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MODEL 11—Table model or midget type, walnut cabinet, carved grille. Superheterodyne 7 tubes. Color tone control, Brunswick Uni-Selector, full range volume control, dynatron oscillator, turret type tuning condenser, 9" dynamic speaker, power detector. List price, complete with Brunswick tubes. \$79.50

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MODEL 17 — Lowboy walnut console. Superheterodyne 9 tubes. Color tone control, Brunswick Uni-Selector, automatic volume control, dynatron oscillator, turret type tuning condenser, 12" super-dynamic speaker, two pentode tubes in output stage and power detector. List price, complete with Brunswick tubes. \$139.50

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Love Stories the Ancients Believed In By the Distinguished English Artist Edmund Dulac ERSEPHONE AND PLUTO— RESEPHONE, when the Roman cilled Proserpine, was the daughter of Geree who was the Goddress of Earth. One day there was a great volcanic outbreal of ML Erra, and Plato, the God of the Undermenia, or Abode of the Dead stamup form below to see whet damage that Baren don. Yerns, for a joke, had her sao Capital aboat an grow of love into the Dark Monarch's heart. His eyes fell good persephone, and he indhayed here. When abd divit come home Creas wena ill around the parth watching for her. In her series the forgot to look after her business on the parth watching for the line in the rearies what forgot to look after her business and the indhayed for the series what he dail to part with each of item. There are monitoring the more and partial the part with each of item. 3

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THE FINANCIAL AND ENGINEERING RESOURCES OF A GREAT COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM . . . MACKAY RADIO AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY

THE financial resources back of it as-sure stability. The reputation of the organization that sponsors it guarantees the soundness and fairness of its merchandising policies. The new Kolster International is here, ready to start hewing its way to the sales peak that its basic quality merits.

Kolster has created the refined superheterodyne...has produced a radio that in selectivity, sensitivity, undisturbed out-

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put, fidelity of tone and in its general performance qualities is worthy in every way of the great world-wide communications system that is back of it.

In creating the new Kolster International the basic principles of the superheterodyne have been refined to a new degree. Kolster engineering and Kolster manufacturing have combined to endow it with new standards of superheterodync performance. The traditional beauty of tone that the world has always recognized in the Kolster has been accentuated. Kolster International performance is going to make the selling of the Kolster International easier.

And one thing more that is of interest to the dealer whose vision encompasses the future: the combined engineering genius of Kolster Radio Inc. and International

THE KOLSTER INTERNATIONAL POLICY

To manufacture up to a definite standard of To manufacture up to a dennite standard of performance rather than donen to a low scale of prices . . . and yet to sell at prices that are well within the moderate range. To sell only through distributors and dealers of recognized standing in the in-

To provide sales assistance of a type and character that will help create a ready pub-lic acceptance of the new Kolster Inter-national.

national. To support distributor and dealer not only by means of fair merchandising but by carrying on intensive research of a type that will keep the new Kolster International constantly abreast of public demands. To maintain a distribution policy which will assure sales at prices that will provide a fair profit for dealer, distributor and Kolster Radio Inc.

Radio Inc.

KOLSTER RADIO INC. International Telephone and Telegraph Building, 67 Broad Street, New York City

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MODEL K60

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List 869.50 with tubes



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The first public announcement of the new Kolster International will appear in the form of two full pages in color in the September 12th issue of The Saturday Evening Post

WHO SELL KOLSTE R Y



MODEL K80

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MODEL K80 Completely shielded, nine tube, band pass superhetero-dyne with automatic volume control, push-pull pentode output with specially de-signed large input trans-former. The cabinet by Jan Streng suggests the influence of Seventeenth Century Eng-lish design. Oriental walnut top rail and apron. Matched butt walnut pilasters. Decora-tive instrument panel. Spool stretcher. Lacquer finish.

List 8129.50 with tubes

MODEL K70 NUPPL ATU Completely shielded, eight tube, hand pass super-heterodyne with automatic volume control. Jan Streng, in designing the cabinet, took his inspira-tion from the period of Charles II. Oriental wal-nut top rail, figured walnut pilasters, butt walnut instrument panel, ornamental carvings on top rail and apron. Shaped stretcher. Lacquer finish.

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(not illustrated) is a completely shielded, ten tube, interstage double band pass superheterodyne with automatic volume control, push-pull pentode output with specially designed large input transformer.

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The New **Kolster International** The **REFINED** Superheterodyne

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Money Making Opportunity for Radio Dealers . . .



NADIO dealers throughout the country have been losing money. Whatever the various reasons, the result is admitted.

Many radio dealers have found an avenue to new profits in the world's fastest game — the world's fastest seller —Table Hockey.

Here is a game just replete with thrills—combining the speed of basketball and hockey—the wrist and forearm exercise of tennis and the accuracy of billiard shots. One retail store sold 41 outfits in one day and it has proved a tremendous seller in the shops of Abercrombie & Fitch and Spaldings in New York City as well as in stores throughout the country.

To describe the action and excitement in Table Hockey is impossible, but we can tell you that no other game even approaches it in the zest and vim with which the players enter into it.

Homes—athletic clubs—schools—hotels—miniature golf courses—bowling alleys—resorts—all are prospects for Table Hockey.

Call and demonstrate Table Hockey just as you do a radio — give the prospect a chance to play, and with one-tenth of the sales pressure back of it that you put into your regular radio retailing you will be re-ordering in dozen lots in no time.

There is no maintenance cost to Table Hockey—no repairs—no returns—no approvals. Every sale is a complete finished transaction.

Table Hockey retails at \$35 with a discount to dealers of 40%.

Precision workmanship enters into every phase of the construction of Table Hockey. The table is built with the accuracy of a billiard table and pucks and clubs are beautifully made. Table size is 25×61 inches and its height 25 inches. Folds to $2\frac{14''}{x} \times 25'' \times 61''$.

Write today for your set of Table Hockey and get those figures in your ledger back into the black again!

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The recent trade show emphasized more strongly than anything else Majestic's leadership in models and values. The opinions expressed by hundreds of dealers, and other unbiased sources in the radio field, convince us that in the Majestic models with the famous Multi-Mu Tube we are offering the greatest values to be found.

With this merchandise on the floor right now, Majestic Dealers are in a strong position. Price alone will sell nothing, nor will it bring profit. A reasonable price plus the highest quality possible, and freedom from service worries, makes sales and satisfied customers and profits, too, at a time when profits are needed.

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Motor Majestic Seven tube pentode tube set with dynamic speaker. Mounts below floor boards and tunes from steering column. List, complete with tubes, batteries and installation, \$87.50.*

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In your own locality there are many logical prospects for Kellogg 401 A. C. tube business. A big demand exists for Kellogg 401 tubes because no other tubes can be used to replace them. Every owner of every set listed below is your prospect. Each of these sets was specifically designed to use, and originally equipped with Kellogg Tubes.

KELLOGG Sets—510, 511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521. McMILLAN Sets—26, 26PT. MOHAWK Sets, SPARTON Sets—62, 63, A-C 7. DAY FAN Sets— 5143, 5144, 5145, 5148, 5158. MARTI Sets—TA2, TA10, DC2, DC10, CS2, CS10, 1928 Table, 1928 Console. CLEARTONE Sets—110. And the first A.C. models of the following: Bell, Walbert, Wurlitzer, Pathe, Shamrock, Bush & Lane, Minerva, Crusader, Liberty, Metro, Supervox, and Case.

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August, 1931

RADIO RETAILING HOME ENTERTAINMENT MERCHANDISING

O. H. CALDWELL, Editor

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A NEW low price level for sets has irretrievably been established in the public mind—a price level below \$40. Following the Chicago show, the trade listened credulously to stories that this price would continue only temporarily, was possible only because of overstocks of unused parts, and was offered only as a "fill-in" in lines designed to uphold the quality and prosperity of radio.

But with the wholesale appearance of newspaper and national magazine announcements featuring these "low-water mark" sets, illusions must be dropped. The trade may as well reconcile itself to the fact that the \$40, and below, receiver is here to stay—from both manufacturer and prospective customer viewpoints.

TODAY'S retailing methods, however, will not earn a profit when applied to these new units. Figures on following pages indicate that, under the present set-up, the dealer loses money on every sale below the \$50 level. If the trade is to go on putting its major effort into these sub-midget transactions, then new selling methods will have to be adopted, store overhead cut and sales speeded up to build back dollar volume and profit. Customer lists must be combed for prospects for second and *third* sets to be used upstairs, in the kitchen, at camp and office, etc.

O^N the other hand, the dealer still has the opportunity to "trade up" many of his prospects and, by demonstrating the better sets, to raise the average unit of sale. Tone value and the thrill of distance reception are the two strongest arguments he has for swinging sales toward higher-priced units.

"Low-water mark" is with us this August in more than one sense. But "low-water mark" must be accepted only as a challenge as a level from which to build up from, in price, quality and sales volume.

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We've Sold a Lot of Setsbut WHERE'S



A lot of dealers are losing money by selling cheap sets but don't realize it until their accountant gets busy

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LAZARNICK

An expert accountant views the small set problem from the practical angle of gross margins versus fixed and variable expenses

RUSSELL RICH

defines the price "deadline" below which dealers should not venture

PROFIT?

THERE was a day when the radio dealer operated on a profit margin which permitted playing with prices. He could indulge in a liberal trading policy with regard to discounts and allowances. Furthermore, he stood a small chance of getting by, for awhile at least, with haphazard administration. But a short time ago a new era of radio merchandising was ushered in by the introduction of the midget. This was further emphasized by recent price reductions on larger models.

With, therefore, the profit margin proportionately lessened, old practices of unsound merchandising must be abandoned for more scientific control and management. Now we must know our business intimately. A careful analysis of the situation into which the radio industry has been forced has brought out one important point—the danger of ignorance with regard to costs. Safe and successful operation will demand our having an accurate knowledge of the cost of sales and using this knowledge in developing our merchandising and administrative policies.

Unfortunately there is no fixed standard of operation that may be devised for all dealers. Each store must treat and solve its own individual problems with the knowledge, judgment and ability at hand. Fundamently, however, our problems in this respect are much the same whether we are large or small.

 $H^{\rm ERE}$ is a simple method, operative without special facilities, that may be employed to show the cost of marketing and the remaining profit on *each* set sold. We use, as a typical example, the figures of a store having annual sales of \$30,000.

On the first day of the month we set up a columnar cost sheet (see illustration on following page) heading columns A to G inclusive. Disregard, for the present, column H and I, which can be filled in only at the end of the month. Column A carries the selling price of the set complete, less finance charges, and column B the cost of the merchandise. Columns C, D, E, and F provide for the following variable sales expenses: allowances on trade-ins, discounts for cash, commissions and total reserve for bad debts and service costs. Column F requires explanation with regard to proceduce. Out of each sale there is set aside 1 per cent of the total as a reserve against possible expense of servicing. Further, another 1 per cent of sales *not for cash* is reserved for losses on bad debts. For costing purposes it is well to consider these contingencies, charge them against unit sales immediately and build up reserves with which future expense or loss may be absorbed.

The first set sale in April is No. 517, a "Finetone," model 12, list price complete \$92.50. This amount is entered in column A. The cost of the set, \$55.50, goes in column B. An allowance of \$15 was made on an old set of no value, column C. The salesman was paid a commission of 8 per cent on the selling price, less the allowance, \$6.20, column D. Against possible service expense and collection losses is set aside \$1.70.

expense and collection losses is set aside \$1.70. We are now ready to develop our selling profit by deducting the totals of columns B to F from the amount in column A. The remainder, \$14.10 goes to column G as selling profit. This is our stopping point for the present as columns H and I do not exist at this time.

The next three sales, Nos. 518, 519 and 520, are accessories, which items are not costed separately, but accumulated for one entry at the end. The next set sale is No. 521, a midget for \$52 costing \$31.20. The trade-in allowance amounts to \$10 and cash discount \$2.60. Commissions were \$3.36. One per cent has been set aside for the servicing reserve. No bad debt provision is necessary as the sale was for cash. The selling profit is \$4.32.

As sets are sold from day to day they go on record as above and all extensions carried out to column G —"Selling Proft." At the close of the month the columns are ruled off and footed.

During April, 32 sets, costing \$1,320, column B, have been sold for \$2,200, column A. Allowances have amounted to \$115, discounts \$60, commissions \$130, and reserve provisions on these sales \$44. A selling profit of \$531, remains. Total accessory sales for the month were \$225, cost determined to be \$135, reserve for bad debts and servicing \$4.50, leaving a selling profit of \$85.50.

Income from servicing, \$75, is extended to Selling

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Date	Set	Model	Sale No.	A Amount	-B Cost of Merchandise	-C Trade-in Allowance	- D Cash Discount	– E Commission	-F Reserve	=G Selling Profit	-H Overhead	= 1 Net Profit or Loss
April 1	Finetone	12	517	\$ 92.50	\$ 55.50	\$15.00	—	\$ 6.20	\$ 1.70	\$ 14.10	\$ 11.85	\$ 2,25
1	Everclear	7	521	52,00	31.20	10.00	\$ 2,60	3.36	,52	4,32	11.85	- 7,53
2	Finetone	5	526	48.00	28.80	-	2,40	3,84	,48	12.48	11,85	63
2	Finetone	5	529	48,00	28,80		_	3.84	.96	14.40	11.85	2,55
3	Everclear	10	532	125.00	75,00	-	-	8,40	2.50	39,10	11,85	27.25
4	Finetone	12	541	92,50	55,50	-	4,63	-	. <mark>93</mark>	31,44	11,85	19,59
6	Rockbottom	4-5 tuber	548	39,20	23.52	-	-	4.00	.39	11.29	11.85	56
6	Everclear	7	550	72,91	42.33	-	_	6.00	.61	23,97	11,85	12.12
30	Finetone	14	654	135,00	81.00	25.00	6.75	8,80	1,35	12.10	11.85	.25
Total, Sets during April			32	\$ 2,200	\$ 1,320	\$ 115	\$60	\$ 130	\$ 44.00	\$531,00	\$ 379.28	\$ 151, 72
" Accessory sales				225	135		Ľ		4.50	85.50	38.79	46.71
" Service (Labor)				75						75,00	12,93	62.07
Grand totals				\$ 2,500	\$ 1,455	\$ 115	\$ 60	\$ 130	\$48,50	\$ 691.50	\$431.00	\$ 260,50

Sale No. 548—Costing by individual transactions shows—in this typical illustration of a dealer grossing \$30,000 per annum—that it is not possible to make a profit on sets listing for less than \$40, even with expenses pared to the bone. Note that no trade-in or cash discount allowances were granted and that the salesman's commission was but four dollars yet a loss of 56c, on the \$39.20 transaction is registered. Sale No. 654—Hore the t

Sale No. 654—Here the list-price was \$135. But, owing to over-generous concessions, the dealer barely broke even.

even. Total Set Business for April-Net profit, 6.9 per cent (includes owner's salary). Net showing on all sets sell-

Profit. The accessory sales and servicing income are now brought into the record and the three groups of figures added together as shown in the illustration. Total sales were \$2,500, giving a total selling profit of \$691.

BUT we are interested primarily in *net* profit. In our general books has been built up a set of figures designated as fixed expenses, items not chargeable to specific sales. During the month of April they were:

Rent	\$75
Heat, light and power	30
Salesman's salary	65
Office salaries	65
Telephone	15
Stationery and printing	8
Insurance	4
Advertising	50
Auto expense	37
Sundry expense	25
Interest	7
Depreciation of fixed assets	50
Total	\$431

The above total of \$431, must be distributed over the sales units by the fairest possible method and the first step is to allocate to Accessory Sales and Service Sales their due portion of this burden. Each should bear the same percentage of the overhead that it represents to total sales. Accessory sales are \$225, or 9 per cent of the \$2,500. Then they should absorb 9 per cent of the fixed expenses amounting to \$38.79. Similarly, service sales of \$75, are 3 per cent of the total and will therefore take up 3 per cent of \$431, or \$12.93. This leaves \$379.28

ing for under \$55, first five business days in April: total gross, \$187.20; total overhead expense, \$191.11; total loss, \$5.91.

Owner's Salary Not Included—In many small busiowner's Salary Not Included—In many small businesses, such as the example chosen, the owner does not include his salary as part of operating expense. It will be seen that there is available at the end of the month \$260.50 for the dealer. If, as should be done in any well conducted accounting system, we include owner's salary in the general expense column (assumed at \$200 per month) then fixed overhead will be \$17.35 for each set sale. Applying this latter figure will show still more alarming losses on deals of less than \$70 gross.

to be distributed equally over the 32 set sales or \$11.85 per sale.

In column H, "Overhead," we fill in \$11.85 against each set, footing the column with \$379.28, to which is added the previously determined distribution to Accessory Sales (\$38.79) and Servicing (\$12.93), giving us our total of \$431 with which we started.

This puts us in position to extend our net profit or loss, *per set*, to column I, which is secured in each instance by applying the difference between the selling profit and overhead expense.

In this way a clear picture of our business has been created, one that tells a powerfully story upon which trading policies can be framed. In cold figures we *know* that of the first seven sales in April, three yielded satisfactory profits, two barely covered costs and two were complete losses. Furthermore, we know the reasons why. Obviously we cannot give price concessions amounting to \$12.60 on a \$52 set every day if we are to stay in business—refer to sale No. 521.

Now what would have happened if sales had been 25 per cent higher, 40 sets instead of 32? The variable expenses would have risen proportionately—no saving here—and spreading the overhead more thinly would have reduced the unit cost of this item to but \$9.03, a reduction of only \$2.82.

Of course, the most elaborate system of accounting will not in itself make profits. But once such records are established the dealer has at hand a definite basis for sound business judgment and for locating losses.



Why some radio sets and phonographs reproduce with rich clear tones, while others are lacking in fidelity and sound "tinny," is readily explained by a study of this chart showing the range of the principal instruments and singing voices and the span of modern radio units designed to reproduce them.

Such a diagram will help dealers explain to customers the importance of selecting a set of real tone fidelity, one which will reproduce speech and music exactly as they sounded in the studio.

Higher **P**RICES

"Get manufacturers together and establish a tonal standard."

- "Appoint a Will Hays or a Judge Landis."
- "Make \$39 sets for low-income groups but sell better radio to people who can afford it."
- "Let nature take its course."
- "Include in factory lists 10 per cent net profit for manufacturer and at least 10 more for distributor and dealer combined."
- "Enact a law enforcing maintenance of list prices."

T IS time to put on the brakes, warned the leading editorial in the July issue of Radio Retailing. Prices are tobogganing far beyond actual need, even in times of depression—and despite the fact that manufacturers, jobbers and dealers ar barely able to make a profit.

The trade agrees that prices should be higher. From all points of the compass this comment on "Needed, Leadership," poured in. Many of the hundreds of letters received ran two and three pages. Most of them reflected clear thinking and a genuine appreciation of the need for executing a "right-about-face" movement. Vital extracts from as many as space permits follow.

WOOLARD'S

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

Our sales and organization is small but we are nevertheless heartily in accord with your views regarding stabilization of prices. Our experience has taught us that most of us do not mind buying something we want at a fair price. But for the past three years prices have been tobogganing at such a pace that the

customer waits for still lower prices. I thought last fall that this orgy of cheap sets had quit when an improved line of midgets was introduced. But it seems the ropes failed to hold. Our policy is still to push the medium and higher priced sets and think it is our only salvation.

E. M. WOOLARD.

SCOTT PROWELL MUSIC CO.

Dear Sir:

I congratulate you on the stand you have taken, only I wish you had made it even stronger. Costs of production have not been reduced 33 per cent and manufacturers did not show a large profit last year. A reduction of 30 per cent might have been absorbed but I believe the present prices are going to be ruinous to the entire industry. The manufacturer must cheapen his product. The jobber and the dealer will just make 33 per cent less because the number of units will not be increased. The small dealer who has heretofore sold one hundred sets

or less per year will not increase his unit sales and therefore will

not make enough money to maintain year round service. I figure that the average price of unit sales this year is going to be under \$75. Therefore a sale of 100 radios will not gross over \$7,500. \$75. Therefore a sale of 100 radios will not gross over \$7,500. This would give this dealer only \$3,000 gross profit. Deduct from this \$750 salesman's commissions and he has \$2,250 for overhead, collections, reversions, service and NET profit. My opinion is that there is not enough of the NET PROFIT left to justify the dealer's labor and investment.

SCOTT B. PROWELL.

R. S. PROUDFIT CO.

Dear Sir

We think you are on the right track. When the dealer has to sell radio sets as low as thirty-five dollars apiece it means that he will soon have to quit business. We do not believe it makes any difference to the average consumer whether he buys a set for \$100 or \$35—he is going to demand service on it and the good dealer will have to give service. We all know that he cannot afford to give much service on a \$35 dollar radio. Another point about this class of merchandise is that the

dealer's discount will soon have to be lowered, and we all know that he has been getting little enough discount up to the present time. In our minds there is no quicker way to kill the radio business than to sell cheap sets.

FRANK S. PROUDFIT, V. P.

COLUMBIA PHONOGRAPH

Editor:

In spite of the ridiculous popular impression that everything can be improved by new laws, it is my opinion that the present condition of the radio industry can be improved by law. I refer to the enactment of a law permitting an agreement to maintain resale prices. The United States is one of the few large countries which does not permit such agreements and the consequence is that ignorant competition among dealers forces even intelligent manufacturers to cut prices.

Your cartoon depicts the manufacturer as driving the car down I on the road to lower prices. This is wrong. It is the chain bill on the road to lower prices. This is wrong. It is the chain store dealer, the department store and a certain other class of dealers who are really in the driver's seat. One way to save them from the consequences of their own folly is by law, in the same manner as we protect motorists and pedestrians from speed maniacs.



Trade Replies to Last Month's Editorial

The phonograph industry was successful for over twenty-five years and was built up on the foundation of resale price main-tenance agreements. This assured the dealer a profit and built tenance agreements. This assured the dealer a promatification up a tremendous industry. It did not prevent the manufacturer from constantly striving for lower costs and therefore lower list The public profited in the long run by quality merchandise at fair prices and the assurance that the manufacturer, jobber and dealer could remain in business to give service.

H. C. COX, Pres.

ALEX A. GETTLIN

Gentlemen:

It has been my thought for some time that what this industry needs is leadership. But how to procure it? Are we to depend on some altruistic manufacturer to start things in the right direc-

In your article you state that no one wants the condition of con-stantly falling prices. Neither did the various motion picture producers want certain chaotic conditions continued and the various baseball interests at one time felt that certain bad practices were to be eliminated. And how did they do it? And were they successful? The general impression is that the method they used was successful to a great extent. Why can't the radio industry, through the RMA and the NFRA, appoint someone to be a Will Hays or a Judge Landis?

Give such a person the authority to set minimum standards of construction and make any other regulations necessary to safe-guard the industry and the public.

ALEX A. GETTLIN

SILVER-MARSHALL

Dear Mr. Sulliffe:

I can only say that I deplore the present price trend and par-ticularly toward four-tube midgets in the \$39 and low price range. I write this even though our own corporation was among the leaders with low prices on standard models-necessarily, because of anticipated competition.

The decline in the average list price of radios during the depression just passed—I write this advisedly—has been far greater than might have been anticipated, due, probably, to the

rather long duration of this depression, coupled with the fact that radios fall in the luxury class, always most affected during poor times.

Yet there is a definite place for \$39 radios in big city and urban markets. An examination of radio saturation of various income groups indicates that the very large low-income group is least saturated. It is a difficult thing, however, to avoid the stigma of "\$39" on all radios if the necessary big attempt to sell this large group is made, and to sell better radios to the higher income groups. While the low-income group is the higher income groups. While the low-income group is the least radio saturated, it has the least relative purchasing power, since it is largely made up of the floating labor that has been hardest hit. Hence it would seem that advertising effort should be concentrated on the higher price brackets—a frankly Utopian hope, for under present conditions anyone is glad to sell a \$39 radio even to a prospect who can actually afford a \$200 radio --just so long as a sale is made. The only hope pointing to a solution is that dealer, distributor,

and manufacturer, realizing frankly that \$39 sales spell loss, will be forced to make every possible effort to get higher unit sales in order to live.

McMURDO SILVER, Pres.

ROYCRAFT CORPORATION

Gentlemen:

We congratulate you on the frank editorial "Needed-Leader-ship!" One of the important points often lost sight of in this ship!" One of the important points often lost sight of in this drifting to lower prices and unprofitable selling, is the fact that reputable houses will soon divorce themselves entirely from the merchandising of radio, and the industry itself will suffer in prestige and be judged by the outlets that serve it. It certainly is time to put on the brakes!

R. B. COHEN.

AUDIOLA

Gentlemen:

I do not believe that it is wise to attempt to place any limitations on the style of radio sets that may be offered to the public. I am of the opinion that natural causes will control the situation.

We are now down to three tube AC sets. I do not think there will be many of them sold; even as second or third sets, as they reach the level where reception is definitely unsatis-

factory. We question very strongly whether even the present four tube sets will last and think there will be a swing upward from them. However, if there is a class of poor people who cannot afford to buy anything more than a four tube set, that is the set that the industry should make.

The radio industry should be interested primarily in getting as large a percentage of the consumer dollar as possible, and nothing else. Let the public decide the kind of radio it wants, depending on quality, performance, appearance.

MORTIMER FRANKEL.

C. A. BURNETT

Gentlemen:

It is my firm belief that with the advent of the midget radio. cheaply constructed super heterodyne, and miniature console, we have stepped back further in the past year and a half, than we made progress in the preceding seven years.

This price orgy has tempted manufacturers to stint on materials and workmanship in order to produce competitive merchandise. Construction of chassis, cabinet and all materials have certainly been cheapened to make it possible to put the present retail prices on these receivers, and the results can all be summed up in a best of meturalness of merchanding tong upon in a loss of naturalness of reproduction, tone quality, and everything else that goes in to making a radio receiver a real pleasure and benefit to the American home.

The radio dealer of today has to do many times the volume done heretofore in order to make the same net profit. His selling expense, his service, delivery and credit departments and everything else that goes into the merchandising of radio receivers, remains exactly the same as when he was selling higher priced units. Therefore how can any dealer, no matter what his volume of business is, stay in business handling cheaply constructed and cheaply priced units?

The leading broadcasting stations are spending millions to de-velop and install apparatus for the faithful transmission of broadcasting. It doesn't seem fair to these broadcasting stations broadcasting. It doesn't seem fair to these broadcasting stations to put into the home sets that cannot reproduce more than half. of what the stations are putting on the air.

A. E. HILLMAN, MGR., Radio Dept.

JESSE FRENCH

To the Editors: Your article, "Needed—Leadership," portrays a condition that has actually prostituted the industry from the retailer to the man-ufacturer already. I believe that the present economic situation demands a moderate priced radio but I do not believe there is invitibation nor any consumer demand for a radio at from any justification nor any consumer demand for a radio at from \$20 to \$30.

I regret that I have no panacea for the prevalent radio ills nor do I think any individual can help the situation alone. I do think a co-operative group working in unison and under intelligent leadership could make some headway toward steering the good ship on a level course.

JESSE FRENCH, III, S. M.

UNITED ENGINE COMPANY

Gentlemen:

I feel that high quality sets are here to stay at real low prices. We cannot adjust conditions to our needs but it is necessary for us to adjust our business to present day conditions.

I favor wearing out rather than rusting out and I believe that the dealer who will adapt himself to the present conditions instead of fighting them will be much better off.

J. G. FINKBEINER, Treas.

WAGNER'S RADIO SERVICE

Editor, "Radio Retailing":

A person that can't pay \$60 for a midget radio can neither pay \$30 for one. On the other hand a person that will pay \$100 for a console radio will also pay \$150 for the same machine; everything being equal. A person either wants a radio or he doesn't.

HENRY W. WAGNER.

RADIO EQUIPMENT CO.

Dear Sirs:

Consider the position of the dealer. He is fast losing confi-ence. A short time ago he bought radio sets as low as \$69.50 dence. retail. He was surprised that they could be so good at such a low price. Within three months he finds out he can buy as good a radio set for \$39.50 or \$49.50 retail. He has to take a loss and he has been doing it for nearly two years and I know of no radio dealers in our territory who haven't at least dissi-pated half their capital. The dealers have got a lot of courage to keep fighting along under these conditions

It seems to us that someone as impartial as you are your-selves in this industry should get the leading manufacturers together and seriously consider the issue. Certainly there is no reason for selling a radio set for less than around \$60.

If the market for consoles can be held between \$100 and \$150, dealers will stay in the business. Otherwise, they will commence to sell refrigerators, wash-machines, etc., and the outlet for the radio manufacturer will just simply not be present.

J. H. SANDERLIN, Radio Sales Mgr.

ASHUS RADIO CO.

Gentlemen:

Radio has passed through various stages of growing pains. The general trend, however, has been and still is, toward quality. Like the blood in our veins and the steel skeleton in a skyscraper, it must always be present, as it plays a vital part in the structure. I believe that there is a place for inexpensive sets, sets that

are built without stinting of material and workmanship. This will most certainly mean at a retail price well over thirty, or forty dollars. Quality can scarcely be retained for less and without it our whole structure suffers.

ALFRED ASHUS.

ZWEIFLER, INC.

Mr. Sutliffe:

Commenting on your July editorial, it is the writer's opinion that it avails nothing to talk about calling a halt after the horse has run away. Your article should have been published before the RMA Show rather than after. We feel that if the RMA were functioning properly the present situation would have been prevented.

Each manufacturer is endeavoring to feature a price regardless of construction quality. After the public receives this type of merchandise we feel the real trouble will just begin.

WALTER ZWEIFLER.

BOSCH

My dear Sutliffe:

I note your fear that this price orgy "may progress to a point where manufacturers will be tempted to stint on materials and workmanship in order to produce competitive merchandise." I think I may state positively that that condition has already been reached. I had occasion the other day to examine in detail a new set recently announced by one of our larger manufacturers. On a test of performance the set showed up very well, and as the customer knows nothing about the construction of a set, this job might be considered fully competitive in that respect with higher priced merchandise. We kept it running, however, and at the end of a week it was not so good, and it was becoming obvious that some of the mechanical and electrical defects were having their effect on performance.

I am frank to say that my own company has used considerable effort and ingenuity to reduce the cost of production, but we have not yet reached the point where we are willing to

sacrifice performance or permanence of our merchandise. There is a price level below which the manufacturer cannot go without ruining himself, because there is a cost below which he cannot go, and in my opinion that cost level has been pretty nearly reached. Like most new industries we have suffered from a general ignorance of cost of production and I believe that there are not over eight or ten radio manufacturers today who really know what their cost of production is. The result has been (Please turn to page 44)



©ing Forward

New television stations and apparatus make their appearance

NBC has taken space in the lofty Empire State tower, 1,243 ft. above New York's treming streets, and is mataling a television transmitter. Picture programs broadcast on ultra-short wavelengths (1 to 3 naters) will serve the area ortically visible, it is runnored



(Right) J. A. Sanabria, the promising engineer who used a hot-cathode tube as a light source to project 10 ft. pictures at the RMA source, is repeating his demanstration in other cities, in collaboration with the Shortwave & Televisica Corporation



This direct pickup camera, just introduced by De-Forest, may be the forerunner of television newsreel machines. It eliminates the flying-spot, which heretofore has flickered so annoyingly in the eyes of televised subjects and will work outdoors



W2XAB, a new 500 watt television station operated by the Columbia Broadcasting System (WABC) took the air July 21 on 2,800 kc. .E. K. Cohan, the chain's technical director "tuned her up"

LDEAS Built...

How E. H. Peffer Has Made His Music Store Known to Everyone in Stockton, California



KGDM, one of his early efforts, attracts customers from all over San Joaquin County

SOME years ago E. H. Peffer opened a music-radio store in Stockton, California. Soon afterward he secured a license to broadcast and erected a station in the store. This was the first of his business boosting ideas —a rather elaborate one most dealers will consider it although it seemed a small thing at the time—and KGDM has been pulling in business from all points of the compass ever since.

At first he was glad to stand the expense of operating the small transmitter in return for publicity. Since then the station has graduated into a self-supporting enterprise, actually returning a profit. Many local merchants pay for air privileges and Peffer advertisements are broadcast twice daily, at six a.m. and at six p.m., also filling in time whenever the station schedule is not filled.

In addition to its advertising value, KGDM also lends interest to one store window in which the studio is located. This truly was a grand sales idea and Peffer has gone right on thinking up new ones.

Every "Ad" Is News

Peffer believes in making his newspaper advertising as interesting as the news pages—and does it. Through a long standing arrangement with the *Stockton Record* he secures the entire back page of each week-end edition, a special issue which goes to 20,000 San Joaquin Valley homes, devoting this page to a minature section entitled "Peffer News."

This section has flaring headlines, half-tone illustrations and feature news items prepared by his advertising man. When equipment is sold to prominent citizens announcements are worked up. Installations are frequently pictured. The receipt of new merchandise is announced in much the same way as a reporter would treat the arrival of some notable. And when a new clerk is hired an account of it appears on the page.

The advertising bill comes to about \$8,500 a year.

Showmanship Surely Pays

This dealer is an excellent showman. When a trainload of radios arrived in Stockton recently he secured permission to parade them down main street on trucks, from the flatcars to the store at midday. An essay contest conducted several months ago brought in 400,000 names, proof that his advertising is "clicking."

A one-man radio show is an annual event at the store. Sets are brought down to the main floor, all other merchandise is shifted to make way for them and the doors are thrown open. Salesmen, during this period, keep carefully in the background and because of the manner in which the show has been conducted year after year the public keeps coming back for more.

Bargain Basement Booms Business

Traded in equipment is not displayed on the main sales floor of the Peffer store. Merchandise which is slightly used, or sets which have become obsolete, are placed in a bargain basement by themselves and this department advertised expressly for the bargain hunters.



This bargain basement more than pays its way



So prompt is the turnover in this department that in spite of the large volume of trade-in business done on the upper floors there is never more than a few hundred dollars tied up in used or obsolete equipment. Flash advertising is safely employed by the basement.

Auto-Radio Installed on Main Street

When Peffer sells an automobile radio receiver the customer drives his car into one of the spacious entranceways to the store and there, before the eyes of Stockton's window-shoppers, the set is installed. KGDM often announces simultaneously with the sale that an automobile radio installation will be made, stating the time, as it has been found that these sets are still novelty enough to pull the curious out of their way for a look.

The entrances are exceptionally large and installation work can be carried on in them quite as easily as in the shop. This work does not prohibit customers from using the entrances as the doorways are quite wide and as a result auto-radio often finds itself precisely in the center of the stream of store traffic.

"Spot" Electric Clock Displays

Electric clocks are very effectively displayed at Peffer's in small, compact "bookcase" niches. These, "spotted" where store traffic is heavy, provide several shelves for the various models handled and by virtue of a flat backfinish cause the merchandise to stand out in sharp relief. A concentrated display, rather than a scattering of

Radio Retailing, August, 1931

shows the proximity of the interestcreating studio of KGDM. which may be seen at the right, to the radio display section

Peffer (center)



Electric clocks are neatly but effectively displayed in small space

clocks throughout the building, is more effective, the store finds, as customers can make rapid comparison of models and prices.

Home Movies Worth \$1,000 a Month

"Home-movies are worth at least \$1,000 a month to me," states Peffer. He has installed a small theatre in the back of the store, seating about 20 people in order to demonstrate this equipment. Films are usually pic-



This home-like nook, at the rear of the store, is an excellent spot for "closing"

tures he has taken of his own business activities. When a carload of merchandise arrives the train is filmed backing into the siding. When a radio is installed in a well known home the complete job is pictured.

Subjects of this type are used in a window shadow box as well as in the store theatre, thus doing double duty as promotional mediums. "This field is particularly interesting to us because of the repeat business involved," Mr. Peffer tells us. "We have several customers who not only invested \$700 or more in initial equipment but who have become, as well, steady buyers of film."

Where They Sign on the Line

A quiet nook is provided at the back of the store for the display of radio and pianos in a homelike atmosphere. This spot is comfortable, easy on the customers and incidentally an excellent place for Peffer's salesladies to secure the name on the dotted line.

People can be talked to much better in a quiet spot than in the open store when the conversation turns to money. It is sales ideas of this character, which on the surface do not appear to be so important, that have helped Peffer on his way to fortune.

The "Peffergram"

Peffer has devised a particularly ingenious method of imparting importance to his direct mail advertisements. He uses letterheads which resemble standard telegraph blanks, mailing these in psuedo-standard telegram envelopes. The words "Postal Telegraph" are replaced



Letterheads simulating telegraph blanks in order to impart attention value to direct mail announcements

by "Peffergram" and the particular advertising message of the day typed beneath in regular telegraph style.

A "Peffergram" circular of this character recently produced many orders for Preston permanent radio ground accessories.

RECORDS Are Going Fine . . .

THE following extracts make mighty interesting reading for the dealer who has an inquiring mind concerning this question of merchandising records. We are indebted to Lee Adams, of the San Francisco branch of the Brunswick Radio Corporation, for these illuminating ideas:

"We are enjoying a substantial increase in records compared to last year. . . It is the consensus of opinion that combinations are more in demand, which will further the sale of recorded music if properly exploited.

"The dealer who is selling combinations and then sending his customers to his competitor for records is taking a big chance in losing that customer for all future sales.

"I find that the successful record department sales person makes a real effort to become acquainted with the types of music preferred by each individual customer and that he also keeps in touch with his clientele, when new records are released, by mail and telephone.

The radio department manager must employ capable help

behind the record counter or his record sales will decrease.

"The demand is growing for the better type of recordings, such as symphonies. . . Many dealers are showing a big increase in sales this year by featuring this better class of music.

"Record manufacturers are offering dealers more help in the way of attractive window displays—and particularly with the return privilege—than in the past. . . . Dealers now buy every day or so instead of every two weeks. . . . This increases turn-over and decreases the size of the unsalable stock of records. . . . We are limiting new record releases to about 30 a month consisting of only the hits.

"It has been proven that if a dealer will go after the record business today from the many angles that are available, he will not only be satisfactorily remunerated but will get many customers into his store that otherwise would visit his competitor. . . The law of averages does not fail, the more persons contacted the greater the sales volume."

Trade would benefit from—

Proposed Patent Pool

Sales cooperation, advertising stimulation and engineering economies for entire industry

THE dawning of a new day of opportunity for the independent radio manufacturer is seen as the result of the "open patent pool" proposed by the United States Department of Justice as a condition of withdrawal of the Government's suit to dissolve the Radio Corporation of America.

Such a patent pool has long been a subject of discussion in the radio industry. Its effect would be felt "all along the line," down to the ultimate consumer, in reducing the burden of license fees and of patent litigation cost, and in increasing the freedom with which patents might be utilized throughout the industry. Other incidental advantages, under such a patent-pooling arrangement, are outlined below.

Conferences between the Department of Justice and the defendants in the suit, the Radio Corporation, the General Electric Company, the Westinghouse Company, and the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, were interrupted early in July, when the Department's counsel, Judge Olney, issued the following statement:

POOL ADMINISTERED BY INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES

"The principal defendants would consider favorably the creating of an open patent pool, whereby the use of their patents in the radio and certain allied fields would be open to the public generally upon fair and reasonable terms to be fixed by independent trustees.

"Such a pool would, in the opinion of the Department, if practicable, be of distinct advantage to the public both as opening the patents of the particular defendants to general use and also as serving as the beginning of an open patent pool into which all patents important in the radio field might be brought and their use made open to the public on terms fair and reasonable to patent owners on the one side and the industry on the other, and the industry be largely relieved of interminable and expensive disputes over patent rights."

The conferences stand adjourned until September, "when they are to be resumed and pursued without interruption, to a conclusion."

PATENT LIBRARY AND ENGINEERING LABORATORY

Many incidental advantages of industry cooperation would ensue from such a patent pool, exerting a wide influence on the manufacture and marketing of radio sets, declare those favoring such a plan.

For example, a central engineering and research laboratory could be set up, to which all manufacturers could refer engineering problems, new ideas, and circuits for study and analysis.

A central patent library would undoubtedly be created, under competent legal administration, making available a complete cross-index of patent information, which any independent manufacturer might consult.

Such a central organization could pass upon the value of new patents offered the industry and its members, giving information of the greatest value.

AN INDUSTRY SALES CAMPAIGN

But perhaps the greatest consequence of cooperation for patent pooling, would be the setting up of an industry body for the promotion of radio-set sales to the public in a way never before attempted. Recent industry changes and general economic conditions have shown that no longer can the industry and trade depend upon radio's mere novelty for the purchasing impulse necessary to keep up sales volume. From now on, it is apparent that some kind of sales stimulation and industry advertising will have to be resorted to, just as in the paint business, the soap industry, and others. An active centralized agency to promote the use and sale of radio is needed, and would be the outgrowth of an industry patent pool.

Opinion in Washington circles seems confident that the conferences on patent pooling between the Department of Justice and the Radio Corporation have gone much further than the Department's statement would indicate, and that an "open patent pool" for the radio industry is now a foregone conclusion. On the other hand, all parties to the June-July conferences at New York officially deny that any conclusion is yet reached.

The patent situation in radio is, however, again brought to the fore for political discussion, and will assuredly be a subject of heated controversy on Capitol Hill this winter, attracting the attention of both houses of Congress.

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OPEN PATENT POOLING WOULD-

Create industry cooperative body for stimulation of radio sales

Reduce license burden felt by whole trade Set up a cooperative engineering laboratory

Establish patent reference library

Avoid drastic Congressional action detrimental to radio industry

Bring about active cooperation throughout the trade



1ST STEP

RADIO DISTRIBUTOR hires refrigeration veteran

S.TERN and Company—through its dealers—has placed over 1,000 electric refrigerators in the homes of New England housewives since March. This well known radio jobber, with headquarters in Hartford, Conn., has been outstandingly successful because it built its refrigeration structure on a "four-square" foundation.

And its dealers, likewise, have made money with electric refrigeration because they always have been considered, by Stern, as a most vital part of this same

APPLIANCE MANAGER, with salesman, instructs the dealer 3RD STEP



The Square for Selling By Ray V.

edifice and must function accordingly.

When Francis Stern added refrigerators (Majestic) to his radio business he did so in the full realization of the absolute need for a new sales viewpoint and new technique—right down the line. The four pictures on these pages tell the story of Stern's basic, 4 point sales setup better than a thousand words.

Observe that the initial step (1) is that of a close tie-up with a man who has had a wealth of practical experience in selling specialty appliances in the home.

This veteran immediately imparts this knowledge and technique in thorough manner to each sales member of the jobber's organization (2).

The scene now shifts to the dealer's store (3), where the jobber's appliance manager and territorial salesman start an intensive dealer-training process.

The fourth cornerstone is that of the actual sale (4)—in the home, and made under favorable conditions.

Getting down to dealer application cases: Lawrence and Valmore Vadnair run an auto and radio salesroom in North Adams, Mass., population 22,000. This April they tackled refrigeration in the good old way. Ran local ads and fixed up a pretty window and store display. Result—not one sale.

Then the jobber's representatives got busy. Between May 2 and June 3 here is what they did:

Switched the two auto-radio-refrigeration local salesmen from \$40-a-week salaries to a $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent commission basis, with a \$20 drawing account.

Held three instruction sessions with the two local men and the Vadnair boys.

Saw to it that each automobile customer was contacted personally or by telephone.

Ditto for the radio customers.

Both the jobber's salesman and jobber's appliance supervisor accompanied the partners and their men into the homes of prospects—closing a total of five sales and thus conclusively demonstrating that outside selling can be made

PLAN Refrigerators

Sutliffe

to produce results-if preceded by intelligent training.

Saw to it that each of the Vadnairs bought an "electric" for their own homes.

Insisted on night work. In this connection note that 65 per cent of the 15

orders received within that first five-

week period of real "out and at 'em" were closed after 6 p.m. The average price received for these boxes was \$275.

Now North Adams has been hit just as hard by the depression as any other town in the country. Questioned as to the one reason for this unusual sales record, under the circumstances, Appliance Manager Hugh Pullen named evening calls as the outstanding answer.

"Radio dealers simply must call on prospects after sundown," he declares, "if they would book refrigera-

tion business in worthwhile volume." Case number two, that of Henry Morans and Sons, New Britain, Conn., is strikingly similar with respect to the nature of the selling methods used and results obtained. It differs in this respect, however, Morans had been operating a sales crew and getting business via the front-door route for a number of vears. The job for the jobber in this instance, therefore, was one of special training in the merits and talking points of the particular refrigerator being handled and of keeping the local field sales crew on its toes. The latter objective was attained by means of the well known experience meetings, conducted at frequent intervals.

Case number two is cited for the special reason that it proves the need for close and understanding field selling cooperation between the jobber and the dealer even when the latter thinks he knows all about outside selling.

When Leslie and Herbert Morans first started selling refrigerators for Stern, orders were few and far between. Although everyone worked hard, energy, apparently, was being misdirected. This was especially noticeable with the men.



2ND STEP

VETERAN APPLIANCE MANAGER trains the radio salesmen

Just as soon as the enthusiasm, inspiration and prestige of an outside expert began to percolate to the commission men orders began to perk up.

"Even though he knows no more about this game than some 'hardshell' salesman, the occasional contacts and the personal interest of a specialist, who calls on dealers in four states and always brings new ideas and a fresh viewpoint, is of tremendous benefit," concludes Mr. Pullen.

Supplementing the preceding story of theory and prac-



tice is the following statement from Francis Stern, the head of Stern and Company. This radio wholesaler, so far, has done one of the best job distributing refrigerators of any firm within the radio industry.

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As I See This Refrigeration Problem

By Francis Stern, President, Stern & Co.

(Hartford, Conn., distributor of radio and refrigeration throughout the New England States)

REFRIGERATION distribution divides clearly into three specific selling classifications: Town or Small City, Large Metropolitan Centers, and Apartment House Owners. Entirely different merchandising methods must be used with each group.

The rapid development of the refrigeration business through radio distributing houses has been due to the fact that the sales curve of refrigeration complements that of radio. The resultant is as nearly flat as can be arrived at with two major lines.

Now may I state frankly, and without malice, that the average radio dealer is perhaps the worst equipped for merchandising electrical refrigeration imaginable. But, although this statement be true, it is made with the conviction that through intelligent cultivation the radio dealer will unquestionably become a *dominating factor* in refrigeration retailing.

First, therefore, let us take the problem of the rural or small city prospect for a refrigerator. In this field the established radio dealer occupies an enviable position of confidence, provided he has sold and serviced well the radio equipment he has handled. He is looked upon in his community as a reliable electrical expert, and as refrigeration is largely an electrical device, he is, by virtue of this recognition, eminently fitted to make a second sale in those households where he has already established himself.

Here, however, is the rub. His radio experience dates from the time when he sat in his office and customers begged for sets. He has seen this phase of selling pass out and recently his business has gone to the other extreme. But in so doing sales have been confined largely to very low-priced units—so that he has gradually pulled into his shell. With low unit price the dealer could not afford to make house-tohouse solicitations.

Then came refrigeration—to be the panacea for all radio dealer ailments. Once again the public would rush in and take high priced units off his floor. As he waited at this desk he pictured that new automobile he was going to buy. His disillusionment, however, has been quick and painful. The refrigerator could not be tuned in to a heavyweight championship fight, nor by its own voice draw the crowds to the store.

Here is where Mr. Jobber rapidly realized that he too would have to adopt selling methods radically different and infinitely more thorough than those he used in "taking orders" for radio sets.

First and foremost, Mr. Jobber hired a trained specialty salesman—a man thoroughly experienced in selling house-hold appliances.

Next, in the strategic points in the territory he held a series of sales schools on the method of presenting electrical refrigeration to the consumer. The foremost function of these sales schools was to develop, for the dealer, methods of obtaining prospects.

Logically, the dealer has on his books a number of accounts to whom he has sold radio. This constitutes his initial prospect list. Prizes may be offered, such as a substantial cash prize for the oldest ice chest actually in use in town. Visits to radio owners for the purpose of replacing tubes—keeping an open eye in the kitchen—soon tell whether or not the radio owner is a refrigeration prospect.

And most important, at these schools, is stressed the absolute necessity of personal contact with every prospect.

And now comes the vital phase of small town dealer selling. In spite of his sales school, in spite of his service school and the fact that he goes back to his store full of pep and enthusiasm, within twenty-four hours the dealer is back in his old rut, and within a week he wonders why refrigeration hasn't paid for the new car or painted the house!

This is why the distributor's force must be so organized that his field manager, as well as his territorial salesman, are available for direct contact with dealers. These men should spend from one to three days with each dealer, dragging him out of his store by the back of the neck and throwing him bodily into the homes of a selected list of prospects if necessary. A few such contacts, and Mr. Dealer is either a made refrigeration man, or the wise jobber tells him frankly that he had better get out of the picture. No jobber should be afraid of losing a customer, because a dealer who still remains unfitted for his job after this amount of work and money has been expended on him will ultimately pass out of the picture through the bankruptcy courts.

OH, how different is the problem in the metropolitan centers! Here both the jobber and dealer find themselves confronted with established, exclusive refrigeration sales outlets, trained in every phase of selling, and equipped by experience to make incoming competition most unhealthy.

Each type of big city dealer presents a problem for the radio jobber but most of them are less willing to be trained in the manner of the rural merchant than the jobber anticipates. For the present it would seem that the only successful method of metropolitan distribution is to having the metropolitan dealer do a sales job pure and simple. Installation and service become the jobber's problem. The metropolitan dealer maintains a complete line on his floor. These refrigerators are his selling samples, and are the dealer's permanent investment. His selling is from these samples, and when a sale has been completed, his jobber makes the delivery, installs the box, and tacks up a little card telling the housewife whom to call for service.

The sales problem of the metropolitan dealer is identical with that of the rural dealer. However, his potential outlet is so much greater that he can afford man power far in excess of the dealer in the small community, and man power alone is the answer to the problems of metropolitan selling. The metropolitan dealer's contacts must be more frequent and his selling for more intense because of keener competition.

The distributor enters into this picture by holding weekly meetings of the metropolitan dealer's salesmen. The jobber's field sales executive must devote as much attention to the individual salesman's problems as to those of the rural dealer.

Then too there is the problem which the jobber encounters in obtaining for the metropolitan dealers' salesmen adequate compensation. Particularly in furniture and department stores, floor salesmen are compensated on a very low percentage basis. This compensation is quite adequate where the majority of the sales are made from the floor, but where the salesman must do the majority of the selling in the home and run down prospects after hours, his compensation must be commensurate with his effort.

After a great deal of experimentation, the following table of percentages has proved to be as nearly ideal as possible for large store refrigeration sales compensation and management:

Crew Manager—This man is in full charge of the salesmen, both floor and outside. His compensation should be 3 per cent of the sales price, as an override on all sales made by salesmen.

Salesmen—Should be compensated at 10 per cent, with 2 (Please turn to page 44)

SCENE FROM "Shanghai Lady." This popular film is typical of those now available, with sound synchronization, for home projection purposes. Selections of this character may be purchased, with the necessary record, for about \$21. They should lease to the consumer for approximately 50 cents per evening. Running time 11 minutes; film life from 60 to 200 showings, depending upon the handling the film receives



OW that the mechanical and electrical problems of the home projection of 16 mm. films, synchronized with sound, are practically mastered, manufacturers of these devices are giving serious consideration to the vital matter of establishing film "libraries" at strategic distribution centers and to the working out of a practical, cooperative, plan for the purchase or leasing of film subjects at reasonable prices. Many conferences between radio executives and film producers have been held since the Chicago show.

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One result of this study of the situation is that it is realized that the radio dealer or distributor, of his own volition, cannot, and therefore will not, set up the necessary film distribution service to take care of local territories. The reason being that today's market for 16 mm. films is not broad enough to support the comparatively high initial investment involved. It becomes, then, a matter of manufacturer responsibility.

From this situation emerges the following interesting and encouraging bits of news:

Although the life of film used in theaters seldom exceeds 50 runs, exhaustive tests show that the narrower ribbon, for home use, is good for at least 100 showings with ordinary care and frequently gives a clear picture after 250 times through the smooth acting mechanism of the 16 mm. home projector. This fact is of utmost significance because the number of possible rental times is the major factor in determining rental terms-which should not exceed a two dollar bill per evening's entertainment.

THE PACENT PLAN

DIRECTLY predicated upon this fact is the "econom-ics of film leasing" plan recently formulated by the Pacent Electric Company. This concern contends, however, that the wholesaler is the logical financial mainspring to start the wheels of film-availability turning. Quoting Pacent:

"Under the proposed plan, the greatest investment would be by the jobber who would purchase a number

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of subjects and rent them to his dealers on a circulating library basis. The number of films the jobber would be obliged to purchase would depend upon the demand.

"For the purpose of establishing an average figure it safely may be assumed that the average film may be played 200 times before replacement is necessary. Such a film could be circulated among a chain of 50 dealers, permitting each dealer to retain it for one week. It is evident that a jobber serving 50 home talkie dealers could establish among them a continually circulating library comprising five film subjects for each dealer with only one print each of 250 different subjects. Since the average cost of a 400 ft. print, with record, is \$20 this plan would entail a jobber investment of \$5,000."

Much of the balance of Pacent's idea is devoted to demonstrating the attractive film rental profits that ultimately will accrue to both dealer and distributor. Based on a weekly rental, to dealer, of \$6.25 for five reels and records, and on said dealer re-renting to consumer-for 50 cents per reel per night-the dealer would gross "\$12.50 on a \$6.25 investment. The jobbers annual gross is estimated as about \$15,000 on a \$5,000 investment."

12 Inch, 15 Minute Records

'HE present projector calls for the use of standard, commercial 16 inch records. Naturally records of this large size require fairly large driving motors, which are cumbersome to handle and subject to breakage.

As we go to press word comes from reliable sources that a new and better disk for home movie use is practically ready for the market. This latest invention, while but 12 inches in diameter, will play for 15 minutes. Re-cording is by the "hill and dale" method which permits much closer spacing of the sound tracks.

The introduction of such a record should speed the practical promotion and popularity of home talkies. Shipping and rental cost problems will be vastly simplified. Furthermore smaller diameter records turn at an evener pace, thus improving tone and synchronization.



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"PARDNERS"

Over 10,000 letters of thanks have been received from kids who have ridden in this bus. Maintained for publicity purposes alone, it is in constant demand by school teachers and child's club leaders

"I TREAT the kids of the neighborhood, make them my 'pardners." They go home and tell their folks about the swell times they have at my playground." This is Ralph Pewsey's own explanation of an advertising innovation that has made his radio store the talk of Edgewood, Rhode Island.

We've heard of dealers blowing kids to cones for publicity before but this man Pewsey goes "whole-hog"; puts every advertising dollar behind a theory that when he befriends children he also makes friends of their parents.

He has converted a vacant lot behind his store into a free playground, owns a bus that does nothing all summer but tote tots without charge to picnic parks, beaches and points of historical interest; rigs up public showers and hands out ice cream on hot days. These are no stunts, but regular, all-year-round activities.

The plan works so well that Pewsey never spends a dime with newspapers. His outside salesmen never find it necessary to canvass.

Cold type appeal is discarded for the warmest kind of customer contact. A blanket of gen erosity is spread over the kids of the neighborhood. And parents gratefully respond with their business.

A vacant lot behind the store has been fitted out with swings, slides and showers. So metimes ponies are hired for the children from a nearby riding academy



Can a SET be Repossessed

When it is installed in a car ?

"YES"

Claim the Finance Houses, and Tell us HOW

W ITH the installation of radio receivers in automobiles has arisen a new problem in selling. Once the set is fastened to the dash does it become an integral part of the car? Can it be replevined by the radio dealer? The weight of opinion of the expert finance executives is to the effect that it can providing the original time payment and mortgage contract has been properly drawn up and recorded.

The automobile-radio sales contract should contain an "after acquired" property clause, states Frank W. Lloyd, assistant vice-president of the Commercial Investment Trust, Inc., a New York banking concern which has handled a greater part of the automobile radio paper thus far presented. The general rule is, he goes on to explain, that such a clause conveys no property of the conditional seller or mortgagee unless the conditional buyer or mortgagor has acquired clear title. For example, it is not uncommon for the conditional buyer of a truck to purchase his tires on the installment plan. When the truck is repossessed, the tires must be given back to the conditional seller of the tires: John W. Snyder v. Aker, 236 N.Y.S. 28.

In the last case cited, the court held that where the conditional seller of the truck repossessed it, he did not thereby acquire "a lien by levy or attachment." If the conditional seller of the truck had, however, levied or attached the car by legal process the conditional seller of the tires would not have been protected because of his failure to file the conditional sale contract. Consequently it is important in dealing with auto-radio receivers to file or record the conditional sales contract when required by state law.

Mr. Lloyd concludes that if the filing and recording requirements are followed out and the proper legal contract instruments are used, it is possible to handle automobile radio financing in the majority of states. Obviously transactions of this character will necessarily require rigid credit investigation and a determination of any existing liens on the automobile.

This opinion is further substantiated by Milan V. Ayres, analyst for the National Association of Finance Companies, Chicago. We quote Mr. Ayres: "The legal situation of the sellers of radio sets for automobile use is much less hazardous than many suppose. In most states the seller's interests will be properly protected if the right kind of papers are used.

"If the automobile has been sold on a contract which states that after acquired property attached to the car is covered by the contract and if afterwards a radio set is attached and a chattel mortgage given back to the seller, the contract on the car will cover the radio, because the radio is 'after acquired' property of the buyer of the car. However, if the radio set is sold under Conditional Sales Contract or Bailment Lease the buyer does not acquire title until all the installments are paid. Consequently it is not his property and it will not be covered by the contract under which the car was sold."

READ also the opinion of the Commercial Credit Company, Baltimore, another house exceedingly active in handling automobile and radio paper: "We do not know specifically of any cases wherein a dealer or a finance company selling an automobile radio set on the deferred payment plan has been precluded from repossessing the radio set upon default of the purchases, merely because the automobile in which the radio set was installed had been purchased on the deferred payment plan by the purchases of the radio set under a conditional sale contract or chattel mortgage whereby the automobile dealer or a finance company had title to or lien upon the automobile."

In layman's language, therefore, it confidently may be stated that if a dealer uses his regular time contract form—providing that the phraseology of such instrument conforms to the laws of the state in which the transaction is consummated and recorded—the law will support the vendor in his replevin proceedings.

It is apparent, however, that the manner in which the automobile radio set is affixed to the car, in other words, the ease with which it may be removed, will have an important bearing on this question. If the set is readily removable without damage to the car and by merely unscrewing a few fixtures and pulling out a few plug connections the case will favor the radio dealer.

How They Work

An explanation of the basic principles upon which tube merchandising testers operate

By W. MacDonald





THE design of "merchandising" tube checkers, which must be inexpensive, simple to operate and easy to read, is a difficult problem. Some sets are more rigid in their tube requirements than others; certain sockets in each receiver must be "pampered" and non-uniform line voltages introduce still another variable. Then the multiplicity of tube types further complicates matters as all of these must be tested somewhere near rated voltages if any degree of accuracy is to be obtained.

Thus it is apparent at the very outset that error is inherent in the job itself, making it almost futile to use precision instruments of the laboratory variety. Because these variables exist most manufacturers prefer to build arbitrarily calibrated testers, tube condition being judged by consulting a chart prepared at the instrument factory. Such readings do not necessarily check with characteristic data furnished by the tube maker.

The instruments are calibrated by noting the average readings obtained when testing tubes known to be good and permit a 15 to 30 per cent variation from these standards in actual use. This permissible variation, ordinarily allowed in connection with either direct-reading or arbitrary-reading devices, blankets not only slight allowable differences between new tubes but also the errors which may be inherent to the tester. For this reason merchandising checkers are valuable principally in segregating good and bad tubes. They cannot ordinarily be relied upon to pick the "ultra-perfects" from a batch of new, good tubes as slight differences in meter readings do not necessarily indicate great superiority or inferiority for actual use in a set. Other characteristics not measured govern tube operation to some extent and a 30 to 40 per cent difference in reading must usually be noted before a tube is definitely discarded.

Mutual Conductance Checked

Merchandising testers usually check one tube characteristic, generally mutual conductance. The most common method of accomplishing this is by the "grid-shift" system. This involves the application of a.c. to the plate, noting the self-rectified d.c. plate current at a certain grid-bias voltage, then shifting the bias slightly and noting the new plate current reading. The difference between the two readings varies with the condition of the tube and when compared with a standard this difference constitutes a good test.

The formula for determining mutual conductance by this method is:

$$G_m = \frac{dI_p}{dE_p}$$

The change in d.c. plate current in amperes produced by a change in grid-bias voltage divided by that bias voltage indicates the mutual in micromhos. Readings should be within the readings specified by the instrument maker. Tubes which read too high in mutual conductance are apt to be just as poor as those reading low, producing gain beyond that for which the receiver circuit is designed

ceiver circuit is designed. Grid-bias is ordinarily shifted by shorting part of a resistor in the cathode circuit. Plate current flowing through the cathode circuit resistor produces a voltage drop which maintains the grid as a negative potential with respect to the cathode. Cutting out part of this resistor decreases the voltage drop and also the grid bias, increasing plate current. For accuracy, grid bias should be shifted only a small amount so that the test is made on a straight portion of the tube's characteristic curve. If the bias is shifted too far error is introduced because of the curve in the grid voltageplate current characteristic.

The "a.c. output" test involves the application of an a.c. signal, which may be obtained from a low-voltage winding on the supply transformer, to the grid and the measurement of the a.c. output of the tube. In effect, this system is the same as the "grid-shift" method with the cycle variation in the a.c. signal accomplishing the "shift" automatically. Dynamic mutual conductance is proportional to the ratio between the a.c. input voltage and the a.c. output. In designing such a device care must be taken that the a.c. signal applied is within the tube limits and does not constitute an overload.



The a.c. measuring instrument may be calibrated in terms of micromhos, to read mutual conductance direct. This reading corresponds with data supplied by tube manufacturers when the voltages applied are identical with those under which the original factory tube tests were conducted. A few instruments use the "oscillation"

test, in which the tube operates in a selfexcited circuit, supplying its own a.c. signal instead of receiving this from a transformer winding. Measurements may be taken with either an a.c. or a d.c. milliameter in the plate circuit to permit arbitrary calibration of the meter in terms of good or bad tubes.

Other Tests Used

Emission tests, which were commonly used in connection with the older, thoriated filament tubes with good results, are rarely resorted to in designing testers for cathode types. These newer types usually have emission to spare whereas tubes such as the old 199 "bled to death" at an early age. The emission test is thus less effective.

While most of the checkers designed for counter use apply raw a.c. to the plate of the tube under test, this method being economical and satisfactory where arbitrary readings are desired, a number are provided with 280 rectifiers and filters, feeding the tubes to be tested pure d.c. plate cur-rent. This is most often true of the types

employing direct reading meters. Some instruments incorporate a gas test. This consists of reading grid current on a sensitive milliameter, the current readings increasing with gas content. A few pro-vide also for the determination of plate resistance and amplification factor although this is the unusual rather than the rule, most testers making some form of mutual

A merchandising tube checker should, from the technical standpoint, probably in-corporate the following features: 1. Some form of mutual conductance

- measurement

2. Line voltage control 3. Pre-heater socket or sockets 4. Short-test lamp or lamps Rigid construction is probably of greater importance than extreme sensitivity.

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"Vis-O-Meter," sponsored by Sylvania, is a modified "a.c. output" type similar to the Hickok

illustrates a medified "a.c. output" type, using a plate circuit a.c. meter calibrated to indicate mutual conductance directly in micromhos when





Arcturus device uses the "grid-The shift" idea and resembles the Jewell





current readings are taken at two points on the grid-voltage plate-current curve as a mutual conductance check



Burton-Roger's model 10 is "gridshift" instrument

Ken-Rad's "Acremeter" uses an "oscillation" test (Right)





Capacity Meter and Decade Condenser Box

By J. P. Kennedy

My shop equipment includes two instruments which are of incalculable value—a direct-reading capacity meter capable of determining the size of condensers between .25 and 5 mfds. and a decade condenser



box permitting rapid selection of capacities between .1 and 3.9 mfds. in steps of .1 mfd.

The capacity meter, designed to operate from an a.c. power line, makes provision for variations in line voltage, a necessary feature if the instrument is to be used in the field as well as in the shop. Five per cent variation in line voltage produces a much greater percentage of error in the calibration of such a meter. The instrument utilizes a 0-10 volt a.c.

voltmeter of the iron vane type, requiring approximately 250 milliamperes for full scale deflection. An a.c. milliameter having a similar range might also have been used. The circuit is best understood by referring to the diagram. R1 is a 650-ohm fixed



resistor capable of passing 250 mils. and is used as a multiplier to increase the scale of the meter so that it will roughly accommodate the applied line voltage. The size of this resistor varies with the type of meter used. One should be selected which gives full scale deflection on about 105 volts. R2 is a resistor variable between 0-100 ohms, so connected that it serves as a vernier on the line voltage. J1 is a closed circuit, interstage jack which permits separate, external use of the meter. J2 is an open circuit jack. Bp are binding posts. The meter is calibrated by short-circuiting the binding posts Bp and adjusting the resistor R2 for full scale deflection. This

The meter is calibrated by short-circuiting the binding posts Bp and adjusting the resistor R2 for full scale deflection. This adjustment must be made each time the instrument is used if accurate readings are to be obtained. The short circuit at Bp is then removed and fixed condensers of various capacities falling within the range of the device are connected across the binding posts one at a time, the position of the pointer for each capacity being noted. These readings are recorded on graph paper laid out so that capacity may be read in terms of meter scale divisions. If the instrument is always adjusted to

If the instrument is always adjusted to the line voltage at which it was originally calibrated accurate capacity readings will be obtained. Care should be taken that the condensers to be tested do not have serious leakage. Leakage permits additional current to pass through the condenser and produces a fictitiously high capacity reading. Note also that electrolytic condensers cannot be tested satisfactorily with this instrument, requiring a special circuit. ("Testing Electrolytic Condensers." page 41, March, 1931, issue of Radio Retailing). Before testing fixed condensers for capacity I test for leakage by connecting them across the output of a B eliminator delivering 200 volts d.c. in series with a 250 volt d.c. voltmeter.

The decade condenser unit contains ten .1 mfd. condensers and 1, 2 and 3 mfd. capacities capable of withstanding power pack voltages. These are known to be calibrated accurately to within 2 per cent of rating.

A Western Electric 169-A forty-point decade rotary switch with .1 calibrations, obtained for 98c. from a mail-order house, permits instant selection of desired capacities. A ten-point single contact fan switch in conjunction with a four- or fivepoint supplemental switch might have been used.

This decade box was wired with an open circuit jack and binding posts in parallel across the terminals to permit the



use of test prods equipped with a 'phone plug or to allow additional capacities to be connected in parallel externally. It was used to calibrate the capacity meter unit already described.

In the drawing, the heavy black tabs on the circumference of the circles are phosphor-bronze contacts. The outer circle is composed of four quarter segments of silver inlayed in bakelite. The inner circle has its quarter section so inlayed. Rotating the switch that has the forty-notch movement cuts each of the .1 mfd. condensers in parallel with the one preceding until .9 mfd. is in the circuit. Then the nine sections cut out and the 1 mfd. condenser is cut in by the inner circle. The .1 mfd. sections are again added, this time in parallel with the 1 mfd. section. This action is repeated with the 2 and 3 mfd. condensers as the basic capacities permitting selection of capacity in .1 mfd. steps to 3.9 mfd.

RADIO HANDBOOK, Moyer and Wostrel, \$5. (McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York.) An 886 page reference work dealing semi-technically with the following topics: Fundamental units and radio glossary, electricity in radio, radio accessories and instruments, fundamentals of radio communication, power supply systems and apparatus. vacuum tubes, vacuum tube circuits, radio receiving sets, transmitting circuits, broadcast transmitters, marine commercial transmitters, laboratory equipment and methods, photo-electric cells, television, industrial applications of vacuum tubes, sound motion pictures.

Dummy Speaker

By Walter A. Cobb

In order to avoid removing dynamic speakers from cabinets when chassis are removed to the work bench I have rigged up a dummy speaker unit which can be used with any type of unit. It consists of two audio transformer primaries connected in series, as shown in the illustration, and shunted by a magnetic cone and a 50 henry choke to take the place of the dynamic field in the receiver filter circuits.

The impedances are mounted on a small sub-base in "bread-board" fashion using clips on the various leads. A five-



prong plug and standard five-wire cable is provided for adapting the unit to Peerless, Zenith and similar sets with speaker outlets at the back. In connecting this plug the two heater plugs go to the plates of the push-pull tubes, the cathode and plate terminals connect to the field choke and the grid terminal is connected to B plus.

Temporary Test Connections

By M. A. Porter

Temporary connection to almost any part of a receiver circuit may be quickly made for testing if the serviceman carries several of the illustrated "gadgets" in his kit. Solder a tip jack to a battery clip as shown, wrap the joint and the jack with tape.



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How Do YOU Do It?

Radio Retailing will pay for acceptable letters from experienced servicemen describing original methods, or equipment of interest to other shops.

Has anybody built an oscillator for both intermediate and broadcast frequencies? Mail "kinks" to W. MacDonald,

Mail "kinks" to W. MacDonald, Technical Editor, Radio Retailing, 10th Ave. at 36th St., New York City.

When you want to tap into a circuit it is merely necessary to affix the clip to a part and to plug a test prod, phone or speaker tip into the jack. This leaves the hands free for other work.

Coupling Extra Magnetics

By Charles Andres

The desirability of additional speakers on present receivers using dynamic speakers has been expressed by set owners many times. Without sacrificing volume or tone quality the following method proves highly satisfactory, accommodating as many as four external magnetics with very little loss.

Secure an ordinary Ford spark coil and remove the vibrator, binding posts and miscellaneous hardware. Where the cover is nailed these nails should be removed and the cover withdrawn. Carefully remove the condenser and connections so that new connections may be provided as shown in



Altered Coil

the diagram. By being careful it will be possible to avoid removing the high potential secondary leads when making this alteration.

The primary should be brought to terminals on the front of the case and this winding (the low resistance winding) is connected in series with the voice coil on any of the present day dynamics. External magnetics are then connected in parallel across the secondary winding, the spark coil serving as a coupling transformer which permits the magnetic speaker impedances to be matched with the tube output impedance without disturbing the impedance relation between the dynamic and the set.

By shunting the external speakers with an ordinary phonograph type of volume control it is possible to obtain the desired volume without materially affecting the built-in dynamic or other parallel magnetics. Headphones may also be connected in this same manner.

PILOT LIGHTS

CROSLEY 601, 602, 704, 401. These models sometimes go haywire when variable condensers "freeze", a condition caused by moisture affecting die-cast and machined bearings. To permanently eliminate the trouble drill a one-eight hole through the die-cast bearing of each condenser section to the shaft and inject a few drops of oil.

RADIOLA 33, 60. An audio howl is sometimes experienced as the '27 detector warms up. This happens because the plate current drain at this time is nil, producing an abnormally high plate voltage which feeds through a resistor common to the other tubes. Reverse the leads to the first af. transformer. A similar whistle is sometimes heard when a Model 60 is tuned in on a station. Correct this with a .001 condenser across the a.f. transformer secondary.

MAJESTIC 61, 62, 163. To align these sets tune them to a local on about 1,500 kc. and note setting of the visual tuning meter. Set condenser trimmer No. 1 for the lowest meter reading. (Trimmer screws, are numbered from 1 to 8, beginning at the left front edge of the chassis and working back and to the right.) Set trimmers 2, 3 and 4 are set in rotation in the same manner. So also the numbers 5, 6 and 7, on top of the gang unit, which are likewise set for lowest meter reading. Tune the set to another station near 600 kc. and repeat the adjustment coming back to the original signal on 1,500 for final adjustment of trimmers 5, 6 and 7. The oscillator tracking condenser is not critical and can be set by turning it back and forth as the tuning condenser is rocked across the incoming signal, setting it for the greatest visual tuning meter reading. The antenna trimmer is set for maximum volume at 1,500 kc.

KENNEDY, BUSH & LANE, FIRST NATIONAL. Models 10, 20 and 20B made by these three companies occasionally develop severe hum. To stop it disconnect the wire from the filter condenser to the high-voltage end of the voltage divider and connect it between the choke and the speaker field winding. Then connect a 1 mfd., 300 volt paper condenser from the high voltage end of the divider to the chassis.

ATWATER KENT L. If oscillation is encountered when the local-distance switch is in the local position and the circuit, tubes and trimmers check up O.K., move the red wire running from the switch to the screengrid prong of the first r.f. stage away from the r.f. coil openings.

MAJESTIC. To replace condenser sections in Majectic B-eliminators in about 15 minutes unsolder the wires from the condenser block, marking the other end of these carefully. Remove one nut and bolt in front of the condenser block and slide the block out. Open the edges of the can with flat pliers and move terminal board to one side, tip the can to one side and use a blow-torch to melt away surface pitch, being careful not to burn inside wires. Check with continuity meter across sections for shorted units, unsolder, lift out and replace those that are blown. Re-seal in B unit.

EDITORIAL OBSERVATIONS

A Two-Step Plan

THE battle between midget and console has been waged so bitterly that we have lost sight of our main objective—the replacement of old sets with new.

The midget provides an excellent means of securing this business if we will only use it. For a good 1931 midget *sounds* better than most radio sets built prior to 1929.

Let's organize a *two-step* sales plan, and carry it out. The first step: Advertise; demonstrate that a new midget is superior to sets more than two years old. Convince consumers that in this period radio has made important advances. The second step: Demonstrate a new console against the same new midget.

Let the customer's ears be the judge.



Those Classy Tube Testers

A MILWAUKEE dealer writes: "Impressive tube testers are with us in force. The August crop includes instruments with milliammeters as large as London's 'Big Ben,' colored lighting which would be the envy of any amusement park proprietor and canned sales talks calculated to make people who have worked poor, defenseless tubes for more that a year hide their guilty faces in shame."

Grandstand testing can materially swell replacement tube sales, if—1. The instrument used is capable of doing a good job; 2. the free testing service is adequately advertised to the public; 3. the consumer can clearly recognize the result of each test himself. Concerted, organized effort always moves merchandise.

But is there some danger in the widespread use of these mechanical salesmen? Inefficient testers naturally will do the replacement tube business more harm than good. Well designed equipment, unsupported by special advertising effort, is likely to fail to accomplish its purpose. And any sleight-of-hand manipulation of buttons and gadgets, producing meter-flickers which are Greek to the consumer, will surely label such operations "rackets."

The trade has a useful sales weapon in the flashy, but well designed tube tester. The big question is—what will the trade do with it?

Up and Coming

DEALERS who hesitate to enter the 16 mm. home talkie field in the belief that there is a dearth of films will be interested to know that a total of 276 productions, ranging from one to eight reels each, a total of 388 reels, are now available. These statistics have been compiled by the 16 mm. Motion Picture Board of Trade.

Cine-Art has 18 subjects, Fitzpatrick 46, Kapit 6, Pathegrams 59, Show-at-Home 36, Talkiola 59 and Ufa 43. Sprague, Bell & Howell and several other new entries have more on tap which may shortly be universally available. And in addition, most of these companies indicate their intention of swelling their lists appreciably by the end of the year.

Three Strings to This Bow

THE rental cost of 16 mm. film is the present barrier to the wide popularity of straight home-talkie apparatus. Canny prospects hesitate to tie up \$150 in a device which, because of its operating expense, can be enjoyed but occasionally.

This situation suggests that, for the present, we develop a triple-purpose sales approach—that we feature a radio-phonograph-talkie device. This combination instrument, it should be pointed out, is designed for daily use—the radio or the phonograph to entertain, at low cost, between "movie" shows. And when a crowded house justifies the expenditure of a few dollars for films and records, the same machine also will provide talking movies.

Thus the radio and phonograph features of
this type of complete home entertainment instrument might well be used to tide over the period in which film distribution is in the process of catching up with the perfection of home projection devices.

Who Will Sell Auto-Radios?

MANUFACTURERS have found it possible to greatly reduce the price of auto-radio sets. These are now within the means of millions of car owners and are ready for quantity exploitation. But one thing stumps the makers of this equipment; holds back distribution. Who, they want to know, is best equipped to do a real selling job—the radio dealer, the new car agency or the battery service station?

This is the picture as we see it: In general, none of these groups is in a position to do the whole job at this time. Few radio dealers have facilities to install any great number of sets, car agencies can sell receivers for installation only in new automobiles and battery service stations are not experienced in the sale of \$100 to \$150 entertainment units. All three groups, perhaps, can work together to good advantage. Let radio dealers, who know how to merchandise entertainment equipment do the heavy selling. Let centrally located battery stations, ignition specialists, make flat-rate installations for these dealers. And let auto agencies, that have easy access to new car buyers, secure this necessary business for the radio dealer on a straight commission basis.

This plan will serve to put more auto-radios in use, the one thing a new product needs most to give it impetus. Later, when the ball starts rolling, specialty selling organizations will probably grow out of the successful operations in these three groups—and manufacturers will do well to utilize such auto-radio outlets when they develop.

For Cooperative Advertising

RADIO, as an industry, has spent immense sums of money for advertising but there has been a decided and unfortunate lack of cooperative effort to promote the value of radio as a *means* of providing entertainment, education and a host of other things to the public virtually without expense. The paramount appeal of our copy, particularly in newspapers, has savored too strongly of price. This kind of publicity has not helped stabilize an industry that has suffered so intensely from over-production.

It should be possible for the Radio Manufacturers Association to evolve a plan whereby radio can be advertised as an institution, and desire created for ownership of such a wonderful instrument which gives so much for so modest an expenditure. Surely we can follow the lead of other industries who have so successfully used cooperative, institutional publicity.

I believe it might be feasible to interest a weekly magazine with national distribution in publishing outstanding programs for the ensuing week as a news item and to compensate them by buying a page of advertising each week, which would be for the primary purpose of exploiting the value of radio in the home. Publishing programs would undoubtedly make such a magazine a veritable reference library and would probably be the means of largely increasing circulation.

We in the industry are interested in anything that will help the business. I feel sure that I can pledge the co-operation of the Radio Wholesalers Association to the radio manufacturers in helping solve their problems, so that we may all benefit mutually and make of radio a business that will continue to develop and command the respect of not only those engaged in it but the entire public as well.

> LOUIS BUEHN, President, Radio Wholesalers Association.



"Oh, I guess that's the man to attach the radio." Courtesy of Judge

Highlights on the

August, 1931

WTMJ SEEKS RCA WAVE LENGTH

"Milwaukee Journal" Action May Force Supreme Court Decision on Celebrated Tube Clause Tangle

Whether subsidiaries of the Radio Corporation of America will retain the 1,409 licenses renewed by the Federal Radio Commission in June has been put up to the courts for determination, with the probability that the United States Supreme Court ultimately will decide the question.

The new development came when station WTMJ, operated by the Milwaukee Journal Company, one of the intervenors at the hearings, asked the District of Columbia Court of Appeals to reverse the commission's judgment in so far as it pertained to the license renewal of station WENR, of Chicago.

of Chicago. The "Milwaukee Journal" station for some time has desired the channel now used by station WENR which it shares with another Chicago station, WLS, WENR recently was leased by the National Broadcasting Company. Had the commission refused to renew the licenses of the National Broadcasting Company because of Section 13 of the radio act, which directs the commission to withhold permits from anyone found guilty of monopolizing radio communication, the Milwaukee station would have been in a better position to press its application for the clear channel now assigned to WENR. The applicant now seeks to have the courts set aside the commission's decision in this respect.

The result of the appeal, however, will have more far-reaching effects, throwing into litigation all of the 1,409 licenses now held by R.C.A. subsidiaries.

Grunow Disbands Staff

With abandonment of production plans for this year, the William C. Grunow Co., Chicago, is releasing, August 1, H. E. Young, sales manager, F. A. Delano, assistant sales manager, and J. J. Daven, advertising manager. All were formerly with the Grigsby-Grunow Co., Chicago, Majestic radio and refrigerator manufacturer.

About Local Trade Shows

Plans for the holding of the convention of the WESTERN MUSIC & RADIO TRADES ASSOCIATION at Vancouver, B. C., have been terminated by the refusal of Canadian Radio Patents, Ltd., to grant permission for the importation of United States sets for exhibition purposes. It is also understood that Canadian radio manufacturers do not look with favor upon the holding of a show within the Dominion in which



For This Have We Private Yachts

When the "visiting firemen" call, what could be nicer than to entertain them on one's private yacht? Here's how we do it in the well known radio industry. To wit: Captain Gene McDonald playing host to his Zenith dealers and distributors on the good ship *Mizpah* and the sparkling waters of Lake Michigan.

American sets not licensed for sale in Canada would be exhibited.

It is unofficially stated that endeavors are being made to arrange for the holding of the show in some American city on the Pacific Coast.

The first PHILADELPHIA RADIO TRADE SHOW, under the auspices of the Philadelphia Radio Board of Trade, was highly successful. Attendance of dealers was approximately 5,000. Twenty large radio distributors manned the booths. To Raymond Rosen and his assistants goes much of the credit for this affair. Note that the cooperation of the local Electrical Association also was a major contributing factor.





The new portable short-wave transmitter and receiver developed by NBC was used for the first time during the broadcast of the American Open Golf Championship. Here we see O. B. Keeler, center, microphone in hand, caddy with transmitter strapped to his back, and Dewey Sturgell, NBC engineer, holding the receiver. The transmitter operates on approximately five meters.

Institute of Radio Service Men Organize

Arranged for

Planning to extend the scope of its activities to nationwide proportions, the Institute of Radio Service men has been organized with headquarters at 400 W. Madison St., Chicago. While this association will not be offi-

While this association will not be officially affiliated with any other radio organization it intends to work in close collaboration with other groups such as the Radio Manufacturers Association, The National Federation of Radio Associations and the Institute of Radio Engineers. The "Institute" it is claimed has no

The "Institute" it is claimed has no connection with any commercial enterprise and is not formed for the purpose of making money. It is laid out to function with the radio service men in exactly the same manner that the Institute of Radio Engineers does with the engineering profession.

The Institute comes about because of the phenomenal success of an experimental collaborative program conducted by the Midwest Radio Trades Association of Chicago, and the radio department of The Chicago *Daily Netos* during the 1930-1931 season. In a series of twelve meetings engineers from manufacturing and research laboratories, instructors from trade schools, and managers of broadcast stations gave discussions to the large audiences of service men that gathered there twice monthly.

Further plans contemplate that the Institute will be divided into sections, the headquarters for which will be located in each radio center of the country. Each section will function under the advice of national headquarters and local chapters will hear the discussions of engineers acquainted with the service men's problems.

The Institute will begin its activities in conjunction with the Radio-Electrical World's Fair to be held in Madison Square Garden, New York City, Sept. 21-26.

News of the Month

Busy Readers

Ve schoor Organizes Radio Company in Ann Arbor, Mich.

A rew concern, to be known as the Interrational Radio Corporation, has been formed in Ann Arbor, Mich., largely through the efforts of C. A. Verschoor, formed y president of the Consolidated Radio Corporation, makers of Arborphone receiv rs.

Clo ely associated with him is W. Keene Jackson, who will be the sales manager for this new outfit. Mr. Jackson Clo ely states that it will specialize on the manufacture of shortwave converters and combinati a all-wave and regular broadcast receiving sets.

The International organization will further re composed of many former employees of Arborphone and associated

Conce ns. Mr Verschoor has a long record of in radio activities. successful management in radio activities. One of his first offerings will be the "Interpational Duo," a receiver combining nterpational Duo," a receiver combining shortwave and a regular broadcast chassi; in a single unit.

For Television Only



Patalie Towers, Columbia Broad-cas ing System's exclusive television gir went on the air for the first time las month, when W2XAB put on its gal, premiers program. While short waves carried her pic-tur out to television receivers, her voi e was carried on the regular wave len ths of WABC and its 86 atfiliated sta jons. sta ions.

Pi ot Re-enters Television Field

Ap lication for a construction permit for a 250-watt visual broadcasting station, for the formation of th rence Mass.

This application marks the return of Pilot to the television field, in which it did considerable experimental work three years ago, when located in Brooklyn, N. Y.

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National Radio Week Sept. 21-27

Don't forget that National Radio Week for 1931 is scheduled to start Monday, Sept. 21—coincident with the holding of the Radio World's Fair in New York City. Full details of NFRA headquar-

ter plans and materials to help you observe this occasion will appear in the next issue of this magazine.

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H. W. SAMS

H. W. SAMS Howard is direct-ing territorial sales for Silver-Marshall. Cooperating with McMurdo Silver, this aggressive gen-tleman has produced an inpressive port-folio whose purpose it is to further train Silver - Marshall's dealers in the estab-lishment and opera-tion of its direct selling plan.



Detroit Chosen for Broadcasters Convention in Oct.

Detroit has been selected for the annual meeting of the National Association of Broadcasters which is to be held October 27, 28 and 29. During this year two regional meetings will also be held, one in the South and one on the Pacific Coast. The dates and places for these meetings will be fixed at a later date.

This action was taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Associa-tion March 24 in Washington. In addition, the directors discussed the copyright situation and amendments to the radio act likely to come before Congress at its next session. Failure of the copyright bill at the last session of Congress means that the whole legislative procedure will have to be repeated with a new set of hearings before both the Senate and House committees.

Philip G. Loucks, the managing director of the Association, reports a 40 per cent increase in membership since last November.

Stewart-Warner Creates New Division

Stewart-Warner Corporation, Chi cago, announces the formation of a newly created Wholesale Radio Division, and follows with the statement that Chas. Strawn has been appointed its manager.

Mr. Strawn has been active in the industry for many years, having just held the position of director of sales promo-tion, for U. S. Radio and Television Company. Previous to that he was with the radio department of Lyon & Healy.

New York, N. Y.

A-K JOBBERS SEE FIVE NEW SETS

Convene for "Eighth Annual" at Atlantic City, N. J.

When Mr. A. Atwater Kent holds one of his celebrated conventions his distributors rally as one man to attend. Last month's affair, at the Ambassador, Atlantic City, N. J., was no exception to this rule. Over 250 substantial wholesalers, and their chief assistants, again enjoyed the hospital-ity of this bountiful host and greeted with enthusiasm a presentation of eight receiver numbers, five models of which were new. For specifications, see page 40.

Dealers will receive the latest A-K mes-sage via. air line. For the second time the broadcasting channels will convey to group territorial meetings the business story of the convention. "Use your store and your prospect's house for this mes-sage" will be the slogan of the sales pro-motion department motion department.

Curtiss Co. to Distribute **General Motors Sets**

H. R. Curtiss Company has been ap-pointed distributor of General Motors radio In northern California and western Nevada. J. W. Thompson, previously northern California manager for the Curtiss com-pany, has been transferred to Los Angeles, where he will take charge of the southern California branch, and C. H. Foote, formerely Los Angeles branch manager, has been transferred to San Francisco to assume the management of the northern California branch.

Make Mine Vanilla



E. B. Patterson, research engineer of RCA Victor, with his color organ which automatically converts music into changing colors that synchronize with the mood of the music. By speak-ing into a microphone one may see the colors produced and varied by his speaking or singing voice. Thyratron tubes used in the apparatus make it possible for acoustic power on the order of millionths to control lighting power of millions of watts.

RCA Victor Staging Vigorous **Record** Campaign

Victor is embarking upon an RCA interesting and vigorous campaign to pro-mote the sale of records, using the following sales promotion methods:

1. Spot broadcasting by electrical trans-

cription. 2. Record advertising in all newspapers

featuring new song hits. 3. Critical publicity from newspapers, magazines, dramatic and music critics. 4. Foreign language broadcast electrical transcriptions.

5. Portable Victrola advertising campaign in all magazines and newspapers.

paign in all magazines and newspapers. Radio Distributing Corporation, RCA-Victor wholesale distributor in New Jersey and northeastern Pennsylvania, has announced to its trade "A New Basis for Merchandising Records." Max H. Krich, president of this company, is convinced that there is a rebirth of interest in records by radio and music dealors.

that there is a rebirth of interest in records by radio and music dealers. In line with this new record activity, Radisco has added to its sales force. V. C. Rottkamp, record specialist, who is equipped from many years of record sell-ing experience, to give dealers practical assistance in making the most of this opportunity for gravity increased record opportunity for greatly increased record sales.

The Cooks Disagreed

At a meeting attended by members of the different divisions of the Radio & Music Trades Assn. of Southern Califorin July 9, the principal discussion centered upon the advisability of running a series of cooperative, association advertisements which would have as their object the stability of the industry, the continuation of present radio receiving set models for some time to come, and the still far distant prospects of practical television and its segregation as a distinct unit in the future.

Due to the many differences of opinion expressed and the difficulty in agreeing as to the status and trends of the above sub-jects, definite action was postponed.

Get New Jobs

CARL H. CARSON Sales Manager of Carter Radio, Chi-cago. Gravitated to radio from field of educational and sound film. In charge of Slagle sales for two years. [RIGHT]





W. G. PIERCE

Assistant to Don Compton, vice-pres-ident and general manager of Ma-jestic. Jim, as he is more familiarly known as, was formerly president of Pierce - Phelps, Majestic distribu-tors in Philadel-phia. tors phia.



New Officers of Hygrade Sylvania

The officers of the Hygrade Sylvania Corporation, successor to the Hygrade Lamp Company, Sylvania Products Company and Nilco Lamp Works, are shown above. Modern factories at three strategic distributive locations are at the disposal of the newly formed company, with a combined floor space of 8 acres.

Recent Manufacturer-Jobber Affiliations

SUNSHINE MANTLE Co. . . . Bosch. . . . Kansas and western portions of Missouri. CAM-RAD DISTRIBUTING Co. Spar-

. . 35 eastern Pennsylvania counties ton. and 8 southern Jersey counties.

COAST RADIO SUPPLY Co. . . . Sparton

SAN DIEGO STANDARD ELECTRIC CORP . Philco. . . . San Diego and Imperial counties.

SANFORD RADIO CORP. . . . Kolster. . . New York territory.

WEDEL. ... Pilot. ... Washington and Oregon.

SALES AND EQUIPMENT CORP. . . . Zenith . North Carolina.

TURNER-LIPPE. . . . Lyric sets and Mohawk refrigerators. . . Newark, N. J., territory.

B & O RADIO Co., Hygrade-Sylvania, northern New Jersey.

STEINITE, National Radio & Stove Co., STEINITE, National Radio & Stove Co., Paris, Texas; Buhrman-Pharr Hardware Co., Texarkana, Ark.; Quincy, Automo-bile Supply Co., Quincy, Ill.; Gehl Co., St. Louis; Neal & Hyde, Inc., Syra-cuse, N. Y.; Perry & Sherman, Utica, N. Y.; Gibbens & Gordon, New Orleans: Daniels-Cornell Co., Manchester, N. H. and Cressey-Dockham & Co., Salem, Mass.

Executive Appointments

FRED L. DAMARIN is once more with the Dubilier Condenser Corporation in the capacity of western sales manager. Mr. Damarin, who resigned his position as sales manager of Tung Sol Condensers, Inc., in order to rejoin Dubilier, makes his headquarters at 330 S. Wells Street, Chicago.

J. M. SPAIN, formerly manager of the Southern California branch of the California Victor Distributing Co., has been

appointed sales manager of the Public Wholesale, Ltd., Los Angeles.

JACK CARRARO has joined the sales staff of Arcturus and will represent this concern in the great Southwest.

VICTOR MILLER now is the general manager of High Frequency Laboratories, Chicago. "Vic" has had extensive ex-perience in the private brand field.

Replogle, Chief Engineer

The DeForest Radio Company, Passaic, N. J., announces the appointment of D. E. Replogle as its chief engineer.

For the past two years Mr. Replogle, familiarly known as "Rep," has been assist-ant to the president of the Jenkins Tele-vision Corporation, and in full charge of the engineering and production activities of that organization. Prior to that period he was identified with the Raytheon Manufacturing Corporation.

Some Fun!



Can you remember way back when midget golf courses were in vogue? Neither can we, but here's what hap-pened to one of them. It grew into an artificial trout stream, so the Inter-mountain Majestic Co., Majestic dis-tributor in Denver, took advantage and let its dealer-guests catch their own fish for breakfast at the country club. Golf finished the day.

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OICES FROM THE MARKET PLACE

How the Jobber Can Help

Editor, Voices from the Market Place:

HERE is a move for more business in which the jobber takes an active part.

The jobber is an experienced crew organizer. Why can't he organize retail sales crews for his dealers? Such a scheme has been used successfully in other lines of specialty selling. In putting it into effect he would lay the groundwork by hiring an experienced, competent crew manager, who in turn would hire and train the salesmen.

Under this plan the jobber would retain an option on the salesmen in much the same manner as the big league ball teams hold players, farming them out to dealers.

Naturally, in order for the plan to be successful the jobber must be in a position to finance the initial selling expense. It is also necessary to arrange commission and discount terms which return a net profit on the operation to both himself and the dealer.

In financing, the jobber might deduct 10 per cent from his trade discount of 40 per cent to the dealer for salesman's commissions, to be paid directly to the men. Instead of granting courtesy discounts over and above the usual 40 per cent, this extra 5 or 7 per cent might well be used to cover the crew manager's salary and miscellaneous management expenses. I am certain that if any given dealer could be confident that he would clear 30 per cent on each sale made outside his store without the necessity of managing a crew he would welcome the plan, provided it was ready made.

The jobber would, under this plan, be directly benefited as the men would be especially trained to sell products in which the distributor was interested. I believe it could be worked out to the decided advantage of both dealer and jobber.

Allentown, Pa.

MAXWELL A. COLEMAN, H. Coleman Company

A Million Dollar Idea

Editor, Voices from the Market Place:

I THINK you have a million dollar idea in the way of advertising in the diagram of stations, and where they are found on the dial used in the article "Thrill of Distance" in June.

It could be used if printed on celluloid in black letters so it could be folded by making four sections, with a small fastener at the apex end. Millions of radio fans

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would appreciate something of this kind. I would have given \$10 for one like it many a time.

It could be used as an advertisement for radio sets and tubes if printed on pasteboard. Every new set should have one to save the service man a lot of trouble finding where stations are.

Keep at the good work. I am for *Radio Retailing* first, last and always and get many good ideas out of each number.

Wellston, Ohio.

HOMER GETTLES.

Broadcasters Please Note

Editor, Voices from the Market Place:

I AM always reading how to boost sales by telling our public about the many interesting radio programs. "Put up an attractive sign listing the best programs," they crv.

Sure, this is a swell idea. I am even willing to send out a circular to our customers once a week with the programs. But, from what source am I to get the lowdown on said programs?

Out here in this neck of the woods it is next to impossible to get a line on coming events even a day ahead.

I am of the opinion that we can materially help our sales and service by stressing the programs. If you can drop me a couple of hints as to where I can get the desired dope, I will go after the business from this angle.

Helena, Mont.

FRANCIS E. SIMPSON,

Simpson Radio Co.

More Comment on July Editorial

Dear Mr. Sutliffe:

Kindly send us a dozen copies of your July editorial, "Needed, Leadership!" We want our salesmen to carry it with them and discuss this vital matter with our dealers.

Minneapolis, Minn.

ROYCRAFT CORPORATION.

Friend Sutliffe:

Your article, "Leadership," should be put on the desk of every radio manufacturer, another copy in his hat, and still another on his pillow. On this subject hangs the success of the radio industry.

Cambridge, Mass.

H. B. RICHMOND. Former president, RMA



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16 mm. Sound-on-Disc **Talkie Equipment**

ELECTRICAL Research Prod-ucts, Inc., 50 Church Street, New York, N. Y., announces the introduction of a 16-mm. sound-on-disc talking machine to sup-plement its line of Western Electric talking picture equip-ment.

plement its line of Western Electric talking picture equip-ment. It consists primarily of a sound projector inclosed in a 23x21x10-in, case, and a com-bination amplifier and loud speaker in a similar sized case. The former weighs 75 lb., and the latter 55. This equipment has been simplified for easy operation, and is made for 110-volt a.c. It is designed for operation in any type of small classroom or auditorium, and has volume suf-ficient for an audience of about 100. According to the announce-ment, this equipment has been produced to make available a sound machine which will give reproduction comparable to that obtained in a larger Western Electric sound system used in theaters throughout the country. *—Radio Retailing*, August, 1931.



Power Amplifier

Power Amplifier A TWO-STAGE power ampli-tier employing a new circuit using one '24 tube in the first stage, four Pentodes in parallel pushpull arrangement in the output stage, and two '80 recti-fiers, has been placed on the market by the General Amplifier Co., 27 Commercial Ave., Cam-bridge, Mass. This amplifier will provide 10 to 12 watts of undistorted energy to the speaker, and there is almost an entire absence of hum. Model GA-80, as it is called, lists at \$70, less tubes.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

Combination Set

"International DUO" is the tradename of the com-bination shortwave and regular

broadcast receiver offered by the International Radio Corp., Fourth & William Sts., Ann Arbor, Mich. This set comes in a cabinet similar to a nidget radio, and the duo chassis has 8 tubes, namely, 3-235's, 2-224's, 1-227, 1-247 and a 280. The two tuning dials are illuminated, and tone control is incorporated. A switch for short wave or regular broadcast is furnished, as well as a switch for short-wave band selector. A change-over from the shortwave to longwave reception is accom-plished by throwing the switch. Five tubes are used for broad-cast reception, and eight tubes for short wave. The price is \$49.95 less tubes. *—Radio Retailing*, August, 1931.



Steinite Grandfather Clock Set

Steinite Models

Steinite Models In keeping with the trend for regulation cabinets with electric clocks in the speaker grille, the Steinite Mfg. Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind., is offering a tall clock model with the 8-tube double Pentode superhet chassis at \$99.50, complete. It is 60 in. high and 13 in. wide. A midget with an electric clock (5-tube tr.f. chassis) using the Pentode and multi-mu tubes is \$49.50, complete. In the straight radio line, this company makes an open face lowboy, \$79.50, a semi-highboy with doors, \$99.50, and a midget at \$59.50, all with the double Pentode chassis. The latter with clock is \$69.50.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.



Steinite 725



Atwater Kent 80

Atwater Kent Sets

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Atwater Kent 89

Gryp-Connector

No. 1039 "Gryp-Connector", is designed primarily as a sim-ple means of fusing the A or B-circuits in automobile or battery sets without the trouble and ex-pense of an exposed cutout. 15c. Littefluse Labs., 1772 Wilson Ave., Chicago.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

GE Grandfather **Clock Set**

Clock Set ENCASED in a grandfather Eclock cabinet and known as the "Longfellow Grandfather Clock" model, the General Elec-tric Company, Bridgeport, Conn., has brought out a 10-tube super-heterodyne. The radio is com-pletely concealed, and the speaker is located behind the etched clock face, and finds out-let through a grille in the upper sidewall of the cabinet. A panel door in the front of the cabinet opens to the tuning controls. The clock, of standard GE movement, derives its current from the same outlet as the radio but acts independently.— *Radio Retailing*, August, 1931.



Clarion Models 40, 90 and 95

and 95 MODEL 40 "Clarion" radio, Model by the Transformer Corp. of America, 2309 Keeler Avenue, Chicago, uses the Pen-tode and variable-mu tubes, together with a '24 and an '80. It is of the midget type, and lists at \$39.50 complete. Model 90 is an 8-tube super-heterodyne console with auto-matic volume control. It uses three multi-mu tubes and a Pentode. Model 95 is similar to Model 90, but has a dual dynamic speaker, each giving specialized performance, permitting individ-ual predominance of high and low notes, assuring an unusual combination of tone. — Radio Retailing, August, 1931.



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Dealers to C ELL



This editorial section is prepared purely as a news service, to keep readers of "Radio Retailing" informed of new products.



Brunswick Short and Long Wave Set

Long Wave Set THE illustration shows the new Model 25 combination short and long wave receiver just introduced by the Bruns-wick Radio Corp., 120 W. 42nd Street, New York City. The highboy cabinet of butt walnut contains an 11-tube super-heterodyne receiver equipped with screen-grid, .variable-mu and Pentode tubes, together with the uni-selector, tone control. automatic volume control and 12-in. dynamic speaker. The price is \$225, complete.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

Electro-Voice Mike

LIECTTO- VOICE IVIIKE **PATENTS** have been applied for by the Electro-Voice Mfg. Co., Inc., 338 E. Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, Ind., on the prin-ciple of pre-stretching the frame while the diaphragm is held in a stretched position. This allows a perfect stretch and does not entail the usual lathe cuts, stretching mechanism for each individual instrument and other details, the release states. or each and other state

states. Model 22, the latest addition to the line, has the following specifications: frequency re-sponse: 30--6,800 c.p.s., overall dimensions 3¼x14 in.; button resistance: 100 ohms each; out-put 39 db. The frame is bake-lite, the button bridge is alumi-num, streamlined and perfectly centered. \$19.50.—Radio Retail-ing, August, 1931.

Bud 4-in-1 Tool

Bud 4-in-l I ool METAL only is used for the screwdriver end of the 4-in-1 neutralizing and align-ment tool of Bud Radio, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio, limiting the possibility of added capacity while adjustments are being made. The screw driver end screws into the large aligning tool. A spring clip makes pos-sible the carrying of this tool the same as a pencil or fountain pen. It can be used on any make radio set, with the excep-tion of old style Majestics, for which a special attachment lists at 25c. extra. The list price of this tool is \$1.25. — Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

Multi-Coin Timer

Multi-Coin Timer FINISHED in two-tone Italian bronze, the multi-coin timer made by the Coin Devices, Inc., 203 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago, will take nickels, dimes and plination, the value of the time remaining being indicated at all times. The unit is small, oc-cupying a space of only 4x7 in. and can be attached in most any position. The time ratio may be quickly dimes allowing either one and one-half or two minutes for each penny spent. It will oper-ate on d.c., ac. or battery and one any voltage up to 220. It has many other uses be-sides running radios as it can be used for lighting unattended miniature golf courses, tennis, courts, etc.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

courts, etc.-August, 1931.



Telalarm

I CLALARM is a self-starting illuminated electric alarm clock retailing at \$9.95. It is made by the Warren Telechron Co., Ashland, Mass. This self-starting, synchronous time-keeper has a case of modern design made of Dura-silver alloy, with a molded black Bake-lite base. The "butter-wiped" finish of the metal case will not tarnish, and reflects the color scheme of the room in which it is placed. The dial is illumi-nated by means of a small Mazda lamp shining through a diffusing glass. The intensity of the illumination may be con-trolled by means of a rheostat. -Radio Retailing, August, 1931.





Howard 35

Howard Line

Howard Line Howard Line Howard has just brought for the coming season. In the midget line there is Model 10, with a t.r.f. circuit, employing a 24, 2-51's, a 47 and an 80. 549.50, complete. Model 20, a superhet midget, has 2-27's, 3-51's, a 47 and an 80. The cabinet is more ornate. \$69.50, complete. A table with detachable drawer, to be used with this set, is \$10 extra. Model 30, called the compact for sole, has the same tube equipment, but is a midget and table combination as shown be-low. The set is not detachable. *89.50, complete. Model 35, an 8-tube superhetero-dyne with dynamic speaker and Model 40, described last month, \$119.50 complete. Model 60, which is a combi-mation with automatic phono-praph record changing device, path record changing device, madio Co., South Haven, Mich. —Radio Retailing, August, 1931.



Howard 30

Samson Microphone Stand

SAMSON Electric Co., Canton, Mass., has released publicity on four new microphone stands, finished in light brown electro-plated bronze. No. 880 is for use on tables; No. 881 is an ad-justable table stand; No. 882 is a full length model and No. 883 is full length with two micro-phones. — Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

Hammond Bichronous Clock

Clock A NEW movement that con-tinues to keep accurate time through current interrup-tions, is now incorporated in all models priced at \$14.50 or higher, made by the Hammond Clock Co. 2915 North Western Avenue, Chicago, III. The "bichronous" (dual move-ment) clock operates on the synchronous principle, but in addition, continues to run and keep accurate time when the current is off by means of a reserve spring power. This re-serve power will bridge inter-ruptions up to thirty minutes. The synchronous models are still available.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.



B&H Focusing Gauge

ANYONE requiring precision nesults in their close-up motion picture work, will be par-ticularly interested in the focus-ing alignment gauge just an-nounced by Bell & Howell Co., 1801 Larchmont Ave., Chicago, for their Filmo 70 or 70-DA.— Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

New Haven Radio **Time Switch**

Lime Switch A COMBINATION electric clock and time switch with Westinghouse self-starting, slow speed motor is being made by the New Haven Clock Co., New Haven, Com. The red flag lever, when in position for auto-matic operation, is plainly vis-ible. Set in neutral position, the radio can be manually oper-ated at will, without interfering with the timekeeping qualities of the clock. The list price is \$12.50. It may be had for 110-volt, 60 cycle a.e. only.— *Radio Retailing.* August, 1931.





Sterling R-517 and **R-519** Testers

R-519 lesters ALL tubes can be tested on either the R-517 or R-519 Mfg. Co., 2831 Prospect Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, has placed on the market. The plates of the 280 tube can be tested sepa-rately. Mutual conductance is used in measuring the worth of the tube. Only one meter is used, an ammeter of the d'Arsonval type. A fuse in the form of a 40 Mazda lamp is used to indicate internal shorts. The table of values as published by the tube manufacturer is used as the basis for tests rather than arbitrary values. In other words, it is a labora-tory model adapted for dealer use. Wordel R-517 lists at \$52.50

tory model adapted for useal-use. Model R-517 lists at \$52.50. This is a mutual conductance being indicated by a dial actuat-ing one arm of a bridge circuit. Model R-519, in addition to determining mutual conductance, indicates plate resistance and amplification factor. \$175. Both are equipped with pre-heater sockets.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.



Webster Portable Sound Amplifier

Sound Amplifier. MANY conditions require the sound amplifier, either to fulfill a temporary need or for con-stant service as a portable unit, and for this purpose the Web-ster Co. 850 Blackhawk Street, Chicago, Ill. has placed on the market the Style DHP-250. The arrangement of units makes it possible to use it either as a producer for phonograph rec-ords using an additional turn-table unit, which can also be supplied in a carrying case. The specifications are: number of stages, three: tubes required, tmaximum undistorted output, 13.3 watts; input impedance 200 offins and 7.000 ohms; power consumption, 150 watts. The DH-250 amplifier furnished with tubes in one case, the other case optaining the a.c. dynamic speaker, microphone and stand, 25 ft. of shielded microphone cable, and 50 ft. of speaker cord. -- Rudio Retailing, August, 1921.

Cabinets for Resistors

TO facilitate the handling of resistor units by jobbers, a steel 44x12x10g in. cabinet, with sixteen drawers, providing space

for approximately 5,000 resistors of sixty-four different ranges, is being furnished free of charge to any jobber who orders 1,000 metallized resistors from the International Resistance Co., 2006 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. If the order amounts to 500 units, the cabinet is billed at half cost.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

Burgess Radiovisor Bridge

REE from critical operating routages and handling a cur-rent many times greater than the conventional photo-electric cell, the Burgess Radiovisor Bridge reduces the light-control art to simplest terms. Devel-



oped in England over a period of years, the bridge is now intro-duced to American engineers, experimenters and manufactur-ers by the Burgess Battery Company, 295 Madison Avenue, New York City. It is available in the d.c. and a.c. types. Handling a far greater current than the usual photo-electric cell, the bridge can be made to operate a sen-sitive relay direct or a power relay through the medium of a single vacuum tube. At least a four-to-one ratio is obtained between dark and light resist-ance.

between than the simplified cir-Because of the simplified cir-cuit and associated apparatus, it opens up many new possibil-ities in the light-control field.— *Radio Retailing*, August, 1931.

Rubber Floor Levelers

FLOOR levelers of live rubber, with ring vacuum that clings to the floor and cupped vacuum, absorbing vibration, have been brought out by the Siph-O Prod-ucts Corp., 80 India St., Boston, Mass.

ucts Corp., 80 India St., Boston, Mass. These "Vac-U-Cups" come in two types—black triangular and mahogany round—and are listed at 50c. for a set of four. They are suggested for use with radio sets to minimize shocks to tubes, as well as for electric refrigerators, washing machines and other motor-driven appliances.—Radio Re-tailing, August, 1931.



Lynch Suppressors for Auto-Radio

SPARK plug suppressors and distributor suppressors for auto-radio sets may now be ob-tained from the Lynch Mfg. Co., Inc., 1775 Broadway, New York City.—Radio Retailing, August. 1921



Jewell Tube Sellers

Jewen Tube Seners Similar in every respect, with the exception that the Pattern 535 Tube Seller is in-tended for wall mounting and 536 is housed in a counter-type cabinet, these two instruments made by the Jewell Electric In-strument Co., 1650 Walnut St., Chicago, cannot become obsolete because spare test sockets, that may be easily wired for testing future types of tubes, are pro-vided.

future types of tubes, are pro-vided. Pattern 535 has an 8-in. demonstration meter mounted on a black switchboard type panel 2 ft. 4 in. high. Pattern 536 has two panels, one con-taining the indicating meters and short lights, and the other containing the pre-heater and short check sockets. Separate tube sockets for every standard type of tube are provided, and separate tests of each plate of '80 type tubes may be made. It operates from 110 volts, 60 cycle a.c. Pattern 535 wall-type is \$148.

Pattern 535 wall-type is \$148, and \$164 with lettered glass sign. Pattern 536 is \$150.-Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

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Troubador and the Autoverter

volts d.c., or 110 volts a.c., by means of the "Autoverter," a converter which eliminates the need for B and C batteries. This set uses four 236's, two 238's and one 171. The only change required to change from automobile to home use is the plugs and cables, one of which is furnished for the car and one for the house.

is furnished for the car and one for the house. The set is mounted in a black leatherette - covered carrying case $5 \times 12 \times 15$ in. It lists at \$ 62.50, with the converter priced at \$ 27.25, making the total of \$ 89.75. — Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

Lightning Arrester

A NEW item of the Cornish MEW item of the Cornish St., N.Y.C., is the Visible Vulcan lightning arrester. It is made of crystal clear glass so that a "short" can easily be detected. It is said that it dissipates ac-cumulative static charges.— Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

GE Battery Console

GE Battery Console A Electric, Jr., so arranged as to eperate on battery supply rather than a.c., is the new superhetrodyne battery console of the General Electric Co., Bridgeport, Conn. The two-volt tubes are used throughout, and the receiver is operated from a two-volt air cell battery. A new type of dynamic speaker, having a permanent magnetic field, is incorporated in this model. The lowboy console is suffi-ciently large to hold all the necessary battery equipment, making the installation a com-plete unit. — Radio Retailing, August, 1931.



Mohawk Refrigerator

A 4-cu.ft. model has been added to the line of "Mohawk" refrigerators made by the All-American Mohawk Corp. N. Tonawanda, N. Y. It is 463 in. high, without legs, (514 in. with legs) by 223 in. wide. It employs the Duozone unit and is especially designed for small homes or apartments. Each of the two ice cube trays has a capacity of 18 cubes.—Radio Retailing, August, 1931.

New Pilot Products

New Pilot Products A POWER pack, a power trans-former and a variable con-denser are now a part of the line of the Pilot Radio & Tube Corp., Lawrence, Mass, The power pack, K-139, is of the heavy duty type, and is sold factory assembled and wired, ready to use. \$24. The power transformer, No. 445, will appeal to constructors of voice amplifiers and amateur shortwave transmitters. It has two 7½ volt, 2½ amp. secondaries, for the heating of two 281 and two 210 or 250 tubes, and also a 1,200 volt, center-tapped second-ary. \$12.

ary. \$12. The variable condenser, No. 3022, is intended for use in low-power amateur transmitters. \$2.75.--Radio Retailing, August. \$2.75.-1931.

Cinderella Superhet

CHILDEREITA SUPERIET M EASURING 11x9x7 in., and finished in two-tone wahnut, the "Cinderella" five-tube super-heterodyne unit of the Cardinal Radio Mfg. Co., 2812 S. Main St., Los Angeles, Calif., is equipped with three screen grid tubes. It has a six-inch dy-namic speaker, full vision dial and tone control.—Radio Re-tailing, August, 1931.



Radio Retailing, August, 1931



HIS new American Bosch Radio Line, featuring as it does this year, six models with a price range of from \$43.50 to \$139.50, complete with tubes, is most profitable to the dealer and instantly appeals to the customer.

From the "Personal Radio" at \$43.50 up through the super-heterodyne models, every worthwhile improvement and every important selling and performance feature is incorporated.

American Bosch dealers are selling sets at a profit right now. With all new models, priced right to sell quickly and with a sales policy which is without high-pressure tactics, the American Bosch Radio Line offers you a stabilizing, profitable opportunity this year. Write for the whole story today.



Higher Prices Or We Can't Exist (Continued from page 16)

that prices have been made solely on the basis of competition and the expediency of the moment, and as always, the small producer, ignorant of his costs, more or less establishes the price level.

As to the cure for the price situation in the radio business, I do not believe that water can be made to run up hill and I see only two logical developments. One will do it, but then When the manufacture of it will be too late for many of us. 90 per cent of radio set production is concentrated in the hands of four or possibly five manufacturers of intelligence and experience it may then be possible to put into effect such reforms and practices as are not possible to accomplish with a larger number of factors.

MORRIS METCALF, V. P. & Treas 1930-31 President, RMA

STORY & CLARK

Sirs: We are entirely out of sympathy with the present trend of the radio industry, but cannot, with any great assurance, place the responsibility where it actually belongs.

It apparently indicates that the personnel and executives of even well known and well financed houses have gone suddenly contrary to the lessons which they should have learned from the study of other industries.

Certainly it is true that no one can make and sell at a profit, the bulk of the present low priced merchandise. the bulk of the present low priced merchandise. This does not merely interpret our abilities, but is the testimony of reputable production engineers, entirely unprejudiced.

F. T. CHASE, Sales.

SENTINEL

Gentlemen:

We agree with you, as does probably every radio manufacturer, that the present price-cutting mania is suicidal. Some people tell us that it is a good thing, in that a large number of small manu-facturers will be back in the field anyway, and that eventually the radio business will be done by a group of seasoned manu-facturers who have good management, and who manufacture high quality merchandise.

We are inclined to take this latter view, and have found that even through the dull months of this year we have been able in most cases to sell our radio sets and chassis at a price above those of our competitors.

It is our hope that by holding on to this ideal we can eventually do our part to raise the general price level, so that we and other manufacturers may enjoy a reasonable profit on our investment.

J. T. BEATTY, United Air Cleaner Corp.

STROMBERG-CARLSON

Dear Caldwell:

Thank you for your timely editorial "Needed—Leadership!" in the July issue of "Radio Retailing." The price orgy has gone too far and is killing radio. What is needed, in my judgment, is

(A) to stimulate in every radio manufacturer these things:

1. To build up to a given standard, viz., a sensitivity of at least 10 microvolts, single channel selectivity on all 96 channels, reproduce through the speaker the full musical range from 50 cycles to 5,000 cycles uniformly and with reserve output enough to reproduce the program at its original volume level without overloading at the bass end of the musical range, good appear-ance, and freedom from servicing troubles.

To establish and maintain a selling price which includes at least a 10 per cent profit for the manufacturer and at least a like amount of profit for the distributor and dealer combined.

(B) To stimulate in every radio distributor and dealer these ms: To sell every set at the full retail price; to collect a aims: carrying charge on every time payment sale; and to make no greater trade-in allowance than can actually be recovered in cash on the set taken in trade.

If these things were done radio will resume filling its former destiny as a dominant art.

W. ROY McCANNE, Pres.

ERLA

Gentlemen:

Your recent editorial on price trends is most assuredly an outline of the writer's views on the situation.

It will be interesting for you to note that for many weeks we have been endeavoring to impress upon our prospective buyers the fact that while present economic conditions demand merchandise of a popular price, it is most essential that quality should not be overlooked.

E. ALSCHULER, Electrical Research Labs., Inc.

As I See This Refrigeration Problem (Continued from page 24)

per cent additional bonus, to be paid on April 1 of each year for sales made up to December 31 of the previous year, provided that the salesmen have been continuously in the employ of the company. This 2 per cent bonus is a tremendous factor in cutting down salesman turnover.

Advertising should be based on 4 per cent of sales. Service and installation should be computed at 10 per cent. This makes a total of 29 per cent and leaves the store a margin of 11 per cent on all sales made by salesmen, assuming an average discount of 40 per cent.

Where the distributor does the service and installation, the 10 per cent reserve for installation and service is, of course, eliminated, and there is a corresponding reduction in discount.

RANKLY, the dealer cannot handle apartment house FRANKLY, the gener cannot marked up a state sales business except in rare instances. The field for these sales consists of new buildings, where the contacts are with the architects, owners and builders, and in old buildings which are in the process of modernization.

It is an established practice in the industry to sell group installations at a discount. These discounts vary, depending upon the number of boxes, and according to competition. There are many problems involved which the average dealer

is not equipped to cope with. Credit is unquestionably the largest of these problems. A careful search of title must be made to ascertain the ownership of the building: an appraisal of the building should be taken to ascertain whether or not the mortgage loans thereon are excessive; the character of the owner must be investigated, for almost always the boxes are sold on time, and there is not alone the question of the lien, but the question of the upkeep of the apartment house, which has a distinct bearing on the ability of the owner to keep it rented and, therefore, to make payments as they come due.

This selling can only successfully be done by a specially or-ganized crew or by an "Apartment House Sales Manager." The latter gentleman is almost a necessity.

However, the dealer should have the opportunity of developing these leads, and it should be part of the dealer's function to develop and register prospects with his jobber, whe in turn will pay the dealer a commission upon con-summation of the sale. This is unquestionably the most lucrative form of work which the dealer can do. He stocks nothing, he sells nothing, he takes no credit risk, he renders no service, but he comes into his store some morning and finds a nice check waiting for him for having done nothing but register his prospects' names with the jobber.

Radio Retailing, August, 1934





NINE NEW MODELS GOLDEN VALUES WITH THE NAME YOUR CUSTOMERS WANT



CONSOLE MODEL 89—Highboy, with sliding doors. Handrubbed walnut. Ornamental grille over beautiful duo-tone fabric. Super-heterodyne. Tubes include variable-mu's, and two pentodes in push-pull, equivalent to *four* 245's. Automatic volume control. Tone control and static reducer. Quick-Vision Dial with Atwater Kent compensating device. Electro-dynamic speaker of advanced design. The finest radio that can be built. Complete with tubes. Same chassis can also be had in lowboy cabinet (illustrated on opposite page)

CONSOLE MODEL 87—Same as above, without automatic volume control. Same chassis can also be had in lowboy cabinet (illustrated on opposite page)

COMPACT MODEL 80—Strikingly new in beauty and performance—new in engineering design—new in small set values. Rounded arch of distinctive zebra wood. Matched butt walnut panel. Rope-carved pilasters. Ornamental grille. Super-hetero-

dyne. Variable-mu tubes and pentode. Tone control, but without automatic volume control. Quick-Vision Dial. Complete with tubes.

Nation-wide broadcast to Dealers August 12 LISTEN !



GOLDEN VALUES WITH THE GOLDEN VOICE



E VERY one of these new Golden Values models is an absolute engineering triumph... Entirely new chassis embodying special superheterodyne circuit with perfected use of the new variable-mu tubes and pentode... new tone control and static reducer... new automatic volume control for those who want it... new electro-dynamic speaker.

Cabinets greatly improved, but retaining the characteristic Atwater Kent design of rich simplicity...designed for Golden Voice tonal beauty, made of choice matched woods...masterpieces of "eye value," artistry and good taste.

CONSOLE MODEL 85—Lowboy, exquisitely finished in American walnut with matched butt walnut front panels Super-heterodyne. Variable-mu tubes

CONSOLE MODEL 83—Same as above, without automatic volume control.

CONSOLE MODEL 85-Q—Same as above, for battery operation. Uses the new economical 2-volt tubes and air-cell battery. Tone control and automatic volume control. Complete with tubes and batteries.

COMPACT MODEL 82—Gothic arch of distinctive zebra wood. Matched buttwalnut panel. Carved twist pilasters. Ornamental grille. Super-heterodyne. Variable-mu tubes and pentode. Tone control.



Automatic volume control. Quick-Vision Dial. Complete with tubes.

COMPACT MODEL 82-Q—Same as above, for battery operation. Uses the new economical 2-volt tubes and air-cell battery. Complete with tubes and batteries.

COMPACT MODEL 82-D—Without automatic volume control. For Direct Current. Complete with tubes.

Price range—complete with tubes—attractive to both dealers and purchasers.

This is a Value year and here are matchless Golden Values—value of the most famous name in radio—value of experience—value of skill—value of resources—value of 9 years of consistent large-scale advertising—value of fine workmanship—value of dependal-ility—value of lasting quality—value of turnover—value of prestige—value of over three million satisfied owners—value of public preference—value of Atwater Kent sensible price with a certain profit for the dealer.

and pentode. Tone control. Automatic volume control. Electro-dynamic speaker of advanced design. Quick-Vision Dial. Complete with tubes.



GOLDEN VALUES WITH THE GOLDEN VOICE

ATTOMATICS KENT

GOLDEN VALUES

SELL VALUE THIS YEAR. Sell true worth. Sell satisfaction. Please a customer and make a profit, too!

The world was never more eager for trueblue quality. It's insisting on full money's worth — looking behind the price tags — demanding merchandise it *knows*. It's through chasing the will-o'-the-wisp of impossible bargain prices.

Low prices-yes. But first of all, Value!

For 9 years Atwater Kent has offered the utmost in radio value. Our whole business has been built around the idea of making the radio purchaser's dollar cover the most value. More than three million families have bought Atwater Kent Radio for its *value*.

Now—for 1931-1932—Atwater Kent values are far ahead of anything offered before. Ahead in performance, styling, workmanship. Ahead in everything that makes a customer want an Atwater Kent, and makes a merchant glad he handles it.

Golden Values! You can see them, hear them. Golden Values! You make a profit and it *stays*. Golden Values in turnover. Golden Values in the backing of the great Atwater Kent national sales and advertising campaign. Get the story from your distributor!

ATWATER KENT MANUFACTURING CO. A. Atwater Kent, President 4700 WISSAHICKON AVE., PHILADELPHIA, PA.

WITH THE GOLDEN VOICE

More than Three Million satisfied owners



Just plug Cinderella in any electric outlet and it does the washing in a jiffy for only one cent an hour.



Cinderella is useful for the daintiest silks and rayons, also quickly needed things that are washed every day.



Cinderella is a big seller to small families—especially to families with young babies.



Cinder ella is safe for the daintiest silks and laces; it has no moving parts to injure clothes.



Cinderella is just right for apartment dwellers. It can be tucked away in small space when not in use.



This glass demonstrator shows Cinderella's "Vacuum-Action" in action, and helps you make sales.

This is the BOOKLET That Gets the Prospects



RAYONS

"New and Better Ways to Wash Clothes" is telling the Cinderella Story to thousands of women.

Good Housekeeping Bood Housekeeping Coo Housekeeping Housekeeping Machine

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Oindevella \$37⁵⁰ Electric Clothes Washer

Women in over 8,000,000 homes are reading about "New and Better Ways to Wash Clothes." In five leading women's magazines this new booklet, filled with the latest scientific facts on washing, is offered free to women everywhere. And the coupons come flooding in!

SILKS

Each one of these booklets that gets into a woman's hands is a real salesman for the Cinderella. It tells the Cinderella story so convincingly, so persuasively—as a *part* of the newest and easiest method of clothes washing—that dealers to whom these live leads are given have very little trouble in making sales quickly. "New and Better Ways to Wash Clothes" is just one part of the comprehensive sales plan that is making real profits for wide-awake Cinderella dealers.

Cinderella's low price, amazing "Vacuum-Action," freedom from moving parts, handy size, light weight, ease of operation and ample *small-family* capacity are other advantages that make selling easy.

Get in on these profits. Get full details of the successful, tested Cinderella Sales Plan. Mail the coupon NOW.

Black & Decker Mfg. Co		a set
602 E Pennsylvania Ave.		World's Largest Man- ufacturer of Portable Electric Tools.
Towson, Md.		Electric Loois.
	f the successful sales plan. on the Cinderella Ele	ectric Clothes Washer.
Name		

General Motors Radio Announces a complete new series of RADIOS and Automatic Combinations *Introducing*

The GM Improved Superheterodyne



In its new series of 15 models, all equipped with the G. M. *Improved* Super-heterodyne chassis, General Motors Radio announces the most complete line of radios and automatic radio-phonographs known to the industry today. The G. M. Improved Super-heterodyne stands out conspicuously as one of the foremost developments in radio engineering. This chassis retains and increases the high sensitivity and

sharp selectivity which have made the super-heterodyne chassis famous. In addition, it performs with beauty and accuracy of tone such as no super-heterodyne has ever before possessed. This remarkable chassis is housed in beautiful cabinet, console and custombuilt furniture pieces priced, with tubes, from \$69.50 to \$350--a model for every purse and preference. There is money in handling a line so wide, so remarkable in performance, so fine in appearance. Write Dept. G for complete information about radio's great profit line!

GENERAL MOTORS RADIO CORPORATION DAYTON, OHIO

RADIO'S GREAT PROFIT LINE

7 Standard Models \$6900 to \$25000 with Jubes



The Little General A remarkable radio. Equipped with the 7-tube Improved Super-heterodyne with Pentode power tube, special pre-selector circuit, Tone Selector and static modifier, specially matched electro-dynamic speak-er, Dual Volume Control. A Gothic cabi-net in handsome butt walnut. List price, \$69.50 with tubes.



The Valere

One of the most outstanding values in radio today! Eight-tube Improved Super-heterodyne chassis using the Pentode power tube. Attractive console cabinet in beautiful light walnut finish. Tone Selec-tor. Automatic Volume Control. Specially matched speaker. An excellent instru-ment. List price, \$99.50 with tubes.

Cabinets in the standard line-from the Little General at \$69.50 to the Queen Anne automatic combination at \$250-represent the work of America's foremost cabinet designers in interpreting the tastes of radio buyers. Without exception, these models, seven in all, are beautifully designed and carefully produced, and constitute unparalleled radio value.

List prices of other Standard Models, complete with tubes—Continental \$79.50, Cos-mopolitan \$129.50, Imperial \$149.50, Pioneer (self-contained power unit) \$129.50.





The Standish An Early American end-table with attrac-tive antique walnut finish. This is a com-plete radio, with a self-contained aerial. The chassis is the 7-tube Improved Super-beterodyne, equipped with Tone Selec-tor and using the famous Pentode power tube. List price, \$95 with tubes.



The Cromwell An Early English solid oak occasional table, with a drawer. Here is a piece that will lend character to any room. The chassis is the 10-tube Improved Super-heterodyne-radio's finest! Automatic VolumeControl.ToneSelector.Marvelous tone quality! List price, \$160 with tubes.

For those discerning people who want the utmost in radio performance-and, with this, a distinguished and beautiful piece of fine furniture-General Motors Radio presents this series of eight custom-built models. In this group you will find a period furniture style to fit practically every interior decorative scheme.



A very beautiful Early American chest of drawers in crotch walnut with herringbone inlay. The top three drawers are real. Ten-tube Improved Super-heterodyne chassis. Tone Selector. Automatic Volume Control. Wonderful tone quality. List price, \$225 with tubes.

List prices of other Custom-Built Models, complete with tubes-Tudor \$95, Abbey \$165, Louis XV. Console \$185, Queen Anne Commode \$175, Louis XV. Automatic Combination \$350.



The Queen Anne

A splendid combination instrument, with the 10-tube Improved Super-hetero-dyne chassis and automatic-phonograph playing ten records. Tone Selector for both radio and phonograph, Automatic Volume Control, perfectly matched speaker and the exclusive Audibility Compensator. List price, \$250 with tubes.

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RADIO DEALERS!

NOTE ALL THESE BIG FEATURES

So simple that anyone can operate it. Jam-proof and Trouble-proof. Simplest lens adjustment.

4 speeds - normal, low, slow motion, talking picture speed. Easiest to load, unload and handle. Daylight loading without spoiling film. Interchangeable lens mount. Accurate Full-vision View Finder. Audible film footage counter. Lightest weight-2 lbs. 10 oz., loaded. Compact-9" long, 5" wide, 2" thick. Equipped with standard f 3.5 lens. Uses any standard 16 mm. movie film. 50 or 100-foot film capacity. Spring-driven motor-no cranking. Permanent beautiful grain-like finish. Built to Stewart-Warner's traditional standard of quality.

Big Sales Volume For YOU...in the New STEWART-WARNER Home Movie Camera

With the new Stewart-Warner Home Movie Camera, you can do a big, profitable year-around business. And on a product that ties in with your present selling methods, requires no servicing or increase in overhead, and has a market that's *never been scratched*!

Thousands who would have liked to own a home movie camera, have, up to now, gone without one. For they've felt the price of *good* equipment was too high, and its operation too complicated.

But here—for the first time—is a camera that exactly fills the bill. It was designed by professional Hollywood cameramen for amateur use. It is so simple in construction that *anyone* can operate it. So all-inclusive in its incorporation of essential features that right from the start anyone can get motion pictures of the atre beauty and brilliance—do it actually *easier* than taking "snap shots." And so low priced it's in reach of all!

Because of the tremendous production facilities utilized in its manufacture by Stewart-Warner, this camera can be retailed *profitably* at only \$50 — the lowest price ever quoted on a camera of comparable quality!

Heads the new line of Stewart-Warner Home Entertainment Equipment — Projectors, Supplies, etc. Is nationally advertised by the heaviest campaign ever putbehind a home movie camera. Carries a wonderfully attractive franchise. Your Stewart-Warner Wholesale Distributor will gladly furnish further details, or write us direct. Stewart-Warner Corporation, 1826 Diversey Parkway, Chicago, Illinois.

HOLLYWOOD MODEL With every essential for taking perfect

pictures - complete with leather bound,

waterproof, slide fastener Carrying Case of sporty new design – only . . .

STEWART-WARNER Home Movie Camera

they're Hof



Radiolette

RCA Victor's greatest value-the new RADIOLETTE...a husky radio in a tiny cabinet...only 15 inches high...weighs only 16 pounds...4 tubes including an RCA Pentode...only \$37.50 list complete.



These 3 fast selling numbers from "RADIO HEADQUARTERS"

HERE are three chances to make additional sales outside of your regular run of home business. Your customers all want *music* this summer... and that leaves the door wide open for you to sell them light instruments that can be easily carried from one place to another. At the prices now offered on these new RCA Victor instruments, almost *everyone* can afford one in addition to their large radio set. Get full facts from your RCA Victor distributors today.

RCA Victor Company Inc. Camden, N. J., U. S. A.

A Radio Corporation of America Subsidiary



Superette

The hit of the season the new RCA Victor Superette...the smallest BIG radio ever built ...a powerful 8-tube Super-Heterodyne...only \$69.50 list complete.

\$6950

Portable Phonograph The finest portable phonograph ever built—with automatic start and stop device . . . wonderful tone . . . durable water-proof case . . . carries 10 records safely . . . only \$35.00.

*3500

The most important GENERAL ELECTRIC

GENERAL ELECTRIC presents its greatest achievement in radio receivers—a line destined to make radio history during the coming season.

The ten models in this line provide a radio for every pocketbook. Every model is outstanding in its superiority.

The brilliant performance of General Electric Radio has been made more brilliant still. Tone quality so amazingly superior that it can be detected by even the average ear! These significant features are to be found in many models:

Automatic volume control of a vastly improved type—so perfected that it maintains constant volume without the objectionable noise formerly brought in between stations. Pentode output tubes—not single, but in push-pull, making possible high output and supreme tone quality. Variable tone control over a wide range ...

Cabinets based on a national consumer

survey. Thousands of doorbells were rung to discover what people wanted in radio cabinets and what they didn't want. Then these preferences were translated into wood.

Hence, the new G-E cabinets fit the public taste like a glove!

G-E offers its dealers a full range of models at a full range of prices. It will pay you, and pay you well, to put your best efforts back of this line.

Soon will begin the most convincing national advertising campaign ever put behind a radio line. Watch for it! Get it working for you!

Study the models on the following pages. Then act at once. This is a profit-opportunity which comes only to those who get back of a coming market-leader!

Write or wire your G-E Radio Distributor or General Electric Company, Merchandise Department, Section R-688, Bridgeport, Conn.

GENERAL E ELECTRIC RADIO

radio announcement has ever made



Left: THE MIDGET

Right: THE GENERAL ELECTRIC

8-tube screen-grid superheterodyne with full-size dynamic speaker. Compact, light —and portable. Can be placed on a mantelpiece, bookcase or corner table. Widely variable tone control, and phonograph connections. Housed in rich walnut cabinet of 18th Century mantel clock design. Price, complete with tubes . . \$7250



These low-priced G-E sets will be big sellers



Left: THE JUNIOR CONSOLE

Right: JUNIOR WITH CLOCK



• Now turn the page and see the rest of the new G-E line •

The new G-E line includes a set for



Left: THE GENERAL ELECTRIC END TABLE PHONOGRAPH

Right: CONSOLE BATTERY-OPERATED SET

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Left: G-E POPULAR CONSOLE

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Right: GEORGIAN GRAND-FATHER CLOCK-RADIO

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Left: DELUXE LOWBOY

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> Radio Sets Tube Characteristics Combinations and Automatics Home Talkies Television Automobile Radio



to help you select stock for Fall-Christmas radio shoppers

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manufacturers' selling policies, promotion plans, etc. -but alert manufacturers will give you this information in Radio Retailing's advertising

The only things missing will be the details of

pages where such facts belong. From 17 to 21 answers to common questions will be itemized for each product-all in one place, obviating writing scores of letters and wading through hundreds of circulars.

If you will need additional copies of the October issue now is the time to order them-before we give our print order to the press room. Some dealers keep extra copies of the

issue in their sales rooms to show to customers who delight in making fanciful comparisons between makes. A neutral aid in settling arguments, so to speak.

Note to Advertisers

Advertising forms for the October Specifications Issue of Radio Retailing close in New York September 21. Make space reservations now. Prepare copy to illustrate your complete line and give dealers details about your selling policy and your advertising campaign to consumers.

A.B.C. Radio Retailing

A.B.P.

The attractive prices that radio set manufacturers are offering the public make it imperative for dealers to see that their floors and shelves are plentifully stocked when Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Public and family start their Fall and Christmas radio shopping.



"As one Radio Man to another . . . let me tell you that Kester Rosin-Core Solder is just about the best thing I've gotten next to in years. It carries its flux inside itself . . . a plasticized rosin flux that's absolutely safe for our kind of work. Kester is easy to use, too. All you have to do is apply heat, and anybody can get perfect results with it. We're doing a lot better work here because of Kester . . . and getting more work too!"

And don't forget the re-sale possibilities in Kester Solder. Knock-out national advertising is creating a tremendous demand for it. There's money for you in Kester both ways. Your jobber has Kester Rosin-Core Solder on 1, 5 and 20 Ib. spools, and Kester Radio Solder in handy retail packages. Kester Solder Company, 4262 Wrightwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Incorporated 1899.



Acid-Core · Paste-Core · Rosin-Core



All Kester Solder Exceeds Class A Purity Specifications of the A. S. T. M.



Radio Retailing, August, 1931

The Season's Greatest Achievement in Radio Engineering



10-Tube DeLuxe Superhetero-dyne, 41 ½" high, 24 ½" wide, 15 ¼" deep . . . \$147.50

A rising column of light tells when tuning is perfect

DeLuxe 10.Tube Superhetero-dyne, 47¹/₂" high, 25¹/₂" wide, 15¹/₄" deep \$175.00

Introduced by FADA

Turn the dial-there is the station you want, announced in light by call letter! But more-watch that column of red light that rises instantly in the neon tube. When it hits the highest point on any given station it tells you that you have the station "right on the button!"

Tuning by eye instead of by ear! Accurate tuning without effort, because it is completely visual and not dependent on the vagaries of the human ear.

In appearance the Fada Automatic Flashograph resembles a thermometer except that in place of mercury there is a column of vivid red light. The device is operated by the carrier signal arriving from the broadcasting station and when that signal reaches its greatest intensity the column of red light auto-

matically reaches its highest point in the neon tube.

The Fada Flashograph with Neon **Tube Visual Tuner is the greatest** contribution to modern radio performance and enjoyment and makes the most dramatic feature for sales demonstration ever offered. Found on deluxe models 48 and 49.

All Prices Complete with Tubes Manufactured by F. A. D. ANDREA, INC. Long Island City, New York



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Model 45 8-Tube Superhetero-dyne with Push-Pull Pentodes. 38¼" high, 22½" wide, 135%" deep\$112.50

SINCE



Model 51 7-tube Superhets, with Power Pentode, Table Model, 173/2" high, 153/2" wide, 12" deep. \$69.50



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PRICED to make the dealer money . . . BUILT to keep customers satisfied •

MODEL S-6 with 6 tubes \$49^{.50}



• • Look at the list of Lyric Features at the right; consider Lyric Price Range; and you'll understand why *dealers* say the Lyric proposition is made to order for this year's market.

All Lyric's great resources have been turned to making the 1931 Lyric a very fine set... from the smallest to the largest model. Their moderate prices appeal to the buying public. They incorporate every feature that the buyer wants in radio. They are beautiful to the eye... and equally satisfying to the ear. Dealers tell us they've never handled a radio that requires so little servicing. And when the dealer sells a Lyric he makes money!

If you're looking for that kind of proposition; let Lyric lay the whole story before you.

Write or wire, today.

ALL-AMERICAN MOHAWK CORPORATION North Tonawanda, N. Y.





•ALL MODELS SUPER-HETRODYNE, PENTODE and VARIABLE MU TUBES ... WONDERFUL TONE ... SUPER-SENSITIVE and SELECTIVE ... SPOTLIGHT IUNING ... 4 GANG CONDENSER ... TONE CONTROL ... DYNAMIC SPEAKER ... QUIET, humfree reception ... VOGUE CABINETS ... complete range of sizes and prices ... 6, 7, 8, 10 tubes.

MODEL S-8 with 8 tubes . . . \$99.50



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RADIO department manager, now employed, de-sires to make change. Capable taking charge sales, service and repairs. Excellent references.
 PW-146, Radio Retailing, Bell Telephone Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

To Lease Large specialty department (with beautiful ap-pointments) radio, refrigeration, washing machines, etc., etc., medium sized city. Central east—to lease to responsible concern. An old established, high grade department store. Large specialty business now established. A splendid opportunity. BO-148, Radio Retailing, 520 No. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.

SALESMAN WANTED

Salesmen Wanted Salesmen Wanted Men of good address capable of contacting people of wealth and social position, experi-enced in selling high priced specialty products such as reproducing pianos and expensive auto-mobiles. We are in touch with real opportuni-ties in special retail work with dealers in such centers as New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, St. Louis, Cleveland, Detroit, New Orleans, Omaha, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Buffalo, St. Paul, Minne-apolis and other centers. Write giving full in-formation and details of experience. The Capehart Corporation, Fort Wayne, Ind.



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Radio Service Men! Try Grant's for Replacements,

Transformers, Condensers and Re-

sistors at regular dealers' discounts.

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Churches, Clubs

Soundheads, Photocells, Optical Systems, Rectifiers, Amplifiers, Horns, Faders, Synchronous Motors, Projectors, Lamphouses, Screens, Microphones, etc.

Dept. RR-S.O.S. CORP. 1600 Broadway, New York City Cable Address "SOSOUND"

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Other inquiries have of course followed but we are surprised and pleased at the immediate response to our advertisement."

You, too, can use "Searchlight" advertising in your business, profitably. Just write to-

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Tenth Ave. at 36th St., New York City

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