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—from—

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It is with pleasure that I take this opportunity to extend Season's Greetings to the membership of NABET, and in their behalf to our many friends in the radio-television industry.

During the past year, I have derived considerable satisfaction from the progress which has been achieved toward finding common grounds for resolving our mutual problems. The expansion of ABUG groups and the recent inception of NABUG (National Association of Broadcast Unions & Guilds) should encourage all employees in the industry to look forward to cooperation and mutual support among the unions involved. It is to be hoped that we can build on the foundation already established, an even greater understanding and cooperation for the benefit of all concerned.

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from

Arthur Hjorth
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The indifference of management to the creative ability and loyalty of the AM pioneer engineer has dangerously lowered their morale, and should make it equally obvious to the younger broadcast engineers who are going directly in TV, that in the future, they too may be ghlibly discarded by management.

Television, for the most part, has been developed by these same radio engineers who pioneered AM. With strikingly few exceptions, management and its private union of employers known more politely as the NAB, has very obviously decided to scrap the higher priced AM engineers who made the broadcasting profits possible in the first place.

NABET engineers are rightfully proud of their contribution toward the realization of AM, FM, and TV.

The radio engineer, be he in AM, FM, TV, FAX, etc., has the intelligence to realize that only thru a unified stand with his fellow broadcast engineers in one independent union, will it be possible for all the broadcast engineers to gain the recognition which will bring with it their long overdue social and economic justice.

All broadcast engineers look forward to 1949 for the culmination of their desire for one union.

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FLYING SPOT SCANNER FOR TELEVISION

By DONALD PIKE

NBC—New York Television Master Control

With the resumption of peacetime television activity and expansion of service, by means of increased number of "hours on the air" and network operations, the need for better and more efficient tools became apparent. The development and research engineers of the industry having fulfilled many of these necessary requirements also exploited the field of color television and through systematic development produced a satisfactory simultaneous color system.* One of the devices developed and used and partly responsible for the successful operation of the simultaneous color system is the Electronic Flying Spot Scanner. The video signal-generation system utilizing a cathode ray tube as the flying spot source in conjunction with an electron-multiplier phototube was chosen because of its freedom from noise, shading, and other spurious unwanted signals. The simplicity and performance of the Electronic Flying Spot Scanner is such that its use as a source of black-and-white television signals for general laboratory use is recommended. By virtue of its flexibility it has already found application in the television studio plant as a substitute for the monoscope, a source of test pattern signals, and also as a convenient method of producing video signals from film slides.** (Fig. 1).

During the 1920s, numerous scientific efforts resulted in the development of the mechanical flying-spot-scanner. Such methods generally operated as shown in figure 2. A brilliant point-light source, usually an arc lamp, is focussed onto the subject to be televised through the apertures of a rotating scanning disc. The apertures are precisely arranged in an eccentric spiral fashion so that as the disc rotates, the light that passed through the outermost aperture consists of only those rays which make up the uppermost edge of the image, or the first scanning line. When the disc has rotated so that the first scanning line has been completed then the second aperture has reached the left hand edge and scans the second line, and so on.

Mechanical systems were abandoned in favor of electronic methods due to the tremendous mechanical and optical problems involved. For example: in order to produce a 525 line picture at thirty frames per second, the scanning disc must be of large enough diameter to accommodate 525 apertures aligned with extreme precision. The speed at which the disc must rotate is approximately 180 rpm, and necessitates perfect dynamic balancing of the disc and supporting member and the use of proper bearing surfaces to prevent mechanical distortions which may tend to displace the scanning apertures. Placement of small lenses in each aperture to increase the efficiency of the optical system presented another problem of accurate alignment. These limitations, and several others, prohibited quantity manufacture and mass use of mechanical devices both for transmitting and receiving purposes, and paved the way for the development of electronic.

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*Proc. IRE, September 1947, Kell, Ballard, Schroeder, Sziklai.
**V. J. Duke, NBC Staff Engineer.

Fig. 1—Top. Fig. 3—Bottom. See text for details.

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scanners wherein the controlled motion of electrons is utilized as the scanning agent.

The advantage of electronic scanners, whereby the motion of electrons is used to scan the subject to be transmitted rather than moving mechanical parts, is due to the ease with which the electron can be accelerated to high speeds and controlled with a minimum expenditure of energy.

There are two commonly used forms of electronic pick-up devices where the electron is scanned by magnetic fields, namely: Instantaneous and Storage methods. The Electronic Flying Spot Scanner utilizing the luminescent screen of a cathode-ray-image reproducing tube, or kinescope, as the light source, (Fig. 3) is an instantaneous electronic scanning device, and the Iconoscope and Orthicon are of the storage form. The Image Orthicon depends upon both principles for its operation.

In order to further explain the operation of the Electronic Flying Spot Scanner, a comparison with typical Iconoscope operation will be made.

In the production of video signals from film slides utilizing the Iconoscope, (Fig. 4), an optical image obtained from an ordinary slide and slide projector is focussed upon the Iconoscope “mosaic.” The “mosaic” is a surface of silver-cadmium oxide deposited upon a mica plate of uniform thickness backed with a thin coat of conductive material. The “mosaic” after processing consists of many extremely small photo-sensitive globules and can be considered, each one, as a small phototube cathode. Each “cathode” is coupled to the external circuit through the electrical capacitance between the globule and the conductive coated side of the mica. The result is a photo-electric image consisting of varying charges corresponding to the initial light values falling upon each globule on the “mosaic.” Scanning of the electron beam over the “mosaic” is accomplished and a minute video voltage results.

The Electronic Flying Spot Scanner, (Figures 1 and 5) differs in operation from other television pick-up devices in that the usual processes are reversed. The light source is the luminescent screen of a projection type kinescope. (Fig. 3). An electron beam within the kinescope forms a bright spot of light when it strikes the screen material and is controlled by an electro-magnetic deflection system in such a manner that the spot moves across the screen at the usual television rate producing a visible raster on the face of the kinescope. The raster is then imaged by a projection lens onto a slide or transparency and the transmitted light spot is then collected by a condensing lens system and directed to the multiplier phototube cathode which converts the varying brightness of the “spot” into a video signal whose content is in accordance with the pictorial or subject sequence of the slide. The video signal produced thus far is next injected into a video amplifier consisting of standard wide-band circuits peculiar to television application and results in a television picture signal of high level and free from spurious and

Top—Fig. 2; Center—Fig. 4; Bottom—Fig. 5—See text for details.

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unwanted signals, such as encountered in Iconoscope systems, and containing excellent resolution, 600 lines or better depending on the bandwidth of the amplifier circuits.

While developing the Electronic Flying Spot Scanner considerable difficulty was encountered regarding the problem of equalization wherein the spot had a tendency of "hangover" as the beam moved across the screen. The brightness of the spot remained constant during its transition but the phosphor screen material did not have the ability to extinguish itself immediately after excitation by the beam. By using very short persistence phosphors in the projection kinescope, the problem of equalization is considerably simplified. However, it is necessary to provide correction for the decay time characteristic of the fluorescent material of the kinescope and a simple resistance-capacitance combination circuit in the video amplifier is inserted to provide this correction.

The Electronic Flying Spot Scanner readily lends itself to the superimposition of two picture signals by applying one video signal to the grid of the projection kinescope, producing a picture on its screen, and scanning a slide in the manner described. It has been demonstrated that direct scanning of opaque material such as titles, photographs, printed material, etc., can be accomplished whereby the reflected light from the kinescope is used to produce a video signal from various subject materials.

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NEW VACUUM TUBES FOR THE VERY HIGH FREQUENCIES—E. Shower
A short discussion of the 5530 and 5541 tubes.

Communications—September 1948
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Proceedings of the IRE—Sept. 1948
THEORY OF FREQUENCY MODULATION NOISE—F. Stummers
The energy spectrum of frequency modulation noise is computed for different ratios of signal to noise. The suppression of the modulation by noise is also discussed.

AN EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION OF THE RADIATION PATTERNS OF ELECTROMAGNETIC HORN ANTENNAS—D. Rhodes
A systemized set of radiation patterns of rectangular electromagnetic horn antennas have been measured and are shown as a function of electric and magnetic plane flare angles and radial length of the horn. This set of patterns reveals many characteristic properties which may serve as a guide in the design of electromagnetic horn antennas.

TELEVISION ANTENNA AND RF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS FOR APARTMENT HOUSES—H. Kallmann
The requirements of television antenna rf distribution systems for apartment houses are discussed. Amplifiers and distribution networks are described which supply boosted signals of all available stations on their original carriers to all receivers in an apartment house.

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Radio and Electronics—Sept. 1948
(New Zealand)
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AUTOMATIC GAIN CONTROLS FOR TELEVISION RECEIVERS—R. Wendt, A. Schroeder

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THE PACK TRANSMITTER—J. Hathaway and W. Hotine

A portable, low-powered, high quality, high frequency transmitter is described which has its application in the remote pickup of sound broadcast programs when extreme mobility and freedom of action are required.

ELECTRO-OPTICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF TELEVISION SYSTEMS—O. Schade

This paper consists of an introduction and four parts (1) characteristics of vision and visual systems (2) electro-optical specifications for television systems (3) electro-optical characteristics of camera systems, (4) correlation and evaluation of electro-optical characteristics of imaging systems.

Tele Tech—Sept. 1948

TV CIRCUITS CAUSE INTERFERENCE

Radio reception marred by video and scanning circuits; RCA engineering report issued by I. Kaar, chairman, committee on TV receivers, recommends improved design.

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Retirement Income — Part II. — By ED. STOLZENBERGER

It behooves the individual to prepare for his eventual retirement. In making investments, he must protect himself against inflationary trends. There are many and varied hedges. Any scarce item will do this for you, such as buying up new-used cars, real estate, etc., but this type of hedge requires much personal time, attention, specialized knowledge, and large amounts of money, and is not feasible for the average individual.

Many persons have felt that the major stock exchanges hold the key to the problem, but they recognize that the risk is unfavorable unless they can answer the questions: 

**When to buy?** 

**What to buy?** 

**When to sell?** 

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**What to buy? When to sell? When to switch?** These questions directly follow, and help confuse the person trying to adequately but safely provide for his eventual retirement. Continual research and investigation is required to provide these answers, and only the very wealthy can afford to make these investigations for themselves. Several far sighted countries of Europe solved this problem thru the organization of investment cooperatives, which combined the small investments of individuals and which therefore could collectively afford to employ the necessary research staffs and specialists to keep in touch with all the economic trends. The co-op's funds are invested in diversified industries. Each member, in turn, owns a share of the cooperative. The portfolio of the co-op may be continually turning over, but the individual continues to hold his certificate of stock in the cooperative. The investor with only $1,000 in such a cooperative, actually has his money invested in up to 250 different companies among dozens of industries. This is the practical limit of safeguarding investments, minimizing risk, and assuring highest possible rate of return. Caution: Do not confuse with *forced savings plans* which penalize the investor should he wish to convert to cash prior to the term-maturity or dollar-maturity specified in his forced-savings contract. Some forced savings plans may also have characteristics of investment co-ops because they, in turn, reinvest the saver's money in stocks, mortgages, etc. These forced savings plans are not usually traded in the public stock exchanges. These forced savings plans are suitable to some people, and the individual must make this decision for himself. They are mentioned here because their penalty features and redemption features are not typical of investment cooperatives, and this important distinction should be kept in mind.

There are many well known investment cooperatives which have operated in this country for many years. They are known as mutual open-end investment trusts, and your broker can provide you with a prospectus on any of them. Most investment trusts operate as "regulated trusts" under the Investment Trust Act of 1940. These investment trusts provide the specialists and manage the trusts that determine the answers to 

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OMAHA NEWS
By Louis De Boer

Merry Christmas fellas, from the Omaha Chapter. It is the wish of the Omaha Chapter that NABET will grow and flourish in the coming year.

There isn't much news from Omaha for this month, however, we do have a few important highlights......

Al Maller, S.E., is the proud father of a 5 pound 7 ounce baby boy. The little fella's handle is Robert James.

The late Indian Summer weather in October found the boys in the chapter enjoying drives in the country, putting up storm windows, and general yard work. This weather made it easy for the field men who had to go out in the country with the farm director; they certainly hoped that it would last awhile longer, but it doesn't take long to run into bad weather in Nebraska.

No news from KSWI at this time. The new correspondent from KSWI is Roger Peters, who is a very active ham on 2 meters.

Congratulations:
Birthdays: Cy Hagrahman, November 25; Al Maller, December 4.
Started at WOW: Glenn Flynn, October 1, 1935; Mark McGowan, December 18, 1937.
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BAUKHAGE
AGAIN AND AGAIN... To yours truly, Sunday is usually a day of rest and relaxation—a day that always follows a rather rigorous Saturday evening... which in turn is preceded by a simply hilarious weekend in the air conditioned mausoleum referred to by the more skeptical of the FCC brethren as WWJ. This past Sunday, October 25th to you precisionists, this tranquil pattern was changed. I had to do some work... and by that I mean rip roaring, hell-raising, 'my kingdom for a beer' work. The responsible rascallion was a gentleman (cue for mental reservation) from one of NABET'S Chicago subsidiaries known to the trade as NBC. This astute character was mistakenly named CURT PIERCE by fond and doting parents; SIMON LE GREE would have been much more appropriate. During the first few minutes of the rehearsal I thought I heard the baying of his blood hounds—but it turned out to be the producer enjoying, and vociferously baying—but it turned out to be the producer enjoying, and vociferously so, his asthma. The pre-program went its usual helter-skelter way. Mike cords opened up; levels went up and down; some pin head at the telephone company kept screaming about line noise, and I got caught in the tuba after making a perfectly understandable mistake. CURT was serene through it all, however; even when the house PA system developed a rumble that would have had Mr. PEE TO and Mrs. BISMAL on a pinnacle of elation, CURT found time to gaze with loving adoration at some bridging boxes we were using. It seems these bridging deals have a peculiar affinity for MRS. PEARCE'S boy CURT—or vice versa, for several times he would stop whatever he was doing, and with a deep and tremulous sigh stroke them with a soft glance. Now that I mention it, I think his ears lit up just a little, too. Could be some of you Chi guys have the explanation—and if you do—get it in the JOURNAL where we all can get it. After all was said and done I felt pretty well popped (past indefinite of pooped)—I think someone in Chi incited CURT to give me the business, and to that person the following message is addressed—HE DID, BROTHER, HE DID. I felt like I'd attended an IBEW meeting without my brass knuckles. The show went off in fine shape and CURT took off for Chicago in a cloud of dust and flying equipment cases. It was—and will be—a pleasure to work with you boys—on top of which, the overtime is simply heavenly.

PERSONAL SCHEMATIC No. 4... Some unkind people around here have been heard saying ALPHONSO (Adam Lazonga) FURGET is slow. We who know him disagree in every sense of the word. It's just that it takes such a long time to get all that meat moving in one direction. AL is ample in every sense of the word... roughly two hundred pounds of male beef (bull) on the hoof, and a real pair of hooves they are. Anything as big as FURGEY'S feet should have a heart, lungs and NABET card all its own. ALPHONSO has another distinction—his is the only nose in the world broken in a rear end collision, and if you think that's easy, try it sometime. This character can act with both speed and dispatch when properly inspired. This was proven quite recently. Said inspiration's source was a young lady who looked with some askance on AL's thirty plus years of single bliss and six meter activity. Being a woman with the courage of her convictions, this young lady, whom you have now guessed is Mrs. FURGET, in short order convinced AL that there was no Santa Claus and that two could live as cheaply as one. On this last adage ye ed contends this only applies to horses and sparrows—one of each completing the cycle. AL acquired a wife, a house, and that hangdog look of domesticity in a matter of six

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DETROIT—From Page 41

months, and that ain't slow, chums! FURGET was one of our more patriotic boys during the most recent fracas. By “patriotic” we mean it took only six MPs to get him moving. AL was streaking west when the MPs caught up with him. The cooperative army helped our boy on his way dumping him on some unhygienic spot of ground in the Pacific. Here AL shared his little island with three thousand brother GI's and three million unhousebroken and completely uninhibited gooney birds who acted anything but brotherly. As a result of this tender and lengthy association (AL and the gooney birds) AL FURGET and ED (look mom, I'm a canary) BOYES do not see quite eye to eye on the subject of our feathered friends. BOYES says they are our friends and helpers; STOLZENBERGER would not print FURGET'S response—let's just say that he (AL) does not agree. Be that as it may, it would be of extreme interest to get both these lads over a few dozen jugs of the foaming brew—and then start the discussion. It is our studied opinion that FURGET, with the descriptive terminology now considered standard equipment to a GI, would emerge on the high end of the stick.

ADDENDUM—ROY (wctu) BRIDGEMAN, he of the eyes which look like twin road maps of OHIO, has sworn off all local bars, taverns and pubs. He says he will watch the television screens when killing him.

LOCAL STUFF—The Fort Shelby, scene of the recent NABET convention, was rededicated this past week. The motif is sack cloth and ashes. In addition to this trial they are suffering from a personnel shortage. It seems that many of their old and trusted help-men and women who have stood the roughest gaff of hotel service, are collectively suffering from nervous breakdowns. This could be mere coincidence—it's got to be coincidence. Another strange thing—having been appointed some kind of a sales promoter, or some such thing for the NABET yearbook, I strode purposefully into the hotel manager's sanctum sanctorum, there to put the bee on him for at least a full page ad in the year book. After a short wait I was ushered into the sumptuous room with its Varga murals, and its framed Spicy stories cover pieces circa 1922-23-24. The manager, let's call him Mr. Stolzenblotz, gave me one of his SAE 30 smiles—good for ten thousand miles. Not to be outdone, I shot my Prestone dental special right back at home (that's the one no one can freeze out) and proceeded to give him the STOLZENBERGER treatment complete with whooping and hollering, and a dead steal at three bucks. Things were going swimmingly until I mentioned this publication was the literary brain child of NABET, the astute group who had just completed their convention under the tender and expensive ministrations of his hospice. That, gentle reader, was a big mistake, or as the flowery French say, "un blippe supreme." His smile lost its SAE 30 smoothness, and took on the color and character of old crankcase oil. A queer green glow began to play about his ears, and his eyes turned a filthy gray. He twisted and squirmed while his prominent adams apple beat spasmodically against his left elbow. A more disconcerting sight I have never seen. At this pregnant moment a nurse zoomed into the room, and while reassuring me with a smile, swiftly slipped Mr. Stolzenblotz' arms into a long sleeve wrap around jacket. This tied him up for the moment. "It's alright," she said, "these spasms are usually short and as yet are not too violet. We are keeping Mr. Stolzenblotz under close observation. He underwent a terrific mental strain a few weeks ago, during one of these conventions. His recovery has been delayed but we feel that he will come around without resorting to confinement." The hypo she had meanwhile been administering had begun its soothing effect and the green glow about his ears has been substantially subdued. Needless to say, I did not sell the hotel an ad in the year book; I was extremely fortunate in getting out of there with my skin still on me.

CONVENTION TAIL LIGHTS—For a short time we Detroiters thought that Al Capp had brought his schmooz herd to town—friendly little characters who dashed frenziedly about the Fort Shelby lobby hollering at the top of their voices as they greeted other friendly characters. On closer inspection, these busy little people turned out to be NABET councilmen from all over this land of ours. Summing it up, the week went hectically on its alternately serious and frivolous course.

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Greetings
Paul Lavalle
DETROIT—From Page 44

olous way with the chips falling where they willed—and the week's business being handled with a minimum of screaming, mental and bloodletting and bull. The bull had its turn however, for each day saw the pile growing a little higher and wider. The first few days of the session's span it threw with some degree of accuracy—in later days it was thrown with a joyous and carefree abandon that transcended all thought of marksmanship. This is as it should be—relaxation when the work is through

SATURDAY, OCT. 2, 1948... This, the last week prior to the gathering of the brains, has been tumultuous, to say the least. It was replete with meetings of the Detroit boys, emergency gatherings and still more meetings concerning emergency gatherings. For lo! these many days we have silently knocked our collective selves stupid in an attempt to outdo all other conventions, and while we think no stone has been left unturned, some Siberian is sure to turn up in the milk house. That always happens. This day we rest and pray that the travail of the past week will bear fruit all over the joint. Tomorrow the onrushing NABET hordes, in their purple and gold (especially under the eyes), will drop on us "enn masse" and the festivities will commence.

SUNDAY, OCT. 3, 1948... This day yours truly scamp-ered down the long hall in the general direction of main control—jovially facing another day among wonderful co-workers...with tremendous opportunity for advancement...and become at least a station manager...in air conditioned studios, too...but my course was blocked. Someone had built a partition across the hall and had upholstered it in a delicately woven burlap in technicolor. The road block turned out to be none other than CLIFF (whatta hunk of meat) GORSUCH, beaming bingly down on me from his 'head in the clouds' position. It has always amazed me how little that raffiried air bothers him. The usual social insults were passed and I continued on my precipitous way—ramming smack into a pair of piercing eyes riding sort of side saddle on a scrubby Mustache. Guess who—right! It was none other than ED (bedroom eyes) STOLZENBERGER of the NY Stolzenberger's and peripatetic editor of the one and only NABET journal. I had never met this genial cherub before but you'd never have known it to hear the boy pitch. In nothing flat he had me backed into a corner and almost promising to sell every page in the year book. He missed his calling. The state department could use STOLZIE to good advantage in converting Joe Stalin of the baggy red drawers. The day ended with the clan gathered at the Fort Shelby—but the skirling of the pipes was replaced by the swirling of the brew, the clinking of glasses and the fine scratching of teeth and finger nails being filed to a sharp point.

LATER SAME DAY...... In the evening of this holy day, TED PENNEBAKER, round and roistering ex-WWJ AMSE, pitched a small tea and trumphet gathering for the assembled gentry. It is not true that the fourteenth floor, on which level TED's suite is located, will never be the same. Look at the leaning tower of Pisa—it took five hundred years to achieve that slant, while the side cant on the fourteenth floor was accomplished in a matter of hours. The writer had to close WWJ down for the night, as usual, and didn't get to the scene of the gathering until the wee hours when most, but not quite all, the councilmen had left for their rooms—natch! One bucolic individual remained, but as I approached and introduced myself—he floated by me mumbling something about going to bed and sleeping until the next convention. I turned to find TED busily engaged in filling out a NABET application for the porter cleaning up the hundreds of tea bags (it was a tea party, you know). Giving credit where credit is due, hats off and a loud fan-fare for Mrs. TED PENNEBAKER, the guiding light and general overseer of this little clam fry. She was everywhere when needed and gone again when the need no longer existed. One hour, three arguments with TED, and four tea bags later, I went home, saddened Bud-weiser.

WEEK IN BRIEF...... Meetings were called at all hours of the day and night. Bags under the eyes were common and the trailing end of any meeting would find delegates asleep at both ends. The boys had a rough time. The NABET membership in its entirety can take off its collective hats and be damned proud of the delegates they elected and sent to the automobile city for this chowder fest. There were arguments and agreements; lack batting and back clapping; cursing and discussing, and anyone even slightly surprised at this must still believe in the stork and Santa Claus in addition to voting republican. The boys met to fight out controversial issues—and battle they did—all to our aggregated. Good. New likes and dislikes were formulated, respect was won and lost—but in the final analysis the chapters stuck with what they thought was the right thing. If they didn't win out this year, they will be back next with re-grouped forces and added zeal. How can anything but good come from such a system.

SOCIAL SWING...... The social aspect of this convention came to a pointed head on Wednesday evening at which time, the NABET gladiators convened in the Fort Shelby's pigmous roost. With its walls lined with blue mirrors to keep you from seeing yourself turn pale at the sight of your check, this lotty position is referred to by DAVEY (let's get a beer) STEWART as Ali Baba's headquarters. The preparations leading up to this feature event were anything but peaceful. First the room was available Friday but the boys wanted to eat Wednesday, then the room was OK for Wednesday at which time the convention wanted to eat on Friday. It was strictly an IBEW situation (i.e. completely screwed up). In passing this brief mention of IBEW, let us scratch another rumor. It is not true local 1212, more than slightly worried about NABET membership success, is recruiting and taking into their 'union' all short order cooks. There is a stipulation and this is it; only short order cooks who do their work on electric ranges or work under electric lights are eligible for the multitude of 'benefits' offered by IBEW. It may be readily seen that this stringent regulation automatically rules out all cooks who work in total darkness; who use kerosene as a source of cooking heat; or those who want more than thirty dollars per week pay. Enough rumor scouting—let IBEW protect itself. Why should we do it? The boys stuffed the food away at a great rate. Davey Stewart was not seen for the first part of the evening, but he was finally discovered sitting behind a bowl of potato salad, oblivious to his surroundings (only insuring that he wouldn't have to eat at home for at least another week). Yours truly got into on a feed and a fast "Hello" in between station breaks. That's what an MCR man gets when he works nights. (That ten per cent means nothing to me!)

F-L-A-S-H...... A few months ago, the Detroit column mentioned something that was going to happen—and quickly. Well, it did happen. On the 21st day of October at station

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CHICAGO

By VERN MILLS

Minor J. Wilson, our former Chicago correspondent, has gone from the fold of NABET to manage a new broadcast station, KBOR, at Brownsville, Texas. The station, owned and operated by Minor and two of his brothers, is expected to be on the air in a few months. Lots of luck, Minor, in your new venture.

In Chicago the local chapter of NABET has been involved in several disagreements with management, the most recent being that of a tape program, "It's Your World," for Johnson and Johnson, by the Young and Rubican Agency. The tape is being made on a recorder owned by the Chicago Industrial Health Association by Mr. Ben Parker, an announcer on the program. The tapes are being cut for playback on WMAQ exclusively and are being dubbed off on lacquer by NABET personnel on NBC equipment. The local chapter contends this constitutes an infringement of contract on the part of NBC in having contracted work for WMAQ done on the outside. The Company contends this is just another record. NABET has applied for arbitration before the American Arbitration Association on the matter. There are those in the Union who can see the danger to both the Union and Company if such practices are allowed to exist.

Transfers, promotions, and changes in personnel have come to Chicago so rapidly with the advent of TV that it is hard to keep up with them. Note the following: R. B. STURGIS has transferred to N. Y. Studio, being replaced by F. C. Shidell in Master Control. P. J. MOORE has just returned from N. Y. TV training and is to be TV Maintenance Supervisor, although it has not been officially announced. V. D. MILLS has taken Moore's Transmission job with C. V. CORLISS moving to Jr. Control Supervisor. D. J. WILSON and C. P. LONIE have been seen working at the TV transmitter.

New TV men transferred from N. Y. include C. L. TOWNSEND, TV Operations Supervisor, COURTNEY SCHNELL, TV Field Supervisor and C. E. REED for TV Studio. HUGH WHITE is being transferred to Hollywood Maintenance.

HAD YOU HEARD?

Chicago Chapter is in compliance with National Labor Board, having filed all necessary forms of financial and non-communist affidavits.

It is reported that WGN, Chicago, has just signed a new contract with IBEW with considerable gains in working conditions and salary—$125 a week for (staff) Group 2 and four and a half years escalator.

Also reported is the death of BETA (Broadcast Engineers Technical Association), started in Chicago by a few thinking members of opposing unions with the idea of organizing an affiliated union to which all broadcast engineers could belong, the death being due to opposition by IBEW to any association of IBEW members with NABET personnel. It is reported IBEW heads were afraid a merger might occur with IBEW members becoming NABET.

That Frank Schnepper, after cutting a hole in the roof of his house in order to install a new dormer, got called to work by the Field Supervisor, to go out of town for three days.

That F. O. Generoux, W9FDL, is trying to find out how to get a sixteen foot antenna he bought from Pete Cavannah in a 9 x 12 living room.

That Chairman Art Hjorth and Supervisor Al Otto are building adjoining cottages on a lake in the Sturgeon Bay area. They are looking for used well-drilling equipment after pricing the cost of a new well.

That Betty Gentner of Communications wants to build a TV set. Any advice freely accepted.

That E. G. Squires of WMAQ transmitter wants to build a new ham tower. He has his wife pouring cement, or shall we say, helping.

DETROIT—From Page 48

WJLB, 250 watts in Detroit; and at WBBC, 1 kw in Flint, NLBR elections were held. The ticket gave the voters two choices: NABET or nothing. While for a short time there was a slight question on which way the thing would swing, the final result showed it to be NABET 100%. The boys at WILB and WBBC were just as happy as the Detroit Chapter was. The newest members are: ROBERT LEWIS, W8MQ; WALTER WIERZEICKI, W8DTZ; WILLIAM CALDWELL, W8ZEH; and FRANCIS BROWN, NO CALL; all of Flint. The new Detroit members are STAN BABIUK, W8TFB; FRANK EDWARDS, W8CXT; JACK TRAVERSE, BUD HOYT, W8ZIF; and TED HEDGES no call. These two new member stations are both owned by the Booth Radio Stations, Inc. Welcome to NABET, WJLB and WBBC. We know, and you soon will know the association cannot help but be beneficial for us all.

DETROIT NOTES ... The Detroit gang are at this time busily engaged in negotiating for more of several things, one of the more important being "dough." Possibly have more pertinent information next month—if so, we will pass it along. So long from Detroit.

—Red Lewis.

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Syracuse

Born in Syracuse on May 20, 1912 and educated in Syracuse public schools, Don received his first Amateur license and call letters in 1936 being assigned W2PXA. He is presently known as W2PXA and is still quite active when not attending to NABET duties in Syracuse and the surrounding area. Shortly after receiving his Commercial Telephone license in 1936, Don went to work at WMBO in Auburn but not for long. Seeing a chance to stay on the right side of the law, he accepted a position with the Department of Engineering, Police Radio Division in Syracuse and stayed put until 1944 when he joined the engineering staff of WOLF as transmitter engineer. Shortly after, WOLF engineers signed with NABET and Don was elected first Chairman of the Syracuse Section affiliated with the Rochester Chapter. In the Spring of 1945 NABET issued a Charter to Syracuse and Don was elected Chairman of the Syracuse Chapter of NABET. He has guided NABET along in Syracuse since infancy and deserves all the credit for building the Syracuse Chapter to what it is today and any member will tell you so. Don was instrumental in organizing WENY, Elmira and WINR, Binghamton. The breaks come for all “good men” and Don is no exception. By the time this is read in the Yearbook, Don Muir will have resigned as Chairman of the Syracuse Chapter and taken over the duties as Chief Engineer at WOLF. The next Chairman will have to keep up a pretty fast pace to fill Don’s shoes. The members at WOLF should have little trouble getting along with their new Chief as he is well founded in NABET matters.

—J. F. C.

DAVID LANE
Chairman
St. Lawrence

David Hall Lane, chapter chairman of station WWNY, was born the son of a paper mill superviser at Brownsville, New York. His father worked at Black River, and David spent most of his time there with his paternal grandparents. He graduated from Black River High School in June, 1937. In the fall of the same year he entered St. Lawrence University, where he majored in psychology. He did a lot of work in the field of experimental psychology, working with electronic equipment in the laboratory.

David became interested in radio while at the school. Under the supervision of Dr. and Mrs. Bloch, he was one of a group who did folk songs in guest appearances over station WFBL, Syracuse, and a series of shows over WWNY and the school station, then WCAD. He graduated from St. Lawrence in June, 1941.

He went into radio immediately upon graduation, and in February, 1942, he went to work as a control engineer. He studied engineering on his own, and secured a license in January, 1943. At the present time, Dave is studying the CREI course.

In 1935, he took a better position at WLAK, Lakeland, Florida, and during its construction, he acted as assistant construction engineer.

Late in 1936, Hogan went to Washington, D. C., to accept a position at NBC as studio and field engineer. He continued at NBC in this capacity until 1942 when he was commissioned in the United States Naval Reserve as Lieutenant (jg). He was on active duty in the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1946 as Aeronautical Electronic Design Engineer in the Bureau of Aeronautics, Washington, D. C. He went on Inactive Duty as Lieutenant Commander, USNR, in 1946, and returned to NBC as studio and field engineer in which position he is presently engaged.

John Hogan was elected Chairman of the Washington Chapter of NABET in 1946 and has been re-elected each year since. He presently serves the NABET membership nationally as a member of the NABET Executive Board and National Council, and in Washington as Chapter Chairman.

JOHN HOGAN
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**CENTRAL NEW YORK**

By C. F. Cleary

This is the initial column for the Syracuse Chapter since NABET was born here in Central New York way back in chilly November of 1944. Quite a lot has happened since that historic month and we would like to tell you about it.

It took our little "ole 1/4 KW", WOLF to start the ball rolling back in '41 when all members signed with NABET after Paul North "spark plugged" the initial contact. Paul, by the way, who was studio super at WOLF recently left them and at present is employed at WFBL as transmitting engineer. By the time you read this in the YB, Don Muir will have resigned as Chapter Chairman taking over the position of Chief Engineer at WOLF. Don was the first Chairman elected here in Syracuse when we were just a Section and has held the job for the past four years, and we might add held it well. He deserves all the credit for building this chapter into what it is today. The local NABET members bid you a "fond farewell, Don, and wish you the best of luck in your future undertakings."

Several months ago WOLF "chopped" down their 1/4 wave vertical and installed a new 1/2 wave in its place. From all reports the increased signal strength is just what was expected. Since signing with NABET, WOLF has moved their studios but more about that later.

It was about a year after WOLF engineers became NABET members that the engineers at WAGE decided to look into things and in late 1945 WAGE signed 100% NABET. Earl Williams, transmitting engineer, was handled paper and typewriter and put to work as Sec.-Treas. Earl held down the job until August of this year when he decided that building a house, working a regular transmitting trick, and being Sec.-Treas., plus other duties was too much. Yours truly now has the typewriter, etc. Earl designed a radio control garage door into the house and it works quite nicely, press a button, and presto! up she goes.

When WAGE entered NABET, Syracuse was not yet a Chapter but a Section, affiliated with the Rochester Chapter, but it was only until March of 1946 that Syracuse came into its own and was granted a Charter, ever since being known as the Syracuse Chapter of NABET.

Shortly WAGE will be pushing the watts out with a 5 KW Doherty final and using the old 1 KW as an auxiliary transmitter. A television CP has been granted them and this will undoubtedly be their next project.

In November of 1947 NABET increased its power to 5 KW here in Syracuse by signing up the engineers of WFBL, a basic CBS station. We think we can boast of a "first in radio" here in Syracuse but if not, drop us a line. WFBL entered their new studios a short time ago after spending 23 years on the 111th floor of the Onondaga Hotel. The VA was waiting to get into WOLF studios in the Chimes Building but poor WOLF had no place to go. The wolf was at WOLF'S door so to speak. As WFBL moved out, WOLF moved in and as far as we know this is the first time two stations moved at once, one waiting for the other to vacate. It was quite hectic for awhile but everything is back to normal again, that is as normal as anything can be in this business. WOLF is utilizing some of WFBL'S old Western Electric equipment and WFBL has a complete new layout.

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BREAKFAST CLUB
WASHINGTON

By Warren Deem

It's now time to reflect back through the year of 1948 at this Yuletide Season and note some of the achievements of the stations in Washington.

The new station that Bamberger is erecting in Northwest Washington, WOIC, is very close to completion. The WOIC transmitter was ordered last August and at the time it was noted that Bamberger purchased a General Electric transmitter for the new station WOR in New York and an RCA transmitter for the Washington station WOIC. Mr. J. R. Poppele, Bamberger Vice President in charge of Engineering, explained that by dividing each purchase into two, the leading companies in the line of manufacturing that Bamberger would be in a position to take advantage of any advances that either RCA or GE might make in the future. Washington welcomes WOIC and expresses yuletide greetings and best wishes to the new NABET engineers there.

WMAL and WMAL-TV have had an interesting and progressive year. During the year they tried out a new type of micro-wave unit commonly referred to as the “Chicken Brooder.” This 200-lb. monstrosity proved, after experimentation, to be inferior to the standard micro-wave units that they had installed at their American University Campus tower at present. The latest addition that WMAL has made to their equipment is the new complete mobile unit. The new Dodge van is fully equipped to furnish coverage from almost any remote point around D. C. with three camera chain operation. Chief Engineer Harvey thinks that more studio space would be quite an asset. The mike has limited space and there is some scenery stuck in with the master boom control equipment but on the whole much progress has been made since WMAL's first telecast October 3, 1947 when they televised the Georgetown-Fordham game from Griffith Stadium.

On Lincoln's Birthday 1946 television interests inaugurated the coaxial cable. The cable extended from New York to Washington, D.C., thus was the first telecast of a general nature made by NBC from D. C. The local inhabitants didn't see this or any other telecast picked up by NBC engineers until the opening day July 1, 1947 at the Continental Room of the Wardman Park Hotel. Since then the original NBC television crew which consisted of Messrs. Charles Colledge, Wm. Simmons, L. McClelland, Wally Ward, Wm. Vessler, W. D. Deem, Bill Wells, Jim Weaver and Frank Gaskins, has been expanded and some of the original men have been transferred. The NBC television crew first set up their equipment on the stage of the Wardman Park Hotel theatre—no mike boom—2 cameras, 1 view finder. The audio equipment was an ND 10 system. Now the theatre has been leveled, the stage has been turned into Studio B, and the theatre into Studio A. A complete and ingenious lighting system has been installed under the engineering and planning supervision of L. MacClelland. It took about a month to finish the lighting equipment installation and was then approved by all who have seen it so far. There are five cameras now and more on the way and more studio equipment forthcoming.

Georgetown-Fordham game from Chief equipment have installed RCA in for the new station noted transmitter. Brooder." On Lincoln's Birthday 1948 WMAL the is the WMAL engineers there. During the year they televised their American University Campus tower and would like to join NABET. We rushed a couple of men up there and everything was taken care of in good time. WINR engineers are quite pleased with the outcome as are all members here in Syracuse. They are now a Section connected to the Syracuse Chapter. At the present time we are still on the look-out for prospects here in Syracuse but at times it's hard to sell a good product but once bought it's hard to do without. It has been rumored that there also exists two other broadcast stations in Syracuse but until this can be verified by signing their engineers as NABET members we will have to let them remain a "rumor." There are several other "hams" in broadcasting in the area who we hope someday to include in the "Hams call list" as fellow NABET members. We would welcome just as heartily their non-ham associates.

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Making use of some GE and some RCA equipment in their 3 control rooms and 5 studios.

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ELECTION NITE IN NEW YORK'S RADIO CITY

Left, Projection TV receiver set up in the Plaza. The photog at NBC almost cropped out the entire screen, but in the upper-right hand corner you will notice a bit of the 15 x 20 foot screen and its size may be judged from the viewers. Picture quality was good. Right, Election results were co-ordinated by NBC in Studio 8-H, with tally boards and department heads on stage for quick coodination. Microphones were profuse on stage, with Field engineering crews at the Party Hotels. Silhoutted at the right are several TV flood lite standards for the TV cameras set up at that end of the studio.

Master Control coordinates the engineering. Left, Stolzenberger gets set for the next switch in the transmission corner of the MC Room. At the right, Art Holub and Supervisor Ted Hahn rapidly run out of patch cords in the Test Board corner of MC. "The nature of the work" has taken an unusually heavy toll of MC engineers around the country. Statistics are being transcribed for later broadcast.
Left, ABC TV and Networking of elections were handled from Radio City studio 3-B; it is regrettable that the ABC photog did not take several record photos to show the extensive layout of the entire studio, with overhead TV light rigging, sound switching neatly handled by Messrs. Trevarthen, Fisher, Cooke, et al., at other end of 3-B not shown at all. Right, more ABC TV programming of election progress from studio 3-G, with specially prepared charts for easy TV-reading and proper aspect ratio.

Hudson News

By R. A. Schlegel

Here is a photo of the WOR bowling team, which plays in the Radio Broadcasting League, and just completed the 1947-8 season. Standing, left to right are: Paul Baldwin, Dan Conover, Ralph Schlegel, Capt. Kneeling, Walt Shaver, and Frank Ennis. Other teams competing in the Radio League are the American Broadcasting Co., CBS, MBS, Radio Executives Club, News Week Magazine, WINS, Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians.

—Ralph Schlegel.

St. Lawrence

We recently secured a room at the Hotel Woodruff in which to hold general meetings. Chairman David Lane called a meeting after the national meeting in Detroit to pass on to us the new labor information he had garnered at that time. He kept us posted not only on the effect of the Taft-Hartley Law, general wage levels in comparison to the strength of unions, but showed us an elaborate chart on the construction of NABET. To augment the work of the meetings the union has purchased a mimeograph machine with which we hope to keep members posted on all pertinent questions at all times.

On October 28 we had an election to determine whether or not the members of the local chapter wished to enter into negotiations to bargain for a union shop. We were very happy when it was found that, despite the fact that we have had to work in an open shop for the past two years, the union shop proposal received a resounding majority.

—Aileen A. Corbin.

Fulton Lewis, Jr.
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ENGINEERS HAVE HAIRY EARS
AND LIVE IN CAVES AND DITCHES.
THAT MIGHT BE TRUE,
SO TRUE'M DEARS
BUT HOW THEY WORK THOSE SWITCHES

Greetings from
BOB LETTS,
KNBC

Season's Greetings

FROM

NBC Announcers in San Francisco
Ed Brady
Joe Gillespie
John Grover
Bud Heyde
Hal Wolf
Clarence Leisure
Dud Manlove
Bill Roddy
Gene McCann
John Bowles
Greetings from
San Francisco Chapter

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KNBA  KNBI  KNBX
KNBC-FM  KSMO  KGO-TV

National Association of Broadcast Engineers and Technicians
WELL...another YEARBOOK has rolled around—and again 'tis time to recount in poetic prose, or prose in poetic or SOMETHING, the Outstanding Events of the Year—this is going to be a little HARD to DO this year, for we seem to have been a little LOST last year. In looking thru the last twelve issues of the Journal and reading the OTHER fellows' columns for inspiration as is our WONT, we notice that WE seem to have sent in some stuff during the early months of '48—albeit some fine articles have made our BY-line appalled thereto—altho the scrivenings seem to have somewhat of a GHOSTLY aspect, as NONE of it looks familiar....as to the last semestral lapse, it must be attributed to such time and thought-consuming activities as BOAT BUILDING, vacations and Mabel's NUPTIALS....and the enervating effects thereof.....for further DETAILS, just KEEP READING....

HEADING....pic shows the very beautiful panorama of lights that can be seen on a CLEAR EVENING just after sunset from the summit of the Magic Mountain....this is the view toward the blue Pacific and encompasses a goodly hunk of Southern California....in the foreground can be seen the lights of Pasadena, Montrose, Glendale and La Canada, then further back those of Los Angeles, Hollywood and Beverly Hills, and in the final sweep the twinkling eyes of the beach and harbor cities of San Pedro, Long Beach, Redondo, Venice, Ocean Park and Santa Monica....the dark shadows off the Coast are the silhouettes of the Channel Islands, Catalina and Avalon. Mount Wilson is truly a Magic Mountain, for on the opposite side lies the fabulous Sun Fernando Valley and on more spacious grounds just below the summit are the Eyes of the World, the sun and stellar telescopes of the Observatory.....the tips of the Television towers can see for many miles around, but the great 100 inch eye of the second largest telescope in the world peers nightly across the countless billions of miles of our tiny Universe. There is a GREAT STORY about to break on the Mountain, and we hope to attempt the telling in our inadequate words soon.

SO....as one Old Skate said to the other, "It's been a LONG TIME between RINKS!" let's get to the business in hand.....(New York type joke.....) The BIG NEWS out in THESE PARTS now and for sometime to come is TELEVISION, variously nick-named Video, 'Scope and TeeVee.....hereafter we will refer to it as "TV," to save space. The Los Angeles area has been allocated seven of the PRECIOUS CHANNELS and all are assigned to stations either now ON, testing or under construction.

NBCENES....have been SHIFTING rapidly lately, with many changes in personnel due to TV aspirations and accompanying ASPIRATIONS. ANYWAY, a whole PASSEL of fellows have transferred over to the NEW MEDIUM, including Ralph Clements and Sil Caranchini from Recording, Frank Ausman and Louise Orofino from Studio/Field, Hal Platt from the Field Shop and "Rick" Riekeberg and Varn Alston from Maintenance...these are in ADDITION to the New York Nabobs, namely "Miv" Adams, Field Super, Messrs. C. W. Comegys and Oscar Wick, Maint. and NABET/Treas. Ross Miller, Hyd Chapter and Recording...these characters last May to join the TV Training Group in NY and have just returned with lots of BIG WORDS and INTENSE LOOKS...a chronicle of THEIR experiences back in the BIG TIME would fill this whole issue, so we'll just call 'em The Authorities and follow 'em around at a respectful one to the right and two to the REAR....these various QUICK CHANGES have added in Joe Desert from Sound Effects Maint. to the Field Shop, Frank Figgins as Field Super from Maintenance Ditto and 'ole ole ole' Jim "Harvey" Brown from Maintenance Ditto and 'ole ole ole' Jim "Harvey" Brown from Maintenance Ditto....
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MCD where he couldn't STAND answering those phones any LONGER to Maintenance Super, where FYI James, they ALSO have telephones over which can be heard the SAME silly chatter and not ALL of it from ABC... As for the TV Brass, Mr. R. W. Clark, formerly TV Operations Super in New Yawk has transferred to Hlyd in the same capacity, (1.0 mfd. two quarts, 5 gals per hour... ) Mr. J. E. Burrel has been appointed Field Super, with Mr. W. L. States as MC Super and Mr. Frank Somers Maint. Super.....notice we call 'em ALL "Mister," they being on the OTHER network and WE hoping to create a FAVORABLE impression... In the NBC department, KNBH up on the Hill (Mt. Wilson, thet is...) is installed and putting forth test patterns as of this typing... Messrs. John B. Knight, Station Engineer and Rob't. Barnes, Asst. have one of the LUSHEST shacks up there, really a NICE looking joint, and should be very COSY come winter... (Note to our dear readers: Dear Reader: Keep reading yer Journal and watch for special features on Hlyd TV and the Mountain, with much GREATER DETAIL on those guys and their activities, if we should LIVE so long... Unote) ABC is, as __________, (insert yer OWN adjectives) just a little BEHIND, having just finished their shack and expect the Transmitter any day now... tower is up and m.g. set in however, with living quarters just about finished and on the LEE side of the Hill, which should make for a little less SHOVELING this winter... wonder if Transmitter chief Rex Betts will be doing any of it?? ABC HAS acquired what may be safely called the LARGEST TV studios in the world, so when we DO catch up, LOOK OUT! Back to town, Radio Citee in Hollywood is REALLY a busy joint these days, speaking 'specially from a VIDEO viewpoint... some months ago one of the two new AM studios "E" and "F" was taken out of service and Studio "F" is now nearly rebuilt for TV... the Austin Company again moved in and set up their shacks on the poor, long-suffering Parking Lot and proceeded to rip the seats 'n' innards out of "F," installing new flooring, walls and whatnot and building an adjacent concrete addition to house film projection and storage rooms. Also, holes were punched in the floor down into the basement below, where the TV MCR is to be. Meanwhile, nearby in old "B-7" wherein not so many moons ago we ALL were being exposed to Television thru the classes conducted for RCA Institutes by the genial Clarence Radius, daily meets a veritable SWARM of budding TVE's or VE's or whatever, who spend their hours jumping around among a whole SLEW of gear under the expert cue of Mr. R. W. Clark, TV Operations Super. Place is STUFFED with cameras, cases of Field Gear, racks of sync generators and testing equipment, all being FURIOUSLY connected up for DRY RUNS... more about these characters later... BEFORE we leave TV for this issue, here are few cute ANTICDOTES weave noticed on various local SCREENS... one of the early efforts of Paramount's KTLA was a tennis match, which was as USUAL very well covered, but apparently being played without any BALLS... this didn't seem to bother the players any, who were giving a SPIRITED performance, but it made the game a little hard for us VIEWERS to follow, so just to CHECK UP we zoomed the station and a very SWEET girl-type voice ASSURED us that BOTH the players had balls and were USING them but that the cameras were unable to pick them UP, due to the swift motion, white color, etc. This seems to be a rather SERIOUS problem that will have to be solved, for a tennis match isn't much without...
Season's Greetings to the Engineers

from Guy and the boys

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Ted Malone
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HAL BORNE

Sound Effects
BOB CONLAN

Engineer
BOB MORRIS
BALLS, to OUR way of thinkin'... THEN there was the Ice Hockey game we witnessed via the video and all during the game it seemed as tho the silly players were following the WRONG PUCK and even at times there seemed to be TWO pucks, one of which seemed to be the RIGHT one being IGNORED completely and finally the camera shifted to the stands to show the audience and the puck sailed RIGHT up

SOTCH TROBBLES!

Can't concentrate on Mr. Dewes' column?

This page has been specially magnetized with a special-type optical magneteseer that makes linear scanning of the reading matter almost impossible because of the curved-type stresses inherent in certain specially-stacked curved-type magneteseers.

If your vision is especially non-magnetic, on your left you will observe a charming view of Jones Beach, L. I., its soft, warm sand, cloudless sky, and invigorating surf just beyond... and on your right (leave your left eye where it was) please observe the warmth of Southern California's mountains, cloudless sky, and the scrubby brush just below, as seen from the top of Mt. Wilson.

Also seen in the scenes of these two well known sites, are these sights: Jones Beach, Frances Vorne, Mt. Wilson, Nina Bara.

Shall we get on with what was Mr. Dewes' column?—Stolzy.

Into the boxes but NOBODY DUCKED and by CLOSE observation we finally determined that the WILD puck was a spot of some sort on the camera tube, which another lone call confirmed, the poor gal crying "Why don't they FIX it, I'm going CRAZY answering this telephone!"... but the most SERIOUS problem of ALL we think is CELERY interference... we first noticed this one pleasant evening over at ABC Producer friend Dick Woollen's house for a TV soiree and we were all sitting around watching and sipping his HEAVENLY Manhattans when Donald (his sweet missus...) brings in some hot duerves among which is our FAVORITE, stuffed celery... well, as soon as we started chewing on this celery the picture started JUMPING... and by chewing faster or slower we got all SORTS of interference patterns, which we looked up in his Instruction Manual and identified as "dia-

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GREETINGS from the NATION'S CAPITAL

Washington Chapter NABET

GREETINGS to the ENGINEERS from

The Chaotic Members of the NBC NEWS ROOM

CHICAGO

NBC Studios "A"
COOPER, M. S.
FUGAZZI, F.
HAMILL, R. L.
HOGAN, J. H.
HORTON, P.
SCHNEIDER, R.
SHERTON, R. E.
SMALL, J. N.
WILLIAMS, J. K.
SPAIN, F.
WRC Transmitter
STAHN, B. E.
GALVIN, M.
LEISNER, V. A.
MEYERS, P. F.
YATES, H. W.
WOL Studios "A"
NEFF, J. L.
HERMAN, W. D.
PARRISH, L.
WOL Transmitter
MENGLE, K. L.
BOGAR, Z. T.
MILLER, B.
STARK, H. L.

NBC Studios "B"
SEARS, A. P.
CHEN, W. H.
CLARK, C. M.
KRIST, J. G.
CLOSE, N. J.
MELINE, J. F.
MCCLURE, J. A.
MCGINLEY, E. W.
SEMIG, A.
WILLIAMS, K. B.
EDWARDS, W.

NBC TV Field
WARD, W. C.
ARGENTIERI, A.
BOLSTAD, C.
BOYD, C. D.
BUTTS, J.
CHROMAK, L.
COLE, C. H.
MCCLURE, E.
MCCLELLAND, L. A.
ROGERS, J. G.
SWEIGER, V.
VOSSLER, W. M.
DEEM, W. D.
HILDRETH, S.
BUSH, W.
INGERSOLL, Y.

NBC (WNBC Transmitter)
THOMASSON, H. B.
BOSTICK, W. H.
ANDERSON, P. E.
DEVAUX, A.
GASKINS, F. J.
GODWIN, W. L.
MORGAN, F.
PLATT, E.
STEVEN, S.
WEAVER, J. M.
WELLS, W. E.
ULLMAN, D. A.

WOL Studios "B"
DOWD, J.
CORNELL, W. A.
HALLAM, A. H.
BOOK, W. H.
BALLINGER, J. E.
KAPLAN, R.

WMAL Transmitter
WILLIAMS, J. C.
BURG, E. W.
FISHER, C. S.
NAGY, J. J.

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Best Wishes
For Continued Longevity

DONALD
GALLAGHER

CHICAGO

Greetings
Art Van Damme
and his Quintette
Greetings
and
Best Wishes
to
NABET

AXEL GRUENBERG
"TODAY'S CHILDREN"
"THIS IS YOUR LIFE"

The following is transcribed from last year's release for presentation at this time:
"MERRY XMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR"
... and thanks a lot!

Walter Arnold
Reed Browning
Jim Butters
Lou Cook
Bill Crago
Bob Cummings
Dresser Dahlstead
George Fenneman

Irving Howard
Mel Hunt
Owen James
Ralph Langley
Burleigh Smith
Bill Spargrove
Bob Swan
Harry Walstrum

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Greetings Through the Glass

Fleetwood Lawton
News Analyst

KHJ KERN KMPC KMJ
Season's Greetings

John Scott Trotter

TO THE ENGINEERS!

The Guys Who Make Us Or Break Us

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Ozzie and Harriet
THE RADIO WRITERS GUILD of the
AUTHORS LEAGUE OF AMERICA, Inc.

Christmas Greetings

Martin Block

Greetings
BEN GRAUER
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thermy,” “other carrier” and “audio in our video”... this proved somewhat DISTURBING as the evening wore on and more and DIFFERENT patterns kept developing. We finally had to switch to olives, altho we DID discover that some types of CHEESE in the celery seemed to have a DAMPENING effect, which helped us stay in SYNC better... Lots of KEEN NBC-type gossip, such as Ralph Reid raising GOLDFISH in his apartment at the St. George, which now looks like a ZOO as the goldfish turned out to be some rare GIANT strain which he now has to keep in the BATHTUB, they having outgrown their bowls LONG ago, and Missus Reid says they’re a DAM NUISANCE when she wants to take a bath ... and Ray Ferguson getting a BIG SPREAD in local “Radio Life” mag... two pages and pic yet, BOTH of which could stand some RETOUCHING as Ray looks SEXY but needing a SHAVE and article a fine expose of the travails of the studio engineer but containing a few inaccuracies, which matter NOT to the LAYman ... we THANK Radio Life for the very NICE publicity and only wish it could happen OFTENER... and Eddie Miller having a poor fishing season and only catching a 23" four and 1/2 lb TROUT up at Jinx Lake ... and the new NBC station wagon, Buick Roadmaster, which has been dubbed the Sax-mo-bile on account of its being used almost EXCLUSIVELY to drag BRASS up and down Mt. Wilson by Mr. Saxon... and Jake O’Kelly being now a Deppity SHERIFF up at Coloma, Placerville and them parts ... with Star ‘n Gun and a MEAN LOOK ... address is ‘General Delivery, Camino, Calif.” but NO SPACE for gossip this issue, so will have to carry these items OVER to next time.

ABCENES... still have somewhat the OLD LOOK, as no catastrophic TV veerage has taken place YET, altho much BEHIND-the-scenes activity is rumored with the production staffs having Workshop Sessions weekly wherein TeeVee is harangued and a'hemmed and DECISIONS made such as, “When can we get SOMEONE to uncrate the GEAR which we understand is HERE??”, etc... we DO take pleasure in presenting, however, Mr. Philip Caldwell, who has come out from Syracuse and Manager of G. E. Transmitter Sales to be ABC Western Division Technical Manager following the resignation of “Bev” Palmer several months ago... Phil is a grad of Stanford, and a BUSY MAN ... will be abetted by a chap named Cameron G. Pierce, whom we UNDERSTAND is in charge of Hlyd TV, and David Atkins, ex-KGO some time ago and now a Hollywood-type TE... to this typing, NOTHING has been said about utilization of or opportunities for EXISTING Engineering personnel in Hollywood... To take yer mind off things in GENERAL, however, have a LOOK at some particularly FINE views of our TV Sites up on the Mountain ... these shots were taken a couple months ago, but with the weather we’ve been having lately are STILL believable. when we showed the proofs to ONE engineer before forwarding them to THAT WOLF Stotzle, he IMMEDIATELY got the WRONG IDEA, exclaiming, “GRIPES, what a site FOR SORE EYES!!” musta that we were building a CLINIC of some sort up there... Would like to mention some late editions to our AM/FM staff, includin Bill Freule, ex-KMPC and Kent Young, ex-San Louis Obispo FM to the transmitter staff, Tommy Ashton, ex-Universal-International Studios Sound Dep’t., Frank (we mean BOB) Buck, ex-Universal Recorders, etc., and Harvey O’Connor, ex-vacation relief to the Studio/Field staff, AND Tommy Meyers, NOT an “ex,” D—to, to the OFFICE force... Tommye is the NEW sweet voice who calls us up about schedules, Trudi being so BUSY with other things that we scarcely SEE her anymore except to collect our OT checks... also to the KECA studio staff

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EUGENIE BAIRD

MICHAEL MAUREE

SUSAN THORNE

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HOLLYWOOD—from page 96

we welcome Mr. Don McCroskey, ex-back east somewheres, and to Hockin's Grotto (ABC Recording Senor Verne Green, an EXPERT wax wielder... which about DOES it for the ABC staff. ... Our really BIG news of the year, tho is the acquisition by ABC of the old Vitagraph movie studios and associated buildings, located just off Sunset Boulevard and down a piece from Vine Street... the property includes offices, shops, dressing rooms, film storage vaults, etc., and two HUGH stages, one with a theater type fly gallery and bagstags, the shooting of which the largest musicals and productions would have room to SPARE... these stages have been used until recently for the shooting of big technicolor productions, and will give ABC space for what will undoubtedly be the largest Television studios in the WORLD.... there is also acres and acres of outdoor "lot" adjoining, where whole "Westerns" could be shot, providing unlimited space for outdoor production, expansion, etc. ABC plans extensive alteration and re-construction proceedings, eventually anticipating the centering of all TV and most AM operations at this one location. TV facilities will be installed first, however, and meanwhile the KECA Playhouse at Sunset 'n Highland is due for re-furbishing for continued AM expansion.... which leads us to the TAPE machines... the joint is simply STUFFED with 'em... we now have some fourteen of the new Ampex console jobs, where NONE were before, and we were crowded THEN... in fact, most of the FRONT OFFICE force has been moved OUT to make room for the contrivances... all of the big shows are now recorded and played back on tape, most with disc protection, which makes the playback engineer rather BUSY at times, trying to keep two tapes and a record all in SYNC, making changeovers on both, etc. But the REAL fun comes when you REWIND the stuff... tensions have to be right or suddenly you notice a beautiful spiral FOUNTAIN rising from the center of the 5,000 foot roll, and ZING! it's HAPPY NEW YEAR! The stuff rewind and "fast forwards" at the rate of 25 feet per second or some 1500 feet per minute, ten times its normal playing speed, so it doesn't take very long for something to HAPPEN at these speeds... the quality of reproduction is really MARVALOUS, tho, and under the expert tutelage of Jack Mullin of the Palmer Company, now attached to the ABC staff for Crosby and other tape operations, MOST of us have been checked out on Ampex and look upon it with only 70% trepidation now... Messers Hal Durham and Dick F. Wilson have been lifted from Recording and assigned exclusively to Tape Editing, and are MUCH in DEMAND these days... just HOW much, they won't say but it's OUR guess at LEAST three figures... had some extra CHOICE items of TRIVIA on the hook for ABC but have a feeling that we are typing on borrowed space NOW, so will have to hold OVER, but we'd like to mention that Ben Dutky, ABC SE has been elected Chairman of the Hollywood Chapter of NABET, and is doing a FINE job in a TOUGH spot... Jim Brown declined the re-election several months ago, due to pressing outside activities and Ben stepped in... Jim is an exceedingly hard man to follow, but Ben is holding his OWN, and merits the respect of the entire membership.

FX... as mentioned LAST time, we believe, the Hlyd NBC Sound Effects Department are now members of NABET, and if have not ALREADY, we say WELCOME to our MIST... they number some 17 or 18 men and a GAL, all bossed...
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by genial Don De Wolfe, formerly NBC Operations Super.... they are all pretty CAGEY fellows, altho most of them run LOOSE most of the time, making queer noises, etc., but are LOATH to part with any NEWS.... have managed to glean however that many are sportively inclined, Bud Tolleson and Monte Fraser going in or rather OUT for the inter-departmental soft-ball league, Tiny Lamb coaching the men in the football ditto and Floyd Cation a fisherman of some renown, having caught a swat of 22" trout in the Colorado River last vacation. approached Fred Cole on the subject of sports, but he sez that "...he has ALL that he can HANDLE!"... The TAPE bug has bit the department and some of the boys are making sallaries with one of NBC Field's portable jobs, searching for better and NEWER sounds. We know where they could go for some interesting NIGHT sounds, but then that wouldn't be CRICKETS, would it.... (Yowlf, yowlf, yowlf....) Will try to dig up MORE turf (Oyes, some shoot some pretty good GOLF, too....) on these men next time.... they are all REAL CHARACTERS.

AROUND 'N ABOUT Page Boy, pushing Lionel Barrymore out thru the halls is his wheel chair after his "Mayor of the Town" show several months ago and just as he was going into the FAR TURN to the Artists' Entrance, Page Boy turns to look over his shoulder at a pretty girl coming down the line and CRASHES into one of those sand-filled umbrella stand ash stands.... you should have heard the LANGUAGE.... Barrymore at his BEST.... and up in Music Rights, they have some VERY beautiful creatures whom we ALL WONDER whether they are ASCAP or PD.... or perhaps BMI (Be Mine Instantly.....)..... when WE tried to find out, all we got were some Music LEFTS.... and the little polite signs over the exit doors of the Sunset buses cautioning, "Please Do No Leave Arm in Door When Alighting"..... and the neatly lettered ones tucked on the bases of some palm trees on the corner of 1ST and New Hampshire near KFI's Studios reading, "Chemically Treated—Dog and the brake shop advertising, "Brakes Relined—While You Sleep".... and a car dealer on Sunset Blvd. "Atwater & Fish"..... and the sign out in the Valley, on the road to Van Nuys, "For Sale: Nine Red Laying Hens and One Red Rooster, In Fair Condition".... and the one over the door of the linoleum store, "LINOLEUM LOUIE .... I'LL FLOOR YOU!"..... and the one that REALLY worries us, "No Parking Only"... just THINK about it for awhile.... and the multiple jacks in Studio "G"s console jack strip which are marked "XXX" and "YYY" and then in the upper right hand corner there are four sets marked "ZZZ"..... so HELPs, everytime we glance and notice these we find ourselves FALLING ASLEEP..... it's VERY embarrassing..... they should be CHANGED.... "ZZZ ZZZ.... "ZZZ.... "ZZZ and the sign in front of the Burbank Real Estate Office, "Geiger Counters for Sale or Rent—Your Speciman Analyzed for Uranium".... sure hope OUR'S wouldn't show any..... any, we haven't been NEAR any radio-active uh.... uh.... and ABC News Chief Frank Latourette enquiring if we knew the Engineers' Motto and we, said, "No, Frank, what ICS the Engineers' Motto?" and Frank sez (Twirly to Bed and Twirly to Rise!) get it.... engineers, knobs, dials and WHAT HAPPENED to the picture we were supposed to see in the BEJ of the St. Lawrence Chapter reportress Aileen Coberin??..... and WHY don't we hear from her OFTENER??.... bet she's a CUTE KID... and the new occupational disease, Engineers' Arthritis.... "sometimes too stiff to do the remotes"..... and the new Superlative for a Super-Gal, "Hubble, Hubble!!!!!!"..... and the Slogan on the side of our pencil, "Half the Pressure—Twice the Speed!!"..... and announcer George Fenniman strolling into KECA Master Control and picking up a small 6 DB can type pad and asking, "What is THIS?" and the MCRE sez "That's a PAD" and George sez "What does it DO?" and the MCRE replies, "Why it introduces insertion loss, OF COURSE!!!"..... and the sign over on Vermont Avenue, "Free Dirt. Apply at Mauquolium Co."..... and over on Pico Blvd. "The House of Slumber—Everything for the Bedroom" and out of CURIOUSITY we stopped and WENT IN, but the clerk stared at us and said, "Certainly, NOT!"..... VERY..... best of Season's Greetings and Luck for the coming year, to all Ships and Stations..... BCNU

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J. R. McDonnell
President
NABET

John R. McDonnell was born at Spokane, Washington, in 1911. In 1926 he was first exposed to radio broadcasting as a member of the Radio Club at the North Central High School, Spokane. Mac obtained his first broadcast license in 1929, and when the school station was sold to commercial interests, Mac went along with the station as its first employee. In 1933, he migrated to California—in quest of BIG PAY IN RADIO—and worked as technician, announcer, salesman, etc., until 1941, when he joined the NBC Engineering Dept in San Francisco; he subsequently transferred to ABC San Francisco Engineering, to date. McDonnell has served NABET as Chairman of the San Francisco Chapter NABET, Member of the Board of Trustees of NABET’s Broadcast Engineers’ Journal, as NABET Vice President, Member of the National Council, and he has been President of NABET since January 1948.

Arthur W. Hjorth
Vice-President
NABET

Arthur William Hjorth was born in Philadelphia, 1905. He attended the Philadelphia School of Wireless Telegraphy 1922-1923, obtained his ham license in 1922. Worked at WIP with his first commercial license, 1923. Hjorth shipped out as “sparks” between 1923-1926, when he became a newspaperman with the Houston Chronicle. Built and was part owner of KFVI—in search of BIG MONEY IN RADIO. Went with KPRC Houston, and joined the NBC Chicago Engineering Dept in 1942, and still there as Studio Engineer. His hobbies include ham radio, commercial photography, and he is a member of the Society of American Magicians. During the war, he taught high frequency techniques and math at Illinois Institute of Technology for three years. Hjorth has served NABET as Councilman, Chairman of the Chicago Chapter, Member of the Executive Board, and Vice President of NABET, and still trying to get BIG MONEY in radio!

Harry E. Hiller
Secretary-Treasurer
NABET

Harry E. Hiller is well known to radio. His first training was acquired at the YMCA Radio School. During the First War, he was a code instructor. Hiller’s vast career includes the Edison Company, I. T & T, and the then Westinghouse stations WJZ, WBZ, and KDKA. He was in charge of remote pickups and alternated as announcer at WJZ in 1922. He was with WNYC from 1924 to 1927 when he joined “Roxy” and handled the Roxy Theatre sound until 1931, when he followed Roxy into the Radio City Music Hall and Center Theatre. Hiller remained as Sound Supervisor at the Center Theatre until 1937, when he joined the NBC Engineering Dept as Studio Engineer, with a brief leave of absence as Sound Engineer at the New York World’s Fair 1939. Harry is a Member of the IRE, and served NABET as Chairman of the New York Chapter, Member of the Board of Trustees, Secretary, and Treasurer of NABET’s Broadcast Engineers’ Journal, National Councilman, and is now National Secy.-Treasurer, and Executive Secretary of NABET.

Cliff Gorsuch
National Representative
NABET

Cliff Gorsuch was elected a NABET National Representative at the 1946 NABET National Council Meeting. He was born in Pittsburgh in 1917, and attended Keystone Engineering Institute. Gorsuch was employed in the engineering operations of a number of broadcast stations including KDKA; he installed and put on the air a number of new stations, and served as Chief Engineer at several of these stations. He
served as Instructor in the ESMWT war training program, and was commissioned in the Signal Corps, AUS. He served as engineering officer, and was active in Africa and the Middle-East, and India-Burma theatres. Cliff believes that broadcasting and NABET are here to stay!

George Maher
National Representative
NABET

George Maher was elected a NABET National Representative at the Special Meeting of the NABET National Council, January 1948. He was born in Kansas City, 1911. He attended high school in Arkansas, and enlisted in the U.S. Navy, specializing in radio. In 1933, Maher joined the NBC-San Francisco engineering staff. After three in San Francisco, he transferred to NBC-Chicago, and in December 1944, he resigned to get into the advertising agency business—in quest of MONEY—he couldn’t feed himself and family on the salaries paid to broadcast engineers. From Agency to Freelance producer, and finally set up his own agency. George had kept an eagle eye on the whole broadcast engineering picture, and is now serving the NABET membership in the Mid-West area, still in quest of BIG MONEY in Radio!

Bob Rudd
Chairman
Omaha Chapter
NABET

F. A. “Bob” Rudd was born at Bellevue, Ohio, in 1909, and has lived in Omaha since 1924. His radio career started via amateur radio in 1927. He was graduated from Omaha Technical High and has pursued the elusive electronic art and today he is one of WOW’s qualified TV engineers. Rudd’s first commercial experience dates back to 1931 and a police installation at Omaha. He has been with WOW Engineering Dep’t since 1934. His prime hobby is amateur radio, he is a member of the IRE, Old Timers’ Club, ARRL, and the Pioneers Club.

His NABET service includes Journal Associate Editor for Omaha, and Chairmanship of the Omaha Chapter of NABET.

Donald Hale
Chairman
Hudson Chapter
NABET

Don Hale was born in Camden, N.J., in 1915, and got into radio via graduation from RCA Institutes. He joined the WOR Engineering Dep’t in 1936, handling studio, field, and theatre broadcasting. He was commissioned Ensign in the Navy in 1943, and served variously as Radio Officer, Naval Research Labs, and the Electronic Field Service Group, and returned to civilian broadcasting at WOR in March, 1936. Hale was elected Chairman of the Hudson Chapter NABET in August 1948, and he has served on the NABET National Council since. His hobbies are ham radio and small children.

G. Westover
Chairman
New York Chapter
Executive Secretary-Elect
NABET

G. Westover was born in the Gopher State, 1905, and got his start in radio via the Western Electric Co., in Chicago, left to join the Navy, took the Navy Radio Course and finally decided to get into BIG MONEY after enlistment expired. He serviced radios for a while, married, and after marriage found he needed BIGGER MONEY, employed by CBS Engineering Dep’t 1929-1932, still looking for BIG MONEY. Joined NBC Engineering 1933 to date, STILL looking for big money! Westover has been active in NABET for the past several years, losing sleep and hair, getting paunch but NOT big money. He is presently Chairman of the New York Chapter NABET.

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