated by the government to combat subversive radio propaganda from abroad. The Boylan Bill proposes a \$1 to \$3 tax per watt on various power classifications of broadcasting stations. Both had the same origin, that is, were inspired and, in the case of the latter, written by a member of the FCC. Both are opposed by the broadcasters the Celler Bill as an encroachment upon private operation and a needless waste of taxpayers' money since existing stations can do the same job without the onus of governmental propagandizing, and the Boylan Bill as an inequitable tax on a business that already pays its just corporate and excess profits taxes.

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With regard to the Celler Bill, we doubt whether it would have survived the scrutiny of a Congressional committee despite the good intentions of its author, for he was ill-advised technically when he was informed that any single station, even using a variety of frequencies, could possibly "reach the nethermost ends of earth." As for the wattage tax bill, some sort of franchise tax may eventually be imposed on radio stations but not one that so simply and blithely fixes a rate per watt regardless of the varying values of frequencies, capacity to pay, etc. It is based on wholly misleading statements regarding "enormous profits" and on the theory, not followed in the case of either the Federal Trade or Interstate Commerce commissions, that a regulated business should directly defray the cost of regulation.

As for the investigation resolutions, we repeat what we have stated in these columns again and again: All radio will welcome a factfinding investigation along the lines of the White Resolution, for it will air and perhaps cleanse an atmosphere clouded by misstatements, misapprehensions and suspicion. Neither a "fishing expedition" nor "headline hunt," from our observations, is contemplated in the sweepingly factual purposes set forth in the White Resolution.

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## **Believe It or Not**

RADIO learned a lesson the other day about testimonial advertising. It grew out of the battle of breakfast foods and the quest for big-name athletes to endorse them.

In baseball lore the prize "boner" story is that of the famed outfielder Snodgrass who stole second with the bases loaded during a world's series. Now radio has its counterpart of that "bloomer" and all because of testimonial advertising.

On the last Friday of last month, Lou Gehrig, stellar slugger of the New York Yankees, stepped before an NBC mike as the guest star on the Kellogg-sponsored *Believe* 

## The RADIO BOOK SHELF

AN exceptional book on the non-technial phases of radio is Handbook of Broadcasting by Waldo Abbot, director of the Broadcasting Service and assistant professor of speech at Michigan U. who is also member of the Federal Radio Education Committee (McGraw Hill Book Co., New York, \$3.50). Designed as a guide for teachers and students of broadcasting in planning and presenting programs as well as for those who at some time may make a radio address, the book is a pratcical treatise written by a man of practical experience in radio. The section devoted to program planning includes reprints of successful scripts and a critical analysis of production problems. Particularly informative are the chapters on the networks, local station problems, transcriptions and phases of radio reception. The section devoted to radio's legal aspects traces the historical growth of the industry and the litigation resulting from copyright and libel. Very readable and complete in bibliography, the Handbook of Broadcasting should be helpful to the general public and students of radio in understanding the scope of the industry.

CREDO HARRIS, who was a playwright, newspaperman and novelist before Ambassador Robert W. Bingham called him into the Louisville Courier-Journal office one April morning back in 1922, and told him he was to run a broadcasting station, has not let some 15 years of radio pioneering dull the point of his keen pen. In that momentous decade-and-ahalf he was watched and has been a part of the development of the broadcasting industry, guiding the destinies of WHAS, Louisville. Therefore he is mechanically as well as factually equipped to turn out Microphone Memoirs. a collection of anecdotes that deal with the high and hot spots of interesting and exciting years [Bobbs-Merrill Co., New York, \$1.75].

Taking the journalistic approach to the subject, Credo Harris fills 281 pages with as fascinating a group of tales as radio literature has ever produced. Always the human and the humorous side are featured in his account of the horse and buggy days of radio and the problems that confronted a manager who took over the job of starting and operating a broadcast station at a time when he didn't know a tube from a condensor.

It Or Not program, on behalf of the Kellogg's Huskies. After a dramatic build-up of Gehrig's prowess as a home-run hitter and the "iron-man" of the diamond who hadn't missed a game in years, his interviewer asked him about his favorite breakfast food.

And, believe it or not, the Columbia University graduate replied: "Wheaties."

Silence shattered the ether. After an eternity, the interviewer finally collected his wits and inquired whether there wasn't some other breakfast food he liked. Gehrig then admitted a deep affection for *Huskies*.

On the following Friday, with another famous athlete as guest star, ample safeguards were employed. The interviewer inquired whether he did not regard *Huskies* as the ideal breakfast food. A one-syllable answer was all that was necessary.

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## We Pay Our Respects To -



JOHN RALPH LATHAM

GO OUT and find out. There, in five words, is the radio creed of John Ralph Latham, director of spot radio operations for the clients of Young & Rubicam Inc. There also is the explanation for his frequent absence from his office, for Jack Latham practices what he preaches and a good share of his time is spent in the field, visiting stations, talking with managers, salesmen, announcers, talent, learning policies and practices, talking with listeners and local business men, learning how the stations are thought of in their own home towns by audiences and advertisers.

First-hand knowledge is essential to the intelligent use of spot broadcasting, Jack believes. Speaking before the New York Advertising Club recently, he urged investigation before purchase as the only sure way of getting the best out of spot broadcasting. "Get out in the field and learn for yourselves how the stations handle their present accounts," he said. "Learn how they handle their own advertising and promotion, what they really think of their audiences and what their audiences really think of them. Don't be fooled by power and frequency. 'Sometimes a low-powered station or one with a poor wave-length will be so stimulated by more powerful or better located competition and will go after the audience with such vigor that it actually becomes a better buy for the advertiser."

He also believes that live-wire local stations are usually the best judge of the likes and dislikes of the listeners in their communities and in spot campaigns he advocates the purchase of local programs wherever possible. "A program that has been built by a station either as a sustaining feature or for local sponsorship is usually built to the specifications of the station's audience," he says, "and if it has a good past record in audience or sales response it will probably be equally successful for a national advertiser. And here again the only way to know what are the good local programs is by personal inspection."

This theory—perhaps conviction is a better word—of Latham's that the way to learn is through seeing and doing has kept him on the move through most of his 30 years. A native New Yorker, born Jan. 17, 1907, Jack began his migrations early, dividing his elementary education among the schools of New York, Greenwich, Conn., and Westfield, N. J. He started his secondary education at Regis High School in New York, but quit at the end of his second year to become quarter-master on the Panama-Pacific Lines. With his wanderlust momentarily satisfied, Jack returned to Greenwich and worked for six months in his father's yarn mill, from which he jumped to a job in Newark as manager of a factory engaged in making novelties for the 5-and-10 cent stores. In 1925 Jack realized that his formal education needed brushing up, so he enrolled in the Greenwich High School where he cleaned up the four-year course in one and found time on the side to win his letter at football as high point scorer of the team.

Following graduation from high school, Jack entered Lehigh University, where his extra-curricular activities included football, glee club and the stewardship of his fraternity (Psi Upsilon) house. But in 1929 the lure of boom time salaries combined with his drive for first-hand knowledge to outweigh Jack's desire for more college and he quit school to take a position with G. L. Ohrstrom Co., a firm of underwriters which was active in the public utility field. As an executive in the purchasing department Jack spent two years investigating securities, but when Tri-Utilities, a holding company in which Ohrstrom was deeply interested, collapsed in 1931, Ohrstrom failed also.

Following a short term as a section manager at Macy's, Jack went into the sound engineering business. Building and installing public address systems, operating sound trucks, recording sound on film and similar tasks gave him a valuable knowledge of the technical side of radio. Serving as monitor man and frequently doubling as an announcer, Jack handled meetings ranging from style shows and night club revues to political rallies and thereby gained an even more valuable first-hand view of

## PERSONAL NOTES

GEORGE DIEFENDERFER has resigned as manager of the Detroit office of William G. Rambeau Co., to join the sales staff of WBBM. Chicago. Bill Dooley. with the station for four years has also joined the sales staff. He had been secretary to J. Kelley Smith when the latter was sales manager of WBBM before heading Radio Sales Inc.

MORTIMER C. WATTERS, general manager of WCHS, Charleston, W. Va., and Mrs. Watters are the parents of a daughter, Mary Ellen, born Aug. 3.

ANDY POTTER, former manager of KOH, Reno. Nev., has been named assistant manager of the newly authorized KSRO. Santa Rosa. Cal., which is to be dedicated soon.

ENES CANATA. KFRC sales service manager, San Francisco, is recuperating at the Dante Hospital. San Francisco from injuries received when struck by an automobile.

M. F. WOODLING, manager of KYOS, Merced, Cal., following a month's leave of absence due to ill health, has returned to his station duties.

HENRY FRITZEN, new to radio. has been appointed account executive of KGER, Long Beach, Cal.

S. H. PATTERSON, manager of KGGC, San Francisco, recently purchased a new launch on which he has placed shortwave equipment.

RALPH WEIL, sales manager of WISN, Milwaukee, sailed July 29 on the Quirga for a West Indies cruise. R I C H A R D O'BRIEN and Dave (aughlan have joined the sales staff of KSD, St. Louis.

MERWYN (Dixie) McCABE has rejoined KFRC, San Francisco, as account executive, after an absence of several months. He had been in ill health.

the effect of the amplified human voice on an audience,

From this it was a natural step to radio and when, in 1933, after a brief interlude in manufacturing a patented card table he had invented ("We made thousands and sold dozens," is Jack's comment on this venture), he joined the merchandising and research department of Young & Rubicam, and was soon transferred to the agency's radio department. At first he spent part of his time on production but gradually concentrated more and more on time buying and for more than a year he has been in charge of this activity. In 1934 he married Donna

In 1934 he married Donna Brace, daughter of the publisher. As this is written the Lathams are residents of Manhattan, but by the time it appears in print that statement may no longer be true. "I know of a place in Connecticut that with just a little fixing up and remodeling . . ." Jack says, a dreamy look coming into his eyes. His hobbies are working with his hands, building things, furniture, houses, and especially boats. Sailing is Jack's passion and during the summer he is more likely to be found at the tiller of his boat than at home.

What the future will bring no one knows, least of all Jack himself. But whatever it is radio will very probably be involved, for as Jack says, "Radio is an ideal vocation for a guy who likes to go places. The whole business moves so rapidly and changes so quickly that it's all a man can do to keep up with it." GEORGE McCAUGHNA, assistant to Edward Buckalew, CBS Pacific Coast sales promotion manager, Hollywood, has been promoted to assistant to Alan Cormack, traffic manager. He has been placed in charge of all CBS Hollywood and Los Angeles theaters and takes over the duties of Bill Anderson, transferred to the sales promotion department.

MARTIN GOSCH, for the last year radio director of Warner Bros. First. National Pictures, and vice-president of Transamerican Artists Bureau, who recently resigned to handle the business affairs of several Hollywood radio artists, is now in New York to negotiate agency deals for clients, having left the West Coast Aug. 9.

R. H. STIEPOCK. vice-president of Rintoul-Stiepock Inc., New York, is the father of a boy, Robert Clarke Stiepock, born Aug. 4.

RALPH NORDBERG, former sales manager of WGY, Schenectady, has joined the NBC station sales departneut in New York.

ROBERT S. TAPLINGER, head of Robert S. Taplinger Inc., New York radio publicity service, is in Hollywood conferring with Pauline Swanson. West Coast manager of the organization, and with clients on fall activities.

DONALI) FLAMM, president of WMCA, New York, brought back a Sicilian donkey and cart from Italy after a recent vacation there.

DONALD W. THORNBURGH, CBS Pacific Coast vice-president. Hollywood, is on his way to New York for a series of network conferences, having left the West Coast Aug. 13.

COMBS BLANFORD, staff announcer of WLBC, Muncie, Ind., has resigned to join WKBV, Richmond, Ind., as head of local sales.

PAUL WING, NBC director of children's programs, gave a talk Aug. 7 before the Wharf Theatre School, Provincetown, Mass., on "Footlights and Microphones."

GEORGIA NEFF, formerly in the publicity department of N. W. Ayer & Son Inc., New York, has joined the Hollywood CBS studios in a similar capacity.

RALPH ATLASS, head of WJJD and WIND, Chicago and Gary, left ('hicago Aug. 9 for a two-week motor trip during which time he will visit Yellowstone and other national parks. Joe Kirth, formerly on the sales staff of WIHBF, Rock Island, Ill., has been added to the WJJD sales staff.

## Edgar "Teddy" Bill

EDGAR D. (Teddy) BILL, 19year-old son of Edgar L. Bill, president of the Peoria Broadcasting Co. and operator of WMBD, Peoria, died July 27 at Phoenix. Ariz., after an illness of eight months. He would have been a senior this fall at Peoria High School and was almost a genius at radio engineering. He frequently aided WMBD operators.

#### Albert E. Short

ALBERT E. SHORT, NBC staff orchestra leader in Chicago, died Aug. 10 after a stroke of apoplexy at the age of 46. He was once a cornet soloist with Victor Herbert's orchestra. He is survived by his widow and a daughter. Interment took place Aug. 12 at Springfield, Mass.

#### Lew Anker

LEW ANKER, former WIP announcer, died Aug. 6 at the Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York. He had been ill for the last year. Surviving is his wife, Anice Ives, who directs the *Homemakers' Club* at WMCA, New York.



LONNY WORTH. former assistant to Stan Shaw, who announces the midnight to morning *Milkman's Matinee* on WNEW. New York, has been appointed studio manager of the station. The position has been vacant for several months, since the resignation of Walter Tibbles, who is now with Biow Co. Inc. as assistant space buyer. John Flora, new to radio, succeeds Worth as assistant on the early morning program.

JACK SAYERS, in the CBS Hollywood publicity department, has announced his engagement to Gwen Steele, the wedding to take place in November.

HOWARD CHAMBERLAIN has resigned from KMA. Shenandoah. Ia., where he has been program director for the last year, to become production manager of KLZ, Denver. He was with WLS. Chicago, before going to KMA.

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GENE HALLIDAY, formerly of KLO, Ogden, Utah, has been named music director of KSL, Salt Lake City. Irma Bitner has been promoted to director of public relations of KSL.

JOHN HUGHES has been added to the announcing staff of WATL. Atlanta. Chief announcer Dick Pyron has also assumed the duties of production manager. Ken Keese, for the past year the station's musical advisor, has been appointed program director.

FRED GRAYSON has been appointed head of the KNX, Hollywood, purchasing department, succeeding Roy Atchison, resigned.

ANDY POTTER, for the last year program director of KOH, Reno, Nev., has resigned to take a similar post with KSRO, new Santa Rosa, Cal., station scheduled to open the end of August.

ROY GRANDE, CBS Hollywood continuity writer, and Dorothy Lois Smith, on the staff of KOL, Seattle, in a similar capacity, will be married Aug. 26 in the latter city.

KENNETH HIGGINS, KEHE. Los Angeles, producer, and Lucille Lund, motion picture actress, will be married in that city Aug. 20.

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## Announcing Sleuth

CLARENCE GARNES, man-in-street announcer for KBST, Big Spring, Tex., questioned a youth from Bakersfield, Cal., who gave his name as Jimmy Lyles, formerly of Big Spring. Deputy sheriffs who were listening to the program recalled that Lyles was wanted in Fort Worth to face charges of forgery. They took him in custody a few minutes later.

BILL LAWRENCE has been assigned network producer of the CBS Hollywood in Person program sponsored by General Mills Inc., from Hollywood. Tom Wallace, of Baggaley, Horton & Hoyt Inc., continues as agency production head.

BOB SANDERS, for seven months on the staff of Consolidated Radio Artists Inc., has been appointed West Coast manager with headquarters in Hollywood.

gave yles, ring. were in reinted face They few few fish while Drips took third with a 9 lb. 2 oz. catch. They entered the tourney last winter while in Florida for a Farm & Home Hour broadcast. ROBERT W. EHRMAN, formerly professor of German at the University of Richmond, has been named continuity director of WRTD, Richmond, succeeding Bernard M. Dabney, named publicity and promotion director.

MALCOLM (Buzz) EAGLE, assistant program director and head of the artists' bureau of the old Affiliated Broadcasting System, has joined KVOD, Denver, where he will build special programs for local sponsors.

EVERETT MITCHELL, NBC

nior announcer in Chicago, and William E. Drips, NBC director of agri-

culture, were presented fishing reels recently by a Lions Club delegation from Clearwater, Fla. Mitchell won

first prize in the annual Clearwater tournament with a 12 lb. 3 oz. king-

M. C. BERTSCH, formerly of KFBK, Sacramento, Cal., has joined KJBS, San Francisco.

DEAN STEWART, announcer of KGMB, Honolulu, recently made a business trip to the mainland, visiting stations in Seattle, Portland, Vancouver, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

ED CARDER, continuity writer of WLW, Cincinnati, and Thelma Horn, of Ludlow, Ky., were married late in July.

DON MARTIN, formerly of WIP, Philadelphia, has joined the announcing staff of WTAR, Norfolk, Va.

GENE KRISCHER, member of the publicity staff of KSFO. San Francisco, flew to New York on Aug. 2 to confer with CBS officials.

WARD BYRON, writer and producer on NBC San Francisco staff, resigned July 31 to join the Music Corporation of America staff in Hollywood as studio consultant in MCA's new program production unit. Under a special arrangement with NBC, Byron will continue to write the scripts for the n et w or k's Bughouse Rhythm programs.

HERB ALLEN, announcer at KFRC, San Francisco, and Miss Jane Kasper were married recently at Lake Tahoe, Cal.

EARL MELBY, formerly an announcer-producer of KYW, then in Chicago, has joined KMPC, Beverly Hills, Cal., announcing staff, replacing Gordon Mills, resigned.

T. ROY REID, formerly of KTUL. Tulsa, has joined the announcing staff of KSD, St. Louis.

LANE WILLIAMS has joined the announcing staff of KFAC, Los Angeles.

FOSTER GOSS has been appointed news editor of KNX, Hollywood, having resigned his city editorship of the *Los Angeles Illustrated Daily News* to take over the assignment. Nelson (Pete) Pringle, temporarily appointed news editor when John Clarke resigned some weeks ago, remains as Goss' assistant.

BILLY WELLS. formerly with WJNO, West Palm Beach, Fla., bas joined the announcing staff of WQAM, Miami.

CLETE ROBERTS. formerly of KIRO and KOL, Seattle. has joined KGER. Long Beach, Cal., as news editor, the station having subscribed to the full Transradio news service effective Aug. 2. Gordon Mills formerly KMPC, Beverly Hills, Cal. announcer, has also joined the station as newscaster. Lee Wynne has been appointed publicity director, having been switched from announcing.

FRANK PERKINS, continuity writer of WJBK, Detroit, is nursing a broken jaw as a result of being struck by a hit-and-run driver recently. He is well on the road to recovery.

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## What Happened to Punkin or HOW UNCLE HENRY SAVED THE DAY!



GENE FERGUSON of WCHS, Charleston, W. Va., who is master of ceremonies on the WCHS weekly broadcast *The Old Farm Hour*, Aug. 6 celebrated his birthday and the fourth anniversary of the program. The Friday night show is broadcast from the studio auditorium before 3.600 paid admissions.

QUIN RYAN, commentator and announcer of WGN. Chicago, departed August 13 for a trip to Sun Valley, Idaho; Lake Louise, Canada, and Alaska.

BROOKS WATSON. former police reporter of the *Peoria* (III.) Star, has joined the staff of WMBD, that city, as news editor and announcer.

JAMES BEGLEY, program manager of KYW, Philadelphia, recently swam in the Pacific and Atlantic oceans on the same day when he flew from Hollywood to Camdeu, N. J., at the conclusion of his vacation.

conclusion of his vacation. JOSEPH J. AUERHAAN has resigned as publicity director of WNYC, New York's municipally-owned station. Auerhaan has been associated with radio since 1924 and at one time was executive secretary of the Broadcast Owners Association, an organization of independent broadcasters.

EDITH BRINSON, secretary of WRVA, Richmond, has sailed for Europe aboard the *Conte di Savoia*. She also will visit Palestine and Egypt, returning from Alexandria about the first week of September.

ROBERT ST. F. HURLEIGH. formerly in theatrical and announcing work in Washington. has joined the production staff of WFBR. Baltimore.

RAY SCHNEIDER, aunouncer of WWSW, Pittsburgh, a second lieutenant in the reserves, served with his company during summer maneuvers during August.

REINALD WERRENRATH Jr., member of NBC's guest relations division in New York, married Elizabeth Imbrie recently.



WPG ANGLERS — Nine members of the WPG, Atlantic City, sales staff and their national representative took a day off recently to go fishing. The picture was taken as they started out. Left to right: top row, J. Fennell, W. S. Shook, J. W. Mosher; center row, Walter Doyle, Paul Von, Charles Flaherty, Sidney Bogatin; bottom, William H. Appleby, sales manager; Hibbard Ayer of Sears & Ayer, George McGinley.

ANITA DAY HUBBARD, who conducts the "Good Neighbor" column in the San Francisco Examiner, is presenting a quarter-hour talk over KYA, San Francisco, giving advice to the perplexed. Josephine Avis, of the program department of KYA, is writing script for a new story and music feature on the station's Saturday morning Musical Clock hour conducted by Bert Buzzini. IVAN EPPINOFF has been appointed musical director of KEHE, Los Angeles, succeeding Leon Rosebrook resigned. Eppinoff came to the West Coast recently to appear in M-G-M's production of "Camille" after gaining prominence in Chicago and eastern cities as a violinist and conductor.

VIRGINIA SEEDS, head of the publicity department of WLS, Chicago, is leaving the station Aug. 15 to free lance. Miss Seeds started with *Prairie Farmer* in 1931. In addition to her publicity work, she was also managing editor of the station's magazine, *Stand By*.

CARLOS DEL PRADO has been added to the CBS Hollywood continuity staff.

GEORGE T. CASE of WIS, Columbia, S. C., married Miss Marilu Geiselman Aug. 3. Both have been in radio work for a number of years and met while working for stations in Cincinnati.

HERB CONNOR. Hollywood writer of the Don Lee network dramatic serial *House Undivided* sponsored by General Foods Inc (Satina) from KHJ, Los Angeles, has returned to the West Coast after a New York conference with sponsors on releasing the series nationally.

AUSTIN PETERSEN and Jess Oppenheimer. editor and writer respectively of last season's NBC Packard Hour. have been re-signed by Young & Rubicam Inc.. Hollywood, as members of that shows fall season writing staff.

JOHN MURRAY, CBS Hollywood producer of *Cassandra*. Pacific Coast network dramatic serial sponsored by Sylmar Packing Corp., (olives), has returned to his studio duties after being confined to his home through illness.

## Rising Radio Standards Seen in Canada by Weed

CANADIAN broadcasting is on a par with American broadcasting, according to Joseph J. Weed, president of Weed & Co., New York station representatives, who returned recently from a six-week tour of Canadian stations. Extensive equipment and rebuilding programs are going forward in many parts of the Dominion, according to Mr. Weed who said that CKY, Winnipeg, is spending \$100,000 on new equipment and that CKCK, Regina, is building new studios and transmitter at great cost. The equipment, he continued, is the latest and for the most part comes from the United States. Mr. Weed said further that in his opinion Canada leads America in the standard of its daytime programs and in its brand of radio

Mr. Weed said further that in his opinion Canada leads America in the standard of its daytime programs and in its brand of radio humor. He stated that daytime programs are not treated as fillins in Canada and because of expert programming there are probably more daytime listeners proportionately in Canada than in the United States. "American comics," Mr. Weed said, "use takeoffs on vaudeville technique while Canada's radio comics use an honest-togoodness radio technique solely devised and patterned for the edification of the home listener rather than for a visible studio audience."

NORMAN BROKENSHIRE, veteran network announcer, on Aug. 4 began a new series of thrice-weekly programs, sponsored by the Journal of Living and booked through MBS. on WAAB, Boston; WEAN, Providence, and WOR, Newark, originating in the latter's studios.

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# Just a Mother

We folks at WWVA like to feel that there is a heck of a lot of sentiment in the operation of a successful broadcasting station. Experience has taught us that the feeling listeners have for "their" station means a great deal to the advertiser. And by "feeling" we refer to a thought so eloquently expressed in a recent fan letter addressed to WWVA. Among many nice comments regarding our service, the writer said "When I miss hearing your Radio Pals, I feel as lonesome as I do when I miss seeing my own boys." Then the peak in listener sentiment was so superbly expressed in this signature:

# "Just a Mother to My Radio Friends"

It is such listener reactions as this that have made "The Friendly Voice from Out of the Hills of West Virginia" a top ranking performer in a big industry. A powerful claim to be sure, but your check-up is what we're after.

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# New Shortwave Methods To Be Employed by GE For Foreign Broadcasts NEW DEVELOPMENTS in shortwave broadcast technique will be employed in the operation of the 100,000 watt transmitter being installed by General Electric Co. in Schenectady under FCC authority granted last month, according to Boyd W. Bullock, assistant broadcasting manager of GE.

The new transmitter, to be used by W2XAD and W2XAF, will entail an expenditure of more than \$100,000 and will be the most powerful shortwave transmitter in the world [BROADCASTING, Aug. 1].

World [BROADCASTING, Aug. 1]. One of the innovations is the panel antenna developed by Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, inventor of the famous Alexanderson alternator. With this aerial, it is claimed, it is possible to send signals in one direction on a beam so narrow that very little energy is dispersed more than 15 degrees on either side of the line of direction. Thus, it will be possible to send more than three times as strong a signal in one direction than is possible with the conventional types of shortwave antenna.

It is understood the effort will be made to concentrate the beam in the direction of South America for best possible reception there with the result that the signal trained toward that locality will have an intensity ratio of 300,000 rather than 100,000 watts. A second development to be incorporated in the transmitter is a new type of transmitting tube which, according to GE, will make practical shortwave broadcasting with much higher powers than now are being used. The new equipment will be ready for operation by the first of the year, according to Mr. Bullock.

# **Central Shoe Series**

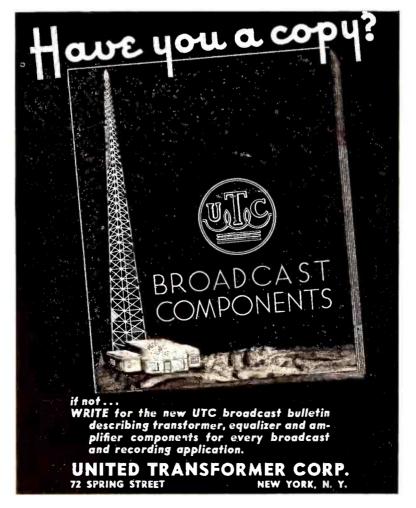
CENTRAL SHOE Co., St. Louis (women's shoes), will start a transcribed show, *Footsteps to Beauty* on 12 stations starting in October. The program will be broadcast 15 minutes once a week. The entire series was produced and transcribed by Transamerican. Kelly, Stuhlman & Zarndt, St. Louis, is agency.

# TEXAS COCA COLA ON QUALITY GROUP

SUCCESS of their Coca Cola College Night program over WFAA, Dallas, has led the Coca Cola Bottlers of Texas to extend the series to the Texas Quality Network, starting Sept. 30, Thursdays and Saturdays, 6:30-7 p. m., until Nov. 27. The 18 broadcasts, picked up by remote control from the campuses of the various universities and colleges of Texas, will be handled by Wilson Crook Advertising Co., Dallas.

For nine weeks last fall, the shows were carried on WFAA, featuring pep rallies from the week's honor college on Friday nights with football predictions and comments by Jerry Mann, and band shows from the participating colleges on Saturday nights. A merchandising tie-in called for predictions of the outcome of the games from listeners, with cases of Coca Cola as the reward. As a mail puller the show set a record at WFAA, running 200,000 entries in seven weeks.

This year's series will again have Hal Thompson, WFAA chief announcer, at the microphone, with Benny Lee Boynton, Southwest football official, predicting the scores on the Thursday night shows.



# W1XAL Extending To Latin Nations Pan American Union to Assist

Educational Broadcasts



EXTENSION of the broadcasts of W1XAL, international shortwave station at Boston, into the Latin American field is planned under a cooperative arrangement made between the World Wide

Mr. Lemmon

Broadcasting Foundation, licensee of the station, and the Pan American Union at Washington. Station W1XAL is devoted entirely to educational broadcasting, working under a grant by the Rockefeller Foundation and in cooperation with Harvard, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and other institutions of higher learning. Its founder and director is Walter S. Lemmon, radio inventor who is regularly employed as head of the radiotype division of International Business Machines Corp., New York.

Purpose of the new series will be to improve knowledge of the American republics among one another. Broadcasts will be in English and Spanish, relayed to 10 cooperating stations in Central and South America for rebroadcast there. In addition, transcriptions of all programs will be made during the broadcasts and will be repeated for different time zones. Discs will also be made available to any and all stations in Latin America without cost. Some of the transcriptions will be made in the Pan American Union headquarters in Washington, where recording equipment is being installed under Mr. Lemmon's direction.

# Longer Schedule

Mr. Lemmon announced that W1XAL will go on a seven to eight hour daily schedule with the beginning of the new college year. Its technical equipment is being expanded and improved, he said, with an additional series of beam antennae to focus the shortwaves toward South and Central America. Hitherto the station has concentrated on Europe, particularly Great Britain, and on domestic listeners. Its educational courses, Mr. Lemmon said, have had a regular listenership of at least 500,000.

The station uses the 6040, 11790, 15250 and 21460 kc. frequencies, directing them to various points of the globe according to season and time of day.

Dr. Louis B. Andrews, of the Harvard Observatory, who is program director of W1XAL, is due to return to Boston about Sept. 1 after a five-month study period with the British Broadcasting Corp. in London. He has been attending the BBC staff college, working on program developments and studying listener reactions to W1XAL's programs in Great Britain. Chief engineer of W1XAL is Hollis Baird.

WHEN the studio clock at KGMB, Honolulu, gets too near the straight up mark, and it looks like the Old-Fashioned Spelling Bee is about to run over-time, the professor always has a stopper. It's the name of one of Hawaii's smallest fish — Humuhumunukunukuapuaa !

LAWRENCE HOLCOMB

Radio director, producer, writer and time-buyer, few men know radio better than Mr. Holcomb. He has served as radio head of Joseph Katz Co. and Fletcher & Ellis; continuity editor of NBC. Among his current radio accounts are Ward Baking Co. and Quaker Oats Co.

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# Independent Federal Status for FCC Is Advocated by Sykes at Senate Hearing

RETENTION of the FCC as an independent agency was advocated Aug. 9 by Acting Chairman E. O. Sykes in testimony before the Senate Committee on Government Reorganization which has before it the Administration bill (S-2700) under which that agency would be absorbed by the Commerce Department.

A drive for enactment of the President's plan developed suddenly Aug. 10 when a special House Committee reported favorably a modified bureau merger bill but with 12 independent commissions and agencies including the FCC, specifically exempted from its provisions. Under its terms the President would have authority to consolidate and revamp all other independent agencies within a twoyear period. Prompt passage by the House was predicted. One of several witnesses repre-

One of several witnesses representing independent agencies who opposed the President's reorganization plan, Judge Sykes delivered an analysis of the bill prepared under the direction of FCC General Counsel Hampson Gary. Responding to questions of Senator Byrd (D-Va.), opponent of the President's reorganization plan, Commissioner Sykes said that possible harmful effects upon the efficiency and responsibility of the FCC reposed in the bill's propos-



According to the figures in the 1930 Census, Station WAVE gives you complete and total NON-coverage of 121,704,128 people who live outside our legitimate listening range. This leaves 1,070,918 who DO listen to WAVE because we're the *nearest* N. B. C. station, giving them almost the complete portfolio of N. B. C. hits on *both* the Red and Blue Networks. . . . And that's a good many people, when you consider that they *really listen*!

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FOR SERVICES RENDERED—A plaque is presented to W. Carey Jennings, (right), manager of KGW-KEX, Portland, Ore., by Colonel Clarence Hotchkiss of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in recognition of the stations' meritorius services.

als that the hiring and discharging of employes be taken away from the Commission and placed under the Commerce Department. Moreover, he intimated, separation of the administrative function-

Moreover, he intimated, separation of the administrative functioning of the FCC, which would be placed in the Commerce Department, from the quasi-judicial actions of the Commission, would tend to place the responsibility of regulation upon the FCC without giving it the staff necessary to perform the task efficiently.

perform the task efficiently. "If the power to employ and the power to discharge for cause 15 taken away, I fear for the efficiency of the Commission," Judge Sykes said.

In the legal analysis, the FCC Law Department pointed out that under one section of the bill the executive department would be permitted to handle "routine" budgetary, personnel and supplies details for the FCC but that this section could be subjected to broader interpretation and therefore was ambiguous. It could be construed, for example, the memorandum stated, to place under an executive department such matters as appropriations estimates and appointment of personnel, which are of primary concern to the FCC.

Along with other independent agencies, the FCC had been called upon by the Senate committee to submit its views on the reorganization plan but up to Aug. 9 had failed to do so. Judge Sykes explained this was due to the sudden death last month of Chairman Prall. In its legal analysis, the FCC Law Department said that the Commission had a well-defined law under which it operated and that in its coordination of work with other departments there had never been any appreciable overlapping or duplication of effort.

Most vigorous opposition to the reorganization proposal came from Joseph B. Eastman, ICC commissioner, who termed it "dangerous and ill-advised". The bill, he declared, gave the President "a blank check" to reorganize the ICC in any way he desired and would pre-



# FUNDS ARE SOUGHT FOR HAVANA MEET

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT on Aug. 3 sent to Congress a brief message urging approval of an appropriation of \$15,000 to defray the expenses of the American delegation to the forthcoming Interamerican Radio Conference to be held in Havana beginning Nov. 1. The State Department recommended approval of the appropriation. The purpose of the conference, which will have treaty-making powers, will be to ratify the allocation plans worked out at the preliminary technical conference held in Havana last March which, along general lines, incorporate the socalled Craven-Ring allocation plan pending before the FCC as a result of the allocation hearings last fall.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee on Aug. 10 reported favorably its resolution (HJRes-476) for the \$15,000 fund for the Conference.

The President's message was accompanied by a report from Secretary of State Hull, which covered the purposes of the conference. It stated that participation had been approved by the FCC last May 27. The report added that the preliminary engineering conference held in Havana last March was "highly successful." FCC Chief Engineer T. A. M. Craven headed the American delegation to the conference and was commended by the State Department for the excellent work done.

Mr. Hull pointed out that broadcasting problems dealing with the allocation of clear channels, interference, the so-called Mexican border station situation and allocation and use of high frequencies were the dominant subjects to be considered at the Nov 1 conference. Also enumerated were the 15 resolutions adopted at the conference last March.

cipitate a harmful political influence on the ICC affairs. Chairman Byrnes (D-S.C.) of the Senate Committee asserted, however, there would be ample safeguards in the measure to protect the ICC.

measure to protect the ICC. Chairman William A. Ayers of the Federal Trade Commission, also assailed provisions of the bill. An administration not in sympathy with the Trade Commission, for example, he said, could "hamstring" it through this power. Other witnesses op p os ed the measure and praised the ICC for its notable record of impartial, pop-political governmental regula-

Other witnesses opposed the measure and praised the ICC for ics notable record of impartial, non-political governmental regulation. The National Association of Railroad & Utilities Commissioners through H. Lester Hooker, chairman of the Virginia Corporation Commission, asked that the ICC, FCC, Federal Power Commission and Securities & Exchange Commission be specifically exempted from the terms of the proposed governmental reorganization legislation. He asserted the independent commissions ought to be as free of political influence and control as the courts.

With adjournment of Congress anticipated this month, little hope is held out for enactment of a reorganization program along the lines advocated by the President in a special message to Congress earlier in the session. Such legislation, however, appears to be earmarked for consideration when the new Congress convenes next January.

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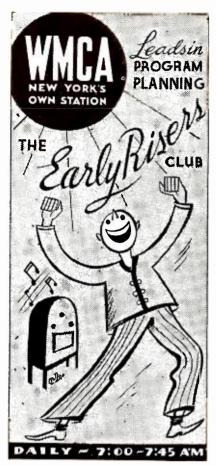
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(Continued from page 13) we are sending you under separate

cover. 5. After the first broadcast you contact a representative number of dealers and ascertain the number of cigars sold.

6. After the program has been on twice, you contact a representa-tive number of listeners and get an expression from them as to their opinion of the program.

7. Prior to the commencement of the program you make at least three announcements per day call-ing attention to this new feature. (Be sure that the name of the sponsor is mentioned each time.)

Please send us copies of all stories, etc., as well as a detailed report of the work done. Your very truly,

Joe Doaks Agency, By Harry Roaks.

### **RADIO STATION ABCD** Peanutville

July 27, 1937

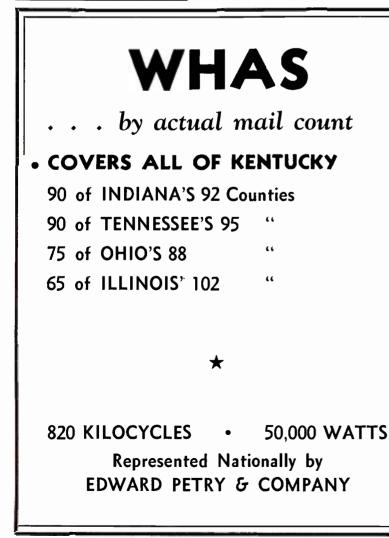
Mr. Harry Roaks, Joe Doaks Agency, New York City.

Dear Mr. Roaks:

We are in receipt of your letter of July 22 relative to merchandis-

ing service for Smokem Cigar Co. Were we to engage the necessary help to comply with your request, the costs involved would be greater than the profits accruing to the station on this 13-week order. We shall be happy to comply with your request and bill the work to you at actual cost.

Please understand we are duly appreciative of this business. How-



ever, we are in the broadcasting business and not in the display distributing, direct by mail, or broker-

age business. We shall do everything within our power to be of assistance to you along such lines as are within the provinces of a radio station. Your very truly,

Radio Station ABCD,

FRANK FOAKS, Manager.

JULY 29, 1937 NEW YORK CITY,

NEW YORK CITY, RADIO STATION ABCD PEANUTVILLE CLIENT NOT INTERESTED IN PAYING FOR SERVICE STOP DO WHAT YOU CAN FREE OF CHARGE.

JOE DOAKS AGENCY

JOE DOAKS AGENCY Aug. 27, 1937

New York City

Mr. Frank Foaks, Radio Station ABCD,

Peanutville.

Dear Mr. Foaks:

Our client manufacturing the Smokem five-cent cigars reports sales in Peanutville have not been up to expectation. Unless sales pick up the client has instructed us to

cancel the contract. We realize the prestige and pop-ularity of Radio Station ABCD but are positive that it cannot be the program's fault as it produced when tested in Walnutville. There-fore, we are at a loss to understand why the program is not pro-ducing in Peanutville.

May we suggest that you do everything in your power to con-tact the dealers and urge them to everyum tact the dealers push this cigar. Yours very truly, Joe Doaks Agency, By Harry Roaks. \* \*

RADIO STATION ABCD Peanutville

Aug. 29, 1937

Mr. Henry Hoaks, Our Special Representative, New York City.

Dear Hank:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter from the agency relative to the re-sults being produced by the *His*-torical Highlights program of the

Smokem Cigar Co. To answer with "I told you so!" is useless. However, we would ap-preciate your taking this matter up personally with the agency. It is, of course, not surprising to us.

First, let us point out that Walnutville and Peanutville are as dis-tinct in the composition of their population as is black from white. Peanutville is an industrial comwhile Walnutville is more of a white collar town. As a matter of fact, government statistics show that there is very little manufacturing there, and while wages are not much above the Peanutville average, the working day is con-siderably different and the general tone of the population is more inclined to the social side of life.



Here in Peanutville, when the average man gets home from work he sits down with his family at dinner some time around 5:30 and is finished by 6 o'clock. Then he spends his time reading the news paper, talking to the family, and if it's summer, he probably goes out in the garden or to a movie (Pea-nutville neighborhood movies open nutville neighborhood movies open at 5:30 and carry reduced rates from 5:30 to 7). If it's winter he either goes to the movie or to the neighbors for a game of "Schafs-kopf". In other words, Peanutville is a town of "gemutlichkeit". Mr. and Mrs. Peanutville, as we have pointed out to you before, and as our surveys have proved, are not inclined during their dinner hour, nor shortly thereafter. to sit down

nor shortly thereafter, to sit down and listen to dramatic programs or cut and dried speeches. Neither do they permit their children prior to dinner to get all excited by listen-

under the circumstances, it is not surprising to us that this pro-gram has not produced the expected results. As a matter of fact, we have, within the past week, had the John Boaks Research Inc. make a check of 6:15-6:30 because we more or less expected this reac-tion on the part of the client.

While this survey was, of course, not made on the extensive scale that our usual surveys of this nature are made, the results, we believe, are accurate enough to reflect the general conditions. An analysis of some thousand calls shows that the percentage of radio sets turned to ABCD at 6:15 to 6:30, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays (which is the period *His-torical Highlights* has used for the last month) has dropped from 53%. last month) has dropped from 53% to 17%, while that of our competitor has gone up from 9% to 36%and some of the other stations also show increases.

show increases. This survey also shows that on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Satur-days, at the same time (which period still carries the *Musical Roundup*), the percentage of sets tuned to ABCD has increased over that chown in the provious survey that shown in the previous survey.

Under the circumstances, there can be no question that it is the program's fault and not the station's.

We again suggest that if the client wants to do a good job in Peanutville, he either take over the local program, which we had on as a sustaining feature, or better still, that he switch his program to the noon hour or early morning hour. Cordially,

FRANK FOAKS, Manager.

SMOKEM CIGAR CO. OKEM Understand New York City Peanutville,

Sept. 15, 1937

Mr. Louis Loaks, Advertising Manager, Smokem Cigar Co., New York City.

Dear Louis:

Who in the hell ever ordered that radio program *Historical High-lights* over ABCD here in Peanutville? I have been here three days ville? I have been here three days now and I can tell you positively that you will never get anywhere here with that program. I have gone up and down the streets and I have stood at factory gates, and asked men whether they heard the program, and what they thought about it. And was my face red at times! times!

These people here, when they turn their radio set on during the dinner hour, and when Pa tells Ma

what's happened at the factory or office during the day, don't want to be distracted by some dramatic program, and my dear Louis, with all due credit to the quality and educational value of this Historical Highlights program, the class of people who smoke cigars just is not interested.

Incidentally, while I was making these interviews, quite a number of the men criticized our company for being responsible for ABCD's havng taken off their Musical Roundand substituting Historical up and substituting Historical Highlights. It is quite evident to me, Louis, as I get deeper and deeper into talking to radio listen-ers, that they have a deep faith in their local station and its pro-grams. And I can't blame them much. They take it as a part of their family life just as they do their daily newspaper. Sure, I will admit they like Rudy Vallee, Burns and Allen, Eddie Cantor and the rest who come over the networks, rest who come over the networks, but you would be surprised how many listeners consider those fea-tures part of the local station.

I dropped over to call on the sales manager of ABCD this afternoon and he showed me the correspondence with the agency and the recommendation that we buy this Musical Roundup instead of His-torical Highligts. Believe me, Louis, they were right, and I think you couldn't do better than to be guided by the station's advice.

I quite agree, after spending three days here, that we ought to move our program to the noon lunch hour. Station ABCD has done a swell job in building up a tre-mendous audience at that time, and there is hardly any place in this town at noon where they have ABCD. That not only goes for the taverns, but you'd be surprised at the number of drug stores, restaurants, barber shops, etc., which entertain their customers with the

ABCD program. And, Louis, I can't blame the people. Who wants to sit at lunch and listen to a lot of talk-or in a barber chair, or any place else as a matter of fact? If we were selling a 10 or 15-cent cigar, I wouldn't agree with this line of reasoning. Then I would say, let's take an early evening period. But our prod-uct is more limited to the wage earner and the fellows who are earning over \$50 or \$60 a week, in my opinion, won't be very much in-terested in our product. So why not let's confine our advertising largely to those who are our major market.

I am leaving here tonight, and will be at my desk day after tomorrow.

Sincerely, Smokem Cigar Co., GEO. COAKS, Sales Manager. RADIO STATION ABCD PEANUTVILLE PEANUTVILLE AGENCY CANCELLING SMOKEM CIGAR COMPANY PROGRAM EF-FECTIVE IMMEDIATELY ASK-ING FOR YOUR RECOMMENDA-TIONS FOR SUBSTITUTE PRO-GRAM AND TIME. H. HOAKS YOUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE CUT YOURSELF A SLICE OF AMERICA'S RICHEST EMPIRE You Can Get A Share of East Texas by Appointing us Your Spokesman KFRO Voice of Longview" - TEXAS

PEANUTVILLE, Sept. 19, 1937

H. HOAKS OUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE NEW YORK CITY

SUGGEST TWELVE FIFTEEN AT NOON MUSICAL ROUNDUP WHICH HAS BEEN ON AIR FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND HAS BUILT UP LARGE FOLLOWING, STATION ABCD

> YOUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE New York City Sept. 21, 1937

Mr. Frank Foaks, Manager, Radio Station ABCD, Peanutville.

Dear Frank:

The Joe Doaks Agency has de-cided to experiment with local pro-grams. They are following your suggestion. This puts the burden of proof directly on you. We have no doubt from past ex-

perience that this change will be for the best. However, if it hadn't been for the Smokem Cigar Co.'s Sales Manager having personally visited Peanutville, we doubt whether this contract would have been reinstated.

> Cordially, Your Special Representative, HENRY HOAKS.

"SMOKEM" CIGAR COMPANY New York City Peanutville, Dec. 1, 1937

Mr. Louis Loaks, Advertising Manager, Smokem Cigar Co., New York City. Dear Louis:

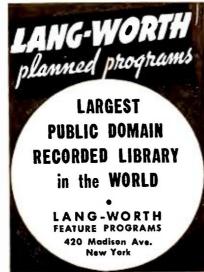
Well, it worked, Louis. No matter where you go now the men in this town know about Smokems. Not only do they know about them. but you can usually see one or two sticking out of their breast pocket and one out of the corner of their mouths.

Sales here, as office records will show, have been phenomenal. I couldn't believe it, and that's why I stopped off here on my way back to the office-to do some checking. Thanks for your cooperation in this experiment in using local pro-grams. I hope we can do the same in every one of our communities.

Yours for more and more local programs,

Smokem Cigar Co., GEO. COAKS, Sales Manager.

KELA are the call letters assigned for the new 500-walt station on 1440 kc, which the FCC has authorized for construction in Centralia, Wash. [BROADCASTING, July 15].



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**ON VACATION** -- Jerry Danzig refused to let a vacation trip to Hollywood interrupt the *Let*'s Visit programs he and his partner Dave Driscoll broadcast each Mon-day evening on MBS, taking their microphone into the homes of in-teresting New Yorkers, even though he and Dave were some 3,000 miles apart. Danzig, holding the microphone, is seen interview-ing Anita Louise of the movies, ing Anita Louise of the movies, with the aid of John Conte, KHJ announcer (right), while Paul Dudley, writer, listens in through the headset and George Fischer, Mutual's Hollywood gossip report-er looks on er, looks on.

# **Music Code Conference**

HOLDING of a trade practice conference for the music publishing industry in early October was authorized Aug. 3 by the Federal Turde Commission Trade Commission, according to Judge George McCorkle, in charge of trade practice conferences. The NAB. it is understood, may ask permission to participate in<sup>o</sup> the conference on behalf of the industry. Among problems to be taken up are song plugging and bribery.



E. F. MONT-GOMERY, regional sales man-ager of WMT, ager of WMT, Waterloo, Ia., on Aug. 4 was ap-pointed national sales manager of the Iowa Broad-casting System. He was formerly

Mr. Montgomery

commercial manager of KOIL, Council Bluffs, and has been associated in the past with the commercial departments of KSTP, St. Paul, and WCCO in Minneapolis, and John Blair & Co.

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Now is the time for YOU to share in this harvest of SALES and PROFITS! Cash in on the confidence and loyal following that EarI May and KMA have built up during the past twelve years. Reach and SELL the 520,500 farm and small town homes served by this powerful regional station.

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### KDKA, Pittsburgh

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  Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. Co., Mansfield, O., 10 sp, thru Fuller & Smith & Ross Inc., Cleveland.
  Bosco Co., New York. 78 sa, thru Kenyon & Eckhardt Inc., N. Y.
  International Harvester Co., Chicago. 26 sa, thru Aubrey, Moore & Wal-lace Inc., Chicago.
  Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Sales Training Corp., Youngstown, 13 sp, thru National Classified Adv. Youngstown.
  Oshkosh Overall Co., Oshkosh, Wis., 78 t, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., Chicago.
- Chicago. Pittsburgh Coal Co., Pittsburgh. 33 sp, thru Walker & Downing, Pittsburgh.

- burgh. Calgon Inc., Pittsburgh. 26 sp, thru Walker & Downing, Pittsburgh. Ward Baking Co., New York, 195 ta, thru H. W. Kastor & Sons Adv. Co. Inc., Chicago. Atlantic Refining Co., Philadelphia, 8 sp, thru N. W. Ayer & Son Inc., N. Y.

### WOR, Newark

- WOR, Newark
  Sherwin-Williams Co. Newark, (paints), 1 sp and 2 sa weekly, thru T. J. Maloney Inc., N. Y.
  Saratoga Association for the Improve-ment of the Breed of Horses, New York, weekly sp, thru Leighton & Nelson, Schenectady.
  Philco Radio & Television Co.. New York (radios and tubes), weekly t, thru Sternfield Godley Inc., N. Y.
  Lamont Corliss & Co.. New York (Nestle's Ever Ready Cocoa). 5 weekly sp, thru Cecil, Warwick & Legler Inc., N. Y.
  Skol Co., New York (sun tan oil), 3 weekly sp, thru Peck Adv. Agen-cy Inc., N. Y.
  Standard Brands Inc., New York (Royal desserts). 5 weekly sp, thru J. Walter Thompson Co.. N. Y.

### WGN, Chicago

- General Motors Sales Corp. (Cadillac Motor Car Division), Chicago (Chi-cago Cadillac dealers), weekly sp, thru George H. Hartman Co., Chicago.
- Watch Co., Cincinnati Gruen
- Gruen Watch Co., Christianati (watches), weekly sp, thru deGarmo Corp., N. Y.
  MacFadden Publications Inc., New York (magazine), weekly sp. thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., N. Y.

### KFI, Los Angeles

- Gardner Nursery Co., Osage, Iowa (plants), 5 weekly t, 3 weekly t, thru Northwest Radio Adv. Co.. Seattle.
  Block Drug Co., Brooklyn (Omega Oil), 5 weekly sa, thru Husband & Thomas Inc.. N. Y.
  Dodge Bros. Corp., Detroit (trucks), 9 sa, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., Detroit
- Detroit.

# WFMD, Frederick, Md.

Schmidt Baking Co., Baltimore, 3

daily sa, direct. American Oil Co., Baltimore (Amoco), 4 weekly sa, thru Joseph Katz Co., Baltimore.

# WOAI, San Antonio

Refrigeration & Air Conditioning In-stitute, Chicago, weekly t, thru Critchfield & Co., Chicago.

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# KFRC, San Francisco

- KFRC, San Francisco
  Ironized Yeast Co., Atlanta (yeast). 2 weekly t, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., N. Y.
  Roma Wine Co., San Francisco (wines), 3 weekly sp. thru James Houlihan Inc., San Francisco.
  Rainier Brewing Co., San Francisco.
  Rainier Brewing Co., San Francisco.
  Richardson & Robbins Co., New York (canned chicken), 21 weekly sa, thru Lord & Thomas, San Francisco.
  Richardson & Robbins Co., New York.
  General Foods Sales Co., New York.
  General Foods Sales Co., New York (Certo), 10 weekly sa, thru Benton & Bowles Inc., N. Y.
  Dodge Brothers Corp.. New York (autos), weekly t. thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., N. Y.

# WBT, Charlotte

- Schlitz Brewing Co., Milwaukee, 6 weekly ta, thru McJunkin Adv. Agency. Chicago. General Electric Supply Corp., Rich-mond, 3 weekly sp, direct. American Memorial Co., Atlanta, 2 weekly sa, thru Groves-Keen Inc..

  - Atlanta.
- Chatham Mfg. Co., Winston-Salem, N. C. (clothing), 3 weekly sp. thru Cahn, Miller & Nyburg Inc., Baltimore.

# KGO, San Francisco

- Proceer & Gamble Co., Cincinnati Oxydol). 5 weekly t, thru Blackett-Sample-Hummert Inc., Chicago.
  H. P. Garin Co., San Francisco (Fenugreek Spring cover crop), 3 weekly sa. direct.
  Petri Cigar Co. Inc., San Francisco (cigars), weekly sa. thru Emil Brisacher & Staff, San Francisco.

# KVOR, Colorado Springs

- Kerr Dry Goods Co., Oklahoma City, 2 weekly sp. direct.
  Derby Oil Co.. Wichita. 7 weekly sp. thru Potts-Turnbull Co. Inc., Kan-sas City.
  Storz Brewing Co., Omaha, 4 weekly sa, thru Buchanan-Thomas Adv. Co., Omaha.

### WBZ-WBZA, Boston-Springfield

Florence Stove Co., Gardner, Mass. (ranges), 11 t, thru William B. Remington Inc., Springfield, Mass. Sun-Rayed Co., Frankfort, Ind. (to-mato juice), 26 sa, thru Caldwell-Baker Co., Indianapolis.

### WFAA, Dallas

Idaho Fruit & Veg. Adv. Com., Boise (potatoes), 100 sa (renewal), thru Botsford, Constantine & Gardner

- Inc., Portland. Purina Mills Inc., St. Louis (Star-
- Purina Mills Inc., St. Louis (Star-tena), 3 weekly t (one year), thru Gardner Adv. Co., St. Louis. Gillette Rubber Co., Eau Claire, Wis. (tires), weekly t, thru Cramer-Krasselt Co., Milwaukee. Chamberlains Laboratories, Des Moines (comming) 156 to thru
- Chamberlains Laboratories, Des Moines. (cosmetics), 156 ta, thru Coolidge Adv. Co., Des Moines.
  Walker's Austex Chile Co., Austin, 130 sa, thru Wilson Crook Adv. Co., Dallas.
  Simmons Co., Chicago (beds), 78 sa, thru J. Walter Thompson Co., N. Y.
  Histeen Corp., Chicago (Histeen), 26 sa, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., Chicago

- Sa, thru Ruthrauft & Ryan Inc., Chicago. National Bellas Hess, Kansas City. 156 sa, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., N. Y.

### WJJD, Chicago

- Sof-Wash Products Co., Chicago (hard water softener), daily sa, thru Schwimmer & Scott, Chicago. Kent & Lane, Leroy. N. Y. (Orange-ine powders). 15 weekly sa, thru Hughes. Wolff & Co., Rochester.
- N. Y. Gardner Nursery Co., Osage, Iowa, 6 weekly sa, thru Northwestern Radio Adv. Co. Inc., Seattle. Knox Co., Los Angeles (Cystex), weekly t, thru Dillon & Kirk, Kan-
- western Union Telegraph Co., Chi-cago, daily ex. Sun. sa, direct.

# KNX, Hollywood

- KNX, Hollywood International Harvester Co., Chicago (tractors), weekly *sp*, thru Aubrey, Moore & Wallace Inc., Chicago. Procter & Gamble Co., Cincinnati (Oxydol), 5 weekly *t*. thru Black-ett-Sample-Hummert Inc., Chicago. Procter & Gamble Co., Cincinnati (Dreft). 5 weekly *t*, thru Blackett-Sample-Hummert Inc., Chicago.

# WDAY, Fargo, N. D.

- Stott Briquet Co., St. Paul, 2 daily sa, thru Erwin Wasey & Co., St. Paul.
- International Harvester Co., Chicago (twine), daily sa. thru Aubrey, Moore & Wallace Inc., Chicago.

THE BUSINESS OF Snell Says Democrats Solicited Radio Stations A CHARGE that the Democrate the 1936 national convention book, the 1936 national convention book, had solicited every radio station in the country to contribute \$250 "with the threat implied that the stations licenses would be re-voked", was presented to the House Rules Committee Aug. 12 by Rep. Bertrand H. Snell, the Republican loader in his domend that a Conleader, in his demand that a Congressional investigation be made of the sale of the publication. Each book bore the signature of Presi-dent Roosevelt. The charge was based on a letter from a Chicago business man dated June 15, 1937,

Rep. Snell told the Committee. Representative Snell proposed to the Committee that it "inquire di-rectly of Mr. Farley (the Demo-cratic National Committee Chairman and Postmaster General) whether any such solicitation, di-rect or indirect, was made of the radio broadcasting stations." The Committee later rejected the Snell proposal.

# MCA Hollywood Expansion

MUSIC Corporation of America has augmented its Los Angeles radio personnel with the transfer of Harold Hackett from the New York office and addition of Ward Byron, formerly of San Francisco NBC production staff. W. H. Stein, executive vice-president, has also been transferred from New York to the West Coast and has taken over the motion picture department. Taft Schreiber's position as MCA coast manager is not affect-ed by the additions. MCA is now erecting its own studio-office build-ing in Beverly Hills, Cal., which will be ready for use the end of the year and will house the en-larged activities of the organization.

WILLIAM WRIGLEY Jr. Co., Chicago (gum) has started oneminute announcements on the six Pacific Coast group stations broad-c a sting its Scattergood Baines shows. The local announcements immediately precede the network program, and in addition to paying tribute to the local dealers, a tribtouches are interwoven in the an-nouncements. Stations are KNX, KOIN, KSFO, KOL, KVI, KFPY. Neisser-Meyerhoff Inc., Chicago, has the account.

# Packard Resumes Sept. 7

THE Packard Hour, Tuesday eve-Packard Motor Car Co., Detroit, will start its fall season on Sept. Will start its fall season on Sept. 7, when the current line-up of tal-ent is replaced by a new cast fea-turing Lanny Ross, Charles But-terworth, Florence George, Don Wilson and Raymond Paige's or-chestra. Program is placed through Young & Bubicam Inc. N Y Young & Rubicam Inc., N. Y.

# Lever's Extra Period

LEVER BROS. Co., Cambridge, Mass., which on Sept. 8 will re-sume the *Al Jolson* series for Rinso and Lifebuoy on CBS, Tuesdays, 8:30-9 p. m., has also reserved an additional Tuesday evening halfhour on the same network for an additional program to begin Oct. 5 in the interests of an unspecified product. Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., is the agency.

WIND Sid THIX Drawn for BROADCASTING by Sid Hix

"Honest, Senator, Nobody's Trying to Be Funny . . . WIND Are Our Call Letters."

**BROADCASTING** • Broadcast Advertising

# WHK, Cleveland Simmons Co., Chicago (mattresses), 6 weekly sa. thru J. Walter Thomp-son Co., N. Y.

# Wrigley's Western Spots

# **RADIO ADVERTISERS**

HOUSE OF HATHAWAY BAKER-IES. Boston (New England baker-ies), has renewed one-minute radio programs dramatizing historical high-lights of that section of the country, for a 22-week period on eight stations. The megrams broadcast six times The programs, broadcast six times, weekly or thrice daily, are on WBZ, WEEI, WPRO, WJR, WMAS, WIBX, WFRL and WORC, W. E. Long Co., Chicago, is the agency.

THE Association of National Adver-tisers will hold its annual conven-tion Oct. 27-30 at the Homestead. Hot Springs, Va. A portion of the session will be open to invited guests.

session will be open to invite guests. BUDGET FINANCE PLAN Corp.. Hollywood (finance company), which has confined its advertising entirely to newspapers, for the first time is using radio, having started Aug. 2. for 52 weeks. using a quarter-hour of United Press news on KECA. Los Angeles, five nights weekly. Block & Co. Inc.. Los Angeles, is the agency.

J. W. McCORMACK REALTY Co., Chicago, has renewed its contract with Homer Griffith. The Friendly Philosopher, for a fall and winter schedule over Chicago stations to begin early in September. In addition to his broadcasts, Mr. Griffith also has been appointed director of sales and publicity for the realty firm.

EAST WASHING MACHINE Corp., Syracuse, N. Y., announces the ap-pointment of Morton Gilde as general sales manager.

CANADA PACKERS Ltd., Toronto (Shur-Gain concentrates) has ex-panded its radio series now on CFRB. Toronto, to include CKNX. Wingham, Ont. The series consists of thrice-weekly livestock reports.

weekly investock reports. IN CONFORMITY with a newly-inaugurated nationwide policy the Pacific Coast League baseball games played at Seals Stadium, San Fran-cisco, heretofore sponsored exclusively by General Mills Inc. for Wheaties are now being broadcast under split sponsorship. The B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co., of Akron. is now alter-nating with General Mills on KYA.

UNION PACIFIC Railroad, buying time for the third time in less than a year on KSL, Salt Lake City, con-tracted for two one-hour periods Aug. 14 and 15 for remotes covering the rodeo from its famous Sun Valley Lodge in Southern Idaho, to be han-dled by Announcer Wally Sandack and Chief Engineer Eugene Pack.

DURHAM GAS Co., Durham, N. C., is sponsoring a new women's program called *Magic Chef* on WDNC, offering recipes and kitchen advice and giving cookbooks to housewives who away write in.

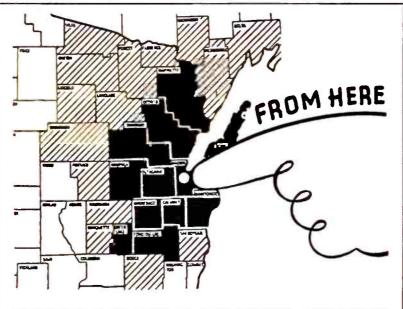
GILLETTE RUBBER Co., Eau Claire, Wis., on Aug. 27 starts a series of weekly quarter-hours on WHO. Des Moines. Cramer-Krasselt Co., Milwaukee, is agency.

# New Kellogg MBS Plays

KELLOGG Co., Battle Creek, Mich., will supplement its quarter-hour broadcasts of Ireene Wicker as the Kellogg Singing Lady on NBC-Blue, Monday through Thurs-day afternoons, with a Sunday series of half-hour musical plays, written and performed by Miss Wicker with the assistance of a ries dramatic cast, a chorus and a small orchestra, to be broadcast on an MBS network beginning Oct. 3. an MBS network beginning Oct. 3. The broadcasts, which are similar to those put on by Miss Wicker last spring on Friday afternoons, are produced for a juvenile audi-ence in the interest of Kellogg's Corn Flakes, and are placed through N. W. Ayer & Son Inc., Philadelphia.



NBC BLUE GOWN - First fashion to be inspired by radio is the Blue Network Gown, modeled here by Margaret Brill, NBC harpist, which was shown first in the South in connection with the addition of 10 southern stations to the Blue Network. Made of the brilliant national blue cotton net, cross-barred in gold, with a corselet bodice and a voluminous skirt measuring 25 yards around the hem, the gown was featured in store windows and displayed at society balls under the sponsorship of the stations. Beauty contests, essay contests and similar promotions were used by the various stations to publicize the dress and their new network affiliations. The gown was designed by Margaret Mon-tague of Lenora Ormsby Inc.



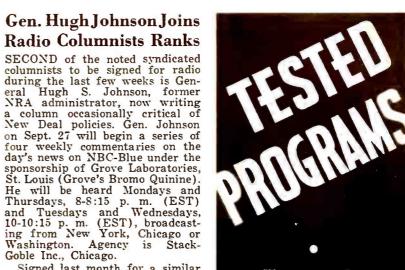
# THIS SUMMER WTAQ LISTENING AUDIENCE **INCLUDES PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE U.S.**

In addition to over half a million people in our primary area, thousands come here to spend their vacations on



our lakes and at resorts. Write or wire for details.

> James A. Wagner, Man.-Director Small & Brewer, National Representatives 250 Park Ave., New York City 307 No. Michigan Ave., Chicago



Gen. Hugh Johnson Joins

**Radio Columnists Ranks** 

Goble Inc., Chicago. Signed last month for a similar series was Dorothy Thompson, wife of Sinclair Lewis, novelist, and a former European newspa-per correspondent, who on Aug. 6 started *People in the News* on NBC-Red, Fridays, 10:45-11 p. m. (EDST), sponsored by Pall Mall cigarettes. Agency is Compton Adv. Inc., New York.

**Radio and Insurance** 

LIFE ADVERTISERS Assn..

holding its annual convention at Old Point Comfort, Va., Sept. 21-23. has scheduled a 45-minute round table discussion of the use of radio in life insurance promo-

tion which will be conducted by Ed

M. Kirby, sales promotion mana-ger of the National Life & Acci-dent Insurance Co., operator of WSM, Nashville. Mr. Kirby plans to secure several figures from the

broadcasting industry as speakers.

Formula **Radio Selling** Precision Coverage

These and other safeguards for your expenditures in radio advertising are now available. Demand them.

"KMBC Tested Programs" gives the whole story . . . Ask for it!



**BROADCASTING** • Broadcast Advertising

# **News Editors to Meet**

THE Association of Radio News Editors and Writers is planning to hold its first annual convention to hold its first annual convention at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Sept. 10-12. A program is being formulated by the program com-mittee, consisting of Jack Harris, WSM, Nashville; Beckley Smith, WJAS, Pittsburgh; Al Hollender, WJJD-WIND, Chicago, and Ken McClure, WOAI, San Antonio. Outstanding speakers from the broadcasting and newspaper indusbroadcasting and newspaper industries will be invited to speak. John Van Cronkhite is the current president

# TO REACH BIRMINGHAM "HOME FOLKS" YOU NEED SGN

Selected NBC programs PLUS exclusive local features . . news, sports, music and drama . . backed by more than 40 columns weekly of display and editorial publicity, keep Birmingham "home-folks" tuned steadily to WSGN. Write for facts!

THE NEWS AGE-HERALD STATION in Birmingham 1310 KC.

AFFILIATED WITH N.B.C. BLUE NETWORK



MYRON KIRK, radio director of Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., New York, arrived in Hollywood Aug. 9 for a series of conferences with Edmund (Tiny) Ruffner. West Coast manager. on fall production of the CBS Al Jolson show sponsored by Lever Bros. (Rinso-Lifebuoy) and Joe Penner (Rinso-Lifebuoy) and Joe Penner program sponsored by R. B. Davis Co. (Cocomalt).

C. P. MCASSEY, who resigned in July as commercial manager of WCFL. ('hicago, has joined Schwim-mer & Scott, Chicago, as account executive.

ERNST. G. HERMANN having joined the Los Angeles agency of Leonard W. Block & Staff, the firm has changed its name to Block & Co. Inc., and moved to larger offices at '010 South Olive street. Hermann 'ormerly with the Harrison Press. Loudon, is agency secretary and in charge of production. Leonard W. Block, president. remains in charge of sales.

ED GARDNER, J. Walter Thomp-son Co., New York script writer, has been transferred to Hollywood to write for various network programs produced by the agency.

JACK VAN NOSTRANI) has re-turned to the Young & Rubicam Inc., Hollywood production staff after sev-eral weeks in New York where he produced *Town Hall Tonight*, spon-sored by Bristol-Myers Co. (Sal Hepatica, Ipana toothpaste).

Hepatica, Ipana (compasse). CHARLES M. PRITZKER, former advertising manager of the Gillette Safety Razor Co., Boston, has joined Maxon Inc., Detroit, as vice-president. He has been succeeded at Gillette by Craig Smith, formerly with Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., New York.

Omaha, Nebraska

John Gillin, Jr., Mgr.

JOHN BLAIR CO.—Representa-tives—New York, Chicago, Detroit,

Owned and Operated by the Sovereign Camp of the Woodmen of the World

5,000 Watts



# WOW listeners will spend it!

Sudden wealth has swept down on the "market basket of the nation." Millions of dollars are rolling into the rich middlewestern grain country known as Nebriowa\*. Crop money gratifies year-long desires. It is spent for a multitude of purposes, by thousands of smart-buying farmers. Capitalize on this sud-den wealth. Reach the spenders FIRST -through their favorite radio station, wow.

\*NEBRIOWA—the immensely wealthy trade territory of eastern NEBRaska, western IOWA and portions of Kansas, Missouri, Minnesota and South Dakota. Its business capital is Omaha. Its radio capital is WOW!

ON THE N.B.C. RED NETWORK

590 Kc.

San Francisco.

# **Orr Joins Stack-Goble**

WYNTHROP ORR on Aug. 15 left the Chicago-NBC studios as producer to become radio director of Stack-Goble Adv. Agency, Chicago, suc-ceeding Bess Johnson who recently resigned



to join the radio staff of Lord &

Thomas, Chicago. Mr. Orr is a veteran of radio and is a prolific writer, having written 1500 original radio dramas in the 11 years he has been in the business. At one time a legitimate stage actor, he spent his first five radio years in Canada and was at one time assistant manager of CFCF, Montreal. In 1931 he came to this country and for the last six years has been with WJR, Detroit, WLS, Chicago and WCCO, Minneapolis, leaving the latter station to join NBC-Chicago the early part of this year. He has produced, among other shows, the Alka-Seltzer National Barn Dance on NBC, General Mills' Gloria Dale show on WCCO, and more recently the Storu of Mary Marlin for Procter & Gamble Čo.

GERTRUDE BERG, author of The GERTRUDE BERG, author of *The* Goldberg's. dramatic serial to be spon-sored by Procter & Gamble Co., over the NBC Red network from Holly-wood starting Sept. 13, is in New York conferring with Leonard T. Bush, vice-president of Compton Adv. Inc., and executive in charge of that Account. Mrs. Berg, who makes her home in Hollywood. is scheduled to return to the West Coast the end of August to start rehearsals.

DARWIN H. CLARK Adv. Agency. Los Augeles, has enlarged its offices in the Spring Arcade Bldg. and also added Karl A. Lott to the staff as publicity director. He was formerly with the Pacific Coast edition of Wall Street Journal, that city.

BBDO, has established West Coast offices at 515 Taft Bldg., Hollywood, Jack Smalley, formerly with Fawcett Publications Inc., that city, has been appointed manager.

JACK HASTY, Hollywood producer of McCann-Erickson Inc., has been transferred to New York to produce two transcontinental shows for the agency this fall.

WALTER McCREERY, account executive of Allied Adv. Agencies Inc., Los Angeles, has been elected vice-president in charge of sales. Russell R. Rust continues as president.





MIKE STIVER, Australian manager of J. Walter Thompson Co., arrived in Hollywood Aug. 9 for two weeks during which time he will survey in Hollywood Aug. 9 for two weeks during which time he will survey radio advertising, confer with agency executives and buy transcriptions for clients. Thomas Luckenbill, general production supervisor of J. Walter Thompson Co., New York, is also in Hollywood checking up on Pacific Coast radio programs and vacation-ing ing.

LOUIS BROCKWAY, New York executive of Young & Rubicam Inc., in charge of the Jello and other General Foods Corp. accounts, is to arrive in Hollywood Aug. 16 to discuss plans for that organization's fall network programs to emanate from the West Coast. Accompanying him will be several General Foods Corp. executives.

ANDREW CONE ADV. AGENCY, New York. has moved to 400 Madison Ave.

HUGO HAMMER. formerly of Walton B. Craue & Associates. Los Angeles packaging concern. has joined M. M. Dozier Adv. Agency. Whittier. Cal., as production manager.



BRANHAM Co., newspaper and station representatives, announced Aug. 6 that on Sept. 1 it will take over national representation of KWKH. Shreveport, La. Branham will con-tinue to represent KTBS. Shreveport. which is under the same management. FORREST JOHNSON, of the sales staff of Van Cronkhite Associates Inc., Chicago, has been appointed director of the firm's foreign language director of the firm's foreign language station representative division, suc-ceeding George Roesler, resigned. Sam Knott, formerly with United Press and later divisional manager of Trans-radio, has been appointed managing editor of the VCA newsroom.

WCFL, Chicago, has appointed Erwin, Wasey & Co., Chicago. as special promotion counsel. Holland E. Engle, radio director of the agency. will be account executive supervising production and program activities for the station.

GILBERT M. HUTCHINSON. for-merly with WCPO, Cincinnati, has joined the Chicago sales staff of William G. Rambeau.

WIL, St. Louis, has named Small & Brewer as national representatives.

# **WPA Study Shows Radio Indispensable in Homes**

A RADIO set is an indispensable part of the household of the average unskilled working man, according to a survey of costs of living in 59 representative cities made by the Works Progress Administration

The study, released Aug. 1, disclosed that in the salary bracket ranging from \$1,130 to \$1,450 per year covered in the 59-city survey, practically all of the families have 'a small radio but no automobile." These average families read a daily newspaper, go to the movies once a week and enjoy other simple leisure time activities.

KFPY—Spokane KGIR—Butte KXL—Portland Serving 80% of the people of the Pacific Northwest

# George Bijur Organizes Advertising-Sales Agency



FOLLOWING his return early in August from a six-month survey of European advertising and marketing techniques, George Bijur, who re-signed early this year as vice-pres-

ident of Fletcher & Ellis and who formerly was advertising and sales promotion di-rector of CBS, on Aug. 9 an-nounced the establishment of George Bijur Inc., new advertising and sales promotion agency with offices at 9 Rockefeller Plaza, New York. The agency will begin oper-

ating Aug. 20. Mr. Bijur visited eight countries and 23 cities in Europe and spoke before business conventions in Paris and Vienna. During his trip he studied histories of recent suche studied histories of recent suc-cesses in European advertising campaigns, including radio. Al-though only 36, Mr. Bijur has been in the advertising field 15 years. He formerly was advertising direc-tor of Weber & Heilbroner, Bro-kaw Bros. and Bonwit Teller, New York, and director of publicity for L. Bamberger & Co., Newark. In the agency field he was a group head at Erwin, Wasey & Co., where he created and wrote cam-paigns for Log Cabin Syrup, Maxpaigns for Log Cabin Syrup, Max-well House Coffee, Baker's Choco-late, Primrose House Beauty Creams, Barbasol, Whiz Anti-Freeze, Philco Radios, etc.

# **Political Network**

A STATEWIDE network of five A STATEWIDE network of five Virginia stations was used during the first week in August by candi-dates for state, county and local offices. Included in the network were WRVA, Richmond; WDBJ, Roanoke; WGH, Newport News; WBTM, Danville, and WPHR, Petersburg. Candidates were in-vited to submit data for biographi-cal sketches which were presented cal sketches which were presented during the last few days of the campaign so that each was given a morning, afternoon and evening audience in the feature Meet Your Candidates. No charge was made for this broadcast but campaign speeches were billed at regular rates.

# **Ballou Joins Aerogram**

DAVID S. BALLOU, formerly of Standard Radio, and afterward manager of KPDN, Pampa, Tex., has joined the Aerogram Corpora-Aug. 8. The new transcription organization is headed by G. Curtis Bird and Gordon d'A Soule and recently completed new studios at 1611 Cosmo Street. It has started production on two series of quarter hour children's programs.





IRVING FOGEL Radio Productions, Hollywood transcription and produc-tion concern, has sold 260 quarter hour transcriptions of *The In-Laws*, dramatic serial, to Pepsodent Co., Chicago (toothpaste), for distribution in Amsterling (1) and the story of th Chicago (toothpaste), for distribution in Anstralia starting Oct. 1, with option for New Zealand. Deal was handled by Frank F. Moor of Con-quest Alliance Co. Inc., Chicago, Series is heard in live talent on 10 Don Lee stations under sponsorship of Purex Corp. Ltd. (bleaching fluid), being placed thrn Lord & Thomas, Los Angeles agency, which also services the Pepsodent Co. account.

WBS announces the following sub-scriptions to its library service; WHBC, Canton, O.; KGER, Long Beach, Cal.; WAGA, Atlanta, Ga.; KGFI, Corpus Christi, Tex.; WRDW, Augusta. Me.; WTOC, Savannah, Ga.; WAYX, Waycross, Ga.

FREDERICK C. DAHLQUIST. FREDERICK C. DAHLQUIST, president of American Radio Fea-tures, Los Angeles transcription and radio production concern, and pro-ducer of the weekly NBC *Thrills* sponsored by Union Oil Co., from Hollywood, is on a six-wceks business trip to Chicago, New York and Wash-ington, having left the west const Aug. 5. Ed Lindsay, newly appointed sales director, is spending the entire month of Augnst in the Chicago area contacting agencies. contacting agencies.

C. P. MacGREGOR, Hollywood tran-C. P. MacGREGOR, Holywood tran-scription concern, has sold 104 quar-ter-honr episodes of *House of Peter MacGregor*, dramatic serial, to Chemo-Ray Eye Institute, Oakland, Cal., for twice weekly placement on KFRC, San Francisco, through Rufus Rhoades & Co., that city.

ABBOTT RADIO PRODUCTIONS, ABBOTT RADIO PRODUCTIONS, Hollywood transcription and produc-tion concern, has moved to larger quarters at 1585 Cross-Roads-Of-The-World, and will confine activities to production work only, according to Miss Jesse G. Abbott, manager.

THE New Sunday Players, drama-tized biblical transcriptions, as an-nonneed by Mertens & Price Inc., Los Angeles, have been sold to Hawaiian Electric Co., Honolnin, 52 weeks on KGU; First Federal Savings & Loan Association, Shreveport, 52 weeks on KTBS; Michigan Trnst Co., Grand Rapids, 52 weeks on WOOD; Wood-lawn Cemetery, Detroit, 52 weeks on WXYZ; Bnrpee-Wood, Rockford, Ill., 52 weeks on WROK. Agnes White, KFI, Los Angeles, home conomic ex-pert and producer of the Mertens & Price Radio Kitchen, is on a six-week tour inaugnating the series on Mid-west and Eastern stations. THE New Sunday Players, drama-

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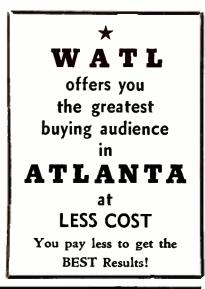
**Story In** 



WILLIAM M. JAMES, for several months manager of Irving Fogel Adv. Agen-cy, Hollywood has resigned to become affiliated with Lockwood-Shackelford Co., Los Angeles agency, as ac-

Mr. James count executive. James, who is well known in Pacific Coast radio and advertising, was formerly on the sales staff of KHJ, Los Angeles, and prior to that a member of the and prior to that a member of the commercial department of Associ-ated Cinema Studios, Hollywood transcription concern. For more than a year he was on the staff of KMPC, Beverly Hills, Cal., as writer, producer and announcer.

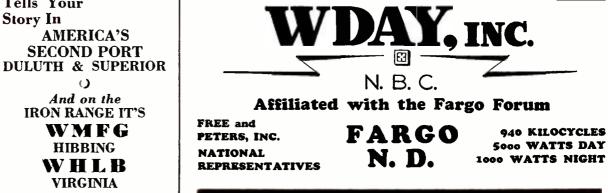
**James Leaves Fogel** 





Never in the entire show business has any outfit planned more intensively or worked harder for wellrounded entertainment than we do here at WDAY . . . gaiety, tragedy, suspense, comedy-relief-every trick of showmanship is used to give our audiences "what it takes".

The result is an audience that would follow us even if we went out the window. May we send you the proof?

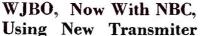


# Plans for New WOMI

RCA equipment has been ordered, but otherwise plans for the new WOMI, Owensboro, Ky., are still indefinite and the station may not go on the air until sometime in October or November, according to Lawrence W. Hager, publisher of the Owensboro Messenger and Inquirer, which secured the construction permit last June 15. Manager of the station, Mr. Hager reported, will be Lyell Ludwig. Chief engineer will be Jack Starks, formerly with WAVE, Louisville. The rest of the statin will operate with 100 watts on 1500 kc.

CANADIAN Broadcasting Corp. has ruled against any liquor advertising on the radio. but permits privatelyowned stations to accept wine and beer accounts if they do not contravene provincial or local laws.





INSTALLING a completely new transmitting plant in recordbreaking time, WJBO, Baton Rouge, La., on July 30 took the

July 30 took the air as a regional station with 500 watts power in lieu of its former Mr. Manship

lieu of its former Mr. Manship 100 watts local assignment. On Aug. 1, the station joined the NBC Blue Network, having been one of the 10 Southern outlets to become affiliated with NBC on that date.

the 10 Southern outlets to become affiliated with NBC on that date. Under the direction of Charles P. Manship Jr., president of the station, installation of a new Western Electric transmitter, a 485-foot Truscon vertical radiator and a new transmitter house was begun July 6. The work was completed on July 30, at which time the switch-over from 1420 kc. with 100 watts to 1120 kc. with 500 watts took place. The station is affiliated with the State Times and Morning Advocate, Baton Rouge newspapers.

# Walker's Austex Returns

WALKER'S AUSTEX CHILE Co., Austin, Tex., (chile), has returned to radio with a series of 130 station break announcements on WFAA, Dallas, starting Sept. 1 which will be divided into a fall series of 65, with the remaining 65 scheduled for the spring of 1938. Agency is Wilson Crook Adv. Co., Dallas.



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# An Aid to Baseball

DOES radio cut into baseball attendance? An emphatic "No" is registered by WNEW, New York, and Earl Harper, its ace sports announcer who broadcasts games of the Newark team of the International League. Once a year Harper asks his listeners too show their appreciation of the broadcasts by attending a *Radio Appreciation Night*. The paid turnout the night of Aug. 3 in Ruppert Stadium totaled 17,816, and the crowd was treated to a 45-minute vaudeville show staged by WNEW talent before the game. Last year's show brought out less than 10,000. The best previous attendance for the Newark Club for a daytime double-header was slightly over 20,000.

# CIO UNION PLANS WEST COAST DRIVE

WITH KFVD, Los Angeles, the first station to recognize Los Angeles Local 15, American Radio Telegraphists Association, as exclusive bargaining representative for announcers and technicians, the union now is making plans to carry its CIO membership drive into Hollywood and other parts of Southern California.

Southern California. KFVD agreement was negotiated on July 27 with J. F. Burke Jr., manager, by Ernest V. Roberts, CIO organizer and approved by C. H. Jordan, CIO leader. Union, which will act as a sole bargaining agent for the 15 employes of the station claims that announcers, technicians and office workers are organized 100%. No attempt will be made to negotiate on questions of wages and working conditions until J. F. Burke Sr., owner of the station, returns from his world tour on Sept. 1.

ARTA is negotiating with KMTR, Hollywood, for recognition and Roberts said at least nine other stations in the Los Angeles area will be the objective of the drive. There are 17 stations in the Los Angeles area. KFAC is reported to be 100% organized and KGFJ, 99%.



# Los Angeles Musicians Prepared to Strike if Disc Impasse Develops FOLLOWING the ultimatum handed down by the American Federation of Musicians on July 30, Southern California radio ex-

handed down by the American Federation of Musicians on July 30, Southern California radio executives remained noncommittal on issues involved in the complaint of musicians. They declined to enter the controversy on the basis that their representatives are negotiating with executives of AFM, but expressed the hope that a satisfactory c om promise would be reached and the threatened general musicians' strike be avoided. Los Angeles Musicians' Mutual Protective Association continued

Los Angeles Musicians' Mutual Protective Association continued its action in warning members not to sign further contracts until the entire problem of transcriptions and records has been solved. Jack B. Tenny, vice-president of the california State Assembly, said his organization would make no further move until advised of results of the Sept. 16 meeting in New York, but he predicted that the delay simply means a postponement of the strike threat deadline.

deadline. "Broadcasting stations are building up vast libraries of phonograph records and electrical transcriptions which can be used over and over," he said. "Every time a musician participates in the production of canned music, he is working himself out of future employment. The local union, third largest craft organization in the world, stands ready to participate in a strike if necessary to curtail the commercial use of transcriptions and records." Los Angeles Local has 5,000 members.

Meanwhile transcription plants in Southern California hit a new low in production these past few weeks. Air checks and dramatic productions remain the only consistent activities, with the latter being cut to a minimum. Production of several large programs for sponsors has been stopped temporarily waiting the outcome of the New York meeting.

# Parker Signs Friedman

BENNY FRIEDMAN, former University of Michigan football player and now coach at City College of New York, has been signed by Parker Watch Co. for a weekly series to start Sept. 12 over a special hookup of WOR, Newark, and WGN, Chicago, signed by MBS. New angle of the series will be his post-mortems on Sunday mornings, 11:30-11:45. It will be titled Sunday Morning Quarterback and is placed by de Garmo Corp., New York.

THE SCRIPT LIBRARY. New York, has opened a department for the preparation of sales promotion material. Each promotion plan of booklets, give-aways, cards, window displays and special continuities will be an integral part of the script program for which it is planned. A separate service, the material may or may not be purchased by the stations buying scripts.



# McFarlane Blasts Radio Once More

Advises Control of Rates and Investigation of Industry

A RECESS investigation of "this whole communications mess" through enactment of the so-called Connery resolution (HRes-92) was advocated in the House Aug. 10 by Rep. McFarlane (D-Tex.) in his second attack within a month against alleged "radio monopoly". Concluding a speech in which he evelled charges of m o n o p o ly against NBC, CBS, RCA and other groups in the industry, Mr. Mc-Farlane criticized both the Rules Committee and the House Ways & Means Committee for failure to act upon the Connery Resolution and the Boylan Bill (HR-6640) proposing a franchise tax on a wattage basis for stations. He urged rate regulation in radio and asserted that remedial legislation could be offered at the next session if the special investigating committee proposed in the Connery measure functioned during the recess.

### No Word of Defense

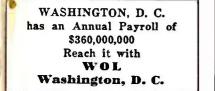
During his address, Mr. McFarlane was interrupted by several members of the House, each of whom supported his views. There was no voice raised in defense of radio during the debate.

Rep. Wigglesworth (R - Mass.) supported Mr. McFarlane's demand that an investigation be undertaken, pointing out that for more than a year he had advocated such action and that the Rules Committee had failed to report out a rule whereby the Connery resolution could be taken up on the floor.

Injected into the discussion also was the newspaper ownership issue. Rep. Leavy (D-Wash.) inquired whether the speaker had eiven consideration to the "abuse that is generally recognized of large metropolitan papers of the country acquiring radio stations and then hook in with the great radio chains and thus controlling channels of news through radio as well as through the press." The Texas Congressman replied that in his original remarks of July 19 he had brought out that some 200 newspapers own the "largest radio stations in America".

Rep. Wearin (D-Ia.) interposed that he has had pending for several months a bill proposing divorcement of newspapers from radio station ownership and vice versa but that he had been unable to get the bill out of committee. In the ensuing discussion in which Rep. Martin (D-Col.) participated, Mr. McFarlane held that the big newspapers control radio and that the newspapers in turn are controlled by "the same crowd that controls almost everything that is worthwhile—the banking interests of Wall Street".

"The fact is," interjected Mr. Martin, "that the big newspapers of the country are nothing but the





NEW MEXICO-Station operators meet in Albuquerque to form the New Mexico Broadcasters Association. Here they are gathered before the downtown "sales slip contest" display of KGGM; left to right: John C. Sweeney, national sales manager, KGGM, charles Alsup, KICA, Clovis; Mike Hollander, manager, KGGM, elected president; Jack Hawkins, manager, KLAH, Carlsbad, named vice-president; W. E. Whitmore, manager, KGFL, Roswell; L. Laurence Martin, manager, KRQA, Santa Fe, secretary-treasurer.

loudspeakers and the cash registers of big business."

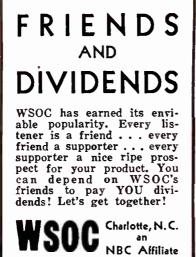
In his prepared address, Mr. McFarlane discussed lengthily the CBS ownership structure and its profits based on its investment. Control of RCA, he charged, constituted a "Wall Street directory".

stituted a "Wall Street directory". The Texas Congressman, among other things, said the "radio trust has a complete monopoly of the 40 clear channels"; that 93% of all broadcast power is in the hands of "this monopoly"; that trafficking in "radio frequencies" has proven a "flourishing racket", and that FCC officials have admitted "the present existence of the radio monopoly and its racketeering practices and are either unwilling or unable to protect the public and enforce the law."

### Sail for Europe

SEVERAL figures prominent in American radio, headed by David Sarnoff, president of RCA, sailed for Europe on the Normandie Aug. 4. In addition to Mr. Sarnoff, others on the boat included Hugh J. Brennan, president of WJAS and KQV, Pittsburgh; Abe Schecter, director of special events of NBC; Howard Claney, NBC announcer, and Loyd A. Briggs, European manager, RCA Communications Inc.

CBS will broadcast au important football game each Saturday of the coming fall, with the Ohio State-Texas Christian game on Sept. 25. and the Nebraska-Minnesota game on Oct. 2 already scheduled. Ted Husing will broadcast the play-by-play descriptions from the fields.



# Iraci From Rome

JOHN IRACI, president of International Broadcasting Corp. and general manager of WOV and WBIL, New York, and WRAX and WPEN, Philadelphia, extended goodwill greetings from Rome on Aug. 5, his talk being short-waved from L2RO and rebroadcast by WBIL and WPEN. Mr. Iraci, who is touring European capitals investigating continental radio technique and appraising foreign talent, spoke at the invitation of officials of the Italian station. The rebroadcast was arranged on three hours' notice.

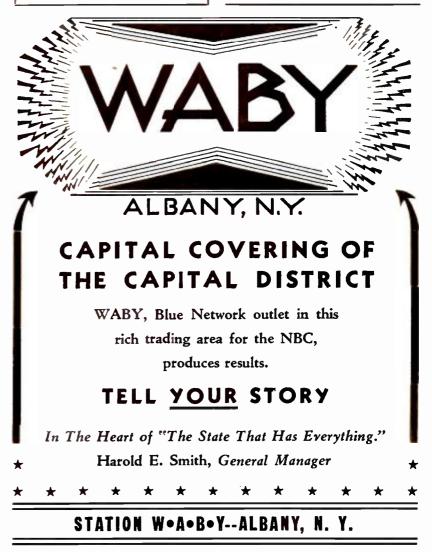
# **MBS Grid Schedule**

TEN of the fall's outstanding midwestern football contests will be broadcast over a Mutual network as a sustaining feature. Quin Ryan, manager of WGN, Chicago, and a noted sports announcer, will describe the games for the coastto-coast MBS audience. The schedule follows: Oct. 2, Iowa State at Northwestern; Oct. 2, Notre Dame at Illinois; Oct. 16, Purdue at Northwestern; Oct. 23, Navy at Notre Dame; Oct. 30, Michigan at Illinois; Nov. 6, Illinois at Northwestern; Nov. 13, Army at Notre Dame and Northwestern at Minnesota; Nov. 20, Notre Dame at Northwestern; Nov. 27, Southern California at Notre Dame.



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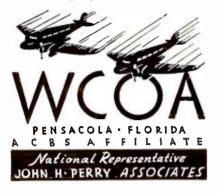
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# **Ghost Stories**

Ghost Stories HIS identity and whereabouts a mystery even to the station per-sonnel, *The Ghost Reporter* began his series Aug. 9 on WINS, New York. Picked up from a remote point known only to station engi-neers, the "ghost" gives the inside ctories on personalities in the lime stories on personalities in the limelight and discusses civic welfare.

Noon Novelties WEDNESDAY is Stuntday on the WEDNESDAY is Stuntday on the noon Midday-Merry-Go-Round, WNOX, Knoxville. Cast of enter-tainers, headed by Lowell Blanch-ard as M. C. and Swingsters jam band, steps out of character and puts on a special show such as "school days" minstrel shows, and courtroom scenes.

U. S. Naval Air Training Station boosts Pensacola market with \$5,000,000 annual payroll.



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# **Educational Series**

MUTUAL-DON LEE on Aug. 16 starts Radio University on 11 sta-tions. The feature will be conducted by Dr. Seth Maker, who has just concluded a series of broadcasts over KYA, San Francisco. Maker successfully tried his Dr. Radio University in the Pacific Northwest some months ago, some 20,000 young people applying for the course, which was given over the air. The number was too large to handle, but Dr. Maker's Radio University gave diplomas to up-ward of 5,000 persons. The new series will be conducted along the same lines, with the audience taking an active part in the day-to-day sessions. On Monday, Wed-nesday and Friday the program will be presented under the sponsorship of the Parker Dental System. The Tuesday and Thursday programs will be sustaining features. Time of broadcasts will be 1:30-1:45 p. m. Stations to release the feature will be KFRC, KHJ, KDB, KGB, KFXM, KPMC, KDON, KGDM, KVOE, KXO and KQW.

Six Shooter Serial THE hard-ridin', fast-shootin' at-mosphere of the old West is created in a new NBC-Blue dramatic serial titled Gun Smoke Law, concerning the adventures of rangers.

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### Radio Telepathy

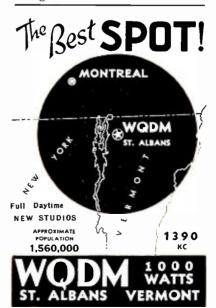
RECENTLY conducting a tele-pathy test over WBBM which brought a sudden flood of mail, Tod Hunter, one of the station's newscasters, is planning to conduct another. After telling the audience of the would of one content investi of the results of a recent investi-gation into telepathy, he invited listeners to join him in a private test of his own. His announcer, Dan Hancock, held the five top cards of a suit in his hand and then showed two cards to Hunter giving him ten seconds to concen-trate on each. Hunter then asked his audience to try and intercept his thought wave and name the cards chosen. So many replies came in that Hunter had to post-pone announcement of the results till a later broadcast. The newcasts are sponsored by Penn Tobacco.

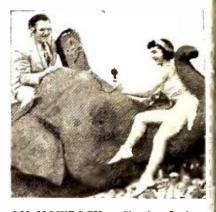
# **Incredible Happenings**

A NEW program Lights & Shadows, devoted to the sometimes incredible stories of romance, pathos and tragedies in the lives of people has been inaugurated over WTCN, Minneapolis. Dealing with unusual events and the abstract phenomena of life, the program dramatizes, half in poetry and half in prose, strange and fantastic stories. The show, which runs for a quarter-hour every Sunday night, is written by Robert Greer of St. Paul, and all of the characters in the dramatizations are portrayed by Charles Irving, assistant produc-tion manager of WTCN.

# Cops and Drivers

A UNIFORMED traffic officer acts A UNIFORMED traffic officer acts as broadcaster on the safety pro-grams of WGRC, New Albany, Ind., which has been cooperating in the Louisville safety drive. The officer stops motorists and pedes-trians on a busy street and asks them questions about driving and crossing. The program, Your In-quiring Traffic Policeman, was conceived by Bob McIntosh and Sammy Silverstein, of WGRC, and Sammy Silverstein, of WGRC, and is credited by Capt. Estel Hack, traffic superintendent of Louisville, with aiding materially in re-ducing fatal accidents.





ON MOWDOCK - Charles Irving, special events announcer of WTCN, Minneapolis, hopped aboard the elephant Mowdock when the circus came to town and interviewed Tosca Cannestrellis aerial artist. Then he rode around the big top, broadcasting an elephant-eye account of the proceedings.

### Questions With a Price

PRIZES for Man-on-Street broadcasts seem to be the order of the day. One variation is suggested by WBTM, Danville, Va., which of-fers a gift of furniture to the lis-tener sending in the best weekly question. Schewel Furniture Co., that city, is sponsor. WBTM puts the name of everyone who mails a question into a hat and gives a weekly cash award to the person wheely cash award to the person whose name is drawn, providing the listener writes WBTM with-in 24 hours and says he heard his name called.

Who Are You?

THE current craze for character analysis is the basis of Ask Yourself Another, a new feature on the Friday evening program of swing music by Tommy Dorsey's orches-tra, sponsored on NBC-Blue by Brown & Williamson Tobacco Co. for Kool and Raleigh cigarettes. Five persons each week will answer a set of ten questions prepared by a prominent psychologist. Each question appears innocent in it-self, but the combined score is said to be a true test of character.

# Towns Full of Talent

DAILY matinee variety program from 2-3 p. m. is broadcast on WHBR, Rock Island, Ill., with the specific intent of home town talent public service. The programs under the direction of Forest Cooke are divided into 15-minute periods of foreign language broadcasts, spelling bees, juvenile acts, civic fea-tures and fishermen's for um s. Newscasters for the foreign lan-guage presentations are readily re-cruited from the local churches and newspapers, according to WHBF.

\* \* \* Clearing House for Pets THE dogs get a radio break in Hawaii with *The Pet Exchange of the Air* on KGMB, Honolulu. The program offers to find homes for small pets. Each broadcast an-nounces available animals for those wanting pets and also puts out an wanting pets. and also puts out an appeal for pets. The balance is about even with a slight edge on the side of dogs and cats.



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Heaven's Pennies THE sidewalk interviewer of KGMB, Honolulu, known as the man in the green shoes", is givman in the green snote, , ven' in ng away 'pennies from heaven' in esponse to the ancient adage, 'A enny for your thoughts'. KGMB roadcasts three times weekly rom the Bata shoe store, inter-iewing passers-by and giving way brand new pennies to every-tre willing to think out-loud on the air. At the halfway point on the 15-minute program, a fanfare pursts forth and the question and inswer stunt changes hands, the public taking over the show and e announcer digging up the an-vers. Five questions are permit-d and if the announcer gets stumped on three of the five, the interrogator gets a pair of shoes tree. So far the score is about •ven.

# Beauty and the Cop

COPS and pretty girls make exellent announcers, according to WHBF, Rock Island, Ill. A local pop motions drivers to the curb and nterviews them during the Cop on the Street series with a free washing job given by the Firestone dealer who sponsors the program. Bette Leins interviews people who have parked for curb service in front of Harvey's ice cream stores. ponsor in a series titled Harvey's Honey Gal. The cop scares folks into talking and a pretty girl can make anyone talk, says WHBF.

Northland Lumberjacks NOW IN it's tenth week, North-land Lumberjacks on WINS, New York, serial of lumber camp life, has rapidly become one of the sta-tion's most popular programs. Starting as a weekly feature, Northland Lumberjacks is now presented three mornings a week. Salone Ellis, author, appeals to the feminine audience by introducing romance and thrills into the atmosphere of the tall timber country.

# Your Nose Notes

Your Nose Notes HOW Beethoven mixed up his over-tures, why the flute was originally played through the nose, the musi-cal associations of animals and other *Musical Oddities* will be de-scribed and illustrated in a new teries of that title on WQXR, New York, conducted on Wednesday af-ternoons by Alma Lubin, music commentator and lecturer.

# The Negro Hour

FOR THE 100,000 negroes living 🚛 and near Cleveland, WGAR has In and hear Cleveland, WGAR has inaugurated a Sunday morning series called the *Negro Hour*. Prominent negro artists appear on the programs which are directed by local clergymen. Each program has an average mail pull of 650 letters with 35% of them coming from other than negro listeners.

### Praise de Lawd!

AN ALL-NEGRO community sing is broadcast Tuesday evenings on WPTF, Raleigh, N. C., from a re-cently completed negro recreation-al center with hundreds of rich, untrained voices singing spirituals and folk songs.

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FROM BED—Stoney McLinn, sports director of WIP, Philadel-phia, can't let a little thing like a dislocated hip interfere with his broadcasts. Laid up for five weeks at least, he resumed his program from his bedroom after two days in the hospital. The injury was received when he slipped in the bathtub. Engineer Willard Botts is at the controls.

# Local Information

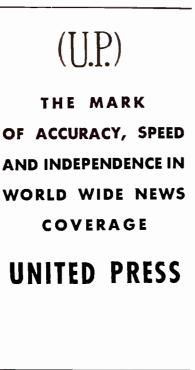
MUCH information is disseminated through the Neighborhood Hour of WIL, St. Louis. This program is allotted 30 minutes on a six-a-week basis and is strictly sustaining. Announcements and speakers from various civic, church, charitable, club and fraternal organizations use this time to keep the St. Louis metropolitan area posted on the activities within their bodies.

# Tall Corn Derby

IOWA Broadcasting System broad-July 31, with Governor Krasehel of Iowa and Gov. LaFollette of Wisconsin submitting tallest corn from their states. The event was arranged by Arthur J. Smith, IBS special events man. Iowa won with 16<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-foot stalk, over three feet taller than the Wisconsin entry.

# Soldier's Viewpoint

GEN. PEPPINO GARIBALDI, grandson of the famous Italian patriot, gives a five-minute soldier's viewpoint on world events during each broadcast of the Tango Cabaret, Sunday afternoon Italian program on WOV, New York, which is sponsored by P. Lorillard Co., New York, for Old Gold cigarettes. Lennen & Mitchell Inc., New York, placed the account.



# Martha Deane Honored

MARY MARGARET MCBRIDE (Martha Deane of WOR) was selected as the winner of the 1937 award of the Wall Paper Insti-tute in recognition of her distinguished service in stimulating better decoration of American homes and was presented with the award by G. Fred Beaudry, Institute president, during her broadcast Aug. 10, when she was guest of honor at the Wall Paper Style Show at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York. The Institute also honored another radio star, Jessica Dragonette, by selecting her as the model and inspiration for a new form of wall decoration especially designed for radio and music lovers. The paper was designed by Emile Erickson, who sketched Miss Dragonette as Thais, Pink Lady and Rio Rita, roles she had chosen as her favorites from the countless characters she has portrayed before the microphone.

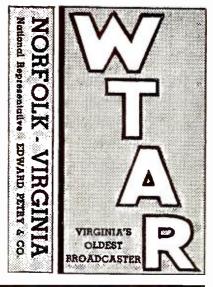
# **KVOX Starts Oct.** 1

WESTERN ELECTRIC transmitter and speech input apparatus and a 179-foot Blaw-Knox tower have been ordered for the new KVOX, Moorhead, Minn., author-ized for construction last year by the FCC to operate with 100 watts on 1310 kc. Delay in securing a transmitter site has held up con-struction and Manny Marget, formerly program director of KXBY, Kansas City, who will be its man-ager, reports that Oct. 1 has been set as the tentative starting date. Owner of the station will be the Herbst Department Store of Fargo. N. D.

# Humble Grid Plans

HUMBLE OIL & REFINING Co., HUMBLE OIL & REFINING Co., Houston (gas & oil), for the third consecutive year will sponsor play-by-play broadcasts of the South-west Conference football games on Texas Quality Network (WFAA, WBAP, WOAI, KPRC). The sportscasts will be handled by Kern Tips, manager of KPRC, Houston; Cy Leland of WBAP, Fort Worth; Hal Thompson and Bill Hightower of WFAA, Dallas. Franke-Wilkinson - Schiwetz Inc., Houston, has the account. Houston, has the account.

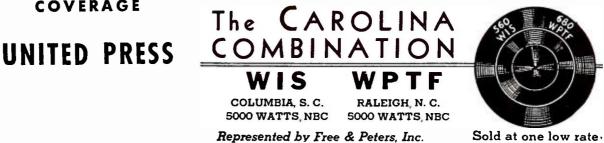
MOTION picture rights for Phillips H. Lord's *Gang Busters* program, heard on CBS every Wednesday night for more than a year. have been pur-chased by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and a full-length feature picture will be released within a year.



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# SALUTE TO TRAIN Six Stations Will Honor L&N Limited

THE Pan American, crack passenger train of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, on Aug. 14 celebrates its fifth anniversary as a "radio performer", with six stations along the route saluting the train in a special anniversary program. The actual sound of the train as it speeds over the rails has been broadcast over WSM for the last five years by means of a special microphone pickup at the WSM antenna 12 miles from Nashville.

Besides WSM, WHAS, Louisville, WSGN, Birmingham, WCKY, Cincinnati, WWL, New Orleans, and WSFA, Montgomery, are collaborating in the anniversary program, as the train arrives in the respective cities. Jack DeWitt, WSM chief engineer, and Aaron Shelton, of the station's staff, have constructed a special shortwave station aboard a coach on the Pan American and broadcasts will be made via shortwave to the stations all along the Pan American run from Cincinnati to the Gulf Coast and New Orleans. Lee Coulson, WHAS station manager, and Jack Harris, WSM special events announcer, also will participate in the ceremonies.

EXACTLY 11,301 visitors were shown through the studios of WHK-WJAY, Cleveland, during July, coming largely in response to regular announcements inviting heat-harassed Clevelanders to "visit our healthful, air-cooled studios any time between 9 a. m. and 9 p. m."



E R I C P A L M E R Jr., well-known amateur radio operator and author of *Riding the Airwaves*, has joined the engineering staff of WQXR, New York. Youngest operator ever licensed in New York, he received his amateur license at the age of 15 and a year later was chief radio operator for the Calvao Expedition to Brazil.

MINOR WILSON, for the last two years chief engineer of WCBS. Chicago, has joined the NBC Chicago engineering staff, and will be replaced at WCBS hy his former assistant, Don Burichter. Wilson came to WCBS from KPRC, Houston, and XER, Mexico.

JAMES P. BUCHANAN Jr., FCC broadcast engineer, and Mrs. Buchanan on July 30 hecame the parents of a daughter, born in Washington.

RALPH NULSEN, chief engineer of WQAM, Miami, has designed a complete two-way communication mohile unit car.

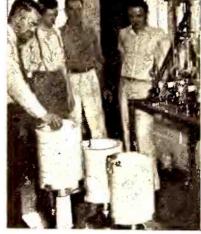
ALFRED J. WIES, NBC field engineer, is the father of a haby girl horn recently.

MEL NOE, formerly in the engineering department of KHJ, Los Angeles, has joined the technical staff of KNX. Hollywood.

FLOYD CATON, formerly on the production staff of KVOR, Colorado Springs, has joined the Hollywood NBC sound effects department.

MALCOLM A. SEARS, formerly on the technical staff of KJBS, San Francisco, and prior to that engineer of WDAF, Kansas City, and also radio school instructor in that city, has joined KYOS, Merced, Cal., engineering department.





ENGINEERS—Of WMBD, Peoria, Ill., examine tube-coolers in front rectifier rack while installing new 5,000-watt Western Electric transmitter, expected to go into operation Sept. 15. Left to right are Chief Engineer Ted Giles and Engineers Bob Connor, Bert Giles and Harry McCormick.

LYNEE C. SMEBY, supervising engineer of WXYZ, Detroit, will he married Aug. 28 to Miss Evelyn True, daughter of Harold True, news commentator of WXYZ and the Michigan Network.

GLEN KOEHLER, professor of electrical engineering at the University of Wisconsin, has heen named consulting engineer of WHA. Madison, and WLBL, Stevens Point. stateowned stations.

GEORGE M. PATTERSON has been appointed chief engineer of KASA, Elk City, Okla.. and George F. Fenter has heen named as his assistant.

WILLIAM SLATER. former engineer of American Airways, has joined the technical staff of WGAR, Cleveland.

JOHN M. VAN HORN, graduate of the Van Buren (Ark.) High School and reputed to be one of the comedian Boh Burns' many relatives from that community, has joined KFRO, Longview. Tex., as a relief operator. He formerly was with KXBY, Kansas City, and KFPW, Fort Smith. Ark. John McDonald is acting chief engineer of KFRO while Chief Engineer Edward Bumpas is attending National Guard camp at Palacious, Tex.

BOB HARNACK has been appointed chief sound effects man of KEHE, Los Angeles.

J. ALFRED WIES, NBC field engineer in New York, is the father of a haby boy.

# Course of Legislation For Control Over Radio Outlined at The Hague

TENDENCIES now manifest in actual or proposed legislation involving the future regulation and conduct of the broadcasting industry in the United States were described by Louis G. Caldwell, Washington radio attorney, in a report to the Second International Congress on Comparative Law at The Hague, Holland, Aug. 4-10.

Congress on Comparative Law at The Hague, Holland, Aug. 4-10. In a lengthy prepared discussion of "Legal Restrictions on the Contents of Broadcast Programs in the United States," Mr. Caldwell reviewed the history of broadcasting jurisprudence from the inception of the law. The legislative outlook, he said, was based upon bills introduced, pressure being brought and demands being made for more or different regulation. Some of the projects, he said, are receiving serious consideration while others, such as government ownership, are not regarded as "serious possibilities in the immediate future".

Among demands being made he included: Government ownership; allocation of facilities for exclusive purposes of education and discussion of public issues on a noncommercial basis; outright or increased censorship of programs; investigation of alleged tendencies toward monopoly, directed primarily at the network companies, their ownership of stations and their contractual relations with others; divorcing of newspaper and station ownership and for prohibition, increased restrictions on, or regulation of particular types of programs and advertising, as illustrated by statutes recently enacted or bills introduced in states and in Congress.

# FCC Names Owen

C. L. OWEN, inspector at the Atlanta office of the FCC, on Aug. 1 took over temporary duties in the Broadcast Section of the FCC Engineering Department as successor to George C. Davis, engineer assigned to broadcast hearing work who has resigned to enter a consulting practice in Washington with E. C. Page, radio engineer. Mr. Owen has been an inspector in Atlanta since 1931, and prior to that was on the engineering staff of WSB, Atlanta. He is a native of Springfield, Mo.

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# EQUIPMENT

AJ. EDWIN H. ARMSTRONG. Columbia University professor and inentor, has placed an order for a 600but tower with the American Bridge Co. Pittsburgh. to be erected on the Palisades of New Jersey for experients in connection with his shortcave "frequency modulation" developments.

KOTN, Pine Bluff, Ark.. has comleted erection of a new vertical intenna atop the Simmons National ank Bldg., an 11-story structure. The vertical antenna now towers more han 300 feet above street level, and by far the tallest structure in outheast Arkansas. The antenna is ed by a concentric transmission line. New equipment includes complete intenna tuning and coupling devices. . R. Whitworth, chief engineer, had harge of installation and moving of ransmitting and studio equipment.

AEROVOX Corp., Brooklyn, manuacturers of transmitting condensers and other condenser equipment has esued a 15th anniversary edition of ts annual radio parts catalog. The wooklet is 32 pages in color.

WJEJ, Hagerstown, Md., began operting from its new transmitter house, ocated just outside of the city limits, using a new vertical antenna, on Aug. The transmitter house and tower were designed and built by Grover C. Crilley, general manager of the station. Installation of equipment was ander the supervision of G. Harold Brewer, chief engineer. Construction as started on a building to house new studios for WJEJ. Station offices and studios will use the entire second floor, and are to be completed by Dec. 45.

KXRO, Aberdeen, Wash., on July 25 Bedicated its new 250-watt transmitter and plant. A new Western Electric transmitter and an 189 ft. Blaw-Knox vertical radiator were placed in operation.

ESFO, San Francisco, and KQW, San Jose. Cal., have installed Western Electric 40A program amplifiers.



HANDY — KPQ, Wenatchee, Wash., has a convenient workroom in its transmitter house, with turntables, transmitter and panel within easy reach of the operator. The station distributed a souvenir 12page newspaper on the occasion of its dedication June 27.

THE new 5,000-watt transmitter of KOIL, Omaha, goes into operation this month, along with its 310-foot Truscon radiator, about two miles east of the South Omaha Bridge. Dedicatory celebration is planned for the week of Sept. 13 with General Manager John Henry. Bob Cunningham, Paul Hamman and R. Bruce Wallace in charge of arrangements.

THE Western Electric 71-A 1000watt amplifier formerly used by KRKD, Los Angeles, has been sold to the Central Broadcasting Corp., Centralia, Wash., now building a new 500-watt station in that city on 1440 kc. Amplification unit was used by KRKD before it built its present 2.500-watt transmitter, according to Willis O. Freitag, chief engineer.

UNITED ELECTRONICS Co.. Newark, has issued a new catalogue covering some 34 models of electronic tubes designed for all types of transmitting equipment.

AN RCA 100-H transmitter with complete studio layout has been ordered from Camden for the new KARM, Fresho, Cal., 100 watter on 1310 kc.



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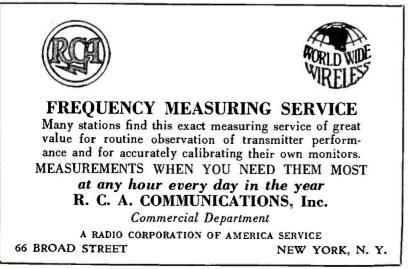
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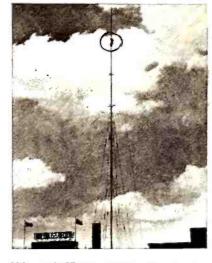
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NO WONDER-KSD, St. Louis, spent three months hunting someone willing to paint its directional reflector tower, rising some 300 feet above street level. The steeple jack had to swing back and forth until he gained impetus to carry him above each protruding strut.

# Bermuda Beams

Bermuda Beams WBAL, Baltimore, and WJZ, New York, are checked by the navigator of the Pan American airship Bermuda Clipper for radio bearings on the New York to Ber-muda runs, according to an article titled "Five Hours to Bermuda" featured in the Aug. 7 issue of Saturday Evening Post.

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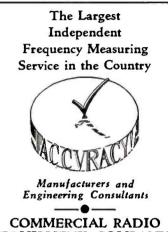
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Broadcast Engineer, 10 years' experi-ence, desires change. Permanency neces-sary; age 35; married; will locate any-where U. S. A. Studio and transmitter operation, maintenance and administra-tion. 1st Phone and 1st Telegraph License since 1926. Box 743, BROADCASTING.

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# New Home of KRE

KRE, Berkeley, Cal., recently dedicated its new transmitter which is cated its new transmitter which is located on the mud flats along the eastern shore of San Francisco Bay. The transmitter is a new high-frequency 310-B Western Electric, equipped with the latest WF snorth encounter and air wile WE speech apparatus and six miles of ground wire were laid in the salt water near the tower to in-crease its efficiency. The 190-foot Blaw-Knox vertical radiator is shunt excited, the first on the Pacific Coast to employ this recent development in broadcast engineering, according to KRE. The transmitter house is of modern California architecture and is air conditioned, while the control room is sound-proofed so that programs may originate in it.



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Situations Wanted (Cont'd)

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Wanted modulation monitor. Quote price and condition. Radio Station WHEF, Jackson, Mississippi.

# For Sale-Equipment

250-100 watt Doolittle and Falknor trans-nitter. For details and price, write WJIM, mitter Lansing.

# For Rent-Equipment

Approved equipment, RCA TMV-75-B field strength measuring unit (new), direct reading; Estiline Angus Automatic Recorder for fading on distant stations; G. R. radio frequency bridge; radio oscilla-tors, etc. Reasonable rental. Allied Re-search Laboratories, 260 East 161st Street, New York City.



WTAQ and WHBY, Green Bay, Wis., on Aug. 15 and 16 will dedicate new studios atop the Bellin Building, with uppropriate programming and "open house" festivities. Penthouse studios torse been computedly redecorated new tonse" festivities. Penthouse studios have been completely redecorated, new control equipment and fixtures in-stalled, along with new offices for the commercial, program and press departments.

NEW STUDIOS of KTSA, San Au-onio, now being constructed in the Gunter Hotel at a cost of about \$20,000, will be ready for occupancy Sept. 15, Station staff, headed by Manager H. C. Burke, is planning a gala opening. Chief Engineer William U. Edgerton drew plans and is su-pervising the construction.

STAFF of WRBL. Columbus. Ga., recently received bonus checks rang-ing from \$15 to \$50 depending on the salary and length of service of the recipient. Similar midsummer bonns was paid a few weeks ago to em-ployes at WATL. Atlanta. Both sta-tions are owned by J. W. Woodruff.

DURING the Aug. 3 broadcast of *Skyways Reporter*, an interview program originating at the Newark air port and aired on WAAT. Jersey City, N. J. Miss Ann Margaret Becker, a stewardess of American Airlines who had received her commercial radio operators license that day, handled the remote set-up with use and efficiency, according to Art Beadle, the program's regular eugileadle, the program's regular engi-neer. Wilderotters department store, Newark, sponsors the Skyways Reporter.

WBTM, Danville, Va., and KGER, Long Beach, Cal., recently installed Transradio teletype service and are iring newscasts every hour throughout the day and evening.

AMATEUR photography hobby has invaded the studios of KHJ, Los Angeles, with staff members organiz-ing a Candid Camera Club. Members include Willett Brown, assistant manager; Charles Bulotti Jr., opera-tions chief; Bob Murray, chief techni-cian; Dick Webster, sales promoter; James Bloodworth, continuity editor; (dlen Turner, technician; Bob Wheeler, transcription supervisor; and James Burton, announcer.

GRANT POLLACK, NBC announcer GRANT POLLACK, NBC announcer in San Francisco, presided at a spe-cial pickup from the Golden Bear, whose captain, E. N. Olsen, and crew saved several hundred lives during the recent volcanic eruption in New Guinea. The broadcast was heard over NBC stations on July 23.

WIIO, Des Moines, has signed a long-term contract for Transradio news service, receiving the full leased teletype trunk wire service recently extended through Central Iowa by Transradio, WIO was the third 50, 600-watt ontlet signed by Transradio within six weeks, others being WLS, Chicago, and WCAU, Philadelphia,

WLBC, Muncie, Ind., had a demon-stration booth at the S5th annual Eastern Indiana-Muncie Fair, and presented programs from this studio, All news programs originated from the grounds and Transradio news and its preparation were featured in the display.

WIL, St. Louis, gives temperature and humidity readings every hour on the hour.



# 700 Miles From Home

KERR DRY GOODS Co., Oklahoma City department store, is following its customers into the mountain resorts of Colorado by sponsor-ing a program titled News From Home on KVOR, Colorado Springs, more than 700 miles away. The twice-weekly quarter-hour series features transcribed music by former Oklahomans now active in radio as well as Oklahoma City social and sports news. It is heard at 10 a. m. Sun-days and 10:15 a. m. Wed-nesdays. Only commercial is suggestion that vacationers can use their Kerr charge accounts and personal shopper.

SIX brondcasts over WCKY, Cincin-nati, will be sponsored by the Cin-cinnati Cake & Specialty Co, from the Pure Food & Health Exposition, to be held at the Cincinnati Zoo Ang, 24-Sept. 6. The programs will feature interviews with housewives attending the exposition's cooking school. Mary Jane, WCKY girl commentator, and Frank Zwygart, announcer, will con-duct the interviews, WCKY has ex-clusive broadcast rights at the show which is held under anspices of the Cincinnati Retail Grocers and Meat Dealers Association. SIX broadcasts over WCKY, Cincin-Dealers Association.

WGAR, Cleveland, recently broadcast a five-hour show to raise money and furnish transportation so that child-ren might attend Orphan's Day at the Great Lakes Exposition, Aug. 16, The results of the broadcast under the direction of Sid Andorn were trans-portation for 4.600 children and \$1,000 in cash.

WHO, Des Moines, is brondcasting a Sunday morning series titled Your Hymns and Mine, a public service program under auspices of the Iowa Christian Endeavor Union and con-sisting of hymns selected from hym-nals of all churches.

WFBR, Baltimore, will broadcast the Chesapeake Bay Fishing Fair Assn. contest from the middle of the bay Sept. 18-19. Expert fishermen from all over the country are expected to par-ticipate, according to WFBR.

IMPROVEMENTS are being made to a former residence at Worcester, Mass, being used as the new studios of WORC. The station made its first broadcast from the new studios early this month, and plans to hold formal opening late in August, according to Ted Hill, manager.

BEGINNING August 16 the BEGINNING August 16 the 45-minute women's program conducted by Martha Deane on WOR, Newark, will drop the Saturday broadcasts and will change the time of the Monday-through-Friday periods from 2-to-2:45 p. m. to 3-3:45 p. m. The programs are cooperatively sponsored by a maxi-mum of 12 participating advertisers, each of whom has been included three times weekly. Under the new schedula times weekly. Under the new schedule each advertiser will receive three commercial messages one week and two the next.

the next. SPONSORED on WSAN, Allentown, Pa., is Accent on Safety, presenting Edgar P. Paulsen, giving a course on the subject at Muhlenberg College, All phases of the safety subject are discussed, winding up with a one-minute transcribed message from the State Highway Safety Patrol, The series is being transcribed by Lopez Recording Co, for use at other sta-tions. tions

KPRC, Houston, Tex., announced Aug. 4 that Kenneth A. Millican had concluded 1,500 broadcasts of daily talks on security trading under spon-sorship of Sterling & Baker, local brokers and investment counsellors.





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alty episodes.

There are also stations that have been crying for a daily strip "across the boards". Our answer to them (with only two characters) is "The Road to Nowhere" in which a typical Eng-lish intelligence officer meets a typical Broadway chorns girl in India and they start trouble but not for the au-dience who really grow to love Guy they start trouble but not for the au-dience who really grow to love Guy and Sadie, As a daily feature (six times a week) it costs only \$5.00 per week. Add the cost of two actors and a production man and you have a package, correctly priced, that will sell for your sponsor,

RADIO EVENTS

Stations who cry that they can't afford to produce live shows will have something to think about when the final A. F. of M. set-up is released.

Besides they never really had a leg to stand on because The Script Library has always had twosomes, really thrilling presentations that required two men or a man and a woman and which frequently cost only a royalty of less than a \$1.00 a fifteen minute original

There is, for instance, the light comedy "OII, JENKINS" with a \$25.00 roy-alty for twenty-six fifteen minute

Then there's "LOVE IS A WORD", a two character romance which is also available at a royalty of twenty-six fifteen minute episodes for \$25,00.

By the way, thirty-two broadcast series were sold last week because station production men had copies of THE SCRIPT LI-BRARY CATALOGUE in their files. If you haven't-why not write for it today? The cost to you is just 00000.

you is just 00000. Out of the six hundred and fifty sta-tions in the U. S. A., over four hun-dred and fifty are on our mailing list —by request. They receive news of the Script Library material, TREND pages and gobs of facts and a few fancies about where broadcasting is going and why. Since it only requires "the asking" to be placed on our mailing list, why not ask. When it comes to making program

mailing list, why not ask. When it comes to making program cooperation available, the writer, who general manages (as far as it's pos-sible to manage Joe Koehler and Georgia Backus) most of the activi-ties of The Script Library, has never been known as a No girl. If you'd like an example of SERVICE just tell her what you want and watch things hapwhat you want and watch things happen. .

Broadcasting's greatest season is ahead and already The Script Li-brary's business is 200% ahead of the same time last year—You can't give service for five years without someone realizing it. That someone today is exactly 235 stations—AIN'T that a someone.

This is Genevieve Pace, who cut her vacation short in order that some station managers might have theirs.

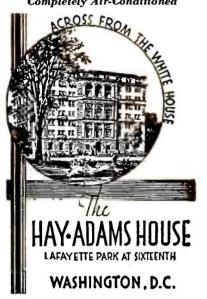
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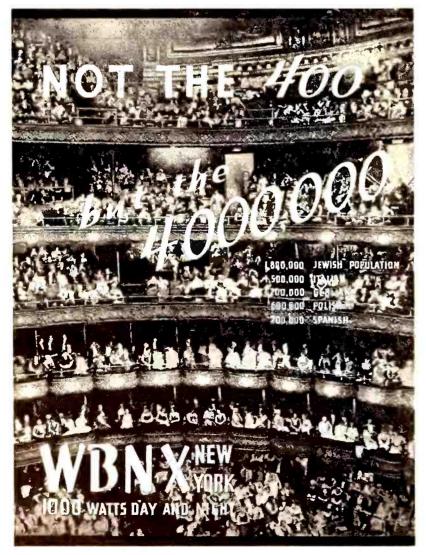


# Institute Will Consider RadioandPublicOpinion

THE PART broadcasting plays in developing public opinion in the United States will be debated during the 1937 Williamstown Institute of Human Relations at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., Aug. 29 - Sept. 3. Dr. Franklin Dunham, of NBC, Sterling Fisher, of CBS, and James M. Gillis, editor of the Catholic World, are among those who will speak on radio at the morning forum Sept. 3, over which Harry A. Garfield, president - emeritus of Williams College, will preside. Some of the proceedings will be broadcast via the networks.

Theme of the conference will be, "Public Opinion in a Democracy". The Institute will have two specific aims: "To consider the motion picture, the press, the radio and other agencies by which American public opinion is shaped, from the point of view of their relation to ethics and religion;" and "to suggest how these agencies of public opinion may promote more wholesome human relations in the United States, consistent with the New World tradition of religious liberty, civil freedom and human rights for all culture groups in our population."

AFTER battling storms, Ken Griffin, of NBC's San Francisco studios, and Director Blair Walliser, co-owners of the 10-meter sloop *Revenge*, won the coveted Mackinac Racing Division Cup last month. The *Revenge* finished the gruelling 331-mile run in 75:24: 51. The Mackinac race is the longest fresh water sailing race in the world.



# Joe Louis a Sponsor

JOE LOUIS, heavyweight champion, is sponsor of a commercial program which advertises his "Brown Bomber Chicken Shack", Detroit restaurant. Fifteen minutes known as Brown Bomber Shambles, f e at ur in g hot transcribed tunes, are broadcast every morning at 2:15 a. m. during the Night Owl stretch over WJBK, 24-hour station.

# WNBF Joins N. Y. Net

WNBF, Binghamton, N. Y., will join the New York Broadcasting System on Sept. 7, as the seventh station in this intrastate network. The station operates on 1500 kc. with 250 watts day and 100 watts nights and is a supplementary outlet of CBS. Other stations in the network include WINS, New York key station; WABY, Albany; WIBX, Utica; WMBO, Auburn; WSAY, Rochester; WBNY, Buffalo.

# **Barth Leaves WSYR**

HOWARD C. BARTH, veteran manager and secretary of WSYR, Syracuse, has resigned and has sold his interest in the corporation. He left in July for an extended vacation in the Gaspe Peninsula of Canada and the Adirondacks and made no announcement of his future plans. Owners of WSYR, who are believed to have taken over the Barth interests, are Col. Harry Wilder and his father, Mark S. Wilder.

# Kaltenborn in Spain

H. V. KALTENBORN, CBS news commentator who won the Headliners Club radio citation for his reporting of the Spanish war from the battlefront last year, is back in Spain gathering material for more broadcasts. After touring rebel Spain, he was due to go to Paris to broadcast back to CBS on Aug. 15. He then returns to loyalist Spain and will broadcast his observations on that sector on Aug. 29.

# **Radio Helps Piano Sales**

WITH piano shipments for the first half of the year up 34% over 1936 and amounting to 49,595 units, the National Piano Manufacturers Association was told at its recent convention in New York that radio has been a boon rather than a deterrent to piano sales. Broadcasting has developed a new national appreciation developed the nation's appreciation of music which has been reflected in increased sales of musical instruments, it was added.

Better Speech to Return BETTER SPEECH INSTITUTE of America, Chicago (correct speech booklets), plans to return to the air in September using a quarterhour program on NBC-Red network on Sundays. Dramatized plays showing the effectiveness of good speech may be used again this year. Auspitz & Lee, Chicago, is the agency.

# CBS Starts Work In San Francisco New \$350,000 Plant Will Be

Ready in Early November

CONSTRUCTION of the CBS new northern California headquarters and studios in the historic Palace Hotel in downtown San Francisco was started early in August. Although the site had been picked and publicly announced a number of weeks ago by Donald W. Thornburgh, CBS vice - president in charge of Pacific Coast operations, the 89-day hotel strike in San Francisco held up the start of the actual construction work. The strike was settled and hotels again opened just before the start of August.

Bliss & Fairweather. San Francisco architects have drawn plans, with William Lescaze, designer of the new KNX building in Hollywood, as consultant. The project will include two stories to accommodate the elaborate housing of CBS and KSFO. Five broadcasting studios, each with its own control room, are planned. Two main studios will have extraordinarily high ceilings for proper acoustics and each includes an observers' balcony. The plans call for entirely new construction work for the entire project. directly above the Gold Ballroom of the hotel. From the lobby of the hotel itself swinging doors will lead directly to a smaller lobby with an entrance on a rear street and a special elevator to the Columbia reception room.

# **Special Facilities**

Besides the studios, included on the first floor will be the executive offices, a special program planning department and announcers' lounge. The second floor will contain the music library, traffic, publicity and news departments, a transcription library, engineering department and two client rooms. Air conditioning and ventilation equipment independent of the hotel plant will be installed on this floor also.

All the technical installation will be under the supervision of James Middlebrooks, CBS construction engineer, who also directed the erection of the new KSFO transmitter at Islais Creek, San Francisco. The new studios are expected to be ready for occupancy by Nov. 1. Mr. Thornburgh said that the estimated cost of the plant will be about \$350.000.

Meanwhile, the new 5 kw. WE transmitter. transmitter house and Truscon radiator for KSFO, CBS outlet in San Francisco, have been completed at Islais Creek. During the construction of the transmitter KSFO broadcast a number of special programs from the site, to create public interest in the forthcoming new station facilities. Manager Phil Lasky stated that he planned to use car cards and space in the daily newspapers to promote the dedication, scheduled for this month.

His month. H. Z. Zane, construction engineer, went to San Francisco from New York to supervise the work on the towers for the new setup. As a result of the CBS future move into the Palace Hotel, NBC loses its remotes from the hostelry. The CBS outlet already is picking up the music of Paul Pendarvis from the Rose Room.



ACHT COVERAGE—The major networks used all forms of conveyance and communication to bring the America's Cup races off Newport to a istening world. At left is an NBC crew at Brenton Pt. Coast Guard station (back to front) A. E. Jackson and H. T. Ashworth, field engineers; Max Jacobson, eastern field supervisor; J. H. Hartley, asst. director special events; Arthur Feldman, director special events, Boston. In center is the MBS-WOR crew, with Cameron King and Dave Driscoll at left and four engineers, Ed Franke, George Frazee, Shirley Davis, Samuel Morse. Driscoll fell overboard three minutes before one of his broadcasts. At right Ted Husing (above) and Sydney Bergere, engineer, are feeding CBS from the radio shack on the Coast Guard cutter Tahoe. Elaborate shortwave setups were arranged for the races.

# NAB Report on SESAC Repertory Indicates List Falls Below Claims

CULMINATING several months of intensive research, the NAB on Aug. 18 will release to its membership a detailed report analyzing the copyright repertory of the Soriety of European Stage Authors & Composers Inc. (SESAC), designed to portray to its membership the scope of the works held by the organization so as to permit stations to gauge their needs for the catalogs. Resulting from complaints from

Resulting from complaints from many stations that they have been paying SESAC royalties for an "unknown quantity" because it had mever divulged its actual repertory, the analysis was undertaken by James W. Baldwin, NAB managing director, and his copyright staff after SESAC had declined to supply the information requested and had displayed "a lack of cooperation in supplying to the members necessary information." The voluminous report. together

The voluminous report, together with some 400 pages of exhibits, tended to show that SESAC is not the important entity in the copyrighted musical field it has claimed to be in negotiating performance contracts with stations, some 400 of which are said to be paying SESAC royalties. As far back as January, 1936, the report brought out, NAB endeavored to obtain from SESAC a list of musical compositions it owns and controls, and when it was not furnished the NAB undertook a search of the files of the Library of Congress to ascertain precisely what compositions were involved, based on a SESAC brochure date June 1, 1936, in which it named the catalogs it was authorized to license without going into the actual numbers involved.

bers involved. The brochure contained the names of 76 publishers or organizations but duplications in the items reduced the number to 52. In addition, 17 publishers were eliminated by SESAC's own admission and broadcasters who entered into license agreements with SESAC as of that time apparently acquired the right to perform musical selections of 35 publishers or organizations, instead of 76, the report states.

On Jan. 1, 1937, SESAC distributed a new brochure which added and deleted certain firms and showed the total number of publishers and organizations as 62 as of April 1, 1937. "We find, on examination of the musical copyright entries in the Library of Congress," said the NAB report, "that a total of approximately 5,500 unexpired musical copyright entries are credited to these 62 publishers or organizations." Of these 62, said the report, 13 were not credited with any musical entries, three had not been credited with any musical copy entries during the last ten years, and 35 had been credited with a total of less than 50 entries each during the last ten years. The remaining 11 publishers as of April 1, 1937, had en-

# **TODAY'S CHILDREN**

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tries totalling about 3,500 numbers. In detail, the report covered conflicts in connection with claims made by SESAC on exclusive rights to perform numbers with the rights of ASCAP. The disclosure, the report stated, emphasized the "urgent need for remedial copyright legislation." Chapter by chapter, the report covered the individual catalogs claimed by SESAC, and designed to show by title, name of author, composer and publisher, all of the musical selections which the NAB could find credited to those pub-

Chapter by chapter, the report covered the individual catalogs claimed by SESAC, and designed to show by title, name of author, composer and publisher, all of the musical selections which the NAB could find credited to those publishers in the musical copyright entries of the Library of Congress of April 1. "These data should enable the broadcasters to evaluate the need for the music in all these catalogs with the possible exception of the Spanish catalogs," said the report.

# **Sherwin-Williams Spots**

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS Co., Cleveland, will start a spot campaign for its paints early in September, using participating programs on schedules varying from one to six times weekly on the Yankee Network, the Iowa Network and a network on the Pacific Coast. Individual stations signed are WOR, WFIL, WBEN, WGY, KDKA, WFBR, WBT, WJAX, WLS, WGAR, WJR, WFBM, WCCO, KMOX, KMBC, WFAA, WCKY, WSB, WTMJ, KPRC. Programs were placed through T. J. Maloney Inc., New York.

FRATELLI BRANCA & Co. Inc., New York (bitters) is sponsoring a weekly sports review in Italian on WBIL, New York, and WPEN, Philadelphia. featuring Leandro Forno. Series is titled La Rassegna Sportiva.



# WKZO Modern Radio Kitchen Now In Its 21st Successful Week

MARY MARTIN, expert Home Economist, on the air six times a week — supplemented by merchandising men contacting retail outlets, installing store displays and creating increased distribution for sponsors.

Write for information.

Representatives: Wilson-Robertson Co. Chicago-New York-Kansas City

# WFIL's New Studios

THE NEW \$200,000 studio plant of WFIL, Philadelphia, will be opened for broadcasting Sept. 1, according to Donald Withycomb, according to Donald Withycomb, general manager. Located on the 18th (top) floor of the Widener Bldg., in the heart of mid-town Philadelphia, the new plant is now nearly completed. WFIL's present quarters in the Strawbridge & Clothier Store will be closed at the end of August and all personnel and equipment moved to the new location. Formal dedication of the location. Formal dedication of the studios will be deferred until decorative work is finished, probably late in October. Plant was designed by Horace Trumbauer, with the collaboration of Frank V. Becker, WFIL chief engineer.



Western North Carolina "The Quality Market

of The Southeast"

# **Conferences Seek Music Solution**

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of the AFM on transcription makers mean that they "cannot make transcriptions using AFM musi-

cians for use at any radio station

which fails to employ a number of

cians for use at any radio station which fails to employ a number of AFM musicians satisfactory to the AFM" and that "an attempt is to be made to require the makers of transcriptions to be licensed by the AFM" the letter continues: The AFM is attempting to achieve its end of requiring radio stations to employ additional musicians by threatening to place restrictions on the network companies by refusing to permit the transmission of music made by its members except to radio stations employing musicians, and on the phonograph record and electrical transcription makers rather than by local negotiation through the locals of the AFM in the territory served by the radio stations. We have urged the AFM to treat this situation lo-cally because the problem of each ra-dio station is a local problem which should be decided on its own merits, but they have declined to deal on a local basis with the individual sta-tions. We have no way of knowing what number of musicians the AFM intends to require to be employed. As transcription makers we are vitally interested in this problem and are anxious to do what we can to assist you in its solution. However, you are the most directly concerned as the employment of the additional musicians demanded by the AFM must be by the broadcasting stations. . . We believe that broadcasters will find it useful to confer with the tran-scription makers whose products they use, with such network companies as

scription makers whose products they use, with such network companies as the stations may be affiliated, with the NAB and with officers of the

Licensing Plan

maker told BROADCASTING that there is little that this group can do until the broadcasters have

come to some agreement with the union and then, he said "we will have to decide whether to refuse

to furnish transcriptions to stations not licensed by the union or to try to continue to serve them without the aid of AFM musi-cians." He pointed out that in saying that transcriptions have con-tributed to unemployment of musicians the AFM officials quite evi-

dently did not understand that ad-

vertisers using musical transcrip-

tions were competing with network programs for audience attention and that in most cities live orches-

tras of the same excellence could not be obtained and even if they could the advertisers could not afford to hire individual orchestras

afford to hire individual orchestras in each city. "If the present users of tran-scriptions are forced to turn to other means of advertising they will not hire local musicians," he stated, "but will use local news

or sports programs, or script shows, or will leave radio and go back to newspaper advertising, from which most of the transcrip-

tion business has been taken." He

also said the situation was having

a bad effect on the transcription business for fall as many adver-

tisers were holding up their recording awaiting the outcome and that if they were forced to delay

much longer they would be forced

to use some other means of adver-

turers present a different aspect of

the situation, which is outlined in

The phonograph record manufac-

One prominent transcription

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eral musical strike, and none of us wants that to happen. We are exerting all the pressure we can to make our member stations appreciate the necessity for action on their part, and if the non-network stations will take the same point of view we believe that a solution can be peaceably worked out."

# Danger of Blacklist

The networks are also very much concerned about the possibility of some of their stations refusing to hire a number of musicians satisfactory to the union and being put on the AFM unfair list. In such cases the networks would be forbidden by the union from feeding any musical programs to these blacklisted stations, under threat of losing their own union musi-cians, who will not be permitted to work for any one serving a blacklisted station.

This same situation applies to the transcription and record man-ufacturers. On Aug. 10 a letter was sent by NAB to all stations, was sent by NAB to all stations, over the signatures of Advertisers Recording Service Inc., Atlas Ra-dio Corp., E. V. Brinckerhoff & Co. Inc., Jean V. Grombach Inc., Lang - Worth Feature Programs, MacGregor & Sollie, NBC Tran-scription Service, RCA Mfg. Co. Inc., Transamerican Broadcasting & Television Corp., WOR Record-ing Service and World Broadcast-ing System. Pointing out that the demands

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from performing the records made by such manufacturers. As part of this program, we are advised that the phonograph record companies will soon adopt a new label and envelope for their records which will set forth that the records are manufactured and distributed pursu-ant to a patent license and on agree-ment with the original purchaser that they may not be used or resold save for ordinary use in the home. It is reasonable to assume that this proce-dure will be the subject matter of litigation. In any event, the AFM may attempt to withhold the services of union musicians, whether live tal-ent, or through the medium of tran-scriptions, network or remote control, from stations which make unapproved use of phonograph records. The pho-nograph record companies, intend, we are informed, simultaneously with this formation. are informed, simultaneously with this Campaign, to attempt to put into effect a plan which they inform us they have long contemplated—namely, licensing broadcasting stations to play phonograph records.

### **Property Right**

Milton Diamond, counsel for Decca Records Inc. and member of a committee of representatives of Decca, RCA-Victor and Ameri-can Record Co. which will meet with the AFM sub-committee to with the AFM sub-committee to attempt to work out a settlement before Sept. 16, told BROADCASTING that the makers of phonograph records had long held they have a property right in the records they make that is being violated when these records are broadcast.

He said that the courts had recognized this right when the record companies were allowed to intervene in suits brought by artists whose records had been broadcast against the broadcasting stations. These suits are still in the courts, he said, and the record makers hope to have their rights upheld by definite rulings, after which they, too, will license stations to broadcast records.

Whether these licenses will be on a per piece basis or whether they will follow the ASCAP plan of an annual fee has not been decided, he said. He stated that the recorders will of course not license any stations not licensed by AFM, as to do so would cost them the use of union musicians, but added that in the meantime any station broadcasting records, whether li-censed by AFM or not, would be considered as an infringer on the rights of the recorders.

Querying a number of indepen-dent stations in New York BROAD-CASTING found the consensus was that they are now employing as many musicians as is economically feasible and are not greatly wor-ried, believing the AFM will not force them to employ more men

than they can afford or seriously affect their program schedule by depriving them of the right to recordings and tranbroadcast

scriptions. Officials at AFM headquarters said that while the subcommittee will continue to meet with broad-casters and others no decisions would be made until the resump-tion of executive sessions in Sep-tember. Queried about the amount of unemployment among musicians they replied that of the 125,000 AFM members many had other oc-cupations and that it was impossible to say how many were actually out of work. But they did state very definitely that regardless of the amount of unemployment they felt the broadcasting industry should employ more than 800 staff musicians, which is the total num-ber today. This does not include, of course, the many thousands of mu-sicians engaged for special programs by sponsors or stations, but only the regularly employed musicians on station payrolls.

Asked how many men they thought the broadcasters should employ they said that was a ques-tion for the broadcasters to answer and that when they heard the anand that when they heard the an-swer they would then decide whether it was satisfactory to them. Pending the September meet-ings the AFM has postponed its Aug. 15 deadline with the motion picture people, from whom the union is trying to get a contract forbidding the dubbing or re-record-ing from film to film or disc to film, meaning that each picture producmeaning that each picture produc-tion would require an original orchestral background. Similarly the discussions with ASCAP regarding an affiliation of the two groups, possibly with ASCAP becoming an AFL union, have been temporarily discontinued.

Audit Group Committee **Of NAB Is Reappointed** REAPPOINTMENT of the NAB "committee of five" which functions as part of the Joint Committee on Radio Research representing equal-ly the NAB, American Associa-tion of Advertising Agencies, and Association of National Advertisers, was announced Aug. 12 by John Elmer, NAB president, and operator of WCBM, Baltimore.

operator of WCBM, Baltimore. The group includes Arthur Church, KMBC, Kansas City, chairman; Roy O. Witmer, NBC sales vice-president; H. K. Boice, CBS sales vice-president; J. O. Maland, vice-president, WHO, Des Moines, and James W. Baldwin, NAB managing director. Last year the NAB committee included seven men, five of whom served on the Joint Committee on Radio Research. Mr. Elmer decided to curtail the membership to five

to curtail the membership to five for both purposes during the en-suing year. The Joint Committee has been functioning for the last two years toward the goal of adapting standardized methods of auditing standardized methods of auditing station audience and coverage data.

# **Campana's Second Show**

CAMPANA Corp., Batavia, Ill., sponsoring First Nighter on NBC-Red Friday evenings for Italian Balm, will add an unnamed net-work program on Monday eve-nings, 8:30-9, on NBC-Blue, late in September. Aubrey, Moore & Wallace Inc., Chicago, is agency.

Demands upon phonograph recording companies and electrical transcription companies by American Federation of Mu-

icians: 1. Explain the evil of circumventing of employment opportunities of musicians by reason of the uncontrolled use of record-ing for profit.

ing for profit. 2. There is no objection against record-ings for home use or in their use for any purpose outside of the United States and Canada. However, records may be used in music machines such as are commonly found in candy stores, railroad stations, billiard parlors, etc. They cannot be used in places where otherwise musicians could be employed or where it bas the tendency to destroy employment opportunities of musicians.

to destroy employment opportunities of musicians. Manufacturers of phonograph records or electrical transcriptions may make such for audition purposes or for their own record, but such phonograph records or electrical transcriptions must not be com-mercially used, and the American Federa-tion of Musicians must be advised in each instance when made as is the case with

instance when made as is the case with other records. 3. Members of AFM will not in future make records which are to be used for profit unless musicians are employed in the place or establishment where so used. This includes radio, hotels, restaurants. cafes or any other place whatsoever where the use of records has the result of de-stroying employment opportunities of stroying

the use of records has the result of de-stroying employment opportunities of members. If recording companies are requested by a sponsor to make recordings for which the sponsor furnishes his own musicians. then such recording companies obligate themselves to do so only on condition that it be done in accordance with their own understanding with the AFM. the record-ings are only to be used where members of the AFM are employed. Industrial recordings are permitted only on condition that they are not to be used as public recordings but are used solely for the purpose of acquainting with their contents the employes of the industry for which the recordings are made or pros-pective buyers of the products of such in-dustry. However, they are not to be used at any place or at any time to which the general public is invited. 4. The Federation is ready and willing to permit their use in such places or for such purposes as radio if it comes to some agreement with the employers using such records as the number of musicians to be employed. 5. The dubbing or re-recording of rec-ords will not be agreed to by the Federa

employed. 5. The dubbing or re-recording of rec-ords will not be agreed to by the Federa-tion. However, manufacturers may submit to the AFM cases wherein, in their Opin-on, exceptions should be made, with the understanding that the decision of the Federation shall be final. 6. Members of the AFM will only make records under contracts containing these stipulations.

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7. The AFM insists that it must be advised of all records made and for what purpose they are to be used (this to appear on the record) with the understanding that records should not be placed at the disposal of an employer where it has the tendency to destroy employment oportunities or the developing of such.
8. Records henceforth made by each corporation must have a registered number to be filed with the Federation. Before such record is used anywhere for any purpose whatsoever, a clearance permission must be secured from the AFM.
Recording companies agree to furnish the AFM with their catalogue of recordings are not to be used or released before the Federation is so advised. If necessarv for the immediate release of such recordings.
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Manufacturers of recordings shall at all times he advised of what these recordings the script of the recordings shall at all times. We advised of what these recordings should assign all their rights for the used of the recording companies when making report to fus pressed in Canada.
9. Requests by employers that musicians should assign all their rights for the used of the master records to recording companies will be considered by the Federation and the Federation will not arree to such assignments.
10. Members of the Federation will not render any services at any place where are now or library records understower they are new or library records by truming a line through radio corporation stunder any services at any place where are now or library records understower as an attempt to appeared they are new or library records to records by the rederation will not arree to such assignments.

dios or any other place for any other than legitimate purposes, that is, purposes in contradiction with these rules is not agreed to by the Federation. 12. The making of records taken from the air with or without the knowledge of the musicians is not agreed to by the Fed-eration.

the musicians is not agreed to by the Fed-eration. 13. All recording companies to be li-censed by the AFM, the license to contain the stipulations under which members of the Federation will make records. 14. Nothing berein must be so construed to rob an individual member of his prop-erty right that he may have or may ac-quire in any of his recordings. 15. In no jurisdiction of any local of the AFM can members play for an em-ployer in contradiction of any of the above rules.

16. All contracts to be valid must be ap-proved by the International Executive Board of the AFM, the president or any authority designated for that purpose by the Federation.

# **General Foods Session**

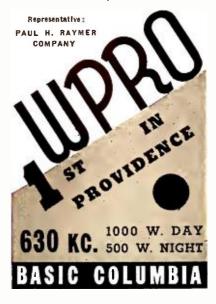
GENERAL FOODS Inc., major radio advertiser, held a three-day conclave in Hollywood starting Aug. 13, with its main executive personnel, including Clarence Francis, president, assembling for a roundtable on merchandising plans. Intimations are that the company, which spent more than \$2,000,000 on advertising the first six months on advertising the nrst six months of this year, a substantial portion of which went to radio, will ex-pand broadcast originations from Hollywood. Conferring with the General Foods Inc. executives were Young & Rubicam Inc., and Banton & Boules Inc. Benton & Bowles Inc., advertising counsel. Both agencies represent General Foods in radio production in Hollywood and the East. Meetings started Aug. 13.



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# Senate Radio Investigation Foreseen

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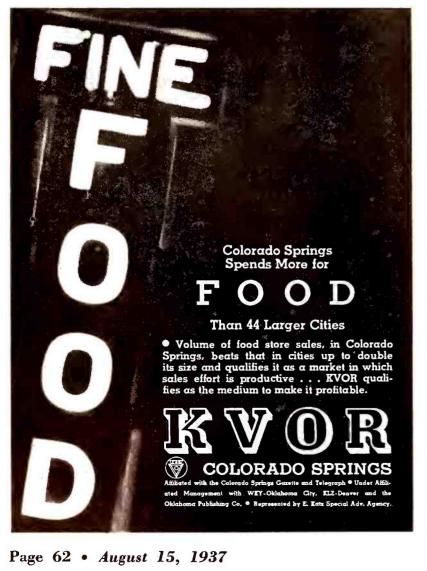
tive appointees, meeting the "business executive" qualifications, it is understood, had been offered the chairmanship, but each refused for undisclosed reasons. The chairmanship appointee would fill out Mr. Prall's unexpired term of five years, while the other vacancy that created by the retirement June 30 of Dr. Irvin Stewart, Telegraph Division chairman—is for seven years.

The death this month of Associate Justice J. A. Van Orsdel of the U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the radio appellate body, gave rise to renewed speculation regarding the possible transfer of Acting Chairman E. O. Sykes to that court. He was considered for it several times in the past. A former Mississippi Supreme Court justice, Judge Sykes is regarded as especially qualified for that bench, particularly since it is the FCC appellate court prescribed in the law.

# New Names Mentioned

Many new names have been added to the list of prospective appointees to the FCC, and most of the old ones remain. Foremost among those considered initially for the Stewart vacancy and also for the chairmanship are Comdr. T. A. M. Craven, FCC chief engineer; Hampson Gary, FCC general counsel, and Carl I. Wheat, FCC telephone rate counsel.

New names which have been advanced are those of Ewin L. Davis,



member of the Federal Trade Commission, who as a former Congressman from Tennessee was one of the framers of the Radio Act of 1927; Smith W. Brookhart, former Iowa Senator; W. W. Howes of South Dakota, First Assistant Postmaster General; Rep. Ramspeck (D., Ga.), a member of the House Merchant Marine Committee which until three years ago was charged with radio legislation; William E. Dodd, Ambassador to Germany; Judge Hall Lusk, of Portland, Ore.; Willard Bliss, general organizer of the American Radio Telegraphists Association. who has CIO endorsement and whose name was substituted for that of Hoyt S. Haddock, former ARTA president; Capt. S. C. Hooper, USN, former director of Naval Communications, and Comdr. C. R. Clark, retired Naval Communications officer on the Pacific coast, a native of Plattsburgh, N. Y. One of the "big business" ex-

One of the "big business" executives reported under consideration was John D. Biggers, president of Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co.. of Toledo, but it was learned authoritatively that he had not been proferred the post, and that even if the offer should be made his business commitments are such that he would not be in a position to accept. Breckinridge Long. former Ambassador to Italy, and former Assistant Secretary of State, is another understood to have been offered one of the posts, which he declined.

# WCBD Ready to Start With Entire New Plant

WCBD, Chicago, will start its new 5,000-watt Western Electric transmitter and 410-foot Truscon selfsupporting radiator on Aug. 16. The station has been using the facilities of WMBI, with which it shares time, since its \$60,000 fire April 2. The new transmitter is located just north of Elmhurst, Ill., at the old WMAQ site. Studies and offices of the three

Studies and offices of the three Chicago stations managed by Gene T. Dyer, formerly in different locations, have all been moved into the Madison-Western Bank Bldg., 2400 W. Madison St. in the heart of Chicago. Modernized offices and studios have been built for the three stations—WSBC, WGES and WCBD, which had studios and transmitter at Waukegan and Zion, Ill.

# **New Equipment Firm**

BRAINARD - WALDER Corp., Hollywood manufacturers of communication, transmitter and recording equipment will change its name to General Communication Products Corp. and move to larger quarters at 6245 Lexington Ave., that city, within the next 30 days. S. A. Sollie, formerly of Mac-Gregor & Sollie, Hollywood transcription concern, and Harold H. Hanseth, formerly co-owner of KIEM, Eureka, Cal., have joined the organization which is headed by W. E. Brainard, president, and Robert B. Walder, formerly president and general manager of Techna Corp., San Francisco equipment manufacturers.

# **Payne Resumes Probe of Crosley**

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McFarlane (D-Tex.). In the latter address the superpower operation of WLW was criticized. No direct mention was made of the recent retention by Crosley of Charles Michelson, publicity director of the Democratic National Committee as public relations counsellor.

Concluding, the Payne letter said that it was in the nature of a formal notification that the Commissioner would expect to receive answers to the questions propounded by Sept. 13, 1937. Questions asked covered balance sheets showing current assets, investments, fixed assets, intangible assets and related financial data; profit and loss statement showing gross broad-

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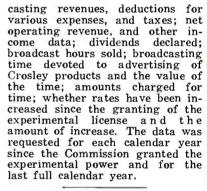
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JOHN McPHERRIN, sales manager of Bauer & Black, Chicago (cosmetics), is in Hollywood conferring with Frank W. Purkett, vice-president and general manager of Associated Cinema Studios, on the May Robson transcription series Lady of *Millions*, cutting of which started Aug. 1. Series, through Blackett-Sample-Hummert Inc., Chicago agency, will be placed nationally.

HECKER PRODUCTS Corp., New York (Silver Dust) is planning a network series using Beatrice Fairfax in an afternoon program dramatizing heart problems. Personality charts will be given listeners. BBDO, New York, is agency.



# ATLANTIC TRAINS

ATLANTIC REFINING Co., Philadelphia, will broadcast at least 58 football games between major Eastern and Midwestern coleges this autumn, using some 60 announcers on 64 stations. The change in rulings of the networks, which this year permit Atlantic's use of NBC and CBS stations, has allowed the inclusion of almost every 50,000-watt station in its perritory.

Announcers for these broadcasts are selected by a unique method developed by Joseph R. Rollins, Atlantic's advertising manager, and Les Quailey, formeranalyst and assistant to Ted Husing who now has charge of the Atlantic announcers. Candidates are given charts for the first quarter of a football game, from which they broadcast, naming the players and describing the action.

ers and describing the action. More than 150 candidates were auditioned before the 60 announcers, analysts and color men were finally picked. A general get-together of all announcers to be used will be held in Philadelphia within the next week, when Quailey will train the men in calling plays so that the listener can understand exactly what is happening. No announcements will be made during actual play. The account is handled by N. W. Ayer & Son Inc., Philadelphia.

# Decatur Newspaper Deal

NEGOTIATIONS have been completed for the sale of 49% interest in WJBL, Decatur, Ill., to the Decatur Newspapers Inc., publishers of the *Decatur Herald* and *Review*. The station, owned chiefly by Charles R. Cook, operates with 100 watts on 1200 kc. It has applied for a shift to 1310 kc., asking for the facilities of WBOW, Terre Haute, if that station's application for a wave shift is granted. WJBL now shares time with WJBC, Bloomington, Ill.

# **Stewart-Warner Spots**

LOCAL dealers of Stewart-Warner Corp., Chicago, handling the firm's radio sets, will use local announcements before and after its CBS broadcasts Mondays, 7 p. m. (CDST). The network program usually promotes Alemite (lubrication) but the Aug. 23 and 30 broadcasts and succeeding alternate broadcasts will be devoted to radio sets, and spot announcements will be placed only for these broadcasts. Hays MacFarland & Co., Chicago, is agency.

# **Color Film Spots**

DUFAY COLOR FILM Co., New York, using 12 announcements daily on WHN, New York, for color film, expects to use spots in the Florida resort region next winter. The new campaign on KFWB, Hollywood, will be continued. William H. Rankin Co., New York, is agency.



Late Personal Notes

GEORGE J. TROPP, formerly in the script department of the Office of Education, has been retained by Hood Educational Broadcasts Inc., 142 E, 32nd St., New York, as program production manager, Mr. Tropp, also assisting in the Radio Workshop of New York University, organized, wrote, and directed the Safety Musketcers and has collaborated in the production of many other successful educational programs.

tional programs. ELEANOR FULLER, formerly with KXBY, Kansas City, and one of the three women in America to possess a radio operator's license, is now seeretary to H. R. Makelim, recently appointed sales manager of WIND. (Jary, who also comes from KNBY. Miss Fuller wrote and produced two daily experimental television programs broadcast by the Kansas City station.

H. A. KRAMER, formerly in the copy department of Batten, Barton. Durstine & Osborne, Chicago, has been appointed space buyer, succeeding Joseph C. Lieb. Mr. Lieb will act as contact for several of the agency's aecounts. Henry Klein is radio director of the agency.

WHYTHE WALKER. veteran WBBM salesman who recently joined the WIND sales staff, is the father of an S-pound baby girl. Walker is one of the applicants for a new station in Evanston. III.

tion in Evanston. III. ARTHUR W. STOWE will be the name of the new Chicago program production firm announced in the July 15 BROADCASTING as Nowe-A-Gram Productions Inc. Mr. Stowe has already produced a quarter-hour program. The Affairs of Mrs. Forbes, and has signed two new writers, Laura Standish and Craig Lawrence.

HARRY KOPF, of the Chicago NBC network sales department, and Charles Phelps, of the New York NBC sales staff, are currently touring Europe.

MAYNARD MARQUARDT, manager of WCFL, Chicago, was married to Louise Litten, Chicago radio actress. Aug. 5. The bride is a teacher of script writing at Mundelein College. The couple plan to go to Mexico for a four-week honeymoon in November or December.

or December. SERGIO ROJAS has joined the Latin-American department of British American Productions Inc., New York, as continuity writer and translator. The firm has also formed a stock company to be used in both musical and dramatic script shows for hroadcasting in English-speaking countries.

ALOIS HAVRILLA, 1936 diction award winner, leaves NBC Aug. 31 to free lance.

EDWIN CURTIN, NBC news editor, is the father of a baby boy born Aug. 12.



ROCKFORD, ILL.

500-1,000 WATTS

1410 K. C.

# **Goodwin Joins Esty**

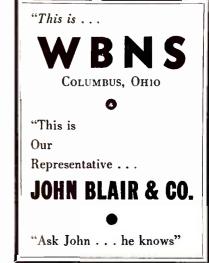
BILL GOODWIN, for three years CBS Hollywood announcer - producer and contact on Lux Radio Theater and Hollywood Hotel, has resigned to join William Esty & Co. Inc., that city, as assistant to Savington Crampton, producer in charge. He will assist Crampton on CBS Oakie College sponsored by R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. (Camels), to be resumed Sept. 28. Larry Holcombe, on the Coast several weeks, will return to New York to handle the Benny Goodman end of the Oakie College program which will be piped from the East. George Corey continues on the Hollywood continuity staff.

# Wallis Armstrong Shift

CONCENTRATION of its production activities in Hollywood will be effected by F. Wallis Armstrong Co., agency producing the CBS Hollywood Hotel and Ken Murray programs, both sponsored by Campbell Soup Co., with transfer of headquarters to larger offices in the Equitable Bldg. Aug. 16. Diana Bourbon continues in charge as West Coast manager, with Fred Ibbett heading the Hollywood Hotel program as producer. It is understood he has a three-year contract.

# Chrysler Pro Grid

CHRYSLER Corp., Detroit, for the second successive year will sponsor eight broadcasts of the Sunday professional football games of the New York Giants on WOR, Newark, for Dodge cars. The first on Oct. 3 from Philadelphia and the others from the Polo Grounds in New York. Stan Lomax, will g ive play-by - play descriptions. Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., New York, is agency.





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# **ACTIONS OF THE** FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

(Broadcast Division)

# -JULY 30 TO AUGUST 13 INCLUSIVE-

# **Decisions** . . .

JULY 30

(Supplement to July 30 decisions published in Aug. 1 issue) APPLICATIONS GRANTED: KGU, Honolulu-License for CP as mod. WMBG, Richmond - License for CP as

mod. KPQ, Wenatchee, Wash. — License for CP.

KROC, Rochester, Minn. - License for CÍ

CP. V. WMBS, Uniontown, Pa.—License for CP. WMBS, Uniontown, Pa.—License for CP. APPLICATIONS DENIED—WTFI, Ath-ena, Ga., auth. operate former trans. unl. 1310 kc 100 w 260 w D pending action on applic.: NEW, Meno Schoenback, Wood-ward, Okla., applic. CP 1500 kc 100 w 100 w LS unl., heretofore set for hearing, de-nied as in default. APPLICATIONS DISMISSED—WGCM, Mississippi City, applic. extension permit 1120 kc 500 w unl. spec., heretofore set for hearing; KMPC, Beverly Hills, Cal.; NEW, State Brdcstg. Corp., New Orleans; WSAZ, Huntington, W. Va. MISCELLANEOUS—WJBW, New Or-leans, granted leave file appearance applic. renewal., appearance accepted and motion So. Brdcstg. Corp. to deny applic. for re-newal in default denied; motion So. Brdcstg. Corp. to deny applic. for re-newal in default denied; motion So. Brdcstg. Corp. to deny applic. for re-newal in default denied; motion So. Brdcstg. Corp. to deny applic. for re-newal in Calson dismissed; WBAA, Lafayette, Ind., extension time comply Rule 131; KFYR, Bismarck, N. D., granted auth. suspend CP move station locally pending agreement with Bureau of Air Commerce and Eng. Dept. as to site; Con-tinental Radio Co., Toledo, denied pet. re-open hearing on applic. WSBT, South Bend, for CP move and denied motion to recon-sider and grant Continental applic. CP new station at Toledo; remanded for fur-ther hearing applic. WSBT, South Bend, for applic. CP change 1360 kc 500 w Sh. to 1010 kc 1 kw htd. directional; WEDC, Chicago, granted mod. license re hours. AUGUST 10 (Subject to Ratification)

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APPLICATIONS GRANTED:

KGDY, Huron, S. D.—Extension temp. auth. remain silent to rebuild trans. WPEN, Philadelphia—Granted extension temp. auth. 1 kw N to counteract inter-ference from CMX; WWJ and KPRC,

KSTP, St. Paul-License for CP 1460 kc 10 kw 25 kw D unl. WJIM, Lansing, Mich.-License for CP. same

WHLB, Virginia, Minn.-License for CP.

r. WTAR, Norfolk, Va.—License for CP. WOKO, Albany—CP new equipment.

# Examiners' Reports . . .

Examiners' Reports .... WEAN, Providence, R. I.—Examiner Branhall recommended (I-472) that ap-plic. increase D to 5 kw be granted. NEW, Roberts MacNab Co., Bozeman. Mont. Gallatin Radio Forum, Bozeman. Examiner Daberg recommended (I-473) that application Roberts-MacNab Co. for CP 1420 kc 100 w 250 w LS unl. be granted; that applic. Gallatin Radio Forum CP 250 w D be denied. MEW, J. K. Patrick & Co., Athens, Ga. —Examiner Hill recommended (I-474) that applic. CP 1310 kc. 100 w 250 w LS unl. be granted. NEW, Press-Union Pub. Co., Atlantic (I-475) that applic. CP 1200 kc 100 w 250 w LS unl. be granted. MWTN, Waterown, S. D.; KGDY, Huron, S. D.—Examiner Berry recom-mended (I-471) that applic. KWTN CP change 1210 kc 100 w unl. to 1340 kc. 250 w 500 w LS unl. (facilities KGDY) be denied; that applic. KGDY CP change 1340 kc 250 w D to 1210 kc 100 w 250 w LS unl. (facilities KWTN) be denied; that applic. Dr. Finn Koren, obert J. Dean and M. W. Plowman for auth transfer control to Greater Kampeska adio Corp. be granted.

# Applications . . .

AUGUST 1

AUGUST 1 WFBR, Baltimore—CP new trans., in-crease 500 w 1 kw D to 1 kw 5 kw D di-rectional.

rectional. NEW, Times Printing Co., Chattanooga --CP 1120 kc 500 w 1 kw unl. directional. KVOL, Lafayette, Ind.--CP vert. an-tenna, increase D to 250 w, move trans.

AUGUST 3 NEW, Auburn Pub. Co., Auburn, N. Y. -CP 1210 kc 100 w 250 w D unl. (facili-

---CP 1210 kc 100 w 250 w D unl. (facili-ties WMBO). WAGA, Atlanta --- License for CP in-crease power, move trans.. studio, etc. WJBO, Baton Rouge, La.---License for CP as mod. change power, etc. WISN, Milwaukee---CP move aux. trans.

AUGUST 4 WGAR, Cleveland—CP change equip. WIND, Gary, Ind.—License for CP change directional antenna. KGLO, Mason City, Ia.—License for CP as mod. increase power. KOL, Seattle—Mod. license 1270 to 1040 kc, increase D to 5 kw, amended to 1020 kc.

AUGUST 7 WTHT, Hartford, Conn. — License for CP change hours. WCHS, Charleston, W. Va. — CP new antenna, increase power, amended to di-rectional N, new trans., move trans. NEW, Santo Sottile, Charleston, S. C.— CP 1200 kc 100 w 250 w D unl. NEW, J. T. Griffin, Fort Smith, Ark.— CP 880 kc 1 kw D. KFRO, Longview, Tex.—Auth. transfer control to James R. Curtis. KSTP, St. Paul—Exp. auth. facsimile station.

station. KGDM, Stockton, Cal.—CP new trans., change antenna, increase 1 to 5 kw, change 1100 to 1150 kc, D to ltd., move trans.

NEW, Platt & Platt Inc., Poughkeepsie, N. X.—CP 1310 kc 100 w 250 w D unl.. amended to 1000 kc 1 kw 1td. to LS at

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AUGUST 12 WIBX, Utica, N. Y.-License for CP

WGAN, Portland, Ore.—Auth. transfer control to Lloyd C. Greene and Wm. N.

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# **Tallest Antennas**

RISING 828 feet, the newlyinstalled antenna of KHQ, Spokane, is said by its oper-ators to be one of the tallest in the United States, broadcasting with 5,000 watts days and 1,000 nights on 590 kc. Originally designed for 803 feet, it was extended an-other 25 feet to provide for shortwave and eventual television broadcasting. The tower was ordered from Bethlehem Steel Co. Tallest American vertical radiator is that of WSM, Nashville, ris-ing 878 feet, while WLW at Cincinnati is 831.

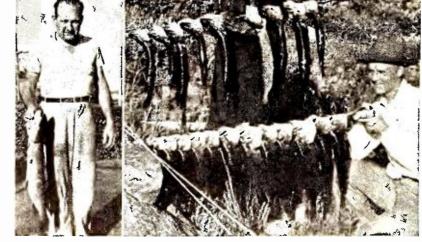
# **Education Conference**

WITH a wider list of educational groups sponsoring it, the Second National Conference on Educational Broadcasting will be held in the Drake Hotel, Chicago, Nov. 29-Dec. 1, according to its executive secretary, C. S. Marsh, 744 Jack-son Place, Washington. The American system of broadcasting, an evaluation of broadcasting from the point of view of the listener, educational broadcasting and the future of radio have been selected as the topics of discussion. Dr. George F. Zook, president of the American Council on Education, will act as conference chairman.

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Hubbs. AUGUST 13 WOMI, Owensboro, Ky.—Mod. CP etc. be amended to omit increase in power. WSJS, Winston-Salem, N. C.—CP new trans., directional, change 1310 to 900 kc, increase 100 w to 1 kw 5 kw D, move

increase 100 w to 1 km c h.m. c, trans. NEW, Broward Brdcstg. Co., Ft. Lauder-dale, Fla.—CP 1370 kc 100 w 250 w D unl. WJBL, Decatur, Ill.—CP vert. antenna, change 1200 to 1310 kc. Sh.-WJBC to unl., move trans., seeks WBOW facilities if WBOW applic. is granted.



SUMMER FISHING—Is swell up in the north country, report these broadcasters. At left is Ray C. Jenkins, general sales manager of KSTP, St. Paul, with a 16 lb. northern pike which he caught, along with three more weighing slightly less, on Lake Vermillion out of Ely, Minn. At right, kneeling, is E. L. Gove with a string of large-mouthed black bass caught during his July vacation on Moon River in the Muskoga Lake District. Gove is chief engineer of WHK-WJAY, Cleveland.

**ARTA Votes to Change** Its Name; Member on FCC Urged at Meeting A REQUEST that Willard Bliss, general organizer of their union, be appointed to fill one of the ex-isting vacancies on the FCC, was sent to President Roosevelt by the delocation of the the third oppoul approximately approxima sent to President Roosevelt by the delegates at the third annual con-vention of the American Radio Telegraphists' Association, held in the Hotel Edison, New York, be-ginning Aug. 2 and expected to conclude on Aug. 15. At the same session the delegates also voted to change the name of their union to the American Communications Association, as more fitting for an organization which in the past two years has grown from a small or-ganization of maritime radio oper-ators to a CIO affiliate with jurisdiction over the entire communications field.

In the broadcast division, Harold Katan, ACA organizer in this field, urged that all organization activities be concentrated on New York and New England territory with "a large number of stations in a small geographical area, generally improved business conditions and low salaries being paid to work-ers."

# **Artist Federation Board**

Will Hold First Session with frond first Scssion NATIONAL board of the newly-formed American Federation of Radio Artists will hold its first meeting Aug. 16, to elect officers and apply for a charter from the Associated Actors & Artists of America, parent body under whom the AFPA will operate as as America, parent body under whom the AFRA will operate as an AFL union. The 45 members of the board have been approved by the Screen Actors' Guild, Actors' Equity Association, American Federation of Actors and American Guild of Musical Attist concerning the new union and American Guild of Musical Artists, sponsoring the new union, which was formed last month when Equity surrendered its radio activity to the AAAA. The board was also approved by the radio locals that Equity had formed in New York and Los Angeles, whose members, numbering about 700, will now become the charter mem-bers of AFRA bers of AFRA.

While members of the AFRA governing board have not been an-nounced it is assumed they include actors and actresses in both stage and radio and who have been ac-tive in Equity as well. Members were chosen in three groups, 15 for one-year terms, 15 for two and 15

for three. Officers selected Aug. 16 will serve until the first AFRA convention, tentatively set for November, 1938. This new group will proceed with organization of radio talent begun by Equity and with plans for the demands they will make of broadcasters as soon as they are strong enough to ask for recognition as the bargaining agency for all radio entertainers. When Equity surrendered its control over radio to this new body it did not include the television rights.

# NETWORK ACCOUNTS All times EDST unless otherwise specified)

### New Business

TANDARD BRANDS Inc., New Cork, on Sept. 22 will start a show or unannounced product on 32 NBC-slue stations. Wed., S:30-9 p. m. Agency: J. Walter Thompson, N. Y. IUSTEROLE Co., Cleveland (Mus-erole and Zemo). on Oct. 4 starts arson Robison and His Buckaroos a 38 NBC-Blue stations, Mon.. Wed.. ri., 44:15 p. m. Agency: Erwin, Vasey & Co. Inc., N. Y.

L FENDRICH Inc., Evansville, nd. (La Fendrich cigars), on Sept. is starts Smoke Drams on 15 NBC-ded stations, Sun, 1:30-2 p. m. Agen-y: Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., Chicago. HODERN FOOD PROCESS Co. Philadelphia (Thrivo dog food), on Oct. 17 starts on 10 NBC-Blue sta-ions, Sun., 4:15-5 p. m. Agency: Elements Co., Philadelphia.

2. F. MUELLER Co., Jersey City Imacaroni products), on Sept. 13 tarts Kitchen Cavalcade on 7 NBC-Blue stations, Mon. thru Fri., 10:45-11 a. m. Agency: Kenyon & Eckhardt Inc., N. Y.

RALSTON PURINA Co., St. Louis Ryc-Krisp), on Sept. 26 starts Varion Talley on 35 NBC-Red sta-tions, Sun., 5-5:30 p. m. Agency: Bardner Adv. Co., St. Louis.

RALSTON PURINA Co., St. Louis (hot cereals), on Sept. 27 starts Tom *Hir Straight Shooters* on 23 NBC-Blue stations, Mon. thru Fri., 5:45-6 p. m. Agency: Gardner Adv. Co., St. Louis.

DENERAL MILLS Inc., Minneapolis (Wheaties), starts Jack Armstrong, All American Boy for another season n 15 NBC-Red stations, Mon. thru ri, 5:30-5:45 p. m. Agency: Black-ett-Sample-Hummert Inc., Chicago.

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS Co., Cleve-SILERWIN-WILLIAMS Co., Cleve-land (paints), on Oct. 3 starts Met-ropolitan Opera Auditions of the Air on 57 NBC - Blue stations, Sun, 5-5:30 p. m. Agency: Cecil, Warwick & Legler Inc., N. Y.

CAMPANA SALES Corp., Batavia, Ill. (Campana's Italian Balm), on Sept. 20 starts variety show on 32 NBC-Blue stations, Mon., 8:30-9 p. m. Agency: Aubrey, Moore & Wal-tace Inc., Chicago.

AMERICAN CIGARETTE & CIGAR Co., New York (Pall Mall ciga-rettes), on Aug. 6 started Dorothy Thompson, political commentator, on 30 NBC-Red stations, Fri., 10:45-11 p. m. Agency: Compton Adv. Inc., N. Y.

LEHN & FINK PRODUCTS Co., New York (Lysol), on Oct. 4 starts Dr. Dafoe on 22 CBS stations, Mon., Wed., Fri., 4:45-5 p. m. Agency: Lennen & Mitchell Inc., N. Y.

LEHN & FINK PRODUCTS Co. New York (Pebeco), on Oct. 4 starts, Follow the Moon on 22 CBS stations, Mon. thru Fri., 5-5:15 p. m. Agency: Lennen & Mitchell Inc., N. Y.

LEHN & FINK PRODUCTS Co., New York (Hind's Honey & Almond cream), on Oct. 4 starts Life of Mary Sothern on 22 CBS stations, Mon. thru Fri., 5:15-5:30 p. m. Agency: William Esty & Co. Inc., N. Y.

William Esty & Co. Inc., N. I. LEHN & FINK PRODUCTS Co., New York (Hind's Honey & Almond 'cream), on Oct. 4 starts Life of Mary Sothern on 2 stations of WLW Line (WLW, WHN), Mon. thru Fri.. 4:15-4:30 p. m. Agency: William Esty & Co. Inc., N. Y.

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JOHN H. WOODBURY Co., Cincin-nati (facial soap). on Oct. 3 starts *Tyrone Power* in dramatic series ou 51 NRC-Blue stations, Sun., 9-9:30 p. m. (repeat 11:30). Agency: Leu-non & Mitchell Inc., N. Y.

PAYSON PUB. Co. Inc., New York (Commentator Magazine), on Sept. 19 starts a half-hour Sunday pro-gram on 13 MBS stations. Agency: Cecil, Warwick & Legler Inc. N. Y.

COCA COLA BOTTLERS OF TEXAS, Dallas, on Sept. 30 starts Coca Cola College Night on Texas Quality Network, Thursdays and Coca Cola Const. Thursdays a nu Quality Network, Thursdays a nu Saturdays, 6:30-7 p. m., running until Nov. 27 and featuring football pre-dictions and remote pickups of college rallies. Agency: Crook Adv. Co., Dellas

TILLAMOOK County Creamery Assn., Tillamook, Ore. (cheese) on Sept. 17 starts program on 5 NBC-Pacific Red stations, Fri., 10 a. m. (PST). Agency: Botsford, Constan-tine & Gardner Inc., Portland.

LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE, St. Louis. on Oct. 24 starts pro-gram on 32 Mutual stations, Sun., 4:30-5 p. m. (EST). Agency: Kelly, Stuhlman & Zahrndt Inc., St. Louis.

GENERAL FOODS Corp., New York (Swansdown Flour and Calumet Baking Powder), on Sept. 30 starts Kate Smith on 75 CBS stations, Thurs., S-9 p. m. (repeat 11:15 p. m.). Agency: Young & Rubicam Inc., N. Y.

LEVER BROS. Co., Cambridge, Mass. (Lux), on Sept. 13 starts *Lur Radio Theater* on its third year on 56 CBS stations, Mon. 9-10 p. m. Agen-cy: Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., N. Y.

FOSTER CANNING Co. Inc., Brook lyn (Dr. Olding Pet Ration), on Aug. 18 begins 13 weekly participations in the Gretchen McMullen Household program, on 15 Yankee stations. Agency: Nathan Feist Agency, N. Y.

KELLOGG Co., Battle Creek, Mich. (corn flakes), on Oct. 3 starts The Singing Lady on 3 MBS stations (WOR, WGN, WLW), Sun., 5-5:30 p. m. Agency: N. W. Ayer & Son p. m. Agency: N. Inc., Philadelphia.

INTERNATIONAL SILVER Co., Meriden, Conn. (1847 Rogers Bros. silverware), on Oct. 3 starts Silver Theater on 44 CBS stations, Sun., 5-5:30 p. m. Agency: Young & Rubicam Inc., N. Y.

GROVE LABORATORIES Inc., St. Louis (Bromo Quinine), on Sept. 27 starts General Hugh S. Johnson on 23 NBC-Blue stations, Mon., Thurs., 8-8:15 p. m. and Tues., Wed. 10-10:15 p. m., EDST. Agency: Stack-Goble Adv. Agency, Chicago.

LAMBERT PHARMACAL Co., St. Louis (Listerine, toothbrushes), on Sept. 28 starts Grand Central Station on 23 NBC-Blue station, Tues., 9:30-10 p. m. for 52 weeks. Agency: Lam-bert & Feasley Inc., New York.

CUMMER PRODUCTS Co., Bedford, Ohio (Energine cleaning fluid), on Oct. 24 starts Radio Ncuesreel on 23 NBC-Red stations, Sun., 3-3:30 p. m. Agency: Stack-Goble Adv. Agency, N. Y.

STERLING PRODUCTS Inc., New York (California Syrup of Figs), on Sept. 27 starts for 13 weeks tran-scribed series on 10 Don Lee stations (KHJ, KGB, KDB, KFRC, KFXM, KPMC, KDON, KXO, KVOE, KQW), Mon. thru Fri., 2:45-3 p. m. (PST). Agency: Thompson-Koch Co., Cincinnati Cincinnati.

HECKER PRODUCTS Corp., New York, on Sept. 7, starts 260 15-minute programs, five times weekly, Daily Information Burcau, on 8 Colo-nial stations. Agency: Erwin Wasey & Co., N. Y.

AMERICAN BIRD PRODUCTS Inc., Chicago, on Oct. 10 starts Ca-nary Chorus on 10 Mutual stations, Sun., 11:45-noon.

# **Renewal** Accounts

GENERAL MOTORS Corp., Detroit (automobiles), on Oct. 3 resumes General Motors Concerts on a coast-to-coast NBC Blue network. Sun., S-9 p. m. Agency: Campbell-Ewald Co. of New York Inc., N. Y.

B. DAVIS Co., Hoboken, N. R. D. DAVIS CO., HODOREN, N. J. (Cocomalt), on Oct. 3 renews Joe Penner on 45 CBS stations. Sun., 6-6:30 p. m. Agency: Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., N. Y.

MacFADDEN PUBLICATIONS Inc.. New York True Story magazine), on Sept. 3 renews True Story Court of Human Relations for 52 weeks on 20 NBC-Red stations, Fri., 9:30-10 p. m. Agency: Arthur Kudner Inc., N. Y.

HORLICK'S MALTED MILK Corp. Racine (malted milk), on Aug. 30 renews Lum and Abner for 52 weeks on 7 NBC-Blue eastern stations, Mon. thru. Fri., 7:30-7:45 p. m., and on 9 MBC-Blue western stations, Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., 11:15-11:30 p. m. Agency: Lord & Thomas Inc., Chicago.

PACKARD MOTOR CAR Co., Detroit (automobiles), on Sept. 7 re-news the Packard Hour on 66 NBC stations, Tues., 9:30-10:30 p. m., and on the same date replaces the summer cast with Lanny Ross, Charles Butterworth, Florence George, Don Wilson and Raymond Paige's orchestra. Ageucy: Young & Rubicam Inc., N. Y.

RICHFIELD OIL CORP., Los Angeles, on Aug. 15 renewed for 52 weeks Richfield Reporter, on 7 NBC-Pacific Red stations, Mon. thru Sat. 10-10:15 p. m. (PST). Agency: Hix-son-O'Donnell Adv. Inc., Los Angeles. CARDINET CANDY Co., Oakland, on Sept. 5 renews The Night Editor on 10 NBC-Facific stations, Sun., 9-9:15 p. m. (PST). Agency: Toma-schke-Elliott Inc., Oakland.

J. B. FORD Co., Wyandotte, Mich. (cleanser) resumes Your True Story on CBS Sept. 14. Tues.-Thurs., 2-2:15 p. m. Agency: N. W. Ayer & Co. Inc.,



Dept. 827, 124 Jackson Ave., University Park, Hyattsville, Md.

# **Network Changes**

STERLING PRODUCTS Inc., New York (cosmetics), on Sept. 29 switch-es How To Be Charming from NBC New York to Hollywood

GULF OIL Corp., Pittsburgh (gaso-line and oil), on Oct. 3 starts Phil Baker on 60 CBS stations, Sun., 7:30-S p. m., replacing the Summer Show which has been broadcast at this time during Baker's vacation period. Agen-cy: Young & Rubicam Inc., N. Y.

AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS Corp., New York (Kolynos tooth-paste), on Aug. 6 moved Hammerstein Music Hall on 30 CBS stations, from Tues., 8-8:30 p. m., to Fri., 8-8:30 p. m., and Oct. 1 adds 14 stations. LOS ANGELES SOAP Co., Los Angeles (White King soap) on Aug. 9 added KSL, Salt Lake City, to CBS Pacific network carrying Gus Edwards School Days of the Air, Mon. 8:30-9:15 p. m. (PST).



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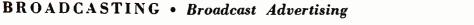
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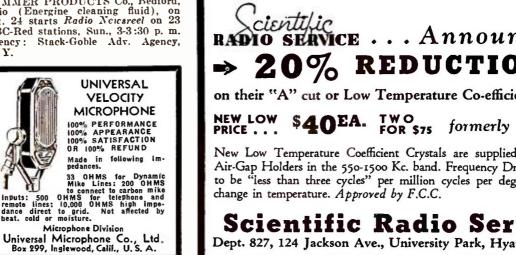






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UNIVERSAL VELOCITY MICROPHONE Merchandising & Promotion

Grape Juice Exploitation—Dance Lessons for Yeast— Yankee's Million Matches—News Cards—Postal Cards

WELCH GRAPE JUICE Co., Westfield, N. Y. (grape juice) is sending out a four-page newspapersize promotional piece to salesmen, distributors and larger grocers, announcing the addition of three more stations to the firm's *Irene Rich* program on NBC-Blue and a change of schedule and origination of the broadcast. The programs will originate in Hollywood, where Miss Rich is making a picture. WEAN, Providence; WICC, Bridgeport, and WSPD, Toledo, will start carrying the broadcast making a total of 41 stations. BROADCAST-ING'S radio map, which will show all the 41 stations, is being incorporated in the brochure. In addition, sales and success material is being used in the brochure. Last year, the grape juice firm was forced to quit taking orders for a time because it was impossible to meet the demand. A large part of the firm's success is attributed to the radio program. H. W. Kastor & Sons Adv. Co. Inc., Chicago, is the agency.

ON THE Rise & Shine program, a participating broadcast, presented over KFRC, San Francisco, by Bill Davidson, a sponsor is paying for announcements but refuses to be identified in them. The sponsor tells about a free gift, but to get the gift the listener must guess who the sponsor is. There are no clues and none will be given until the 700 free gifts have been disposed of. \* \* \*

AN EIGHT-PAGE brochure, Mrs. Cohen Goes A-Buying, has been issued by WLTH, New York, covering the results of a survey recently made by Ross Federal Research Corp. Booklet, which was prepared by Adrian James Flanter & Associates, station's promotion counsel, is part of a systematic campaign to present to time buyers the facts about the Jewish market in Greater New York.

STANDARD BRANDS Inc., New York (Fleischmann's yeast), on its NBC-Blue network Werner Janssen musical program from Hollywood, Sundays, 3:30-4 p. m. (EST), is offering a booklet of dance lessons written by Arthur Murray, New York modern dance teacher, in return for Fleischmann yeast tablet labels. J. Walter Thompson, New York, is agency.

RANKING as the State's outstanding sales promotion of the year, KGGM's Pot of Gold in Albuquerque, N. M., closed late in July with a total of almost \$750,000 in retail sales. The campaign, a sales slip type of promotion, was engineered by General Manager Mike Hollander and offered \$850 in cash awards to the organization whose membership showed best proof of purchase from station sponsors.

MORE THAN a million booklets of matches have been distributed by Yankee Network to 500 national advertisers and radio people during the last year. Each month a 50-book refill for the bakelite desk box is mailed to every name on the list. A new contract for over two million books has been signed. WNAC, key station of Yankee network, celebrated its 15th birthday July 31 by reversing the usual order and presenting gifts to over 300 space buyers and advertising executives. The gifts were clocks specially built by Electric Time Co. Inc., of Boston. In place of the standard hour hand there is a special four-armed hand. The hands are colored red, white, blue and gold and show simultaneously the time in the different time zones. The clocks were delivered on the morning of July 30 by Western Union messengers. With each clock was included a gift card and time zone map prepared by the Yankee promotion department. Because of the various types of current used it was necessary to give two types of clocks. \* \*

MARSHALL FIELD & Co., Chicago, follows up inquiries regarding selections played on WBBM during the morning recorded program titled *Musical Clock*, with a personally signed letter giving the listener the information and suggesting that the selection is on sale in its record department. Aubrey, Moore & Wallace Inc., is the agency.

WQAM, Miami, has published a mimeographed brochure described as a "very plain prospectus" which it is sending to agencies and sponsors. It tersely describes the stations coverage and includes two coverage maps.



BOOTH AT FAIR—Where WKBZ, Muskegon, Mich., recently staged an exhibit for the 200,000 Centennial Celebration visitors, displaying 200 articles typical of the various accounts served by WKBZ since 1934.

LEISY BREWING Co., Cleveland, sponsor of Leisy's Sports Review on WTAM six weekly for three years, is offering a weekly sports award to the outstanding amateur in the territory covered by WTAM. Listeners and newspapermen send in their nominations and gold placques are awarded the winners each Tuesday evening.

WCAU, Philadelphia, is distributing a brochure titled *The Women* concerning its *Women's Club of the Air*, a morning and afternoon feature program five days weekly, which lists the talent, advertisers and program rates.

KLZ, Denver, which has no newspaper affiliation, is distributing cards urging those who know of any news to phone it to the station. The cards list the counties of Colorado with numbers to facilitate the calls.



ROGER BAKER NIGHT—There was a double reason for Roger Baker, Buffalo Broadcasting Corp. sports announcer, to celebrate on July 26. First was the eighth anniversary of his WGR Kendall Sports Column. Second was completion of a contest which had pulled more than 75,000 entries from boys and girls in Buffalo and Western New York. Both celebrations were combined in a baseball party at Offerman stadium with 35 youngsters personal guests of Roger Baker. Not present at the ball park, but listening eagerly at home to the broadcast of the game, was Robert Bagwell, of Sanborn, N. Y. Almost since birth the 10-year-old boy had been confined to bed, victim of infantile paralysis. Faced with the problem of completing a set of pictures of the Buffalo Bison baseball team through visits to Kendall gasoline stations, Robert had himself lifted from bed at dawn and hoisted into his uncle's milk truck. Dillgent work on his own part and "swapping" with other youngsters in the neighborhood gave him the complete set of pictures in time to win a first prize. Robert selected a baseball mitt and bat which were presented to him personally by the WGR sports announcer. Next year he expects to be at the ball park for Roger Baker Night and the ninth anniversary celebration.

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THE Screen Children Magazine, Hollywood national motion picture publication, which started July 6 for 26 weeks a weekly quarter-hour variety show titled Screen Children on KHJ, Los Angeles, is offering screen tests and other prizes to juveniles in a contest. Listeners are invited to subscribe to the magazine and thereby obtain a free 8 by 10-inch professional photograph of their talented child. Photo in turn is entered in the contest. At end of 26 weeks, from photos submitted, 15 children will be chosen and screen tested by Paramount Productions Inc., Hollywood. First 100 chosen in contest will be awarded free dramatic, dance and music scholarships. Program, produced by Robert Herrick, besides presenting variety of juvenile entertainers, features well-known child picture stars in interviews. Agency is Ivar F. Wallin Jr. & Staff, Los Angeles.

KMBC, Kansas City, has prepared a file folder titled "KMBC Tested Programs" for radio buyers. Mailing of the promotion piece was preceded by a letter enclosing a card which said "Miss \_\_\_\_\_, when an envelope arrives bearing this emblem (KMBC Tested Program) bring it to me immediately." This scheme was designed to carry the piece through mail-culling secretaries.

PICTURE postal cards of WBT, Charlotte, N. C., are being printed, to be sold at a penny each in local stores. The cards carry color scenes of the tower, control room and largest studio. WBT announced that it was the only commercial institution selected by the postal card firm for inclusion in its series.

WMCA, New York, is basing new promotional material on reviews of its programs in the daily papers using the comments of radio editors printed on colored post cards with cartoon illustrations. The cards are mailed to agencies and prospective clients as reminders of shows available for sponsorship.

WHO, Des Moines, is off ering total cash prizes of \$275 for the tallest corn stalks brought to its studios during the corn season. Herb Plambeck, WHO farm editor, reports one entry of 16 feet and the world's record stalk of 18 feet  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches is expected to be surpassed. \* \* \*

WJR, Detroit, has issued a brochure covering its *Household Economies* series, a noncompetitive participation program.

# BUMPER CROP

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