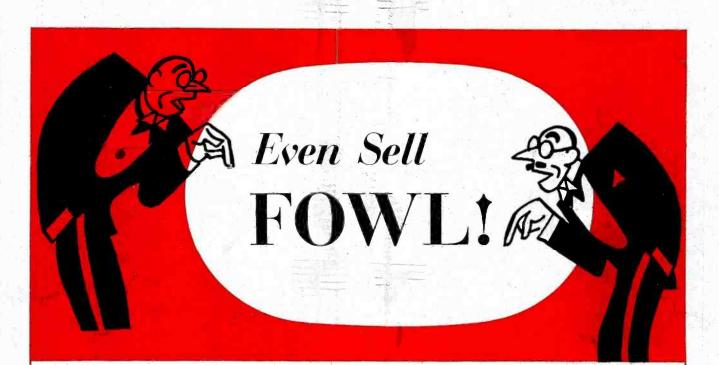


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## **Deletion of Tax on Time Sales Foreseen**

#### Impressive Case Presented by Opponents

FOLLOWING presentation last Monday of the industry's case against the proposed 5-15% Federal tax on radio's net time sales of \$100,000 and more annually, definite signs were seen that the House-approved provision in the Revenue Act might be stricken out in the tax bill to be written during the next week by the Senate Finance Committee.

Apart from generally sympathetic acceptance of the advertising fraternity's logic against both the radio tax and the proposed levy on billboards, it appears increasingly certain that in its quest for bigger game the Senate committee is disposed to ignore such "small potatoes" in favor of bigger takes from gasoline, beer, tobacco and a lowering of the personal income tax exemptions. It is estimated the proposed net time sales tax would nick the broadcasting industry a minimum of \$5,000,000, with some independent industry estimates running as high as \$10,000,000.

#### Brisk Opposition

Appearing before the committee Monday, industry and labor representatives and FCC Chairman James Lawrence Fly followed up the attack against the radio and billboard imposts started Aug. 14 by agency, media and advertiser groups [BROADCASTING, Aug. 18]. Specific deleterious effects of the proposed tax on radio operations were developed in the Monday testimony of Chairman Fly; NIB President H. A. Lafount; Ells-worth C. Alvord, Washington tax attorney retained by the NAB; Mrs. Emily Holt, AFRA executive secretary; Lawson Wimberley, of IBEW; and Maurice Lynch, financial secretary of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Providing a highlight in the hearings on the advertising tax proposals, Chairman Fly revealed during his testimony that although he regarded the House-approved radio levy as a "dubious tax", the FCC definitely is interested in establishing some form of "cost of regulation" impost or franchise tax to apply to the broadcast industry [see story on this page]. Although he gave little elaboration on the idea, even under intensive questioning by committee members, Chairman Fly clearly indicated the FCC had given serious thought to the proposition.

#### Haggerty Claims

A momentary stir arose last Thursday as John B. Haggerty, chairman of the board of governors of International Allied Printing Trades Assn., and a prime mover for the radio tax, was scheduled to appear before the committee. Upon failure of Mr. Haggerty to appear, a lengthy printed statement was offered and inserted in the record by John Leary, his press relations associate.

Also noticed at the hearings, in constant attendance during the ad-

vertising tax discussions, were Michael J. Flynn, Washington labor operative who has been identified with several past legislative crusades, against radio, and E. O. Keller, self-styled Washington real estate broker, for some years identified with movements to secure a broad investigation of the radio industry and the FCC, who broke into the news in August, 1940, during the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee hearings on the reappointment of late Commissioner Thad H. Brown, during which he was included among a group of Washington real estate men who al-legedly "shook down" RCA [BROAD-CASTING, Aug. 15, 1940].

Making a final stand for the proposed levy against radio, Mr. Haggerty in his statement recommended that the impost not only should be retained, but should be doubled by the Senate. He declared there not only was no discriminatory feature in the tax, but that the radio industry was eminently capable of paying what he called "a slight tax".

In the face of Mr. Haggerty's drastic proposal, NAB President Neville Miller on Friday called for redoubled efforts to lick the tax. "The battle is far from won," Mr. Miller declared. "The bill has a long way to go. Until Congress sends it to the President without the time sales tax included, no one can be sure it's beaten. Let Congress know how you feel."

NIB President Lafount emphasized the effect imposition of the radio tax would have on the public

## FCC Considers Radio Franchise Tax

#### Rules Committee Drafts Plea to Cover Its Overhead

A COMPREHENSIVE legislative proposal under which an excise tax based on gross receipts would be imposed upon all branches of the communications industry, including broadcasting, to defray the cost of administering the Communications Act, has been drafted by the FCC rules committee and is awaiting action of the Commission itself.

Designed to raise approxmately \$2,150,000 to cover the Commission's overhead, the proposal has been considered by the Commission several times during the last three months but final action has been held up, presumably because of the pendency before Congress of the new tax bill proposing a net sales tax on broadcasting designed to yield between \$5,000,000 and \$8,-000,000. FCC Chairman James Lawrence Fly, in testimony before the Senate Finance Committee last Monday, opposed the net sales tax as "dubious" but said the FCC is considering something in the nature of a franchise levy.

#### Half by Broadcasting

Drafted by the rules committee of the FCC, made up of major department heads, the proposal would embrace a recommendation to Congress setting forth the formula by which the administrative costs could be recovered. Under the plan, the broadcasting industry would be called upon to contribute approximately half of the overhead, or in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000, with telephone and telegraph and cable companies contributing the other half.

Insofar as broadcasting is concerned, however, the tax would be in the nature of a gross levy, with only a \$25,000 deduction, striking all stations with revenues in excess of that minimum whether they earn profits or not. FCC figures reveal that some 300 stations are in the red.

Roughly, the rules committee, with the aid of the FCC accounting department, has concluded that the figure of approximately \$1,000,000 to be procured from broadcasting would represent only a fractional percentage of the industry's gross receipts. These figures, in a general way, revealed that some 765 commercial broadcast stations had gross receipts of approximately \$155,000,000 during the last fiscal year. Of this amount, the networks had receipts of about \$45,000,000 and would be called upon to pay a tax of some \$300,000.

The 60-odd clear channel stations, with gross receipts of about \$40,000,000, would be called upon to contribute \$275,000 in taxes. From the some 300 regional stations with gross receipts of \$53,- 000,000, taxes of \$360,000 would be drawn. And from approximately 400 local stations, with gross receipts of \$17,000,000, the tax yield would be in the neighborhood of \$110,000.

This plan, according to best available information, has been considered several times by the Commission and has provoked considerable discussion. Apparently sev-eral members of the Commission feel a different basis should be developed. A number of plans have been suggested, including a fee system for filing of applications, pleadings, issuance of licenses and the like; an annual license fee system based on authorized power and hours of operation, and the gross operating receipts tax, which the Rules Committee now proposes. Some sentiment on the Commission favors a levy based on the ability of stations to pay, which might be regarded as an assessment on net profits.

#### Power Commission Plan

In any event, it is expected that should the 5-10-15% tax provision in the Revenue Act be killed by the Senate, having been approved by the House, the FCC before the year ends will come forth with its own plan to tax all industries regulated by it. Because there is no authorization in the existing law for this purpose, whatever action the Com-(Continued on page 52) service burden of the broadcaster, charging that the legislation "clearly ignores the sound principle of taxation in accord with capacity to pay." He warned that the ultimate effect of the tax might fall on radio listeners in the form of lower quality programs, along with an accompanying impairment of public service.

Mrs. Holt and Mr. Wimberley told committee members the proposed tax constituted a definite threat to labor, with tightening of employment a corollary development in the face of rising costs of operation for radio. Mr. Lynch contended that no provision was made to exempt non-profit operations of radio stations by labor groups and similar organizations.

#### Other Taxes Studied

Presenting the industry case on behalf of NAB, with a dozen station and network executives in the audience, Mr. Alvord in extemporaneous remarks and in a 33-page memorandum inserted in the hearing record argued against any arbitrary, discriminatory tax on the radio industry, whether blanketed in a general revenue bill or developed through separate legislation to establish a franchise or "cost of regulation" tax.

It has been pointed out that if the Senate decides to recoup the more than \$300,000,000 knocked out of the original \$3,500,000,000 measure when the House voted down the House Ways & Means Committee proposal for joint personal income tax returns for husband and wife, it will have to draw this additional revenue from fields more lucrative and less restricted than radio.

The Senate committee is known to be looking into several sources of excise revenue passed over by the House, such as Treasury Department proposals for higher tobacco, gasoline and beer taxes, which together might raise about \$485,000,-000.

Also it is giving considerable attention to the proposition of cutting personal income tax exemptions from \$2,000 to \$1,500 for married couples and from \$800 to \$750 for single persons. Although it is expected the Senate, in such a case, would readjust income tax rates downward, it is estimated the yield from the lowered exemptions would reach about \$200,000,000.

#### Dubious, Says Fly

FCC Chairman Fly termed the proposed radio levy a "dubious tax", in view of its discriminatory characteristics. Under questioning by committee members, led by Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.), Chairman Fly developed the thesis of letting the regulated pay the cost of regulation, stating that it probably would be well to consider the broadcasters along with other members of the communications industry rather than singling them out in a general tax plan. He estimated that a levy of not more than 1/2 of 1% of gross revenue would be sufficient to handle this item.

Remarking that the public service of the radio industry is "an important offsetting argument" against the proposed tax, Chairman Fly went into some detail regarding the industry's role in presenting not only national defense and Government programs, but also educational features, public forums and debates. He declared that broadcasting is not a big industry "in a money sense", despite opinion to the contrary.

With broadcasters supplying increasingly valuable public service, particularly along such lines as news broadcasts from all over the world, which he said were "not only highly technical and difficult, but also highly expensive", Chairman Fly declared these functions could not be regarded as merely routine to radio operation. Demands for such public service would not decrease as time went on, particularly in the present emergency, he declared, and in all likelihood operators would have to shoulder additional burdens in the way of equipment and operating expenses, such as air raid alarms, all representing additional costs. These demands of "pretty vital character" are becoming steadily more significant, more useful, and certainly more burdensome, he said.

#### Must Maintain Service

Speaking of the economic aspects of the broadcasting business, Chairman Fly pointed out that certain fixed costs and a certain type of service must continue despite a decreasing income. He pointed out that the percentage of net return on gross revenue for broadcasters in reality is "not awfully high", and with a continuing base of actual costs the industry, or at least



756 POUNDS of fighting fury is represented in this giant tuna, caught the other day by Ira Herbert, assistant sales manager of WHN, New York, fishing off Bailey Island, Maine. The prize catch was 10 feet, 4 inches long, its girth measuring 6 feet, 4 inches. It took Herbert three hours to bring the big fish to gaff.

#### **AFM Opposes Tax**

EXTENDING still further the front of labor's opposition to the proposed 5-15% Federal tax on radio's net time sales, James C. Petrillo, president of the American Fed-eration of Musicians, last Thursday sent the following wire protesting the tax to Chairman George (D-Ga.): "The AFM has gone on record by a unanimous vote of its international executive board protesting a 15% tax on the gross radio receipts on the grounds that the more tax paid by radio stations, the more unemployment of all crafts will be the ultimate outcome of the entire matter."

a good part of it, can be run into a net loss.

He noted the position that the proposed tax on radio advertising not only constituted a burden on free distribution of goods, as held by the industry, but added that it represents further discrimination between radio and other media, i.e., the granting of a Federal "subsidy" to newspapers through second-class mailing privileges "which certainly redounds to their very great beneft."

Asked by Senator Johnson (D-Col.) whether the networks would not pass on the amount of their tax to their affiliates in some way, Chairman Fly responded that there was no conclusive answer as to how it might be worked out eventually, but the fact remained that the immediate impact would be on both the network and the affiliate. He cautioned that with the tax estimated to touch NBC and CBS to the tune of about \$2,000,000 a year each, based on 1940 figures, this would account for a "very heavy proportion of their income". He added that while this alone might not constitute a mortal blow, the future should be viewed with concern. He pointed out that regional networks, such as Don Lee, might be particularly hard hit by the tax and its possible effect on affiliated stations.

#### Favors Regulation Levy

Commenting on Chairman Fly's proposal of a "cost of regulation" levy on the industry, Senator Bailey (D-N. C.), presiding at the hearing in the absence of Chairman George (D-Ga.), averred that a man enjoying a valuable franchise ought to be willing to pay for it. Chairman Fly agreed that this was probably so, at least to the extent of "cost of regulation". He said he thought a more logical base for a franchise tax than power alone conceivably would be coverage, although that would be "none too easy".

To Senator Vandenberg's observation that networks as well as stations probably would be "ready to pay something for a firmer type of franchise" than is represented in the present one-year licenses, Chairman Fly laughed and said they probably would be willing to make a "very substantial payment".

Senator Bennett Clark (D-Mo.) precipitated a brisk exchange, just before Chairman Fly left the stand, when he inquired into the sale of WMCA, New York, to Edward J. Noble. He said there was gossip that Mr. Noble had bought the station "at a price less than the owner thought right". Chair man Fly answered that "gossip" was the right term for the report.

#### Opposed by Lynch

Maurice Lynch, financial secretary of the Chicago Federation of Labor, which owns and operates WCFL, Chicago, stated that the CFL opposed the proposed radio levy because of its discriminatory characteristics and because it represented a departure from past policy of exempting "not for profit" organizations and labor unions. Pointing to financial problems and responsibilities in connection with operation of WCFL in the past and in the future, Mr. Lynch declared the "proposed burden" would cause the abandonment of many "good intentions" and future plans of the station.

#### Lafount Cites Objections

Appearing as president of NIB, Mr. Lafount, a Federal Radio Commissioner from 1927-34, told the committee the independent stations do not oppose enactment of heavier taxes per se, so long as the burden of financing the defense program and other Government expense is equitably distributed. He charged that the proposed levy discriminates against the broadcasting industry, taxing its only source of revenue even in the case of broadcasters operating at an actual loss. He estimated that 300 stations operate in the red, and declared that if the tax is to apply to them as well as to profitable operations, the legislation "clearly ignores the sound principle of taxation in accord with capacity to pay"

"I appreciate the fact that the lower-income stations are exempted from this proposed tax," Mr. Lafount commented. "It would nevertheless cut into the operating funds of independent stations whose incomes are in excess of \$100,000, but whose profits are little or nothing. It is the plight of these stations which I ask you carefully to consider.

"You can readily see that a broadcaster who is operating at a loss acquires no special capacity to pay an extraordinary tax merely because his gross income may exceed \$100,000. I find it difficult to believe that Congress will lay down a policy of exacting a special contribution from those broadcasters who are unable to make both ends meet and at the same time maintain a high standard of public service.

#### **Rising Costs**

"Obviously, if the broadcaster is to serve the public well, he must sell enough time to meet all his legitimate expenses. Radio broadcasting is still a comparatively new art, and therefore its continued development necessitates frequent changes in the rules and regulations laid down by the FCC. New rules often mean that our equipment must be adjusted, modernized, supplemented, or replaced. In addition we must meet the costs of attending hearings and hiring legal and engineering talent. These extra costs may be regarded as a special burden already imposed on the broadcasting industry.

"To these expenses must be added fees for authors, composers, performing artists and guilds, as well as salaries for musicians, with the rate of pay and the number of musicians to be hired dictated by the union. Then, of course, we have regular overhead expenses such as rent, power, light, heat, salaries, news services and so forth. The difficulty of meeting these expenses has increased, moreover, because the larger number of stations now operating intensifies the competition we must meet.

#### Would Impair Service

"If you increase our costs of operation still further, you will compel us to sell more of our limited broadcasting time and thus impair. to that extent, the service we can render to the public. In other words, this proposed tax would, in many cases, fall upon radio listeners in the form of lower quality programs. Some of the taxes in this bill are apparently designed to cut down consumer buying of materials that are needed for defense. But surely there would be no point in curtailing the flow of good entertainment over the air. On the contrary, the present emergency has intensified the need for high quality broadcasting.

"The principal thought I would like to leave with you is that the broadcasting industry is already making an enormous contribution to the cause of national defense. If the independent stations were to be paid for the programs and announcements broadcast for the Government, they would be very profitable, and in that case should be taxed accordingly. But please do not require us to pay the discriminatory tax proposed in this bill-plus corporation taxes and personal income taxes-while we are giving so much free time to the Government and paying for the entertainment necessary to hold our listeners.

#### Unions Opposed

"That levy would impose an unfair burden upon an industry already making a heavy sacrifice to the cause of national unity and strength in this emergency. More important still, it would tend to impair the quality of radio programs and thus weaken a great system of public communication at a time when it should be strengthened."

Labor unions' opposition to the radio tax was expressed by Mrs.

## FCC May Propose Change In Law to Cover Newspapers

Legislative Course Rather Than Amendment of Rules Now Indicated in Official Circles

ber of MBS.

In this connection, there came

into speculative play the likelihood

that the Commission desires to

ascertain the effect of such situa-

tions as the Chicago Tribune's part-

ownership of MBS. The Cleveland

Plain Dealer, operating WHK and

WCLE, also is a participating mem-

this phase of its inquiry, would

seek to determine the bearing of one

medium upon the other. Recent com-

munications from the special staff

handling the newspaper divorcement inquiry has indicated this

Meanwhile, the Newspaper-Ra-

dio Committee, headed by Harold

V. Hough, Fort Worth broadcaster,

is continuing preparation of its

case for resumption of the hear-

ings Sept. 17. The proceedings re-

cessed Aug. 1 until Sept. 17, after

five sessions during which testimony

was taken [BROADCASTING, Aug. 4].

mission's exhibits on newspaper

ownership and revenue factors,

which were under sharp attack

during the sessions, the Newspaper

Radio Committee has retained Drs.

Richard Mead, assistant professor

of marketing, and J. Parker Bursk,

associate professor of statistics of

the Wharton School of Finance &

Commerce, U of Pennsylvania.

They will work under Dr. Her-

man S. Hettinger, associate pro-

fessor of marketing at the Wharton

August at the Detroit AFRA con-

AFRA vigorously protests against the special tax levied against the radio

industry, adopted by the House of Representatives in Section 601 of Title VI of the Revenue Act of 1941 and

now under consideration by the Senate Finance Committee.

This proposal is discriminatory leg-

islation against the radio industry and

therefore concerns the welfare of every

radio performer, who will in the last analysis pay part of this tax in the form of wage adjustments. Radio performers now pay their

income and emergency taxes to meet the national crisis just as do all other

There is no justice or equity in imposing this special tax upon the indus-

try in which we are working, and our national executive secretary is instructed to place our organization on

record before Congress as opposed to

**IBEW** Opposed

Mr. Wimberley said IBEW op-

posed the proposed tax on the basis

of its singling out radio. Review-

ing the origination of the radio

tax idea, he commented that an

"amusement tax" on radio had

been urged by the Allied Printing

Trades Assn., headed by John B.

Haggerty, and that this idea had

been advanced further by Rep.

Connery (D-Mass.) in a bill to es-

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REPORTS are current in official radio circles that the FCC has altered its course in its newspaper divorcement proceedings, to be resumed next month. The objective will be legislative recommendations to Congress, it is stated, rather than to invoke regulations under the present radio law.

While no policy has yet been adopted, it is understood that reaction from high places, particularly in Congress, has been such that Commission members feel that would be the expedient course.

At least one important Congressional spokesman is understood to have advised the Commission through Chairman James Lawrence Fly that Congress would prefer to see no attempt made to enforce regulations designed to deprive newspapers of station ownership until the appropriate committees in Congress have had an opportunity to examine the whole matter in formal legislative proceedings.

#### And Vice Versa

Meanwhile, there have been indications that the Commission proposes to extend the scope of its inquiry to ascertain not only the effect of newspaper ownership upon broadcast stations but also the reverse situation. In other words, it is learned from inquiries made by the Commission's legal staff that it has in mind ascertaining the effect of station ownership or network ownership upon newspapers.

Emily Holt, executive secretary of AFRA, and Lawson Wimberley, of IBEW. Pointing out that the ups and downs of radio business are related directly to AFRA members' employment, Mrs. Holt observed that 85% AFRA members earned not more than \$5,000 a year, with most members making only \$2,000 a year and less, and only 10 or 15% enjoying incomes above that figure. Any dislocation of radio revenues would be bound to have a paralleling effect on employment of station personnel and talent, she averred.

Mrs. Holt cited two definite possibilities, both deleterious in their effect on AFRA members, that would result if the tax were carried through — the tax might be passed on to sponsors in the form of increased rates or charges, which would force some sort of curtailment in employment in connection with the sponsor's shows, or if the burden were absorbed by radio management, it would be difficult or impossible to maintain AFRA's minimum scale employment contracts.

Before leaving the stand Mrs. Holt read to the committee the text of a resolution adopted in midObserving that he could see no possible benefit accruing to the printing trades unions from such an impost, he declared the very proposal of such a punitive measure discredited its proponents. Emphasizing that the printers' union stands alone in championing a tax on radio, Mr. Wimberley called attention to the AFL executive council resolution opposing the radio tax [BROADCASTING, Aug. 18].

#### Alvord's Plea

Inserting into the hearing record a 33-page memorandum, which he said "certainly answers every conceivable basis for the tax", E. C. Alvord, Washington tax attorney retained by the NAB, made a strong plea for deletion of the radio tax from the Revenue Act. He declared the NAB's and the industry's objections to the tax were based on three distinct considerations: (1) The proposed tax on radio is the first tax to be levied on gross receipts; (2) it discriminates against radio; (3) it is not justified in view of the impressive public service outlay being made by the radio industry.

Mr. Alvord's extemporaneous remarks during his brief appearance on the stand were directed chiefly to the "cost of regulation" proposition, which drew considerable attention from committee members. Although a non - discriminatory franchise tax for radio facilities might be acceptable, the broadcasting industry should not be singled out as the pioneer industry to be covered in the franchise tax experiment, he declared, pointing out that other pursuits such as transportation, banks, communications logically should be included, with radio one of the last to be touched.

He emphasized the point that with virtually every industry in the country regulated in some way by the Government, a franchise tax scheme necessarily would have to spread and spread if it were to be completely non-discriminatory as between industries.

#### Broadcasters' Share

Senator Bailey expressed agreement with these facts, but countered that "radio enjoys a license of monopolistic character", and although "I don't like this tax at all", he thought the necessary \$2.000.000 for FCC operation might be secured under some sort of franchise plan. Mr. Alvord explained that a radio license is not in itself any symbol of monopoly, since stations must compete between themselves and with other media. He estimated that the cost of radio regulation amounted to only 1/5 or 1/6 of the cost of operating the FCC, and that broadcasters certainly should be called upon for no more than this share.

Emphasizing the far-reaching results accompanying any tax on advertising, with its probable effects on distribution and sales, Mr. Alvord stated that with the contemplated excise tax rates estimated (Continued on page 48)

## As Candidate for Vacancy on FCC

#### Alabaman Now RFC Official; West Also Mentioned

A NEW formidable candidate for the vacancy on the FCC created by the retirement last June of Commissioner Frederick I. Thompson developed last week with widespread reports that Clifford Durr, ace New Deal attorney of Montgomery, Ala., would be offered the post.

While confirmation was not forthcoming from the White House, reports were current both in Washington and in Alabama that Mr. Durr, now assistant general counsel of the Reconstruction Finance Corp. and general counsel of its subsidiary Defense Plant Corp., was a leading prospect for the post.

If nominated, he would have the wholehearted support of Senators Bankhead and Hill of Alabama, it is understood, though the latter legislator is committed to the endorsement of Commissioner Thompson for reappointment. It is thought. however, that there is little chance of Mr. Thompson being renamed, since the President permitted his term to expire June 30 without comment.

#### West Mentioned

Along with the name of Mr. Durr was the report that former Rep. Charles West of Ohio, an erstwhile anonymous assistant to President Roosevelt handling Congressional contacts, had been offered the Commission post but had rejected it. There was no confirmation however. Mr. West, well-known in New Deal circles, is now in private practice in Washington. He had been nominated for a railroad inquiry position some months ago but the President withdrew his name after complaint about geographical representation, it is understood.

Meanwhile, there has been no clear-cut indication that the President intends filling the Commission vacancy any time soon, despite campaigns on behalf of a number of candidates. The President has been preoccupied with war and defense matters almost to the exclusion of all other activity, it was pointed out. Moreover, it was thought in some circles that the President desired to take his time in making a selection because of the hot water in which the FCC has been navigating.

With legislation pending for reorganization of the FCC in both Senate and House, and with the President on record as of two years ago in favor of sweeping revision of the Commission organization, it was thought entirely possible that he might revive his support for a new law, particularly if the controversy persists.

Mr. Durr is 42 and received his A.B. degree from Alabama U and his law degree from Oxford in 1922 as a Rhodes scholar. Upon his re-

## Durr Is Mentioned ANPA Traces Recent Growth Hanson to Appeal In Federal Advertising Control

**Issues Bulletin Showing How Government Offices** Have Attacked the Advertising Industry

increasing Government encroachment in the advertising field, American Newspaper Publishers Assn. last Wednesday issued a bulletin tracing the evolution of Federal controls over advertising since 1933. Among the consistent attackers of advertising, in some form or another, in the Federal organization the bulletin lists the Department of Agriculture; Assistant Attorney General Thurman Arnold, in charge of the Antitrust Division; Federal Alcohol Administration, and "to a limited degree" certain elements in the Federal Trade Commission.

Prefacing and concluding an agency-by-agency review of antiadvertising activities somewhat similar to the compendium published in BROADCASTING, Aug. 11, the bulletin warned of the continuing advance of this movement and called for "more interest by people other than those directly

turn to the United States, he worked for a year with a Montgomery law firm, then for a yearand-a-half with a Milwaukee firm, and for the following eight years with a Birmingham firm. He came to Washington in 1933 as a member of the RFC legal department, was named assistant general counsel in 1937, and since last August has been general counsel also of Defense Plant Corp.

Mr. Durr was a member of the Advisory Committee of Lawyers which studied and made recom-mendations for Civil Service employment of lawyers in the Government organization and also is a member of the Board of Legal Examiners created last June by Presidential order to deal with the problems of lawyers in Civil Service. Mrs. Durr is a sister of Supreme Court Associate Justice Hugo Black.

Among others mentioned as possible appointees to the FCC vacancy are Maj. Gen. Joseph O. Mauborgne who retires Sept. 30 as Chief Signal Officer of the Army [BROAD-CASTING, Aug. 18]; FCC Secretary T. J. Slowie, an Iowa Democrat whose candidacy has been espoused by friends high in Administration circles; G. W. Johnstone, former radio director of the Democratic National Committee and now radio director of the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday; Edward Roddan, assistant publicity director of the Democratic National Committee and a former Washington newspaper correspondent, who is said to have the endorsement of Edward J. Flynn, chairman of the National Democratic Committee; Fulton J. Redman, Portland, Me., attorney and industrialist.

#### TAKING UP the cudgels against engaged in preparing, paying for and printing advertising."

"During the past 10 years there has been increasing evidence of antagonism to advertising with a desire by various agencies and officials of government to control, or regulate or prohibit advertising,' the bulletin declared. The trend toward regulation and prohibition seems to be increasing rather than decreasing and takes many forms, such as attacks on the accuracy and truth of advertising; taxes on advertising; attacks on the ground that advertising is an economic waste; elimination of advertising by groups which are under the control of some agencies; efforts to eliminate harmless "puffery" in advertising language; the building up of consumer distrust of advertising; and legislation to prohibit certain forms of advertising or advertising by certain groups and professions.

"First of all, publishers wish to make it plain that there is no objection to efforts to eliminate false and misleading advertising. Publishers themselves have voluntarily accomplished much in that direction, and have done so with the cooperation of advertising agencies and advertisers, all of whom have recognized the necessity of truth in advertising. Practically all newspapers have their own individual rules of censorship covering advertising copy.

#### Entire Structure Attacked

"The practices of agencies in the Government, however, of using the term 'false advertising' as a mask with which to cloak a very evident desire to restrict or prohibit all advertising or to subject it to Government control have been and will continue to be protested by those sincerely interested in advertising.

"It is plain that more interest should be taken in what is happening to advertising by people other than those directly engaged in preparing, paying for and printing advertising. Our entire economic structure is under attack, and a great strain is being placed on our economy by the national defense program and war developments throughout the world.

"Has there been any recognition in Washington and in the 48 State capitals of the nation that the progress made in the United States by concerns using successful advertising is directly related to the place that the United States holds as the outstanding and most efficient producing country in the world with the highest standard of living? This good fortune has come to the American people through their own efforts, perseverance and toil, and not as a gift from Government. What is to be done about this proposition now?"

## **Subpoena Decision** Circuit Court to Be Asked For Review of Ruling

TAKING exception to an Aug. 15 opinion of Justice James W. Morris, of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, upholding the FCC position that it has the power to subpoena witnesses and conduct general hearings along lines of the newspaper-ownership inquiry, Elisha Hanson, ANPA counsel, last Thursday filed a notice of appeal with the District Court, preparatory to taking the case to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

Under Justice Morris' memorandum opinion [BROADCASTING, Aug. 18] and through an order subsequently signed by him, James G. Stahlman, publisher of the Nashville Banner and former ANPA president, would be required to answer a subpoena to testify at the newspaper-ownership investigation, now scheduled to reopen Sept. 17.

#### Other Witnesses

With the Stahlman proceeding regarded as a far-reaching test of the FCC's powers to subpoena witnesses and hold hearings, it is presumed the outcome of the case will determine the action of other witnesses called at the newspaperownership inquiry under subpoena.

Following arguments similar to those developed at oral argument before Justice Morris, Aug. 11, in opposition to the FCC's claims, Mr. Hanson in his notice of appeal maintained the FCC has no power under the Communications Act to adopt or apply any policy or promulgate rules which would bar newspapers or individuals identified with newspaper publishing from holding a broadcast license; that the FCC has no jurisdiction over Mr. Stahlman to compel him to testify in connection with Orders No. 79 and 79A; that the FCC has no power to conduct an inquiry such as the newspaper-ownership proceeding. During oral argument Mr. Hanson had argued that since the inquiry was illegal, the subpoena issued against Mr. Stahlman, who is now on active duty in the Public Relations Office of the Navy as a lieutenant commander, is a nullity in the eyes of the law.

The Stahlman case came to court after Mr. Hanson on the opening day of the newspaper-ownership proceedings, July 23, indicated to FCC Chairman James Lawrence Fly he had suggested to four witnesses subpoened by the FCC that they refuse to appear in what he described as "illegal proceedings". In his memorandum opinion, upholding the FCC argument presented by Thomas E. Harris, FCC assistant general counsel, Justice Morris appeared to take the position that newspaper interests conceivably had more to gain than to lose in the FCC proceeding, and that possibly newspapers would be shown to be an even more desirable type of licensee than now conceded.

## **NBC, CBS Believed Planning Appeal to Court on Net Rules**

Negotiations Cease as Labor Day Approaches But Action Is Expected to Resume in September

A HIATUS in the major network-FCC conversations looking toward a compromise of the chain-monopoly regulations until after Labor Day appeared inevitable last week, with all signs pointing to a court attack by NBC and CBS prior to the Sept. 16 effective date.

Not a wheel was turned last week in the negotiations between FCC Chairman Fly and the network heads, each side apparently waiting for an overture from the other. No session has been held, in fact, since Aug. 7 when Chairman Fly handed the networks a virtual ultimatum that they accept and petition for a modified version of the time option rule or submit to the rules as originally drafted [BROAD-CASTING, Aug. 11, 18].

#### Expect Court Action

The only development since the rupture in conversations was the filing by MBS on Aug. 14 of its petition for amendments to permit network optioned time and longer contract periods [BROADCASTING, Aug. 18]. Neither NBC nor CBS has made any moves toward submitting similar petitions, as requested by Chairman Fly, on the ground that the demands made by the FCC are untenable.

As a result of all this, it is expected these networks will go to court between Sept. 2-10, probably in New York, to enjoin the Commission from making any of its rules effective. That is regarded as the only course open, unless Chairman Fly on his own motion reopens the conversations or orders an informal hearing or argument on the MBS petition. Action presumably must be taken on the MBS pleading prior to the Sept. 16 deadline.

Little chance of any activity between now and Sept. 1 is seen, since the Commission does not plan to hold regular sessions and since Chairman Fly and Commissioner Paul A. Walker, who participated in the final phases of the conversation with NBC and CBS, left last week to attend the annual convention of the National Assn. of Railroad & Utility Commissioners in St. Paul, Aug. 26-29.

Both NBC and CBS, it is made abundantly clear, are poised for the litigation, with parallel suits probably to be brought in the Federal District Court in New York or probably a three-judge statutory court of appeals in New York. In either event, the suits will be to enjoin the Commission from making any of its regulations effective. If the suit is brought before the statutory three - judge court, it probably will be under Section 402A of the Communications Act and will seek to annul. set aside or enjoin the Commission.

In addition to the absence from

Washington of a majority of the Commission, NBC President Niles Trammell, who has sat throughout the protracted sessions which began in July, is on vacation-probably until Labor Day. William S. Paley, CBS president, who with his chief lieutenant. Edward Klauber, executive vice-president, likewise has participated in all of the FCC conversations, is in New York and presumably would be available for any conference called.

Chairman Fly, at the final session, insisted there would be no further postponement of the Sept. 16 effective date. Originally the rules were to have become effec-tive on Aug. 2, but the Commission, July 21, authorized the postponement upon petition of NBC and CBS, with MBS not opposing.

When the postponement was authorized, it was tacitly understood that every effort would be made to reach a compromise, notably on the time option clause, as expeditiously as possible, in order to allow the networks at least 30 days to revise affiliation contracts to meet the new requirements. That procedure now is out of the question, since there is little chance of any agreement before the Labor Day holiday. If conversations are reopened and litigation is averted, it is assumed a postponement of the Sept. 16 date will be authorized.

Unless there is a postponement or unless an injunction is granted by the courts, many affiliated stations, notably those on the NBC networks, will find themselves in a quandary. Existing contracts, under the rules as now written, would violate the new rules and stations would face punitive action by the FCC. On the other hand it is thought most affiliates would be in-clined to enter into a "gentlemen's agreement" with their respective networks to retain the status quo insofar as clearance of network

#### 2,000-Mile Baton

VACATION did not stop Andre Kostelanetz from participating in his program, The Pause That Refreshes, on CBS as the maestro, employing a two-way hookup between WABC, New York, and XEQ, Mexico City, not only rendered a piano solo but also gave a 2,000-mile downbeat to start his orchestra in New York.

programs is concerned until the whole issue is adjudicated.

When the conversations hit the rocks again in early August, there had been virtual agreement among the FCC law department, CBS and MBS on the time option provision advanced by MBS. NBC, however, was adamant because of the effect of this proposed formula upon the Blue Network, ultimately slated for sale under one of the eight rules adopted by the Commission. Chairman Fly then kicked out the entire proposal and offered his own [BROADCASTING, Aug. 18], which proved unsatisfactory to all three network organizations.

#### Effects of Plan

It was following this conference that Chairman Fly delivered the "take-it-or-leave-it" ultimatum as a result of which MBS filed its petition restating its own proposal.

Generally, it is felt the plan proposed by MBS through its counsel, Louis G. Caldwell, and General Manager Fred Weber, would in effect protect CBS and the NBC Red. as well as MBS, but place the Blue in out-and-out competition for affilates with MBS.

While it appeared anybody's guess as to what might happen. it was thought in informed circles that before a final break and before litigation actually is attempted, some device will be used to reopen the conversations. The MBS petition provides a basis on which the Commission conceivably could set informal arguments or perhaps schedule another hearing. Chairman Fly appeared to be in the position of waiting for NBC and CBS to make the next move.



PREVIEWERS of Maude's Diary, new serial sponsored on CBS Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., were these sponsor and agency folk. The serial made its debut Aug. 14. At the preview performance were: (1 to r) Mrs. Cedric Seaman; Cedric Seaman, sales manager of Continental Baking Co., the sponsor; Walker Everett, of Ted Bates Inc.; Mrs. Ted Bates; Mr. Bates; Lee Mack Marshall, Continental advertising manager.

#### **Network in Mexico Ties Up With NBC** Azcarraga Group Affiliates;

Will Relay Programs

AS A MAJOR step in the development of its intercontinental broadcasting service, NBC on Aug. 21 announced that Mexico's network of 21 stations, Cadena Radio-Difusora Mexicana, S. A., is now affili-ated with the NBC Pan-American network. The announcement was made by Frank E. Mullen, NBC vice-president and general man-ager, following a radiophone con-versation with John F. Royal, NBC's vice-president in charge of international relations, now on tour in Latin and South America.

The Mexican network was organized not long ago by Don Emilio Azcarraga, president of XEW, Mexico City, key station of the group. XEW now operates on 100,000 watts with a CP for 200,000, making it the most powerful radio station in the Western Hemisphere.

In addition to entertainment and public service programs regularly broadcast in this country on NBC's Red and Blue networks, a series of exchange programs are included in the program plans now under way between the two networks.

The longwave Mexican stations making up Cadena Radio-Difusora Mexicana include: XEW, Mexico City; XEDK, Guadalajara; XERJ, Mazatlan; XECF, Los Mochis; XECZ, San Luis Potosi; XES, Tampico; XEFI, Chihuahua; XEBI, Agua Caliente; XEBO, Irapuato; XECW, Cordoba; XEME, Merida; XEFB, Monterrey; XEHV, Vera Cruz; XEMU, Piedras Negras; XEBH, Hermosillo; XEJR, Parral; XESA, Culiacan; XEBQ, Torreon; XEBJ, Victoria; XERK, Tepic, and XECH, Mexicala.

#### **PROPAGANDA PROBE** WILL START SEPT. 3

TO LOOK into charges that radio broadcasts and motion pictures are being used to spread pro-war propaganda, a subcommittee of the Senate Interstate Commerce Commit-tee on Sept. 3 will start public hearings to determine the merits of a resolution calling for a far-reaching committee investigation in these fields, introduced Aug. 1 by Sena-tor Bennett Clark (D-Mo.) and Senator Nye (R-N.D.) [BROAD-CASTING, Aug. 11].

The five-man subcommittee, headed by Senator D. Worth Clark (D-Ida.), includes Senators Bone (D-Wash.), McFarland (D-Ariz.), Brooks (R-Ill.), and Tobey (R-N.H.).

According to Chairman Clark, the subcommittee hearings likely will last through September. About 15 representatives of movie producers and companies have been invited to appear starting Sept. 3, and after testimony is taken regarding the motion picture situa-tion, the radio field will be studied. It is expected radio industry witnesses will appear during the last half of September.

## **ASCAP-by-Labor-Day Rumor Blasted**

#### NAB Executive Group To Study Draft of NBC Contract

REPORTS that ASCAP music would be back on NBC by Labor Day and on CBS shortly thereafter were exploded late last week when it developed that copies of the preliminary draft of the NBC-ASCAP contract had not been concluded on Friday, with little likelihood of completion of the paper work prior to Wednesday, Aug. 27.

Copies of the preliminary draft, still subject to change, were to be laid before the NAB Executive Committee, meeting in New York on that day, for comment and criticism but not for approval. Presumably stations affiliated with the Red and Blue Networks will not be sent the form until these deliberations are concluded.

#### Many Objectors

Despite optimism exuded by both NBC and ASCAP that the contract form shortly would be invoked, there was little to substantiate this view in reactions from individual stations. Many broadcasters, notably in the West and Southwest, reported they had refused to accept the agreement on its present terms. Most of the stations appeared to be awaiting the formal language of the proposed contract before making a final decision.

Copies of the preliminary draft were to be sent to members of the IRNA Executive Committee, as a formality, since the committee already had notified NBC outlets of its approval "in principle" of the deal, assuming it carries changes suggested by the group [see text of IRNA statement on page 22].

Meanwhile, the ASCAP Radio Committee had begun its perusal of what was to be the final draft, over which Herman Finkelstein, of Schwartz & Froelich, ASCAP general counsel, and Robert P. Meyers, of NBC's legal department, had labored for nearly three weeks, putting into legal language the conditions previously agreed upon by NBC and ASCAP executives.

No hitch is expected at the ASCAP end, where the Radio Committee will, if all goes well, send the contract to the ASCAP board of directors with recommendations that it be approved. The board, which three weeks ago ratified the informal document, is expected to put its O.K. on the contract without delay.

#### May Be Changed

Strong possibility was seen that changes in the present wording will evolve after consultation with the NAB Executive Committee. Moreover, it was thought ASCAP might offer counter-measures. All this would tend to hold up mailing copies of the contract to the networks' affiliates in the hope of avoiding the necessity of sending out corrections and explanations which might create confusion among the stations.

NBC said response from affiliates has been "satisfactory" to date but it declined to divulge the actual count. On the other hand, reports from individual stations, particularly those which have fought the copyright battle over the years, indicated no great haste in aligning with ASCAP until safeguards are applied. A week ago NBC said it had a total of 75 responses, with 57 favorable, 11 unfavorable and seven borderline.

#### Miller Calls Meeting

NAB President Neville Miller called the Executive Committee meeting first for Monday and then for Wednesday when it appeared evident that the NBC-ASCAP draft contract would be available. Because of the position taken by IRNA [see page 22] that it accepted in principle the form of contract only if specified conditions were met, it was thought the executive committee would be disinclined to urge overall acceptance of the formula unless adequate protections all down the line were af-

#### Dr Levy Called Up

DR. LEON LEVY, president of WCAU, Philadelphia, was called to active duty on Aug. 18 in the Naval

Reserve, Temporarily stationed at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, he will serve for the duration as lieutenant commander in the Naval Intelligence Rad i o D iv i s i on. Operation of the station will con-

Dr. Levy tinue under the direction of Isaac D. Levy, WCAU secretary-treasurer.

#### **Bulova Using 260**

BULOVA WATCH Co., New York, on Sept. 21 will increase its current campaign of time signals 7 to 70 times weekly by adding about 60 stations to its present list of 200. The campaign to run until Christmas and probably throughout the winter is the largest used by Bulova since it started radio advertising some 15 years ago. Agency is Biow Co., New York.

GEORGE FLEMING. aviator son of Howard Fleming, owner of CFOS. Owen Sound, Ont. and the Owen Sound Sun Times, is reported missing following air operation on Aug. 15, according to word received by his parents from the British Air Ministry. He was a member of the first Canadian bomber squadron of the Royal Air Force. and participated in raids on Berlin a few nights earlier. Text of the letter from IRNA executives to NBC affiliates, analyzing the ASCAP deal and endorsing it, will be found on page 22 et seq.

forded in the written terms of the compact.

The NAB board, at a meeting in Washington Aug. 6-7, authorized its executive committee to counsel with any broadcasters negotiating with ASCAP for contract renewals. A motion adopted by the board specifically instructed the committee "to meet with negotiators on music contracts and to cooperate with them in devising terms for the use of music, which will be as widely acceptable as possible."

In question are such matters as clearance at the source of transcriptions, handling of special arrangements, disposition of pending infringement suits, and other collateral considerations regarded as of fundamental interest to affiliates and independents.

Members of the executive committee to attend the Wednesday meeting and make themselves available for these consultations are, in addition to President Neville Miller who sits as chairman, James D. Shouse, WLW, Cincinnati; Joseph O. Maland, WHO, Des Moines, representating large stations; Don S. Elias, WWNC, Asheville, and John J. Gillin, Jr., WOW,

#### **Rexall Discs**

UNITED DRUG Co., Boston (Rexall products), for its semi-annual fall one-cent sale in October, will utilize a series of four transcribed quarter-hour programs, *Rexall Pa*rade of Stars, on more than 100 stations nationally. NBC Hollywood Radio-Recording Division is slated to cut the series Sept. 6, with talent including Ken Murray, comedian; Kenny Baker, tenor; Meredith Willson's orchestra; and Harlow Wilcox, announcer. Walter Craig, program director of WMCA, New York, under special arrangement, is to be in charge of production for Street & Finney, New York agency servicing the account.

#### **Carpet Firm's Plans**

ALEXANDER SMITH & SONS Carpet Co., Yonkers, which earlier this year ran a campaign for its rugs and carpets on women's programs in New England, is planning a fall campaign in New England similar to the first. No details will be released till September, according to Anderson, Davis & Platte, New York, agency in charge.

#### **Insurer's Spots**

ALL-STATE INSURANCE Co., Chicago (auto insurance), has placed quarter-hour participations three to six times a week on WOR, New York; WCFL, Chicago; WBAL, Baltimore; WJR. Detroit; WFBL, Syracuse: WHEC, Rochester; WHP, Harrisburg. Agency is E. H. Brown Adv. Agency, Chicago. Omaha, for medium stations, and John Elmer, WCBM, Baltimore; William H. West, WTMV, E. St. Louis, for small stations.

#### The Position of CBS

Although there has been no resumption of negotiations between CBS and ASCAP and although CBS executives have declined to comment on the NBC contract, the attitude was prevalent, particularly in ASCAP circles, that once a deal is consummated with NBC, CBS would be disposed to accept similar terms.

The fact that NBC has sought NAB Executive Committee comments, as distinguished from approval of its contract indicates that terms of the deal to returning ASCAP music both to the networks and their affiliated stations are a matter of concern to the entire broadcasting industry and not only to NBC and its affiliates. Once there is a unanimity of view on the contract terms it is expected they will be used without substantial change by all networks and stations wishing to resume ASCAP music.

#### Mutual Reply to IRNA

Meanwhile, the IRNA letter evoked an immediate response from MBS, whose general manager, Fred Weber, on Aug. 20 wrote IRNA's Chairman, Samuel R. Rosenbaum, to point out that the more advantageous terms of the NBC-ASCAP contract could not have been secured without the groundwork done by MBS in its prior negotiations with ASCAP. The letter reads:

"Today we received the six copies of the IRNA affiliates' memorandum to NBC affiliates, indicating your direct renewed participation in IRNA since the completion of the Senate hearings on the FCC monopoly report.

"Since your memorandum of the 19th of August was addressed to NBC affiliates over the signature of the IRNA committee, we should not have considered Mutual involved had you not felt an obligation to refer to the alleged advantages between the NBC-ASCAP agreement and that of Mutual. Don't you think your memorandum exerts itself to stress what appears to be only two points of variation between the two arrangements? For some obvious intent, you neglect that:

"One—The most favored position exists for radio stations because the Mutual network insisted upon it before completing its contract arrangements.

"Two—There can be little doubt that the present percentage is the result of Mutal's earlier negotiations to obtain the fee effective on May 19, 1941, combined with the vast bargaining power of the other networks.

"Three—The network copyright formula maintained in the NBC-ASCAP agreement was developed to protect the interests of stations concerned with the Mutual network because of its type of operation in which the stations enjoy (Continued on page 53)





Plan your next sales campaign to include complete Youngstown coverage with its suburban and plus market. Utilize the improved facilities of WKBN (570 KC), the only FULL TIME REGIONAL NETWORK STATION serving the Youngstown market . . . blanketing Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania with strong, clear, interference-free reception. Use WKBN to tap this rich industrial area of more than a million purchasers.

NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE . . . PAUL H. RAYMER COMPANY

#### Lever Bros. Plans Swan Soap Drive Several Millions Budgeted in Campaign for New Soap

LEVER BROS., Cambridge (Swan soap), through Young & Rubicam, New York, on Cct. 7 starts sponsoring the weekly half-hour Burns & Allen Show on more than 60 NBC-Red stations, Tuesday, 7:30-8 p.m. (EST), with West Coast repeat, 6-6:30 p.m. (PST). Besides Gracie Allen and George Burns in a new comedy formula, the show is to include Paul Whiteman's orchestra, a male singer, guest talent and others. Sam Perrin and Artie Phillips have been signed as writers, with two more to be added before the series gets under way.

Tying in with its radio, and spending several million dollars, the firm is launching an intensive merchandising and promotion campaign for the new product. Besides extensive use of transcribed announcements featuring Gracie Allen on local stations, it is understood the schedule will include splash ads in 860 newspapers as well as leading magazines and 24 stands nationally. Spot radio campaign, it was said, will be one of the most extensive ever scheduled by a sponsor.

#### Personnel Changes

Glenhall Taylor who has produced the CBS Slver Theatre for three seasons, becomes agency producer of the Burns & Allen Show. with Al Scapone assisting. Ted Sherdeman, NBC Hollywood wri-ter-director, resigned that post to join Young & Rubicam and takes over Taylor's former assignment as producer of Silver Theatre which resumes Oct. 5 under sponsorship of International Silver Co., on 57 CBS stations, Sunday, 6-6:30 p.m. (EST), with Mickey Rooney as first guest star. Filling the NBC vacancy created by resignation of Sherdeman is Dave Elton who has taken over production of the weekly sustaining Latitude Zero. Archie Scott, of NBC Chicago, has been transferred to Hollywood for writer-producer assignments.

#### **More Salt Spots**

INTERNATIONAL SALT Co., Scranton, Pa., on Sept. 23, after a recess of 13 weeks, will resume participations in the *Marjorie Mills* domestic science programs on the Yankee Network and similar programs on WCKY WJZ WRC KDKA WGY WKBW WFBR WSYR WHAM WCAU WWL, contracts running 6 to 13 weeks. Other radio plans for fall are under consideration but not yet completed, according to the agency, J. M. Mathes Inc., New York.

A STAGE, Screen and Radio Division has been formed by Fight for Freedom Inc. in its anti-Nazi campaign, with several broadcasts planned in the near future. Among backers of the movement are Lowell Thomas and Williann L. Shirer, commentators. Cochairmen are Burgess Meredith and Helen Hayes.



REUNION OF WWJ VETERANS at 21st birthday party of the *Detroit* News station Aug. 20. Left to right: Ty Tyson, chief sports announcer who has been with the pioneer station practically since its inception; Fred Waring, bandman who first played over WWJ in 1921; William J. Scripps, son of the newspaper's publisher, who as a youngster founded what was to become WWJ.

#### Celebrities and Pioneer Broadcasters Join in WWJ's 21st Anniversary Fete

CELEBRATING its 21st anniversary last Wednesday, WWJ, of the *Detroit News*, brought celebrities and pioneer broadcasters to its microphones and keyed a special program to NBC-Red to tell the world that it was the first station still in existence to broadcast regularly scheduled programs of entertainment. It was on Aug. 20, 1921, that WWJ began operation and it has been on the air continuously ever since.

Fred Waring, who did his first broadcast over WWJ in 1921, was on hand with his *Pennsylvanians* for a one-hour broadcast, half of which was carried on NBC-Red. The entire evening's program was also carried by W45D, the FM adjunct of WWJ, and by WRUL, Boston shortwave station which sent Jose Godoy, Spanish-speaking announcer, to interpret for the Latin American audience.

#### Service to Public

Earlier in the evening WWJ's musical director, Mischa Kottler, and the WWJ Symphony, with Greta Keller, Viennese singer, presented a program featuring The Sophisto-Cats and other WWJ artists. WWJ's manager, William J. Scripps, who as a young amateur started the station, gave a brief talk in which he outlined the aims of WWJ since its inception.

He read a message from Chairman James Lawrence Fly, congratuating WWJ and calling it a "veritable Methuselah of radio". A transcribed message of praise and congratulations to W. E. Scripps and W. J. Scripps, who "were true pioneers who dared to take a chance and throw off the shackles of convention and establish WWJ, the only station in America which can claim to be first," was read from Dr. Lee DeForest, who built WWJ's first transmitter. A tribute also was read from Niles Trammell, NBC president.

During the Waring program, Ty Tyson, who in 1921 invited Fred Waring to broadcast, engaged in brief repartee and reminiscence with his old friend. Hundreds of telegrams of congratulations poured into the station during the day and many of the station's friends dropped by to pay their respects.

#### Mr. Fly Comments

In the light of the newspaperradio ownership probe, Chairman Fly's message to WWJ, referring to it as a "veritable Methuselah among radio stations," contained a rather significant sentence. "Let me congratulate WWJ," his message concluded, "on this occasion and express a hope that its next 21 years of service will be as outstanding as its first 21 have been."

"Since WWJ was first founded," Mr. Fly also stated, "radio has been transformed from a hobby for a few technically-minded youngsters to an integral part of our social structure, and in that growth this station has played a significant role. Its three call letters instead of four mark it as a pioneer among stations, and its present status shows it has not been surpassed by later arrivals."



ORIGINAL transmitter of WWJ is now a museum piece. It was designed and installed by Dr. Lee DeForest. Looking it over is Mrs. Lansing Pittman.

#### Mellett Praises Radio For Alert Judgment in Resisting Propaganda RADIO has been an industry "wise beyond its years" in understanding

RADIO has been an industry "wise beyond its years" in understanding popular feeling, according to Lowell Mellett, administrative aide to President Roosevelt, writing in the September Atlantic Monthly. The industry has been second only to the movies in resisting use of its facilities for propaganda, he said, but newspapers have been laggard.

the inivies for propaganda, he said, but newspapers have been laggard. Writing on "Government Propaganda", he said American radio and the press associations can continue to render a great service to this nation only if "we do nothing to destroy the confidence they have created". The press associations and American radio, he went on, "have set a standard of truthful reporting that has caused their reports to be believed, particularly by the nations of South and Central America. "Nothing save a sudden switch to dishonesty on our part can take this advantage from us", he said.

In discussing acceptance of peacetime conscription, he said: "No propaganda had been required to bring the people to this state of preparedness, and so far as the Government is concerned no propaganda was attempted. The Government refrained from propaganda despite very great pressure.

"This is the Amercian way, the right way, the wise way. It would be wrong for the President to use funds voted by Congress to set up an agency designed to whip Congress into line with his thinking. And the President has not done so."

#### Soft Drink Test

WELCH FRUIT PRODUCTS Co., Chicago, through its newly-appointed a g en c y, Reincke-Ellis-Younggreen & Finn, is testing a daily five-minute program on WROK, Rockford, for Black Cow soft drink. Program features a daily cash givaway of \$10 to listener, who, when called on the telephone, has one empty and one full bottle of the soft drink. Prize is delivered by two messengers dressed in black uniforms wearing a large cow's head. About 15 additional midwestern markets will be added, according to H. C. Vogel, radio director of the agency.

#### **Longines Resumes**

L O N G I N E S - WITTNAUER WATCH Co., New York, during the week of Sept. 22 will resume its series of half-hour transcribed symphony programs on over 50 stations throughout the country. Series features symphonies by leading orchestras and will be heard Sunday afternoons at varied times. Agency is Arthur Rosenberg Co., New York.

#### **Oyster Shell Renews**

OYSTER SHELL PRODUCTS, New Rochelle, N. Y., through August and early September is renewing for 52 weeks its campaign of spot announcements on 30 stations throughout the country. Spots vary from three to five times weekly on the stations. Agency is Cecil & Presbrey, New York.

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> (SIGNED) Stanley Anderson **Doughnut** Corporation of America

This sensational achievement is but one of many successful campaigns merchandised through WORL'S famous 920 Club. Make your advertising work fast - get hard hitting cooperation from WORL.

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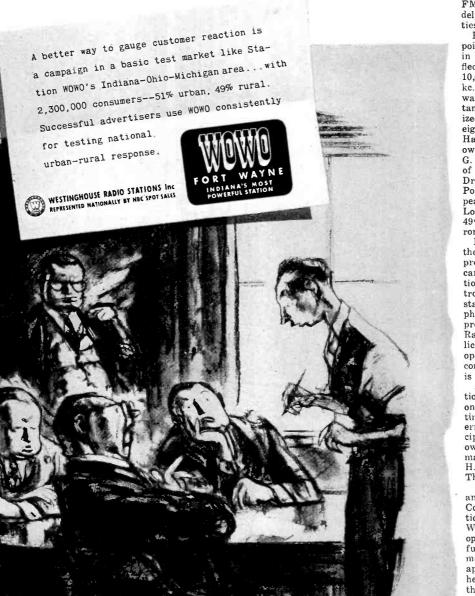
#### Schulze & Berch Adds

SCHULZE & BERCH Co., Chicago, has appointed Reincke-Ellis-Younggreen & Finn, Chicago, to direct the account, and is planning to augment its present radio campaign for saltine crackers. Company at present is using three station break announcements daily on WGN and WCFL, Chicago; WROK. Rockford; WCBS. Spring-

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field; WGBF, Evansville; WHO, Des Moines. Announcements promote a \$1,000 contest in which entry blanks are filled out at the local grocer estimating the number of saltine crackers that can be held by a large carton. The grocer uses the large carton as part of a merchandising display of company products. Over a million entry blanks are ready for distribution and markets to be added include Milwaukee, Racine. and St. Louis.

Wisconsin Net Gets Games ENTIRE football schedule of U of Wisconsin will be broadcast this season by the recently formed Wisconsin Network, comprising WHBY, Appleton; KFIZ, Fond du Lac; WCLO, Janesville; WHBL, Sheboygan; WSAU, Wausau; WFHR, Wisconsin Rapids; WEMP, Milwankee; WRJN, Racine; WIBU, Poynette. The schedule, as yet unsponsored, will include five games at Madison and three outof state games.



"Heming, we've called you in to answer a very important question. What qualities does your wife most appreciate in a bair rinse – and why?"

#### WIBG Given 10 kw. For Philadelphia

#### New Stations for Pasadena And Washington, Pa.

AT A SPECIAL meeting last Friday to clean up its calendar prior to a recess over Labor Day, the FCC authorized two new standard broadcast stations and granted a new FM broadcasting station in Philadelphia as well as improved facilities for a half-dozen stations.

Headlining the list was a threepoint grant to WIBG, Glenside, Pa., in effect making the station a full-fledged Philadelphia outlet with 10,000 watts unlimited time on 990 kc., in lieu of its present 1,000 watt daytime assignment. Simul-taneously, the Commission authorized transfer of control from its eight present owners to Paul F. Harron and Joseph Lang, who now own WHOM, Jersey City, and John G. Kelly, former Democratic leader of Philadelphia, and Anthony J. Drexel Biddle Jr., now minister to Poland, and several smaller European countries, headquartering in London. The latter two acquire 49% interest for \$75,000 with Harron and Lang holding the 51%.

In granting the WIBG transfer, the Commission reconsidered a previous order for a hearing. It cancelled the hearing and in addition to authorizing transfer of control also authorized removal of the station from Glenside to Philadelphia. The Commission also approved an application of Seaboard Radio Broadcasting Corp., WIBG licensee for a new FM station to operate on 48.1 m.s. on a regular commercial basis. The area specified is 9.300 scuare miles.

is 9,300 square miles. A new standard broadcast station in Pasadena, Cal. to operate on 1430 kc. with 1,000 watts daytime only, was authorized to Southern California Broadcast Co. Principals are Marshall S. Neal, store owner, 44%; Lee A. Ragan, salesman of KIEV, Glendale, 5%, and H. H. Cooper, KIEV salesman, 5%.

There are 11 other stockholders. On petition for reconsideration and grant without hearing, the Commission authorized a new station at Washington, Pa., to the Washington Broadcasting Co., to operate on 1450 kc. with 250 watts fulltime. The licensee company is made up of 46 stockholders, with approximately 38½% of the stock held by individuals interested in the ownership of WSTV, Steubenville, O. William S. Yard is president, with approximately 6½% of the stock; Louis Berkman, vicepresident and head of WSTV, holds 10.6%; Sherman H. Siegel, treassurer, 10.6%.

WRNL, Richmond, was granted an increase from 1,000 to 5,000 watts fulltime on 910 kc. with a directional antenna. Other grants included: KONO, San Antonio, increase from time-sharing to fulltime on 1400 kc. with 250 watts fulltime; KPQ, Wenatchee, Wash., increase 500 watts night and 1,000 watts day on 560 kc., in lieu of 250 watts on 1490 kc.

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KWJB - Globe 250 W - 1240 KC

\*KYCA-Prescott

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1490 KC

\*\*KTAR-Phoenix

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## Receivers Submit Transcontinental Report to Court

#### Distribution of Assets Noted; Adams Denied Payment

TRANSCONTINENTAL Broadcasting System, Elliott Roosevelt's ill-fated venture which almost but not quite became a fifth nationwide network, furnishing the industry with a New Year's Eve sensation when, on Dec. 30, 1939, its promoters announced that they would be unable to meet the scheduled Jan. 1 starting date, made a much less sensational appearance in the news last week, when its receivers filed their report in the Court of Chancery at Wilmington, Del.

Daniel F. Wolcott and Harry H. Stehman, appointed by the court last November to dissolve the network corporation, reported total assets of \$94,874, consisting of \$94,444 in cash in the bank and a refund of \$430 secured from the telephone company. Of this, \$5,763 had been paid to Breed, Abbott & Morgan, law firm which conducted negotiations for TBS with Blackett-Sample-Hummert, whose clients were expected to be the first TBS sponsors, and \$771 had been paid for other claims. Claim of John T. Adams, one-time chairman of the board of TBS, for \$6,528 was denied by the court.

#### Paid to Stockholders

Pro-rata distribution of \$63,715 to TBS stockholders leaves a balance of \$24,528, of which the receivers ask the court to approve their bill of \$850 and attorney's fees of \$3,500. If this approval is forthcoming, the remainder will then be distributed to the stockholders and the career of TBS officially closed.

Elliott Roosevelt, as largest stockholder of TBS, holding 4,000 of the corporation's 10,000 shares, has received \$25,486 in the distribution to date. H. J. Brennen, owner of KQV and WJAS, Pittsburgh, and WHJB, Greensburg, Pa., who attempted to reorganize the network following Mr. Roosevelt's resignation as president, received \$9,557 on his 1,500 shares. H. K. Brennen, Sarah A. Brennen and Margaret M. Brennen, each holding 286 shares, received \$1,822 apiece.

Robert M. Thompson, KQV-WJAS, received \$8,920 for his 1,400 shares, only other individual listed with more than 1,000 shares.

#### Noxzema Enlarges

NOXZEMA CHEMICAL Co., Baltimore, has placed its *Quiz of Two Cities* program on WAPI, Birmingham, and WSB, Atlanta, making a total of 20 cities now carrying the weekly half-hour show either as a single unit or in cooperation with another city. According to Ruthrauff & Ryan, New York, agency in charge, combinations are under consideration for the show to be heard in Kansas City and St. Louis, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and Albany-Troy-Schenectady.



CONTRAST BETWEEN PAST and present glories was furnished Albany citizens during the annual Soap Box Derby when this ancient Sears model, circa 1900, snorted along before 35,000 spectators. At the "steering rod" at right is Harold E. Smith, owner of the car and general manager of WOKO, Albany, accompanied by Sports Announcer Sherb Herrick, who holds wondering Harold E. Smith II on his lap. WOKO carried heat-by-heat accounts of the local race, won by Donald Mathews, who was sent to the Akron Derby by Socony Vacuum Oil Co.

## WIBW, WCHS Seek FCC Rule Change To Allow 10 kw. Daytime for Regionals

FORMAL petitions for a change in FCC rules governing power limitations on regional stations to authorize use of 10,000 watts during daytime hours in lieu of the present 5,000 watts peak, were filed with the FCC last week by WIBW, Topeka, and WCHS, Charleston. The stations operate on the same frequency of 680 kc. First of the requests to be made

First of the requests to be made for a change in the rules, the applications were filed in conjunction with nearly identical petitions seeking amendment of Rule 3.22(c) to lift the power maximum for Class III-A regionals. Engineering data filed in conjunction with the WIBW application were prepared by Andrew D. Ring and Ralph L. Clark, consulting engineers, with similar data utilized by WCHS.

#### Others May File

It is estimated [BROADCASTING, Aug. 4] that the increases to 10,000 watts daytime will result in an approximate 40% improvement in coverage, primarily in rural or semi-rural areas. Because few questions of interference are involved, except as to adjacent channels, existing antennas can be used in virtually all cases, it was stated. The average remodeling expense to increase the transmitter output from 5,000 to 10,000 watts would be between \$5,000 and \$15,000.

In addition to the two stations which already have filed, it is understood that WRDO, Orlando, Fla., also assigned to 580 kc., contemplates a similar application in the near future. A change in the rule by the FCC would open the way for virtually all regionals operating with 5,000 watts full time to double their daytime power by making the necessary alterations in equipment.

In the WIBW petition, filed by John W. Guider, Carl A. Smith and Lester Cohen, counsel, it was brought out that one of the primary deficiencies in the present allocation system is the lack of primary daytime service in rural and semirural areas. It seems apparent, said the petition, that clear-channel service alone cannot be the answer to the problem. A great number of Class III stations now render day service to rural areas surrounding the communities in which they are located, it is added, and any extension of their daytime coverage will for the most part be over rural districts and small towns which are unable economically to support any type of facility which otherwise might be usable there.

It was pointed out that a large percentage of such regional stations can use 10,000 watts daytime without causing substantial interference. The WIBW application, said the petition, if granted, would result in a reduction in daytime service of the station in areas around Kansas City, Omaha, Des Moines and other metropolitan sections already supplied with adequate service and substitute a sizable rural audience in Western Kansas and Southwestern Oklahoma, which has a dearth of radio service.

#### Technical Advances

WCHS, in its petition filed by Ben S. Fisher, Charles V. Wayland and Charles F. Duvall, contended the existing rule limiting daytime power to 5,000 watts is obsolete and not in accordance with the best engineering practices and the present state of the art. It cited technical advances made in directional antennas and highly-developed transmitters which would make it possible to use effectively power of not less than 10,000 watts daytime.

Contending that the entire listening public throughout the country would be benefited by such a change, the WCHS petition cited that many listeners, both rural and urban, are now unable to receive any daytime signal of sufficient value to be usable. This condition, however, largely would be rectified with the proposed power boost.

Advancing arguments similar to those contained in the WIBW petition, WCHS pointed out also that with this increase in power made possible for at least 100 regional stations, a greater uniformity of coverage and a wider variety of programs would immediately become available to many millions of listeners. The increased daytime coverage of WCHS alone would be 412,000 persons, it stated.

Arguing that the limit of 5,000 watts is an inefficient use of facilities, WCHS contended a change in the rule would not interfere with or curtail the service of any existing station and that the granting of the applications would conform strictly to present engineering standards. By granting the petitions, WCHS said, the Commission "will provide more adequate and efficient distribution of radio facilities throughout the entire United States."

#### Purvis Leaves Paper; Would Acquire WOLS

HAVING recently sold his interest in the Florence (S. C.) Star, Melvin Purvis, onetime acc FBI agent who retired as a G-man several years ago to become publisher of the daily, is reported to have made a deal to purchase WOLS, Florence, from O. Lee Stone. The station operates with 250 watts on 1230 kc. His partner in the projected deal is M. Schnibben, a brother of G. E. Schnibben, broadcasting Co., applicant for a new station in Norfolk. The Schnibben brothers operate theatres in and around Florence.

#### **Paper Buys CFCT**

CFCT, Victoria, B. C., has been purchased by the Victoria Colonist, morning daily, from George W. Deaville, for an undisclosed sum, according to H. R. Carson, president of All-Canada Radio Facilities, Calgary, who will represent the station nationally. The only station in Victoria, capital of the Province of British Columbia and home of many retired British civil servants, it will be operated by a staff recruited from various stations in Western Canada with which All-Canada is affiliated. Manager will be Cecil Berry of CFGP, Grand Prairie, Alta. Al Smith, CKCK, Regina, Sask., will be sales manager. Sale of the station to the Colonist makes 27 newspaper-owned stations in the Dominion of a total of 86 active broadcast outlets.

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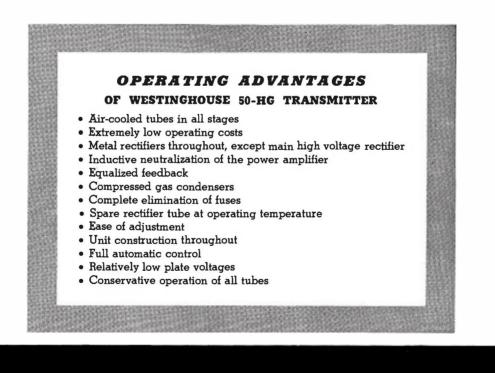
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We have been selected for essential work in connection with national defense for the same reason that our 50-HG equipment has been selected by key broadcasting stations entering the 50,000-watt group since January, 1940. We know what the job requires—and how to do it. That is because we have been at it for a long time.

Since the earliest days of the industry we have been engaged continuously in broadcasting operations through such well-known commercial stations as KDKA, KYW, and WBZ.

Out of this experience came the distinctive improvements found in our 50-HG transmitter—greater economy, operating simplicity, and fidelity in radio transmission—the kind of developments which are a result of a first-hand operating experience.

The research and development supporting our current defense work will ultimately result in still further improvements in our regular commercial transmitters.



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## **IRNA Chieftains' Letter on Proposed NBC-ASCAP Deal**

STRONG SUPPORT for the NBC-STRONG SUPPORT for the NBC-ASCAP deal came last week from Sanuel R. Rosenbaum, WFIL, Philadelphia, and Paul W. Mo-rency, WTIC, Hartford, chairman and vice-chairman, respectively of Independent Radio Network Affiliates, who, acting in their capaci-ties as members of the IRNA negotiating committee of NBC affili-ates, addressed a letter to all NBC affiliates analyzing the deal and setting forth what they regard as

its advantages and disadvantages. Emphasizing that stations still are free agents, that no commitment has been made to bind them and that they have made no rep-resentations of authority to bind them, the letter declares that "it is our considered judgment that this is a very fair deal and now is the time to settle copyright differences between networks and affiliates so that ASCAP music can go back on the air." Text of the letter follows:

#### The NBC-ASCAP Formula

On many occasions in the past few On many occasions in the past few years we have all complained about the short-sightedness, the bull-head-edness and the narrow-mindedness of network executives from our point of view, in failing to comply with requests from IRNA which we believed to be for the good of the industry. We be-lieve much of the present mess the networks are in could have been averted. averted.

averted. This makes it all the more impera-tive that we should speak up when we have obtained from a network a deal for affiliates which we regard as a major accomplishment. The advan-tages obtained for affiliates in the copyright deal tentatively arrived at between NBC and ASCAP are a vic-tory for affiliates. They are the direct result of demands made by IRNA. They also reflect the better under-

standing of affiliates which Tram-

standing of amilates which Tram-mell, as president, has brought into the direction of NBC. In recent months the broadcasting industry has had a crisis every morn-ing before breakfast. Broadcasters have faced so many emergencies they or a hell becaked

are shell-shocked. Many of you have not followed the details of the copyright situation. The telegram you got from Trammell was too short and needs to be amplified. We therefore believe it is in order to We therefore believe it is in order to review and explain the proposed new formula and state our views. The de-cision is up to you. You are free to act. We have obtained a proposition which, when it is satisfactorily em-bodied in contract form, is an offer to you. We have made no commit-ments for you. We have made no rep-resentations that we have authority or power to bind you. It is, of course, not possible to make final recommendations on the convrict.

final recommendations on the copyright deal tentatively set up between NBC and ASCAP until affiliates have had



## **Business Rising Rapidly in KSD Area**

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Will be created by primary defense contracts, with more than 150 firms in metropolitan St. Louis par-ticipating and with wage increases from 25% to 50%. Estimates by St. Louis Chamber of Commerce



a chance to examine not only the final NBC-ASCAP contract but also the single station blanket contract, the single station per program contract, and the contract for clearance at the source of commercial transcriptions.

However, it is our considered judg-However, it is our considered judg-ment that this is a very fair deal and that now is the time to settle copy-right differences between networks and affiliates so that ASCAP music can go back on the air and so that other ma-jor problems which confront the industry can have our undivided attention.

#### Benefits Noted

First of all, let us spot the high-lights of what we shall call the ASCAP Formula of Aug. 1. 1941 (the year of the Big Wind). This is how we see them as affiliates.

we see them as athilates.

 No affiliate is compelled to take a local ASCAP license. Even if you don't take one, you will get the ben-efit of ASCAP music on network ser-vice and the network will pay the cost of sustaining programs. On commer-cial programs you will be asked to reimburse to the network only the same amount which the network pays ASCAP on the net dollars you get from the network. from the network.

You used to pay ASCAP 5% on these dollars. You are now asked to pay 2% %.

2. Any affiliate who wants ASCAP music locally can get it on a per-program basis or a blanket basis. An affiliate must also be able to get the nusic on commercial transcriptions cleared at the source, and this contract must be satisfactorily negotiated. On either the per program or blanket li-cense basis, you are allowed to deduct, as before, advertising agency commis-sions, quantity discounts, and income from political broadcasts. However, in addition, IRNA has obtained for you another flat discount of 15% on top of all that, representing cost of sales to the station itself, and not contingent upon anything. On the final balance you pay 2. Any affiliate who wants ASCAP

On the final balance you pay ASCAP 2¼% if you take a blanket license, which is obviously comparable with 1.91% on the previous basis by reason of this new 15% deduction we have obtained for you.

Add to that your local sustaining fee. Instead of an arbitrary figure as before, this will be, for a blanket sus-taining license, 12 times \$1, if your annual gross is under \$50,000; 12 times your highest <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hour rate if you gross \$50,000 to \$150,000; and 12 times your highest <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hour rate if you gross over \$150,000.

#### Blanket Licenses

On blanket licenses, adding your commercial and sustaining fees, your total cost of ASCAP will average well under 3%, as compared with a total of between 6% and 7% for both com-mercial and sustaining licenses be-fore 1941.

This basic differential in favor of affiliates, that is,  $2'_4\%$  as against the network 2%%, is also an IRNA contribution to the terms of the deal.

tribution to the terms of the deal. If you want to try a per-program commercial plan you still get the ben-efit of the extra 15% deduction we have obtained for you, so that the 8% on full programs of ASCAP music and 2% on incidental use of ASCAP music such as bridge, background, theme or signature, are really 6.8% and 1.7% respectively for compari-son with previous experience. son with previous experience.

You can even take a per-program sustaining license if you wish and pay 1% of the card value of local sustainers using ASCAP music.

If you wish, you can start with a program license and switch from pro-gram to blanket if you think it will be cheaper, or vice versa. Or you can combine a per-program commercial



into your recorded programs



Er. William B. Ogden, Jr. Radio Recording Division National Broadcasting Co. Inc. We are very happy to be able to inform you that we will be asking for studio reservations for recording the second series of the for studio reservations for orgrams early in August. As you know, forld's Most Honored Music programs day the availability of the members of the orchestra who are all key members to the New York members of the orchestra. National prosucasting 30 Rockefeller Plaza Dear Mr. Ogden: The families would compare the families would compare the families would compare the families of the state of the success of our broadcast series. "The World's Most Honored Nusic," and the extremely high reputation of the comments assumed to the orchestra, we were very much gratified at the comments assumed to the stations and listeners. Wany of these comments the total or for the station show which is indeed a tribute to the station show which is indeed a tribute to the quality total factor to the success of our transcribed program is that her precording a quipment. memoris or one or one of the start and the s We thought that you and your organization, who at all times have been so cooperative, would like to know about our very satisfactory experience with your Recording Division and your "Orthacoustic" transcriptions.

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#### Use NBC ORTHACOUSTIC\* recording so lifelike it wins acclaim of musical experts

Recording the Longines Symphonette was a real challenge, in that the quality of the recorded programs had to match the exceptionally high standards of the artists themselves.

How well the finished records met the challenge is explained in the letter from Mr. Cartoun-and in a letter from the conductor, Macklin Marrow:

"Having examined the first series of recordings I recently made with the Longines Symphonette I should like to express my appreciation for the truly amazing fidelity to tone and nuance in all registers, and for the warmth and richness of the string quality which is unequalled in my experience.

Whether you're preparing one minute spots or a quarter-hour musical or dramatic program, the live quality of NBC Orthacoustic\* is equally effective. Whatever your recording problem, take it to "Broadcasting Headquarters"-for here you will find the finest recording facilities as well as a complete production service-from script to finished pressings. \*Registered trademark

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license with a blanket sustaining, or

license with a branket sustaining, a vice vers2. 3. There is no minimum guarantee if you take a per-program license so as to make yourself eligible to play ASCAP numbers for any local adver-tisers who wish it. There is a fixed obligation, however, to log all of your numbers for ASCAP, and this will be onerous.

#### Renewal Clause

4. You can refrain at present from taking any kind of ASCAP license and change your mind any time you like and take one, and you will get the benefit of this deal for the full length of the term mither this result.

benefit of this deal for the full length of the term without being penalized because you want to wait and see. 5. This deal is for a full nine years with provision for renewal for nine more years if ASCAP gets rights from its members. The terms for the second nine years will be unchanged unless ASCAP demands an increase which we refuse, in which event the question of an increase would be de-termined by arbitration.

question of an increase would be de-termined by arbitration. 6. The terms for every affiliate are identical with the terms for every other one, including network M & O stations. The stations previously signed up, including the Mutual affi-liates, share in these improved terms. The previous discriminations in force The previous discriminations in favor of certain stations, such as the news-paper contract, are abolished. 7. The deal, when made, will pro-

the for releases up to the date of signing for the network, the stations that sign BMI and NAB, from the various threats for anti-trust and invarious threats for anti-trust and in-fringement violations that have been in the air. The local station deal should include a complete release for the stations signing it from all claims. At least up to the date that NBC signs the network deal, including not only infringement violations and anti-trust claims but also claims for next trust claims, but also claims for past years

#### **BMI to Continue**

8. Although it is not, of course, part of the deal with ASCAP, NBC has given assurance that it intends to do its part to maintain BMI and to con-tinue to support BMI and encourage it to grow, and we fc.1 that BMI will be meint ined by the breakenet be maintained by the broadcasters

be maintained by the broadcasters. 9. The aggregate cost of both BMI and ASCAP music on blanket licenses will be less than 4% for most affiliates as compared with between 6% and 7% on the old basis before 1941 (when roug old your custoning fors) you add your sustaining fees).

10. In the event of a reduction in

you and your sustaining rees). 10. In the event of a reduction in the ASCAP catalogue so material as to justify a remedy, we will have a right to cancel. If it is impractical to take ASCAP music off the air after having restored it, we always have the remedy of switching to a per pro-gram method of payment. 11. The deal imposes a considerable added financial cost on NBC which pays ASCAP on its network revenue which, as you know, was previously exempt. If the new formula were ap-plied to 1940 business the annual sum payable by NBC to ASCAP on net-work program, commercial and sus-taining, would be in round figures \$680,000. Against this, the network asks the affiliates to reimburse, in round figures, \$220,000. This leaves a network net cost of \$400,000. In addi-tion NBC mould have noted for the round figures, \$250,000. This leaves a network net cost of \$400,000. In addi-tion, NBC would have paid for its M & O stations, commercial and sus-taining fees on Llanket licenses, in round figures, \$100,000. This makes a total cost for ASCAP music to NBC \$500,000 if the new formula were ap-plied to 1940 business. In addition, NBC payments to BMI for the same period, on the reduced rate plan, are \$160,000. Therefore, cost to NBC for ASCAP and BMI together, on the new ASCAP and BMI together, on the new ASCAP and BMI together, on the new plan on 1940 business would be in round figures, \$660,000 as compared with actual payment to ASCAP for that year, \$410,000.

In other words, NBC is taking on an additional cost, in round figures, of \$250,000 per annum based on 1940 business (and this will increase with growing volume and with clearance at

#### PROMOTION DRIVE FOR COAL

#### Use of Radio Time Uraed in Campaian to Induce

#### Consumer Coal Purchases Now

TO PREVENT a threatened snarl in defense production and distribution by spreading out the delivery of coal through early fuel pur-chases, the NAB, in cooperation with the OPM Bituminous Coal Consumers' Counsel, last week launched a promotion drive in which coal producers and dealers would use radio time to urge cus-tomers to "buy coal now while you can get it, and be warm this win-ter." It was estimated that the It was estimated that the resultant paid advertising cam-paign probably would run to six figures, in radio and other media, with an estimated 50,000 coal dealers participating.

Prefacing a 4-page folder sent to all stations, prepared by Arthur Stringer, of the NAB Washington headquarters staff, an Aug. 14 message from Luther Harr, of the Bituminous Coal Consumers' Counsel, to wholesale and retail fuel groups indicated that an acute distribution problem had developed for coal, with a growing shortage of railroad facilities available for coal shipments.

#### Suggested Continuities

"Coal must be moved now-or the defense effort will be snarled," Mr. Harr declared. "Of the whole-

the source on BMI music when it be-gins) in order to make this deal possible.

#### **Combined Cost Is Less**

Most affiliates, on the other hand, MOST Annaces, on the other hand, will find, as above explained, that com-bined cost of ASCAP and BMI will run under 4% as compared with be-tween 6% and 7% before 1941. This should effectively dispose of any hang-over of resentment against the network from past dealings where peo-ple felt the network had made a better deal for itself at the expense of affiliates.

2. Proof that ASCAP is taking with good grace the licking it has received is self-evident when you figure that if all networks and stations take blanket licenses under the new formula, ASCAP stands to receive approximately \$3,200,000 per annum based on 1940 business, as compared with over \$5,000,000 it ac-tually received on 1940 business under the old formula. As further evi-dence of ASCAP's willingness to bury the past and live in friendship with us, ASCAP has further agreed that if any special Federal broadcast tax is imposed, it will be deductible before applying the percentages.

13. At the present time all we are asked to do is to inform NBC of our asked to do is to inform NBC of our agreement to reimburse the network to the extent of 24,4% of our com-pensation from it, subject to approval by us of the final detailed form of all the contracts which are to be sub-mitted as soon as the ASCAP and NBC regiment of lawyers have agreed upon them, namely, the network con-tract, and the single station contracts, both blanket and ner program. In addiboth blanket and per program. In addi tion the deal for clearance at the source of commercial transcription programs must be completed.

#### The Objections

Now we intend to review the objections which have been expressed by some affiliates and our comments on them. The time has come for bringing this matter to a conclusion. Full and free debate is healthy and democratic, but let's not be just a debating society that paralyzes action.

sale and retail bituminous coal associations and dealers I ask that they give generously to the buy-now campaign. I ask that they utilize every means of stimulating the buying and storing of coal now, by means of radio time, newspaper advertising and all other available means, and at their own expense. I see this as a patriotic duty. Of the producers and district boards I ask the same. Of consumer, large and small, I ask that they buy and store now. If they do, the railroads are going to be cleared for defense. And coal will be in storage places when it is most needed."

In addition to a full-page of sample spot announcements, in-cluded in the folder, Mr. Stringer suggested several other types of promotion for the "buy coal now" drive, i.e., a coal parade with pictures, speeches and a broadcast from the city hall; participation by insulation companies; sponsoring of a storm window campaign by building supply firms; advertising of coal dealers' budget buying plans; advertising by banks or loan companies of plans to borrow money to buy winter coal during summer months; participation by railroad companies with heavy coal traffic.



FRESH FROM BARNYARD came this authentic bit of rural atmosphere to get the goat of Bernie Smith, new agricultural director of KFI-KECA, Los Angeles. Headed by Manager Harrison Holliway, the staff greeted Bernie, who in turn greeted his new mascot.

Underlying all criticism of the deal and the formula are these fundamental and basic questions in the minds of many affiliates :

Why should we make any deal with ASCAP at all? Who says we need any ASCAP music whatever? We have made out satisfactorily for eight months without ASCAP music, so why bring it back? Admitting the deal is good enough in dollars, wby add this expenditure to what we are already spending for BMI if we don't need spending for BMI if we don't need it' Is this money not just an extra luxury for something the network may need but we don't? If the net-work wants ASCAP music, why doesn't the network pay for it and here us alono? leave us alone?

Let us first dispose of this subject: We all know what a voracious appe-tite for music radio has and it is up to us, as a matter of public service, to supply our program builders with every bit of material available, providing only that we can obtain that material at an equitable price. We had not only the right, but the duty to re-fuse to pay ASCAP the exhorbitant Tuse to pay ASCAP the exhorbitant demands made on the industry last year. But no matter how unreason-able ASCAP was with us we must not overlook our public obligation and be unreasonable with them. We must continuously improve our programs continuously improve our programs and the ASCAP repertoire will be a help in doing that.

#### **Sponsor Reaction**

Some of the large national advertisers who have cooperated with us for the past eight months because they knew that any great increase in copy-right fees would result in increased rates, are now becoming restless. They rates, are now becoming restless. They are saying to the network executives: "We have cooperated with you when the demands upon you were unreason-able but now that you can make a fair deal we expect you to make it and not hold out somely because you corre to be getting along fairly well with the music now available. We want to use everything that has ever been written and we expect you to obtain the right for us to do so."

This is no reflection on BMI. BMI, This is no reflection on BMI. BMI, in the few months of its existence, has done a wonderful job. The fact that it has enabled us to keep music on the air at all is in itself a miracle of accomplishment. It is not reason-able to expect that in one year of experience, half of which was taken up with preparation, BMI could accu-mulate for us a catalogue sufficient to supplant entirely the ASCAP library accumulated over more than 50 years. 50 years.

It may be that many stations are not fully aware of the difficulties that hor there drog are built of the uniternet that have faced program builders. Many stations depend mostly on phonograph records or t.anscriptions for most of their musical output, and BMI has done a wonderful job in making avail-able fists of numbers free of ASCAP obligations.

The networks have developed what-ever position they have, because in the last analysis they have furnished the public with programs of such high quality that audiences have been edu-cated to expect nothing but the best. They cannot afford to lose this hall-mark. We cannot afford to let them lose it.

#### More ASCAP Records

However, staticus which take the view that it is up to the networks and not a matter of interest to the stations, are only trying to hitch-hike a free ride without realizing the facts. With ASCAP music on the networks, With ASCAP music on the networks, many stations will eventually find that listener interest will require them to add ASCAP music to their local pro-gram service. Furthermore, the prob-lem of avoiding ASCAP-controlled phonograph records will increase tre-mendously because therc will be a tremendous increase in ASCAP tunes recorded. recorded.

Another consideration that should be present in the minds of all broadbe present in the minus of all broad-casters is the opportunity by closing with ASCAP at this time to avoid the damage that would be caused by any other course to our public and governmental relations at a time when we are being attacked from carried we are being attacked from several quarters.

Any broadcaster who thinks that Any broadcaster who thinks that the object we had in view was to de-stroy and disintegrate ASCAP is equally mistaken. We all recognize the established fact that composers and publishers of individual songs or numbers ours the auvariable and here numbers own the copyrights and have a right to be paid for their use. If a right to be paid for their use. It we use the music someone has a right to be paid. If we don't pay through ASCAP as a central collecting agent, if ASCAP is completely disintegrated, the probable result might be that these composers and publishers would deal with us for themselves or would form smaller groups in larger numbers' and we would then be faced with the prob-lem of dealing not with one single col-



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lecting agency but with many. The confusion, correspondence, bookkeep-ing and detail involved in dealing with all these people separately, and the flood of infringement charges and suits that might descend upon us would far courtour blocks are reading to the second s that might descend upon is would far counter-balance any sentimental satis-faction that hast-ditch fighters would enjoy in the dissolution of ASCAP. As far as emotion is concerned, such broadcasters should derive all the com-fort which they need from the ob-vious fact that on the revised basis of the consent decree and the formula. ASCAP will have to make plenty of changes and cut out most of the abuses which we broadcasters objected to.

#### Program or Blanket Basis

The next general set of questions come under the head of program and blanket :

blanket: As long as two successive conven-tions of the industry went on record in favor of a program license or plan of measured use, why are we now called upon to reimburse to the net-work on a blanket basis, or to con-sider blanket licenses for local use?

In the first place, you will note that the percentages in the program plan offered to NBC by ASCAP are con-siderably reduced below the percentag-es offered by ASCAP to Mutual. These reductions are directly due to demands reductions are directly due to demands by IRNA that the percentage should be reduced, and ASCAP has reduced them as described earlier in this let-ter, to a point where they amount to 6.8% on full program and 1.7%on incidental use. NBC has figured that on the program basis its possible cost for network music would be, in round figures. \$1,000,000 as compared with \$680,000 on the blanket basis. and that the amount of reimburse-ment it would seek from its affiliates, if computed on a program basis, would be in round figures \$460,000 instead be in round figures \$460,000 instead of, as stated earlier in this letter, \$280,000 on a blanket basis.

Iu other words, on the program basis the network \$180,000 per annum more than on the blanket basis, and even than on the blanket basis, and even then the net cost to the network would be \$140,000 more than on the blanket hasis on network husiness alone, or an actual net loss to the industry in favor of ASCAP of \$320,000 if the program basis were in force instead of the blanket license. From the viewpoint of NBC and its affili-ates, therefore, it is obvious that a program basis for network serv-ice is uneconomic. Whether it will be economic for stations will depend on the cost of logging the programs and The is unreading of the programs and on the cost of logging the programs and on the percentage of revenue which the station derives from musical pro-grams which will use ASCAP music. For some stations the per program method may prove economic; for many stations, however, we believe that it will prove uneconomic, especially in the case of the smaller stations, be-cause of the cost of maintaining logs. In any event, this is a matter on which every station can make its own decision on its local contract. The stations which say the network has a right to take a blanket license from bursement from affiliates on a program basis would certainly be on the losing end, because reimbursement on a proend, because reimbursement on a pro-gram basis would exceed the reim-bursement on a blanket basis.

#### **Reimbursement Feature**

The next objection relates solely to the matter of the amount of the compensation or reimbursement between affiliate and network. Several stations have argued that they are satisfied with every aspect of the deal except

with every aspect of the deal except this one: Admitting that the network pays ASCAP much more than it ever did be-fore. nevertheless the network is get-ting the benefit of two deductions which it does not pass along to the stations: These are the deductions of 15% for general sales cost and ap-proximately 10% for wire lines. On the hasis of the 1940 business these two items will exempt approximately

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#### THEY WERE IN THE NAVY THEN

One of a series



THEY KNEW THEIR "SPARKS" during the first World War, serving in Uncle Sam's sea forces ashore and on ship. All now hold important executive posts in radio; for identifications and brief sketches of their careers, see page 42.

\$5,000.000 of network revenue from the ASCAP tax, o: at 2% % approx-inntely \$220.000. These stations argue that part of this saving ought to be credited to the stations against the amounts of station compensation on which the testings exceeded to prior which the stations are asked to reim-burse to the network 234%. This argument is based upon the view that part of the network sales cost and cost of wire lines is already borne by the stations in formula for station compensations in formula for station com-pensation set forth in the affiliation contracts, so that these costs to a large extent, already come out of the pockets of the stations.

#### Worth the Cost?

However, there is a certain incon-sistency in this particular complaint. Suppose it will be agreed, for instance, that the money paid by the network for wire lines is really the money of the stations, and suppose the plan of payment is amended so that the net-work distributes more money to the payment is amended so that the net-work distributes more money to the stations, and the stations then con-tribute directly to the telephone com-pany and pay the cost of the wire lines. In such event the stations would merely demand from ASCAP an ex-emption of the wire line cost from ASCAP the same 234% on the re-maining dollars which would be the same as the net compensation now re-ceived from the network. For this particular demand against the network. Is there any flaw in this reasoning?

particular demand against the network. Is there any flaw in this reasoning? So much for the deduction for wire lines. As for the deduction allowed the network of 15% for sales and promo-tion, it seems to us fair that as be-tween network and affiliate the net-work abult acts a world for the calce tween network and affiliate the net-work should get a credit for the sales and promotion work done by it at its expense, which contributes to the sale of the affiliate's time. The net-work says its actual sales and pro-motion expense exceeds 15%. Most of use are satisfied to pay 15% to a na-tional representative. In principle, it seems as fair that the network should be exempt from tax on this disburse-ment as on the wire-line disbursement. In fact we obtained the 15% deduc-tion for sales costs for affiliates who

In fact we obtained the 15% deduc-tion for sales costs for affiliates who take a local license, on the ground that if the network is entitled to it the affiliates are. We think both are. Fundamentally this goes to the whole basic question of the proper rate of ultimate compensation the station should receive from the net-work out of the advertiser's dollar. We prefer not to express any view in this connection regarding the fair-ness of the present basis of station compensation. Naturally we would like

#### **AIR BASE ROUNDUP Spokane Stations Coordinate** -News Each Friday-

ASSUMING the role of coordinating all news in connection with the Second Air Force of the U. S. Army which headquarters at Spokane, KHQ and KGA each Friday night present a half-hour roundup of all the outlaying bases of the Second Air Force. Orders from Maj. Gen. Millard Harmon's com-Orders from mand post at Fort George Wright, just outside of Spokane, go to such bases as Salt Lake City, Boise, Pendleton, Portland, McChrod Field near Tacoma, Paine Field near Everett, the bombing range near Ephrata, and nearby Geiger Field, west of Spokane.

Each field is contacted by Army shortwave radiophone from Fort Wright and the conversations amplified and piped to KHQ for broadcast. Material used on the programs includes reports on construction, equipping, staffing, training and educational and recreational facilities about the fields, besides interviews with commanding officers, pilots, ground crews and educational officers.

KGA turns its facilities over to the Second Air Force's chaplain's office each Sunday for a three-quarter hour program devoted to the work of the chaplain's office. work of the chaplain's office. Broadcast is also piped from head-quarters at Fort Wright.

to get more. It is human nature that the network would like to make more profit off the stations, and the sta-tions would like to get more profit off the networks. IRNA has never set out to be a bargaining agency for sta-tion compensation. Therefore the only position IRNA can take on this is that if any individual station thinks it has a good enough argument with which

a good enough argument with which to improve its general basis of station compensation, go ahead and get it. For stations signing the per pro-gram or blanket contract with ASCAP, either plan will apply to transcrip-tions, and for these people clearance at the source of transcription is an at the source of transcription is un-necessary. For those desiring to have no contract with ASCAP, we are in-sisting that ASCAP live up to the consent decree, and provide for clear-ance of such transcriptions at the

source, that is, by the transcription companies or advertisers. It is obvi-ous that the deal must be made now before stations commit themselves to before stations commit themselves to carrying and paying for the music on network programs. The cost of clear-ing transcriptions at the source would have to be rebated to the companies which make the payment by the sta-tions which get the business, so that there can be no increase in the cost of transcriptions to the advertisers. This is necessary so that there will be no tendency toward the use of network as against spot transcriptions due to any increase in cost.

#### The Rest of the Industry

The Rest of the Industry Another view expressed has been that it is a breach of faith for NBC and the NBC affiliates to make a deal with ASCAP before there is assur-ance that the rest of the industry is willing to do likewise. Under the consent decree every other network and every affiliate will be entitled to the benefit of whatever deal can be made by NBC and its affiliates, and there can be no higher charge under the consent decree to non-affiliated stations than to affiliates. We have sat in as advisers with the NBC execu-tives at a number of the discussions with ASCAP. We are prepared to ex-press the view on our own responsibil-ity that no better deal can be made with ASCAP. This might result in our having to deal with scattering groups of composers and publishers. The last question of which we have

with scattering groups of composers and publishers. The last question of which we have knowledge is the problem of what to do about States where local legislation forbids dealing with ASCAP. This is a local problem in those states and cannot be treated nationally.

#### **Our Recommendations**

Our Recommendations The above observations are made by us in our capacity as members of the negotiating committee of NBC affiliates constituted by IRNA. Morency is in Hartford and Rosenbaum in Phila-delphin. This accident of geography is solely responsible for the fact that we were frequently called in, whereas the other three members of our com-mittee are at some distance, Craig in Nashville, Norton in Louisville, and Campbell in Dallas. We are aware that some of them may have views which differ from ours on some of these points, but we take the respon-sibility for expressing our views to you because of the contact we have had with this situation as it has developed. We have not endeavored to cover in detail all the points the contracts should include. Some of these are sat-isfactory provisions regarding delayed broadcasts and origination of network programs without a local license; full indemnity provisions to protect affili-agencies; satisfactory definition of time, sales; and there are others of

ates, their artists and clients and their agencies; satisfactory definition of time sales; and there are others of equal importance. Every affiliate will have to study and analyze the con-tracts for itself, because as you know. IRNA has no funds with which to engage attorneys and no staff available to not in that concentry. to act in that capacity

For the reasons given we recom-mend the approval of the formula in principle and the agreement to reim-burse to NBC subject to final exam-ination of the detailed contracts when they cover they come.

#### New BMI Catalogs

EIGHTEEN newly-formed publishing houses have signed contracts for the houses have signed contracts for the transfer of performance, broadcasting and television rights of their music to BMI, including Bach Music Publish-ers; Barres Publications; S. Brainard & Sons Co.; Eccma Music Co.; Es-quire Music Co.; Will Frederic Music Publishers; Hall Music Co.; Ideal Music Publishing Co.; Immortal Music Publishing Co.; Frank Mar-sales; Gene McClean Music Co.; Melody Moderne; Monroe Publica-tions; Grace W. Murray; Palomar Music Co.; Kelton Romm Music Co.; Ted Steele Publishing Co., and Murray Wizell Music Co. Wizell Music Co.

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#### Lorillard Changes

P. LORILLARD Co., New York, on Sept. 22 discontinues Union Leader News, for Union Leader tobacco on 13 North Central Broadcasting System stations, Monday through Friday 12-12:10 p.m., but renews the same program for 13 weeks on KMA, Shenandoah, and KFH, Wichita. On Sept. 30 the company will start a news period for Friends tobacco on KSD, St. Louis, 12:30-12:45 p.m. At the same time the *Rhythm Four* on WSGN, Birmingham, and WSFA, Montgomery, for Ripple tobacco has been renewed for 13 weeks, as has *Ripple Ranch* Hands on KPRC, Houston, for the same product. Adolph Hofner's Band, also for Ripple, will be dropped from KTSA, San Antonio, Sept. 12 and from KRGV, Weslaco, Sept. 19. Agency is Lennen & Mitchell, New York.

#### Continuing Study of Listening Habits In New York Area Is Started by WOR

IN AN EFFORT to secure more complete information about the listening habits of its potential audience, WOR, New York, has started a "continuing study of radio listening" in the city's metropolitan area, based on 6,000 personal interviews a month, collected by the staff of Crossley Inc.

The personal interview method was selected, according to Joseph Creamer, WOR promotion director, to provide a check on the listening habits of non-telephone as well as telephone homes, as well as to enable the collection of more information than can be secured by a telephone survey. To insure statistical accuracy in the reports. each will be based on 12,000 completed interviews, covering two months. The first report, for June and July, will be completed about the first of September.

Each interview will cover the two hours preceding the time of the interview, in the daytime, or the hour-and-a-half preceding in the evening, so that an accurate report on listening by quarterhours may be secured from each person interviewed. In additionthe interviewer will ask "What program are you listening to now?" as a coincidental check. If the person interviewed has been listening, but cannot recall the programs heard, he will be given



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a randomized list of programs, with no stations shown, as an aid to memory.

The interviewer will check on the number of listeners in each home and on the ownership of telephone, auto, etc., to indicate the financial status and provide a means of comparing listening habits in telephone and non-telephone homes. He will note on each report the weather and temperatureas these have a decided influence on listening.

#### Extra Question

Answers will be analyzed by sex and age of those interviewed. Each monthly interview will include one extra question, such as "Do you prefer to listen to dramatic or musical programs in the morning?", to give WOR an opportunity to get information helpful in solving current problems.

All programs heard in New York, both sponsored and sustaining, will be covered by the study, which will also supply a check on Saturday morning listening with an evening-size sample, furnishing information not readily available from the national program surveys which cover only commercial network programs and hence have to a large degree concentrated in the daytime on the Mondaythrough-Friday period when the dramatic serials that constitute a large part of daytime network broadcasting are on the air.

Each month's interviews will be made during a single week, usually in the middle of the month, but always a week without holidays or other factors which would make for abnormal listening.

The WOR "continuing studies"-Mr. Creamer explained, are aimed at supplying detailed information about listening at any time of day or evening, information which will be of real value to timebuyersand to WOR salesmen-in selecting the best times and programs for their clients, rather than the vague "we have most of the listeners during the week" sort of results that even if they honestly show the general superiority of a station do not give a prospective buyer any assistance in placing his single program or program series.

#### Air School Broadened

SCOPE of New Horizons, Wednesday series of the CBS School of the Air of the Americas, is to be broadened for the 1941-42 school year to include an historical survey of all the Americas. Under the title Lands of New World Neighbors, the programs, starting Oct. 8, will dramatize the exploration, natural history, geography and history of the entire Western Hemisphere. Jointly sponsored by the National Education Assn., and the American Museum of Natural History, the series will offer students a supplementary textbook.

CALL LETTERS issued to recent new station grants are KWRC, Pendleton. Ore.; WRRN, Warren, O.; WGBG, Greensboro, N. C.; WFIN, Findlay, O.

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## David Joins Donovan's Staff As FCC Widens Foreign Bands

More Frequencies for Domestic Licensees Giving **International Service Will Be Available** 

RESIGNATION of Nathan H. David, chief of the litigation section of the FCC's law department, to join the staff of Col. William J. Donovan, U. S. Coordinator of Information, was announced last Monday by the FCC. Mr. David will serve as liaison officer on legal matters between the Donovan organization and the FCC, it was reported.

A Harvard Law School graduate, Mr. David joined the FCC in 1939 as assistant to Chairman James Lawrence Fly. Subsequently he transferred to the legal staff and recently was named chief of the Litigation Section. He is 28, and before joining the FCC was in the law office of former Judge John J. Burns of Boston.

#### **Coordinating Work**

While no formal announcement has been made by the Donovan office as to the extent of its coordinating operations in the radio field. it is understood a working arrangement already has been established with the FCC's Foreign Broadcast Monitoring Service. The Donovan office will coordinate all national



defense information for the Presi-

dent. In addition to the work of the monitoring service, which recently procured an additional appropriation of \$209,000 for the fiscal year 1942 [BROADCASTING, Aug. 18], the Donovan committee is also coordinating in a general way the service of international broadcast stations. Col. Donovan has held several conferences with representatives of these stations with a view toward improvement of overall service in the interests of hemispheric solidarity.

In the latter connection, the FCC announced last Tuesday modification of its rules governing international broadcast stations to permit greater flexibility in the choice of operating frequencies. This, the Commission said, would bring about more efficient use of the limited number of frequencies available for this service. The Commission said that existing world conditions demonstrate the necessity of the United States being well represented in the international broadcast band and of maintaining an adequate service to the people of foreign nations.

#### More Interference

Expansion of international broadcast facilities in other countries has resulted in considerable increased interference to the transmissions of stations in this country engaged in international broadcasting, it added.

The changes made in the international broadcast rule (4.44) will make it possible to assign more than one frequency in the international broadcast band to a single doniestic licensee. This will enable the licensee, should interference be experienced on one frequency, to shift to another frequency not subject to the same degree of interference. In addition, due to the time differential in foreign lands served by international broadcast stations in this country, it is possible to assign the same frequency to two or more stations broadcasting to different portions of the world, without conflict.

The Commission pointed out that there are now a dozen international broadcast stations in operation or under construction in this country. A minimum power of 50 kw. is specified for these stations.

#### New Shortwave Programs

NEW programs now shortwaved to England on NBC's international sta-tions WRCA and WNBI include *Re-*sistance in *Europe*, details on the currently conquered countries and occupied territories as related by Frank Nesbitt, chief of the English section of NBC's international division, and Comments on Currents Events by Ar-thur Garry, with facts prepared by Maurice English, former war corre-spondent now with the division.



The Chairman having determined the absence of a quorum of the Com-mission placed into effect Adminis-trative Order No 3, for the day of Aug 18, 1941 only, under which the following action was taken by a board consisting of Commissioners Fly, Chairman Chairman

Revised Rule 4.44, subsections (a) (b) and (c) regarding frequency as-signments to International Broadcast Stations.

The revision of Rule 4.44(a) brings the frequencies listed in this subsec-tion up to date with current assign-ments and notifications to the Bureau of the International Telecommunica-tions Union. Included therein are the so-called "Pan American" frequencies which here here in the mer so the isod which have been in the past authorized for use subject to a number of restrictions.

Revision of present subsections (b) and (c) provides for a greater flexibil-ity in the choice of operating frequencies, permitting more efficient use of the limited number of frequencies available, making it possible to assign more than one frequency in any band to a single licensee, and should inter-ference be experienced, that licensee may shift operations to another fre-quency not subject to the same degree of interference. In addition, due to the time differential of various foreign time differential of various foreign countries served by our international broadcast stations, it is possible to as-sign the same frequency to two or more stations without conflict or interference.

The following subsections were added :

ed: Rule 4.44 "(d) An international broadcast station will not be author-izel to use more than one frequency listed in any group listed in subsec-tion (a) without a showing of techni-cal necessity." "(e) Not more than one frequency

"(e) Not more than one frequency shall be used simultaneously under the same authorization and call letter designation."

KFUO, Clayton, Mo., has been au-thorized to change from \$30 to \$50 kc. and increase power from 1,000 to 5,000 watts.

#### Additional Fund of \$209,000 Provided For FCC's Foreign Monitoring Service

TO BE USED in speeding up its monitoring, translating and analyzing functions and increase the opportunity for their practical application to defense problems, the Foreign Broadcast Monitoring Service of the FCC has been voted an additional appropriation of \$209,000 for the fiscal year 1942 [BROADCASTING, Aug. 18].

The additional funds, included in the First Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Bill, 1942, were authorized by the Senate Appropriations Committee, accepted by the House and Senate conferees after approval by the Senate, and finally approved by the House in the conference report. They were not in the bill as originally passed by the House.

#### Speedup Plan

The \$209,000 appropriation, added to the regular \$60,000 appropriation for fiscal 1942 provided some time ago in the Second Deficiency Bill, gives FBMS a total operating appropriation of \$809,-000 for the year [BROADCASTING, June 2, 16]. The additional funds, requested by Lloyd A. Free, FBMS director, and E. K. Jett, FCC chief engineer, in an appearance before the Senate Appropriations Committee on July 29, became needed under a reorganization plan for FBMS designed to speed up the monitoring agency's operation.

Under the plan outlined to the committe by Mr. Free, FBMS would decentralize the work of translating, transcribing and reporting foreign broadcasts bv establishing complete staffs at each of its four listening posts-Portland, Ore., Kingsville, Tex., Guilford, Md., and Puerto Rico-so that translation and analysis of the foreign shortwave broadcasts could begin immediately upon reception. The plan also provides for linking the listening posts to Washington headquarters by a system of fast wire communication

rather than relying on air express and motor vehicles to deliver transcriptions of the broadcasts. Part of the funds will be used to establish teletype connections with the listening posts, so complete translations of foreign broadcasts would be in Washington a few hours after they were received rather than several hours to several days later.

#### Quick Action

Mr. Free indicated the plan had been developed in cooperation with and the approval of the State, War and Navy Departments, DCB and Col. William J. Donovan, Coordinator of Information. He stated that FBMS' work must be speeded up "very, very materially if we are going to perform the function we should". "The original plan was satisfactory for what amounted to long-range analysis of propaganda," he declared, "but we have reached the point where the Government should be in a position to act immediately on these campaigns as they start from abroad."

Another innovation made possible under the appropriation, termed "an extremely important one" by Mr. Free, is the stationing of an American editor in London, with access to the British Broadcasting Corp.'s monitoring service, which covers all of Europe, particularly in the long-wave field which cannot be received in America, and some other points not receivable in this country. He would prepare a daily report on these broadcasts for FBMS, probably telephoned to Washington headquarters. It was indicated these reports in many instances would be of military intelligence value.

Although the great bulk of the new funds will go for moving personnel, maintaining larger quarters, paying for extensive use of wire lines and telephone service, part will be used for additional personnel, Mr. Free indicated.

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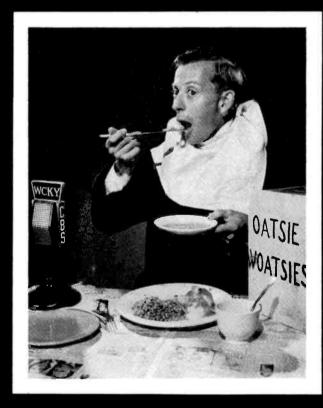


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#### **Advertising Under Fire**

RATHER SUDDENLY it has dawned upon the advertising realm that Uncle Sam is doing a job of sniping at their business, which now looms as a coordinated effort dictated from inner New Deal councils. How Government people, crowded to the eyebrws with war and defense activity, can justify this revived and revitalized job founded on the phoney premise of "consumer protection," probably will remain another of those inscrutable New Deal mysteries.

The underlying philsophy of the anti-advertising snipers appears to be that Government grading of everything from toothpicks to 10ton trucks would eliminate the necessity of promoting name brands, and save the consumer the advertising differential. But such intent is denied by these very same people, whether high officials like Assistant Attorney General Thurman Arnold or some lesser functionary in an administrative agency.

One thing, however, is evident. The attack is coming from all imaginable sources, with a trial balloon here and an incidental statement there. It's a job of shooting at a moving target. There's no legislation to attack. Advertising is being discouraged by suasion and innuendo.

In the Aug. 18 BROADCASTING was published the results of a survey indicating the widening anti-advertising front. Now the American Newspaper Publishers Assn. has circularized its membership, pointing to the increasing evidence of "antagonism to advertising" in Government actions and activities and citing the need for action.

Radio, along with other media, is becoming increasingly aware of the trend. Unlike newspaper and magazines, it has no editorial page or policy. But radio, while giving freely of its time and facilities to causes of national welfare, education or religion, certainly can contribute a modicum in its own interest as well as that of every advertiser, agent or medium. The public should know the *truth about advertising.* That story can be told over the air.

## Service and Repair

LOOK NEXT to the public utilities as sponsors of programs promoting servicing and repair of electrical and gas appliances. National defense requirements will perforce reduce their ability to deliver new refrigerators, washing machines, gas ranges, vacuum cleaners and the like, and they are already casting about for new avenues of trade to recapture the income loss. Biggest of the utilities, New York's Consolidated Edison, has launched a project to set up certified service and repair stations under supervised operation and with standard prices and terms, providing also for plans to finance the repairs. Appliance manufacturers, large and small, and their other distributors may be expected to follow suit and radio looms as undoubtedly the most effective promotional medium at hand.

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## **Frying Pan Into Fire**

IN THESE turbulent times it's risky to predict the outcome of revenue-raising legislation. But enough has transpired to venture a guess that the discriminatory 5-15% net time sales impost, approved by the House, will be knocked out by the Senate Finance Committee in its draft of the Revenue Act.

The controverted provision could not withstand the logic of the opposition expressed in hearings before the committee last week. Several members of the committee freely admitted they considered the tax undesirable, ill-advised and unfair. And for the first time in many moons all elements in the industry—independents, affiliates, networks and even the labor unions identified with radio—were united in their opposition.

But there immediately develops a fryingpan-into-the-fire aspect. FCC Chairman Fly magnanimously opposed the tax as dicriminatory and advanced cogent reasons to support his argument. Yet, under cross-examination, he revealed that the FCC has its own plan for a franchise tax to defray at least the cost of regulation, though he did not outline the precise formula.

Elsewhere in this issue we recount a recommendation pending before the Commission proposing a gross-receipts tax, designed to raise from all communications operations regulated by the FCC approximately \$2,200,000 annually to cover normal overhead. While the amount is far less than would be raised under the House provision in the new Revenue Act, it nevertheless does not differ in principle from the obnoxious so-called Haggerty-Flynn proposal.

The FCC proposal would impose a gross receipts tax on stations and networks whether or not they earn profits. It would strike at the ill-fed, ill-clothed one-third, ignoring the cardinal precept that taxes should be paid in ratio to earning capacity. Moreover, the very arguments advanced by Chairman Fly in opposing the House provision apply with equal force to



A SUGGESTION TO AGENCIES By A. E. JOSCELYN General Manager, WBT, Charlotte

**H** OWEVER pleasant and profitable it might be for a radio station to have its schedule so full that it is necessary to use the proverbial shoehorn to squeeze in another announcement or two, it certainly brings a batch of unrelenting headaches among which is vainly attempting to frame "no availabilities" letters so that asking-agencies will understand that schedules are really crowded, and that a station is just not being temperamental and independent because it happens to have had quite a stretch of good business.

While difficulties in providing availabilities come in many forms, there are two tough ones that drop into a station's lap much too frequently. The first is the most common and the hardest to handle—trying to provide satisfactory availabilities for 100-word announcements or for one-minute transcribed announcements. I am sure there are many stations such as WBT which have a daily program schedule so tight that man or science would have a tussle indeed to accommodate announcements of such length.

WBT is not a Columbia basic, yet between network, national spot and our local shows, we have filled up the schedule to a point where from 5 in the morning until 10:45 at night, we have one program following right after another. As there is but 30 seconds for station identification, only the shorter station-break announcements can be accommodated between these programs.

You just cannot squeeze a transcribed minute or a hundred words, which usually takes close to a minute when given orally, into 30 seconds. The result on WBT is that with the exception of Saturdays and Sundays, there are seldom any spots during the day where a hundred-word or minute transcribed announcement can be run with the exception of three 10-minute periods that we hold open for announcements immediately following our 5-(Continued on page 42)

the pending FCC proposal. In fairness, it should be observed that the proposal not only has not been approved by the FCC, but must procure Congressional sanction as an amendment to the Communications Act before it can become law.

To us it seems a more equitable franchise tax method—if one indeed is justified at all would be a levy on station facilities computed in conjunction with ability to pay. Or perhaps something akin to a court fee system might be devised, under which stations would pay a nominal license fee and applicants would pay an amount sufficient to cover costs, inspections and the like. The latter plan in fact might prove beneficial in that it would discourage irresponsible or "nuisance" applications and apply costs in proportion to the burden imposed.

With government costs mounting daily, every conceivable source of revenue is going to be tapped, if not this year, next. Radio is contributing more and more of its substance in time without complaint and in the teeth of what at best is an uncertain outlook. It willingly shares its added burden, but asks only that it be treated equitably.

## We Pay Our Respects To - Personal



KENNETH MALCOLMB HANCE

height when Kenneth Malcolmb Hance, now vicepresident and treasurer of KSTP, St. Paul, lar.ded in the Texas town of McAllen in 1917. Secret German radio messages somehow were filtering through the Mexican air to Berlin, messages that caused no end of consternation to the U. S. Intelligence Division.

ORLD WAR I was at its

It was Ken's duty, as an Army Signal Corps intelligent agent, to locate the German transmitter operating in Mexico. Day in, week out, Hance and his staff vainly checked the air for secret code messages. Then one night it happened. A tremendous steam-escaping-like noise penetrated the static, a signal that finally was interpreted as a series of five code groups. Detailed technical analyses were rushed to headquarters, and within a short period a German transmitter of 150,000 watts was discovered in the heart of Mexico, and taken over.

Mr. Hance was well fitted for his Army-radio sleuthing job for he had started finding out the secrets of radio as a youngster out in Fargo, N. D., where he was born Dec. 18, 1894. His career in radio began in 1910 when he constructed and operated his own amateur radio station while gaining his higher education at North Dakota State College. Four years later he left North Dakota State to join the American Marconi Co. as a wireless operator where he was assigned to the Great Lakes and Atlantic "beats". During his three-year service with that company . . . the predecessor of the RCA . . . Hance traveled the waters on such vessels as the El Cid, Siamese Prince, North Star and Sarnia.

After his discharge in 1919, Hance returned to Detroit Lakes, Minn., with radio still the foremost thought in his mind. Casting about for something in that field, he went back to Fargo in 1920 where he established the Radio Equipment Corp., a jobbing house dealing in radio sets and parts.  $T_{XO}$  years later, with Earl Reineke, he became one of the founders of WDAY in Fargo.

A few years later, in 1928, a new voice was being established in Minneapolis and St. Paul and, selling his interests in WDAY, Ken joined KSTP, the new station, as chief announcer. He remained in that capacity only a short time, quickly moving into the executive end of the station. In 1936, after eight years with KSTP, he was elevated vice-president and treasurer of the station, now NBC's Red network station operating with 50,000 watts.

Mr. Hance is widely known throughout the midwest for the exceptional number of good announcers he has developed. More than a half-dozen trained by Hance, have secured employment with the networks, including Pierre Andre, John Wald, Abbott Tessman, George Putnam, George Watson, Jack Costello and, more recently, Thomas D. Rishworth, now assistant public service director for NBC's eastern division.

Mr. Hance is married, lives at 1491 Edgcumbe Road in St. Paul and is the father of one son, Richard. Though his first hobby is naturally radio with 31 years of experience behind him, Ken finds time to tinker with rhotography. Son Dick, like his father, also is a student of photography, and leaving the U of Minnesota this year he secured the job of photographer with the Great Northern Railroad.

Mr. Hance is president of the Kiwanis club in St. Paul and member of the St. Paul Athletic Club.

MAJ. EDWARD BOWES, having recovered from a recent operation, returns Sept. 4 with his Original Amateur Hour to CBS afte: an 11-week layoff.



JESSE S. BUTCHER, director of radio activities of the United Service Organization during its recent fund raising campaign, has been named USO director of public relations. Mr. Butcher, formerly manager of the New York Times feature news syndicate, was previously public relations director of CBS and an executive in the NBC station relations department.

LIEUT. BARRY BINGHAM, president and publisher of the Louisville Couvier-Journal and Times and WHAS, Louisville, formerly laison between the radio section and other divisions of the Navy Department Public Relations Office, on Ang. 18 was transferred to become liason offcer between the Navy Department and the Office of Civilian Defense, headed by Major LaGuardia of New York.

THEODORE C. STREIBERT, vicepresident of WOR and MBS, and Mrs. Streibert, on Ang. 16 became the pareuts of a son, Theodore Paul, born at the Brooklyn Hospital.

ALLEN W. SAYLER, supervising investigator-attorney of the FCC's Inquiry Section, and Frances Wheeler, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Burton K. Wheeler, of Montana, were married Aug. 22, and left immediately on a honeymoon.

TREVOR ADAMS, former partner of Adams & Adams, station representative, and previously director of sales of the Texas Network, has joined the sales staff of WINS, New York.

GORDON SHAW, who joined WJR, Detroit, last September, has been named to succeed Maj. James Stevenson, who has been a WJR newscaster line years. Stevenson will be attached to the Judge Advocate General's office in the Chicago area, assigned to intelligence.

MERRILL M. ASH, announcer of KPAC. Beaumont, Tex., has been promoted to program director.

J. SOULARD JOHNSON, director of sales promotion of KMOX, St. Louis, has been named chairman of the entertainment committee for the Missouri Retail Grocers Assn. Convention in St. Louis the week of Oct. 19.

CLIFFORD II. DOWLING, veteran Canadian newspaperman, has been appointed assistant general manager of British United Press, headquartering at Toronto, according to General Manager R. W. Keyserling.

KEN CHURCH, sales manager of KMOX, St. Louis, has been commissioned a captain in the First Missouri Infantry, reserve military force.

J. E. KOPF, brother of Harry Kopf, manager (f NBC central division, has joined the sales staff of KTSM, El Paso. Tex.

JOHN L. McCLAY, former general manager of WBAB, Atlantic City, has volunteered and leaves late this month for active duty.

BOB BARBLEY, sales manager of National Recording Supply Co., Hollywood, resigned Aug. 18 to enter the Naval Reserve as a chief petty officer. He was assigned as chief photographic of the new sound-photographic unit.

HERBERT SIMON. former radio director of United States Adv. Co.. Toledo, has joined the sales staff of WJJD, Chicago.

ROBERT E. PUSEY, of Westinghouse in Detroit, has been named auditor of KDKA, Pittsburgh, replacing the iate David F. Dickson.

WILLIAM S. RAINEY, for 12 years NBC manager of production in New York, has been added to the radio section of the Treasury Dept. Defense Sevings Staff, working out of the New York Office. Among other duties he will produce the new America Preferred broadcasts which begin Sept. 6 over MBS.

M. R. TENNERSTEDT, formerly western manager of McCandlish Lithograph Corp., Chicago, has joined the Chicago sales staff of William G. Rambeau Co., station representatives.

DONALD C. BEELAR, Washington attorney in the office of Kirkland, Fleming, Green, Martin & Ellis, and Mrs. Beelar, on Aug. 7 became the parents of a 7 lb. 4 oz. daughter, their first child.

ARTHUR WEILL, assistant comptroller of WIN, New York, and Ruth Gail Philip of Brooklyn are to be married in September.

LEON RACUSIN, formerly salesman of WJJD, Chicago, has joined the sales staff of WCFL, Chicago.

H. K. CARPENTER, vice-president in charge of operations of WHK and WCLE, Cleveland, and WHKC, Columbus, O., has been named to a committee position with Rotary International.

WILLIAM LOFBACK, formerly of WHLB, Virginia, Minn., has been appointed commercial manager of WDLP, Panama City, Fla.

ARTHUR COOPER, formerly of WELI, New Haven, has joined the sales staff of WNAB, Bridgeport, Conn.

A. A. McDERMOTT of the Toronto office of Stovin & Wright, radio representatives, on Aug. 23 married Betty Bourget, in Regina, Sask.

#### **Becker Transferred**

I. S. BECKER, vice-president of Columbia Artists Inc., on Aug. 25 joins the CBS operating department as general assistant to Lawrence W. Lowman, CBS vice-president in charge of operations. Among other duties, Mr. Becker will be in charge of negotiating and preparing contracts for all talent, including writers, used by CBS. Before joining Columbia Artists in 1934 as business manager and assistant director, Mr. Becker was with Orchestra Corp. of America and Consolidated Radio Artists Inc.

#### **Bancroft Gherardi**

BANCROFT GHERARDI, of Short Hills, N. J., former vice-president of AT&T, died Aug. 14 at Sudbury, Ont., from a heart attack while on vacation. He was 68. Mr. Gherardi was a trustee of Cornell University. He started as a cable tester in 1895, rapidly rising to chief engineer of AT&T in 1918 and vicepresident in 1920. He retired in 1938. In 1932 he received the Edison Medal "for contributions to the art of telephone engineering and development of electrical communication".

#### **James Clayton Randall**

JAMES CLAYTON RANDALL, plant manager of WTIC, Hartford, and technical radio engineer for the Hartford police department, was found dead Aug. 19 in his home. Death was due to natural causes. A native of Whitehall, N. Y., Mr. Randall joined the Army in 1911, serving as wireless operator during the World War. He had been with WTIC since the station was founded in 1924.

#### Fidler Resumes Series On Don Lee After CBS Disagrees on Criticism

BECAUSE of asserted differences of opinion between CBS Hollywood excentives and Jimmy Fidler, commentator on the weekly quarterhour *Tayton's Tattler*, sponsored by Tayton Co. (cosmetics), as to what constitutes "legitimate motion picture criticism," the latter obtained a cancellaton of his contract with the network on Aug. 15.

Hollywood gossip series was subsequently shifted to 8 Don Lee stations, Fri., 6:15-6:30 p.m. (PST), effective Aug. 22. Original 52 week contract which started July 11 called for release of program on 6 CBS Pacific Coast network stations, Friday, 8:30-8:45 p.m. (PST).

Relations between CBS and Fidler had been strained for some weeks. They reached a climax when the commentator recently released a statement to the press titled "Radio Censorship Unbearable" in which he allegedly accused the network of clamping down on his gossip items as well as motion picture ratings. Fidler charged that he was not permitted to review a film as "downright bad," even if he found it so.

Final severance occurred when CBS reportedly insisted upon deletion of some editorial advice to Laraine Day, MGM film player, as well as the reading of an open letter to George Brent, Warner Bros. star. Comment of CBS officials concerning the situation was, "Columbia has often differed with Mr. Fidler as to what is legitimate motion picture criticism. If he has found a network which will accept his views on the subject we are pleased."

#### 'Farm and Home Hour' Is Praised By Wickard

"A THOUSAND thanks" was expressed by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, speaking on the 4,000th broadcast of the NBC-Blue National Farm & Home Hour, "to the broadcasters who have opened up 4,000 times this channel of communication between the rublic and the public's servants in the Dept. of Agriculture".

"Whenever we have some facts that need to go nationwide", the Secretary said, "we always turn to Farm & Home Hour. It's one of the 'old reliables' in our business of taking information to the American peorle. I know we'd be lost without it, and I think that millions of farm and city homes would, too".

The 4,000th broadcast of the *Farm & Home Hour* was marked on July 28 by special interviews from farms in various parts of the country, including Mr. Wickard's farm in Indiana. Throughout the week special pickups were made on the program, including interviews with 4-H Club members, executives of manufacturers' associations and with officials of farm organizations.

APPLYING for a limited time station in New Haven, Conn., on 1200 kc. using 1.000 watts is the New Haven Broadcasters. a partnership of H. Ross Perkins, yacht yard operator, and J. Eric Williams, radio salesman. More of Mr. Amplistat

#### -BY MAURICE CONDON-

Here are some more cliches, these based on broadcasts of prizefights. Following the example of Frank Sullivan's pieces in the 'New Yorker,' Mr. Condon, of WGAR, Cleveland, relates this dialogue between a sportscaster and a mythical cliche expert, Mr. K. W. Amplistat. Mr. Condon's previous contribution, an imagined dialogue between a dance band announcer and Mr. Amplistat, appeared in the Aug. 11 issue.

Q. You are a radio sports reporter?

A. I am an ace sportscaster, Mr. Amplistat.

Q. You describe sporting activities?

A. I am on the scene at the t major sporting events.

Q. Fights, for example?

A. I give a rapid-fire blow-byblow account of slugfests.

Q. What it your physical description of the participants?

A. You mean, how do they shape up?

Q. Yes, how do they shape up?

A. They're not all the same, by any manner or means. A fighter may be in the pink. He may be strong as a bull, or an ox. A battler may be trained to a razor edge, and still be fit as a fiddle. He may be as hard as nails, as tough as a pig's nose, or fresh as a daisy.

Q. How about physical dimensions?

A. Oh, your slugger may be big as a house, or he may be small and shifty, no bigger'n a minute.

Q. Are these pugilists intelligent?

A. If a slugger is cagy, then he's smart as a whip and slippier'n a eel. He is cool as a cucumber in the clinches. If he's been on the receiving end of too much leather, then he's slap-happy, punchy, whacky or just plain punch-drunk.

Q. You take into account the referee as you describe the bout? A. I give a plug to the third man

in the ring.

Q. Is he a competent referee?

A. He is a ring-wise, grizzled veteran of many campaigns. He is also battle-scarred.

Q. How does this contest commence?

A. With the sound of the gong. Q. Does this encourage the men

to leave their corners? A. They've been waiting, tense as tigers for the kill.

Q. They approach with consider-

able velocity? A. They leap like lightning from their respective corners.

neir respective corners.

Q. Is there an impact? A. Too early. They feel each other out... they take each other's measure.

Q. When does the punitive action begin?

A. When the Champ hangs one on the challenger's chin?

Q. Oh, the Champ gets in the first blow?

A. A solid left . . . the Champ's quicker'n greased lightning.

Q. Is the Challenger able to

withstand this punishment? A. No, the Champ has hit him

where he lives. Q. Does the Champ follow up this

advantage? A. He follows through with the

old one-two. Q. What does this comprise?

A. The Champ lets him have it in the bread-box.

Q. Does the Challenger react by falling?

A. Certainly not, Mr. Amplistat. He slumps.

Q. To the floor?

A. Never. To the rosin.

Q. Does he fall heavily?

A. Like a ton of bricks.

Q. Is he insensible?

A. You mean, is he laid among the daisies?



BEARING DOWN on a nifty quartet arrangement are these revelers at the annual picnic for members of the Binyon Optical Co., Pacific Coast optometrists and radio advertisers. Poised around the accordion accompanist (center) are (1 to r) Dr. J. R. Binyon, in chef's cap and apron, part-owner of KEVE, Everett, Wash., and KWAL, Wallace, Ida.; Francis G. Mullins, Seattle manager of Ruthrauff & Ryan; R. E. Goebel, R&R account executive; Dr. H. C. Nickelson, Binyon Co. manager.

Q. Unconscious, I mean.

A. No... he waits out the count, trying to brush the cobwebs from his dazed brain, and then bounces to his feet.

Q. Wouldn't he be wiser to conserve his energy by gradually rising?

A. Mr. Amplistat, I assure you he bounces to his feet.

Q. I sec. What is the Challenger's strategy now?

A. He falls into a clinch.

Q. How is this action received generally?

A. The ref separates them. He

steps between them. Q. Is the audience interested thus far?

A. The crowd is on its feet, yelling for the kill.

Q. And I believe you express a hope at such a time?

A. I do. I hope that the vast radio audience can hear me above the din.

Q. Returning to the contestwhat is the Champ doing?

A. He is hitting the Challenger with everything but the kitchen

sink, the rafters, or the referee. Q. What would you call the scar-

let liquid issuing from the Challenger's nose? A. Gore.

Q. Is the Challenger apprehen-

A. He's in trouble; he's stalling for the chime. He looks anxiously toward his corner...

Q. Does he retreat?

A. Never, Mr. Amplistat. He bicycles.

Q. And does the Champ regard this with favor?

A. He does not. He's got his right cocked for the kayo, and he wants to stand toe-to-toe, in a slugging match.

Q. What is the Challenger saved by?

A. There's the bell ending . . .

Q. The first round?

A. The first stanza, Mr. Amplistat, the first stanza.

KEVE, IN EVERETT, TO START SEPT. 2 SETTING Sept. 2 as the starting date for the new KEVE, Everett, Wash., Cliff Hanson, recently appointed operations manager of the

station, has announced personnel selected so far. Jack McClinstock, formerly in radio and with several advertising agencies in Seattle, is to be continuity chief; Fred Moore, former newspaper and publicity man, news editor; Cliff Hansen, formerly of KFBB, Great Falls, Mont., and KGNF, North Platte, Neb., chief engineer. Equipment is Western Electric throughout, with a 200foot vertical Wincharger radiator erected by the Tower Construction Co., Portland.

KEVE will operate on 1460 kc. with 250 watts. It was granted May 6 to the Cascade Broadcasting Co. Inc., of which J. R. Binyon, 25% owner of KWAL, Wallace, Ida., and owner of a chain of optical stores in Washington, is president and 50% stockholder. L. W. Wallgren, a telephone engineer, as vice-president and treasurer, holds 49.2%, with C. A. Hampton, a radio dealer, holding a qualifying share. Cowles Stations farm programs are geared to the interests of the farmers in the individual areas served by four stations. When you buy the Cowles Stations, you buy a vast \$2,000,000,000 "primary farm income" area. You buy a group of stations individually tuned to the likes of a million and a half radio families. You buy active localized loyalties. You buy regular audience built by localized, individualized station operation.

Yes, and you get broad, productive coverage — created through the intensive impact of localized station performance.



Bob Leefers has handled farm news and markets on WMT for years. Iowa farmers like him for his friendly, accurate broadcasts. Charles Worcester, WNAX farm director, travels thousands of miles meeting, talking to, and speaking before WNAX area farmers.



Andy Woolfries came to KSO-KRNT after 19 years at WOI, Iowa State College. He knows Iowa farmers they listen to him.





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In the rich, productive Baltimore area WCAO consistently reaches and influences the cream of your sales potentials.



JACK TOWERS, formerly radio specialist with KFDY, of South Dakota State College, Brookings, S. D., on Aug. 1 joined the radio section of the Agriculture Marketing Service of the Department of Agriculture. His work will deal principally with crop and livestock reports and market news in the radio section, headed by E. J. Rowell.

GENE TRACE, lately of WMBD, Peoria, Ill., has joined WKBN, Youngstown, as program director. Joe Edison has returned to WKBN after a year at WMMN, Fairmont, W. Va. RUSS JOHNS, formerly of WNYC, New York, and the radio department of the New York World's Fair, has joined the shortwave department of CBS.

PAUL GIROUX, musical director of KTAR, Phoenix, has married the former Mary Evans.

RICHARD CARLSON, summer relief announcer, has joined the regular announcing staff of WELI, New Haven, succeeding Jerry Lewis, resigned.

KEN McCLURE, formerly with WOAI, San Antonio, and for three years president of the Assn. of Radio News Editors and Writers. has joined the news staff of WBAP-KGKO, Fort Worth.

BERNICE LONG, of the program department of WJSV, Washington, was married Aug. 24 to Corp. William Blythe of the Army Air Corps, stationed at Bolling Field, D. C.

LLOYD DENNIS, program director of WJSV, Washington, has been appointed regional educational director of CBS for the Southern States by Sterling Fisher, CBS director of education and talks.

JACK R. WAGNER. formerly production manager of KHUB, Watsonville. Cal., and more recently of KSRO, Santa Rosa, Cal., is now handling summer relief at KQW, San Jose, Cal.

J. B. LAKE, announcer of KVOO, Tulsa, is the father of a boy born recently. Glenn Ransom, former Chicago freelancer, has joined the KVOO announcing staff.

JIMMY DOOLEY, announcer of WSTV, Steubenville, O., is the father of a boy, born Aug. 8.

HUGH IVEY, announcer of WSB, Atlanta, is the father of a girl, born Aug. 12.

SAM HAYES, NBC Hollywood news commentator, is recovering from a tonsil operation.

SAM PERRIN and Artie Phillips. Hollywood writers, have been signed to work on the *Burns & Allen* radio program, to be launched in the fall undler sponsorship of Lever Bros. (Swan soap).

AL GROBE, continuity director of WINS. New York, on Aug 11 became the father of a baby girl.

STEWART GARNER, KHJ, Hollywood, mimeograph department manager, has been transferred to the transeription division. Don Chapman of guest relations takes over Garner's former duties.

DAVE ROSE, Hollywood musical director of Don Lee Broadcasting System, in collaboration with his wife, Judy Garland, the film actress, has written lyrics to his theme song of the weekly half-hour MBS California Melodies. Composition, titled "One Love," has been published by Western Music Publishing Co., Hollywood.

# **GE Names Bennett**

JACK BENNETT, former assistant manager of KRE, Berkeley, Cal.; manager of WHUB, Watsonville, Cal., and connected with the radio

division of the Golden Gate International Exposition as well as a member of the NBC San Francisco announcing staff, has been appointed chief English - speaking announcer of

KGEI, General Electric's short- Mr. Bennett

wave station in San Francisco, according to E. T. B. Harris, KGEI manager. Bennett will broadcast four daily newscasts, five times weekly, to Asia, Africa and the Antipodes. He will also conduct such programs as *Missionary Mail*bag and the weekly *We Read Time*.

THOMAS CALHOUN, Jr., program manager of the CBS shortwave division, has resigned to enlist in the Naval Reserve. He has been assigned as yeoman to the Naval Communications Office, New York.

PAUL CONLON, Hollywood writerproducer of the weekly half-hour Signal Carnival, sponsored by Signal Oil Co., on NBC Pacific-Red stations, has resigned.

KEN ELLINGTON. of the special events department of WBBM, Chicago, has joined the staff of the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce, handling radio and public relations. He will make his headquarters in New York, but will make a tour of California aviation centers before going east. ROBERT MORARD, of the special events department of CBS, Chicago, has joined the public relations division of the Navy, with headquarters in Chicago. He was recently commissioned an ensign.

BOB EMERICK, formerly of KFI-KECA and KNX, Los Angeles, has joined the announcing and production staff of KROW, Oakland. replacing Bert Winn, leaving for KSFO, San Francisco.

JOHNNIE NEBLETT, sportscaster of KWK, St. Louis, recently joined the staff of the St. Louis publication, *Tips On The Town*.

DON LEWIS has been placed in charge of all news broadcasts of WWL, New Orleans, and will handle the *Esso Reporter* broadcasts.

JOHNNIE O'HARA, sportscaster of KWK. St. Louis, recently married Kathryn Stapleton of Miami Beach.

ALICE HALL has been named traffic manager of WRAL, Raleigh, N. C.

CHARLIE WORCESTER, farm service director of WNAX, Yankton, is covering an 8,000-mile circuit during the fair season, visiting major events in four states with the WNAX mobile unit.

EDMUND LINEHAM, program director; Harriet Ristvedt, continuity writer, and Andy Woolfries, farm expert of KSO-KRNT, Des Moines, will be on the faculty of the Drake radio school during the school year.

JACK THOMAS, announcer of KSO-KRNT. Des Moines, on Aug. 13 married Miriam Ryan, in Kansas City. They will make their home in Dallas.

FRANK NEWTON, continuity writer of KSO-KRNT, Des Moines, was given a farewell party Aug. 17 by the staff prior to his departure for Chicago where he is joining Lord & Thomas.

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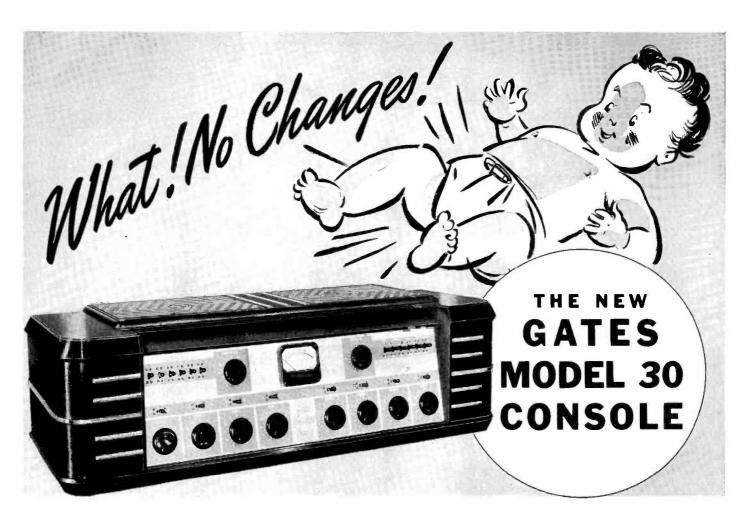


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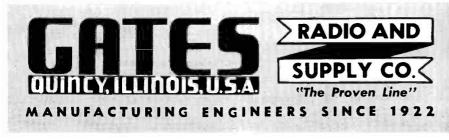
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EDWARD KING, junior producer in the NBC production department in New York, has been promoted to full status of producer and transferred to production staff of NBC's midwest di-vision in Chicogo.

WILLIAM KIR-STIMON, formerly engaged in freelance publicity, has joined the publicity staff of CBS, Chi-ດຄອດ.

BOB GADBERRY, program director of KOAM, Pittsburg, Kan., and Grace Hood, Columbus, Kan., were married recently.

BOB SUTTON, formerly of WCCO, Minneapolis, has joined the produc-tion department of WLOL, Minneapolis.

ROD O'CONNOR, portrayer of the humorous character, "Homer Honeyhumorous character, "Homer Honey-suckle," has been added to the Sun-risers, early morning program of WCCO, Minneapolis.

BOB GRAY, formerly of the guest relations staff of KPO-KGO, San Francisco, now in the Army, recently was promoted to staff sergeant in charge of his company's radio division.

DOUGLAS GOURLAY, announcer, formerly of KDYL, Salt Lake City, has joined KPO-KGO, San Francisco. replacing Larry Keating, transferred to Hollywood NBC studios.

JOHN K. CHAPEL, news editor of KROW, Oakland, Cal., is on a leave of absence and is making a lecture tour to Mexico, Central America and the Southwestern States.

JACK HARTLEY, formerly of NBC and now supervisor of the special events division of the radio section of the Office of Public Relations of the Navy Department, on Aug. 9 married Maxine Cook.

CHARLES H. PARK, formerly of WFDF, Flint, Mich.. has joined the announcing staff of WJR, Detroit.







# MARGARET BANKS

SAPPHIRE - EYED Margaret Banks, musical director of WBIG, Greensboro, N. C., pianist, organist, and composer, has earned a name for herself in the musical world as director of the WBIG Ensemble, a distinguished salon group which has already earned a national reputation. Discoverer and de-veloper of talent, both vocal and instrumental, a natural musician with a born sense of leadership, Margaret has planned and pro-duced music for the most select radio programs, social and public events. She handled one of WBIG's stars a few weeks ago who won honors in Miami, Fla., for distinguished musical talent, and was invited as special guest of the Cuban Government for a week in Havana. The WBIG Ensemble, under her direction, has been chosen to play at the distinguished guests banquet of the world-famed National Tobacco Festival, in South Boston, Va., early in September, with Wendell Willkie, Gov. Price of Virginia, Madeline Carroll and a galaxy of other distinguished folk in attendance.

JIM LEWIS, of the CBS Hollywood guest relations staff, on Aug. 22 re-ported for Army duty as second lieutenant.

CLETE RCBERTS, program director of KMPC, Beverly Hills, has been granted his private pilot's license.

JOHN KOLBMAN 4, sports announcer of WHAT, Philadelphia, is the father of a boy born this month.

JACK O'REILLEY, formerly of WJLS, Beckley, W. Va., has joined the announcing staff of WPEN, Philadelphia.

EDNA WHITTINGTON, head of the continuity department of WIP, Philadelphia, has been appointed to the ad-visory editorial board of *Glamorous*, a new women's magazine.

# GEORGE THOMAS. announcer of WCAU, Philadelphia, has been drafted for military service and leaves this week for Fort Meade, Md.

VIL NEWSOME, from WFMJ, Youngstown, O., has joined the an-nouncing staff of WCAU, Philadel-phia. He replaces John Franklin, who was drafted.

TOLIVER CLEMENT, formerly of WBT, Charlotte, has joined the con-tinuity staff of KOIN-KALE, Port-land, Ore.

DALTON HILLE has joined the an-nouncing staff of WMMN, Fairmont, W. Va.

HARRY L. GRIMES, formerly of WGAU, WJHO. WMJM and WGOV, has joined WJMA, Covington, Va.

# Elmer Peterson Named As WCCO Newscaster

ELMER W. PETERSON, onetime Minneapolis newspaperman who has just returned from Europe after ten years' service for Assoafter ten years service for Asso-ciated Press there, has been signed by WCCO, Minneapolis, as news analyst. Peterson is to join the sta-tion at the termination of a four-week period in New York where he will participate in the CBS' World Today programs.

Special promotion to introduce Peterson to Northwest listeners is being undertaken by WCCO with the making of transcriptions in New York as well as news photos of Peterson with Paul White, Elmer Davis and other CBS news personalities to be distributed to news-papers in area. WCCO plans eventually to carry the new commentator on a Northwest network of CBS stations. Peterson's assignments with AP included the Spanish Civil War; invasions of Poland, Denmark, Norway and the Bal-kans; and the Russo-Finish war of 1940.

# **Barlow Honored**

HOWARD BARLOW, conductor of the Columbia Broadcasting symthe Columbia Broadcasting sym-phony orchestra, has been awarded a scroll "in recognition of his con-tributions to the field of symphonic music for the last 13 years" by Sig-ma Alpha Iota, national professional music fraternity for women.

#### Blue Aviation Devotees

Blue Aviation Devotees MARY COYNE, secretary to E. P. H. James, sales promotion director of NBC-Blue, spent her vacation building up her number of solo flying hours to the required number, and this month nuade her official cross-country flight, flying from Rossevelt Field to the Suf-folk Airport and back. Miss Coyne now needs only to pass the written examination of the Civil Aeronautics Authority to secure her pilot's license. Mr. James himself has completed groundschool instruction, but has not begun his air training.

WPEN, Philadelphia, was silenced for 25 minutes Aug. 19 when an auto hit an electric pole, shutting off service in the area.



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# NOW THEY LOOK LIKE THIS

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PHOTOGRAPHS ON PAGE 26 in the same (1 to r) order show: 1. Orrin E. Dunlap Jr., manager of the RCA Dept. of Information, who joined the Navy in 1918 as a radio electrician first class, then served at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, at the Navy Radio School at Harvard and at the wartime NBD, Bar Harbor, Maine. 2. W. Walter Tison, manager of WFLA, Tampa, who attended the Harvard Radio School and then was sent to sea as a third class radioman; while on President Wilson's escort vessel he heard the first radio music in inter-ship experiments. 3. Jack Poppele, chief engineer of WOR, New York, who served in the U. S. Transport Service aboard the U. S. S. Marica during the war, one of the first ships to be equipped with vacuum tube receivers.

# Guestitorial

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minute news programs. These will only hold three announcements each and many timebuyers shy at announcement periods.

On a very irregular basis, we do have a few quarter-hour daytime periods where the longer variety of announcements can be scheduled. These, however, are periods that are open because of contract expiration or network switches, and of course are immediately placed on the sales block. The announcements placed in these periods naturally have to be placed subject to removal if the period is sold.

## Another Headache

Second biggest headache of the station with a tight schedule is trying to keep happy those timebuyers who, using sliderule buying methods, insist they must have station breaks next to network shows that carry a rating of 10 or better. These we have been fortunate in having sold many months ago. Often there are even more desirable availabilities adjacent to popular local shows unblessed with a blue or gold star by Mr. Crossley or Mr. Hooper, only because Mr. Crossley or Mr. Hooper haven't gotten around to making surveys of local shows in some markets. No matter-we most always get a quick turndown. No 23.7% rating to rub shoulders with-then no stationbreak schedule and all activities in the market are skipped, to the expense of sales and the possible loss of dealer (and often the consumer) goodwill.

There must be many radio stations throughout the country in the same predicament as we are in trying to iron out the one-minutetranscription-fitting problem and

# Screwball

THIS actually happened to Larry Bair of WWL, New Orleans. He called on a local fur shop manager and explained that he was subbing for his vacationing associate, Paul Beville. "Bah," the fur manager said, "Beville is just dodging me. I want to get on Dawn Busters, and he can't clear the time." "Oh, no, he isn't," Baird protested, and to prove it, drew out the memo on which Beville had listed the calls he was to make. To Baird's confusion, the memo read, "See that screwball manager of the Regal Fur Salon."

the problem of trying to make timebuyers respect and accept station recommendations.

It is possible there are still some stations throughout the country which are so anxious for the almighty dollar that they would forward recommendations to agencies that could not be completely relied upon; but for the most part stations today think too much of their standing in the league and their future business to take a chance on giving a bum steer.

Certainly the day-to-day handling of the various local accounts which include everything from single-order announcements selling peaches, thru the quarter-hour strips to move electrical appliances, to the half-hour baseball re-enactments, should give station managers an insight into the habits of their listeners—far more so than a timebuyer sitting at a desk in New York or Chicago or elsewhere.

We know definitely that conditions and situations differ as you move to different sections of the country. A formula well studied and worked out for Illinois, Indiana, Iowa or Wisconsin won't necessarily work in North Carolina, South Carolina or Georgia. For example: A Midwest agency handling a product sold to farmers was particularly successful with announcements during the noon hour on stations in the Midwest. The agency tried the same formula on WBT but against our better judgment, and, only after the schedule had been allowed to run a short time. with unsatisfactory results, were we permitted to change to the spots we originally recommended. Immediately the returns flowed in. Result: A jump from 20 sample requests per announcement to 1,163 requests per announcement!

And how much better it would be for agencies to check availabilities in the markets they expect to work and make sure there are spots which will do justice to their creations, before going to the extremes that some agencies do nowadays in building minute transcriptions on which name talent, costly copy, etc. are used—only to find there's no place to put them. That's like first building a very fine house, then shopping all over town trying to find the right kind of lot to set it on.

We feel sure that time and money for both the station and the agency would be saved if each would consider the problems of the other fellow before laying definite plans.

# **Hecker Serial Extended**

HECKER PRODUCTS Corp., New York, for Force and H-O is planning a campaign in seven markets of five times weekly sponsorship of the serial Judy & Jane, heard program started, via transcription, Aug. 19 on WOR, New York, and will go on six other stations, not yet selected, on Sept. 29. Agency is Maxon Inc., New York.



PEN, Philadelphia, breaks up its recorded shows into 15-minute stages, each fea-turing a name band, with the particular band leader introducing his own stage on the air by means of special recordings. Using specially prepared copy, each recording band leader records a set of four or five personal introductions as well as a closing piece, each varying a little. The record-ings are made by Raymond Rosen Co., Philadelphia, distributors of Victor and Bluebird records, and by Columbia Recording Corp., New York, for their recording artists. In addition, some records will be made in the WPEN studios when artists come to the city.



AUTHENTICITY was the keynote as WDRC, Hartford, Conn., brought in a real expert on railroad affairs to shout "All aboar-r-r-d" on the early morning Shopper's Special recorded program. James J. Mc-Cabe, Hartford railroader who has just retired after 44 years' service with the New Haven Railroad conductor, was asked to the WDRC studios to have his voice recorded, and give laryngeal instruction to Announcer Havey Olson (left). Conductor McCabe's transcribed call is now used daily on the Shopper's Special.

# Whodunit and Spelling

A MYSTERY in three parts-quarter-hours at 9, 10 and 11 Sat-urday evening—is presented by WKY, Oklahoma City. Only by staying with the three parts can

the listener find the solution. Title is *Calling Detective O'Leary*. New twist to the spelling bee finds the first half of a new WKY program devoted to the old-fashhalf called Spell and Tell. In this half the contestant must spell words and explain their meaning. \*

# Under the Big Top

DONE UP in big top style, the new weekly Circus Days half-hour on WGY, Schenectady, provides Schenectady, provides WGY, Schenectady, provides a tentful of entertainment for the studio audience, which gets paper hats, balloons and all the other paraphernalia. Producer Vic Camp-bell leads the audience through a sideshow, Wild West exhibition, and other features, with a barber shop quartet, Otis & Eleanor and Gordie Randall's orchestra. Howard Tupper functions as barker.

#### \* Hams for Shoppers

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THRICE - WEEKLY transcribed interviews of shoppers direct from their own grocery or butcher shop are presented on KDKA, Pitts-burgh, by John Morrell & Co., Ottumwa, Ia. Correct answers to questions entitles shopper to certain choice items on shelves with a Morrell ham awarded to person making best guess as to weight of the ham.



#### Tonight in Town

A LINEUP of things to do and what to see in Montreal and vicinity is the basis of What's Happening Tonight, a five-minute program heard six days weekly at the eve-ning hour on CFCF, Montreal, for National Breweries Ltd. Ronald Adv. Agency handles the account with production by Metropolitan Broadcasting Service, Montreal.

#### \* Army Auction

AN AUCTION, wherein soldiers of Fort Bliss, Tex., bid on cameras, knives, belts, cigarettes, etc., has been incorporated into the Called To The Colors program of KTSM, El Paso, Tex., originating at the Army post. Articles are usually sold for about twenty-five cents and attendance prizes are offered prior to the program. \*

# **Camp** Talent

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DRAWING UPON drafted talent stationed at Lowry Field, Denver, KOA, that city, broadcasts a week-ly half-hour Lowry Field Theatre of the Air, featuring original dra-matic sketches. Hal Kanter, draf-tee, and formerly NBC Hollywood and New York writer, directs and scripts the series. George Wright handles publicity.

#### **Durham Greeting**

INTERVIEWS with new arrivals in Durham, N. C., are broadcast by WDNC on its *Welcome Neighbor* program. Taxi service to the studio is provided by WDNC to the participants as well as free theatre tickets and souvenir gifts from business concerns.

# Jive Jargon

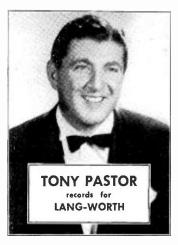
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SWING MUSIC announced in "jive" talk is played by John Ryan's orchestra on the United We Swing show, weekly half-hour series on WMCA, New York. The program also offers English translations to the swing lingo for the benefit of the uninitiated.



## Homelike

ORIGINATING in the home of Rose Ireland, who conducts the show, the new morning feature, For the Ladies, of WREN, Lawrence, Kan., presents all sorts of feminine gossip, with local women dropping in at the house for radio chats with Rose. 'VREN also introduced a new wrinkle on its musical clock Timekeeper program by concentrating on waltzes, tan-gos, light classical and secular recordings rather than popular or dance music.





We don't know what's so fancy about the metropolis named Fancy Farm (Ky.)-but it ain't exactly the possibilities for doing big business! That's why WAVE makes no charge for covering Fancy Farm and other "towns" like it. Our rates are still based on the big, rich Louisville Trading Area, where ability to buy is 33% greater than the rest of Kentucky combined! And remember-folks listen to WAVE because we're the only NBC Basic Red Network source within 100 miles! With a set-up like that, you simply can't miss!





# STATION ACCOUNTS

sp—studio programs t-transcriptions sa-spot announcements ta-transcription announcements

# WHBF, Rock Island

- WHBF, Rock Island Western Grocers Co. Des Moines (Jack Spratt foods), 6 sp weekly, thru Cool-idge Adv. Agency, Des Moines. Chicago Motor Club, Chicago, 3 sp weekly, thru Aubrey, Moore & Wallace. Chicago. Haskins Bros. Soap Co.. Omaha 8 sa weekly, thru Sidney Garfinkel Adv. Agency, Los Angeles. International Milling Co., Minneapolis (Robin Hood flour), 6 sa weekly thru Campbell & Mithum Inc., Minneapolis. Jewel Tea Co., Barrington, Ill., 14 ta weekly, thru Schwab & Beatty, N. Y. Jacques Mfg. Co., Chicago (KC Baking Powder), sa series, direct. Marlin Firearms Co., New Haven (razor blades), 5 ta weekly, thru Craven & Hedrick, N. Y. Old Ben Coal Corp., Chicago, 5 t weekly, thru J. R. Hamilton Adv. Agency, Chicago.

- Chicago. Pinex Co., Fort Wayne, Ind. 15 sa weekly,
- thru Russel M. Seeds Co., Chicago. Vm. Wrigley Jr. Co., Chicago (Spearmint gum), 13 t series, thru Arthur Meyerhoff Wm. gum), 13 t se Co., Chicago,

# WHK-WCLE, Cleveland

- Peter Paul Inc., New York (Mounds), 65 sp. thru Platt-Forbes, N. Y. Dr. W. B. Caldwell Inc., Monticello, Ill. (Senna), ta series, 52 weeks, thru Sherman & Marquette, N. Y. Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., New York (peaches), 20 sa. thru Paris & Peart, N. Y. T. L. Little Inc., Detroit (drugs), 5 ta weekly, thru Lee Anderson Adv. Co., Detroit. M. Werk Co., Cincinnati (soap), ta series.
- Detroit. M. Werk Co.. Cincinnati (soap), ta series. thru Frederic W. Ziv, Adv., Cincinnati, Comer Products Co., Cleveland (Wave-to-Sta.), 26 sa. thru Hubbell Adv. Agency. Cleveland.

# WQXR, New York

- Marcus & Co., New York (jewelers), weekly sp. 13 weeks, thru Wesley Assoc. N. Y. Crosse & Blackwell, Baltimore (food prod-
- orosse & Diacover, partimitore (1900 products), 5 sa weeks, thru Van Sant, Dugdale & Co., Baltimore. Welch Grape Juice Co., Chicago, 5 sa weekly, thru H. W. Kastor & Sons. Chicago.
- Beechnut Packing Co., Canojoharie, N. Y. (gum), 5 sa weekly. 15 weeks, thru Newell-Emmett Co., N. Y.
- KQW, San Jose, Cal.

- Federal Outfitting Co., San Jose, Cal. (clothing chain), 6 sp weekly, thru Al-lied Advertising Agencies, San Francisco.
- cisco.
  Progressive Optical System, Fresno, Cal. (chain), 5 sp weekly, thru W. L. Gleason Adv., Riverside, Cal.
  Beneficial Casualty Co., Los Angeles (insurance), 15 sp weekly, thru Stodel Adv. Co., Los Angeles.

#### WOR, New York

- Allied Mills, Chicago (Wayne feeds), 3 sa weekly, thru Louis E. Wade Inc., Fort Wayne.
- Perfection Stove Co., Cleveland (Superfex heaters), 3 sp weekly, thru McCann-Erickson, Cleveland.
- Purity Bakeries Service Corp., New York (Taystee Bread), 3 t weekly, thru Camp-bell-Ewald Co. of N. Y.

# WEAF, New York

American Chicle Co., Long Island City (Chiclets), 3 sp weekly, thru Badger & Browning, N. Y.

#### CJRC, Winnipeg, Man.

Chase Medicine Co., Toronto, 6 ta veekly, thru Ardiel Adv. Agency, Oak-Dr. weekly, th ville, Ont.

WNEW, New York

- Procter & Gamble Co., Cincinnati (Ivory snow), 3 sp weekly, 39 weeks, thru Benton & Bowles, N. Y. Pinex Co., Chicago (proprietary), 3 sp weekly, 22 weeks, thru Russel M. Seeds Co., Chicago, Narnock & en weekly Aurophilit & Borg, Narnock & en weekly
- Augenblick & Bros., Newark, 6 ac weekly.
- direct. Howard Stores, Newark, weekly sp., 13 weeks, thru Williams Scheer Adv.

- weeks, thru Williams Scheer Adv. Agency, Newark. Salz Bros., New York (pens) weekly sp. 18 weeks, thru S. R. Leon, N. Y. Paramount Pictures Corp., New York ("Kiss the Boys Goodbye"), 6 sa weekly. thru Buchanan & Co., N. Y. Lester Piano Mfg. Co., Philadelphia (pianos). 6 sp weekly, 20 weeks, thru J. Falkner Arndt & Co., Philadelphia.

#### WFIL, Philadelphia

- John Middleton Inc., Philadelphia (tobac-co), t weekly, thru Carter-Thomson Co., Philadelphia.
- . Nachman & Sons. Philadelphia (instruc-tion). 18 sa weekly, thru Philip Klein. Philadelphia. L
- Peter Paul Inc., Naugatuck, Conn. (candy),
- Feter Faul Inc., Naugatuck, Conn. (candy), 5 sa weekly, thru Platk-Forbes. N. Y. Manhattan Soap Co., New York (Sweet-heart Soap). 3 sp weekly, thru Franklin Bruck, N. Y. Bell Telephone Co. of Pennsylvania, Phila-delphia, 8 sa weekly, direct.

#### WIP, Philadelphia

- W1P, Philadelphia Mrs. Schlorer's Inc., Philadelphia (mayon-naise). 5 sa weekly, 8 weeks, thru May Adv., Philadelphia. Bell Telephone Co. of Pennsylvania. Phila-delphia. 8 sa weekly, placed direct. Seven-Up Bottling Co., Philadelphia (soft drink), 17 sa weekly, for 3 weeks, thru Philip Klein. Philadelphia. Institute of Practical Drafting, Newark. (instruction), 3 sa weekly. 13 weeks, thru Herman Adv., Newark.

# WOWO-WGL, Fort Wayne

- WOWO-WGL, Fort Wayne Armour & Co., Chicago, 130 ta. thru Lord & Thomas, Chicago W. K. Sterline Co., Sidney, O. (Hay fever compound), 13 sa. thru Mumm-Homer-Robbins & Pearson, Columbus. Potter Drug & Chemical Corp. (Cuticura), Malden. Mass. 624 ta thru Atherton & Currier, N. Y. Wm. Wrigley Jr. Co., Chicago (Spearmint Gum) 13 t. thru Arthur Meyerhoff & Co., Chicago. Wm. Wr. Gum) 13 t, Co., Chicago.

#### WNAC, Boston

- WIAC, DOSION Corn Products Refining Co., New York, sa series, thru C. L. Miller Co., N. Y. Sheaffer Pen Co., Fort Madison, Wis., sa series, thru Russel M. Seeds Co., Chicago. Penick & Ford. New York (My-T-Fine). ta series, thru BBDO, N. Y. Grove Labs. St. Louis (Bromo Quinine), sa series, thru, J. Walter Thompson Co., Chicago.
- Sa Sci.

# WMAS, Springfield, Mass.

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Tru-Ade Inc., Los Angeles, 6 ta weekly, thru Beaumont & Hohman, Los Angeles, Magazine Repeating Razor Co., New York (Schick), daily sp, thru J. M. Mathes, Inc., N. Y.

K45LA, Hollywood (FM station)

**Disc Program of OEM** 

Will Explain Threat of Nazis to Democracies TRANSCRIBED series, explaining

the threat of Nazi propaganda and the Nazi economic threat to democ-racy is scheduled for release by the radio section of the Office for Emergency Management, according to

an announcement by that agency.

Originally set up to supervise the radio activities of the Office of Pro-

duction Management, the section now coordinates all radio for the

OEM, OPM, Office of Civilian De-

fense, Office of Price Administra-

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vilian Defense Housing Coordina-

Bernard Schoenfield, chief of the section, heads a staff of ten which includes William McMorrow, chief

script writer; Arthur Kurlan, production director; Frank K. Telford, script writer; LaVerne Shedlove, assistant to the chief; and Tams Bixby, regional radio officer. Since

its inception six months ago the radio section of the OEM reports

it has produced over 30,000 broad-casts of 150 different programs.

The section plans a full-hour broadcast on NBC Labor Day which will feature appearances of Presi-

Will feature appearances of Fresh-dent Roosevelt, Phillip Murray, William Green, Sidney Hillman, Melvyn Douglas, Edward Arnold, Bing Crosby and the Golden Gate Quartet. Another half-hour variety

series combining some of the foremost entertainment names as well

as high-ranking defense officials is scheduled to begin in the fall. Live shows already placed by the radio section include the regular network

features, Defense in Action, The Challenge, Highways for Americans, coast-to-coast al uminum broadcasts, and talks by William Knudsen, Sidney Hillman, Leon

Henderson and other defense of-

**Bank's Special Events** BANK OF AMERICA, National

Trust and Savings Association, San Francisco, which recently adopted a policy of sponsoring various spe-

cial events and civic celebrations,

has arranged a heavy schedule for

has arranged a heavy schedule for the fall season, according to the Charles R. Stuart Adv. Agency, which handles the account. On Aug. 24, it sponsored on KFBK, Sacramento, the Placerville Wheel-barrow Derby. From Aug. 29 to Out of inclusing it will proceed

Sept. 7, inclusive, it will present a 15-minute daily program on KFBK from the California State

Fair at Sacramento. The bank will originate a broadcast from the

Lodi Grape and Wine Festival Sept. 12-15. Stations have not yet been picked. On Aug. 6 the bank presented a broadcast from the Santa Barbara Fiesta on KERN, KTMS

and KMJ. In addition, Bank of America is using spot announce ments on 10 California stations.

CBC to Sell Booklet

CANADIAN Broadcasting Corp. will shortly publish a new booklet. We *Have Been There*, a collection of CBC talks by prominent British. United States and Canadian public figures. newspapermen and radio commenta-tors who have been in Great Britain since the war started. This booklet is one of a number published by the CBC.

one of a number published by the CBC this year and sold at cost, 25 cents,

through announcements on CBC sta-

ficials.

tion.

- Gospel Broadcasting Assn., Los Angeles (religious), weekly sp, thru R. H. Alber Co., Los Angeles. Cudahy Packing Co., Chicago (hams), weekly sa, thru Erwin, Wasey & Co., Chicago.

- Schalk Chemical Co., Los Angeles (Hydro-Pura, water softener), 100 sa, thru Erwin, Wasey & Co., Los Angeles.

#### KSFO, San Francisco

- Florida Citrus Commission, Tampa (fruit), 85 t, thru Arthur Kudner Inc., N. Y. American Cigarette & Cigar Co., N. Y. (Pall Mall), 389 sa, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan, N. Y. Southern Pacific Co., San Francisco (rail-road), 33 sa, thru Lord & Thomas, San Francisco (rail-road), 53 sa, thru Lord & Thomas, San

- Southern Pacific Co., San Francisco (rail-road), 33 aa, thru Lord & Thomas, San Francisco. Shaler Co., Waupun, Wis. (Rislone motor oil), 7 sa, thru Kirkgasser-Drew Agency, Chicago. American Chicle Co., Long Island City, N. Y. (Black Jack gum), 6 sa weeky, thru Badger, Browning & Hersey, N. Y.

# **KECA**, Los Angeles

- Nesbitt Fruit Products. Los Angeles (beverages), 3 t weekly. thru Walter K
- Nesbitt Fruit Products. Los Angeles (bev-erages). 3 t weekly. thru Walter K. Neill Inc., Los Angeles. Western Federal Savings & Loan Assn., Los Angeles (investments), 6 sa weekly, thru Elwood J. Robinson Adv. Agency, Los Angeles. Supreme Bakery Co., Los Angeles (Town Talk bread). 3 t weekly, thru Hillman-Shane Adv. Agency, Los Angeles.
  - KFDM, Beaumont, Tex.
- Purity Bakeries, Chicago (Taystee Bread), 3 t weekly, 13 weeks, thru Campbell-Ewald Co., Chicago. American Brewing Co., New Orleans (Regal beer). 6 sp weekly, direct.
- - WJJD, Chicago
- Michael-Leonard Seed Co., Chicago, 5 sa weekly, 13 weeks, thru Allen & Reynolds, Omaha.
- Great Western Laundry, Chicago, 5 sp weekly, 52 weeks. thru Salem N. Baskim Adv. Agency, Chicago.

### WIND, Gary, Ind.

Lake County Agricultural Society, Crown Point, Ind., 4 sp. 12 sa, direct. Standard Distributing Co., Chicago (Ma-jectic cameras), 3 sp. 52 weeks, thru Lane, Benson, McClure, Chicago.

#### KHJ, Hollywood

Vita-Pep Products Co., Los Angeles (dog food). 3 sp weekly, thru Cesana & Assoc., Los Angeles.

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Chicago.
Coast Federal Savings Assn., Los Angeles (investments), 7 sa weekly, thru Robert F. Dennis Inc., Los Angeles.
Seven-Up Bottling Co., Los Angeles (beverage), weekly sa, thru Glasser-Galley & Co., Los Angeles.
Adohr Milk Farms, Los Angeles (dairy products). 5 sa weekly, thru Lord & Thomas. Hollywood.

- Thomas. Hollywood. Marney Food Co. Huntington Park, Cal., (Marco dog food). weekly sa. thru Ivar F. Wallin & Staff, Los Angeles. Nufit Labs.. Los Angeles (dental plate re-line). 5 sa weekly, thru Stodel Adv. Co., that city. Schulk Chumical Co. Los Angeles (Hudro



CARNATION Co.. Milwaukee. for the fifth consecutive year, on Sept. 2 is renewing sponsorship of *The Jewish Philosopher* on WEVD, New York, Monday through Friday, 2:15 p.m. Agency is Erwin, Wassey & Co., New York. Also on Sept. 2, Procter & Gamble Co.. Cincinnati, will start Tuesday through Saturday sponsorship of the program for Camay soap at 8:15 p.m. Agency is Pedlar & Ryan, New York.

Agency is remark a hynn, New Jork. STEELE-WEDELES Co., Chicago (Savoy coffee) has renewed on WGN, Chicago. Quin Ryan's Marriage License Romances, quarter-hour interviews at marriage license bureau three times a week. Erwin, Wasy & Co., Chicago. is agency. American Chicle Co. (Adams Clove gum) has also renewed on WGN, Music with a Flavor, weekday quarter-hour early morning recorded program, through Badger. Browning & Hersey, New York.

JOHN MIDDLETON Inc., Philadelphia (tobac.co manufacturer), starts a test campaign Sept. 5 on WFIL. Philadelphia, for a new brand of popularpriced cigarettes. The quarter-hour disc. Touchdown Tips, will be used on Fridays, continuing until becember. Agency is Carter-Thomson, Philadelphia.

Juna. LaSALLE HAT Co., Philadelphia, will start a test campaign on KYW, Philadelphia, starting Sept. 8, for its Champ Hats for men. Ten minutes of sports news. Parade of Champions, handled by Kerby Cushing, staff sports commentator, will be sponsored thriceweekly. Each program will feature a sports quiz, with hats for prizes. A sports booklet will be distributed to stores. Agency is Al Paul Lefton Co., Philadelphia, with R. F. Farnum the account executive and M. H. Zimmerman, of the KYW sales department, the station contact.

SWANFELDT AWNING & ROOF Co., Los Angeles, in a brief summer test campaign, is sponsoring a weekly quarter-hour newscast on KFWB, Hollywood. Firm plans an extensive fall radio campaign in Southern California. Agency is W. C. Jeffries Co., Los Angeles.

JOHN T. TROLL Co., Los Angeles (Vitamin B-1 Candy Mints), new to radio, on Aug. 16 started using six time signal announcements daily, seven times per week, on FM station K45LA, Hollywood. Contract is for 52 weeks. As markets are established firm will expand use of radio to include other Pacific Coast centers. Agency is Lockwood-Shackleford Adv. Agency, Los Angeles.





TRAIN PARTY just before takeoff was given Ransom Sherman, Chicago comedian, who now is heard from Hollywood on his Hap Hazard fillin for Fibber McGee & Molly on NBC-Red. The program becomes a featured broadcast all its own when Fibber returns. Feting the comedian as he left Chicago were (seated 1 to r) Jack Louis, vicepresident of Needham, Louis & Brorby, the agency; Sherman; Melvin Brorby, agency vice-president; leaning over is John Gordon, agency radio director.

# **Radio-Minded**

WHEN WFMJ, Youngstown, went into operation in September 1939, the local Hume's Furniture Store began a radio campaign with daily spot announcements. Today Hume's has renewed for the third consecutive year on WFMJ with a schedule that reflects the place that radio has since assumed in the store's advertising appropriation—18 newscasts weekly; a quarter-hour weekly for Philco products; a quarterhour weekly for Servel Electrolux and a schedule of spot announcements.

HAUSER FOOD PRODUCTS. Santa Monica. Cal. (sauce), in a 13-week campaign ending Nov. 4. is sponsoring th: weekly Ringside Olympic Fights on KMTR, Hollywood. Firm's Southern California radio schedule also includes participation in Agnes White's California Kitchen on KFI and Chef Milani, on KMPC, once and twiceweekly respectively, as well as a weekly quarter-hour man-ou-the-street Boulevard Interviewer on KNX. Mc-Elroy Adv. Agency, Los Angeles, has the account.

the account. FOREST LAWN Memorial Park Assn., Glendale, Cal. (cemetery, mausoleum), on Ang. 15 started for 39 weeks, sponsoring a thrice-weekly fireminute transcribed program. Miracles of Faith, on KHJ, Hollywood. Association also sponsors the weekly quarter-hour Your Singing Neighbor with Harry Stanton, and a weekly 15-minute program. Rhyme & Reason, on KNX, that eity. In addition, twiceweekly participation is used in Art Baker's Notebook on KFI. Los Angeles. Agency is Dan B. Miner Co., that eity.

PAUL F. BEICH Co., Bloomington, Ill. (candy), on Aug. 18 started sixweekly 15-second transcribed announcements on WBBM, Chicago, for 13 weeks. Ferry-Hanly Co., Chicago, placed the account.

FALLS CITY BREWING Co., Louisville, has recorded its fourth series of announcements to be used on WHAS. Louisville, and 10 stations in the South. Bill Bryan and Ernie Rea, of WHAS, did the announcing.

# Joint Quiz Feature

NEW type of audience quiz program, Air Cadets of America, has started on the Arizona Broadcasting System (KTAR KYUM KVOA KGLU), Saturdays, 2-2:30 p.m., under joint sponsorship of Ben Hur Products Co., Los Angeles (coffee, tea, spices); Central Beverage Co., Phoenix (beverages); Nature's Products Co., Los Angeles (Nu-Glo); Family Kitchen Products, Phoenix (biscuit and pie crust mix); Victor's Food Products, Los Angeles (French dressing, sauce). Contracts are for 26 weeks, having started July 11. Copyrighted by E. J. Post Co., Los Angeles program builders, the weekly half-hour, directed to children, originates from KTAR, and is m er c h an d is e d through club memberships, gold plated wing pins, model airplane kits, plane building, field meets for competition and scholarships in flying.

# Swift Places

SWIFT & Co., Chicago, has placed one-minute spot announcements for Jewel shortening through J. Walter Thompson Co., Chicago. Announce-ments will be heard three to six times a week on the following stations: WBT WSJS WBIG WPTF WWNC WCSC WDBJ WRVA WFAA WCOA KTSM WALA WJDX **WJBO** WDSU KWKH KTBC KFDM KRIS KTRH WOAI WTOC WDBO WJAX WFLA WMAZ WAPI WSFA WGST WJAC WRBL WFBC WDOD WRC WTAR WBOC WNOX KOMA **KVSO** KADA KV00 KTOK KCRC KBIX KGFF KTCK.



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GRANVILLE RUTLEDGE, now with Young & Rubicam, New York. is slated to take over the advertising managership of the Florida Citrus Commission about Sept. 15, following resignation of L. W. Marvin, effective in October. Mr. Marvin, who became director of sales promotion of the Commission when it was organized in 1935, has been advertising manager for the last five years. During his tenure, more than \$5,000.000 was expended for advertising Florida citrus fruits under the first State-sponsored type of industry program, which currently is again including radio.

RICHARD M. OUDERSLUYS. prominent in the market research field of Michigan for the last 10 years, has been elected president of Commercial Services Inc., 2011 Park Ave., Detroit, a Michigan corporation specializing in market surveys and advertising studies. He was formerly with the Hooper-Holmes Bureau, and previous to that with Ross Federal Corp.

FRANK NEWTON, continuity writer of KSO-KRNT. Des Moines, Ia.. and previously with Blackett-Sample-Hummet. has resigned to accept a similar position with Lord & Thomas, Chicago.

OSCAR LIEFFERS, formerly of Associated Adv. Agency, Los Angeles, has joined BBDO, that city, as account executive.

DOUGLAS MARSHALL. Toronto newscaster and producer, has joined Stanfield & Blaikie, Ltd., Toronto, as director of the radio division.

PHILIP J. MYGATT, formerly with J. Walter Thompson Co. in Hollywood and Sydney, Australia, has been appointed radio director of the Toronto office.

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three millon dollars of real estate is under construction.

This is only a partial picture of the Charlotte Market's prosperity. See Headley-Reed or call WSOC for details.



# Ayer Names Ricketts

WILLIAM B. RICKETTS, of Princeton, N. J., has been appointed head of the F. Wayland Ayer Foundation, according to A. H. Batten, president of N. W. Ayer &

Son, Philadelphia. Mr. Ricketts has

been prominent

for many years

in the field of

marketing and

advertising re-

search in this

country, Canada

and South Amer-



Mr. Ricketts

Mr. Ricketts ica and has written on these subjects in the book, *Careers in Advertising.* A graduate of Washington & Jefferson and the Harvard School of Business Administration and formerly of the faculty of Dartmouth, Mr. Ricketts is a member of the American Marketing Assn., past president of the New York Market Research Council and a past director of the Taylor Society.

LAWTON CAMPBELL, New York vice-president in charge of radio for Ruthrauff & Ryan, was in Hollywood during mid-August for agency confercnees on the CBS Arkansas Travcler, featuring Bob Burns, which starts Sept. 16 under sponsorship of Camphell Soup Co.

JACK RICHARDSON Jr., executive of Russel M. Seeds Co., Chicago, in charge of the Me:nen account, is in Washington conferring with public relations officials of the U. S. Marine Capt. Flagg & Sergeant Quirt program which goes on the air Sept. 23.

ALBERT EICHLER. copywriter of Ruthrauff & Ryau, New York, and author of several successful books, has written a new novel titled *Big Bruiser*, to be published in early September by Phoenix Press, New York.

KELLY, Stuhlman & Zahrndt, St. Louis, has moved to new quarters in the Cotton Belt Bldg., 111 N. Fourth St. and has changed its name to Kelly, Zahrdnt & Kelly Inc.

WILLIAM J. McKENNA, formerly on the copy staffs of Young & Rubicam, and McCann-Erickson, New York, has joined the copy department of Sherman K. Ellis & Co., New York. JOHN R. WHELAN, assistant production manager of Lord & Thomas, New York, has resigned to join New York Gravure Corp., as production manager.

TOM WRIGHT, of Young & Rubicam's New York publicity staff, is in Hollywood.

WICK CRIDER, radio publicity director of J. Walter Thompson Co., New York, on Aug. 20 left for his annual tour of radio editors.

DAVID L. MILLARD, formerly art director of Munroe F. Dreher Inc., New York, has been placed in charge of the agency's media and research department.

TOM TORRISON, formerly of Beaumon & Hohman, has joined Sidney Garfinkel Adv. Agency, San Francisco, as account executive and new business manager. Clara Peterson, also formerly of Beaumont & Hohman, has been named production manager of Garfinkel. ARTHUR W. (Tiny) STOWE, formerly in Eastern radio and more recently program director of KSFO, San Francisco, has joined Stodel Adv. Co., Los Angeles, as production manager. MRS. RICHARD W. GAMBRILL Jr., formerly radio director of Chicago Junior League, has joined the radio department of Reinecke-Ellis-Younggreen & Finn, Chicago, as script writer and production assistant.

JEFF WADE, executive of Wade Adv. Agency, Chicago, was in Hollywood during mid-August to discuss fall expansion plans for the thriceweekly hour NBC *Lum & Abner* series, sponsored by Miles Labs.

JERRY HERDAN, formerly of Everett N. Crosby Ltd., Hollywood talent service, has established the Gerald S. Herdan Agency at 9127 Sunset Blvd., that city.

NEEDHAM, LOUIS & BRORBY has moved its Chicago office to 135 S. La-Salle St.

R. W. WEBSTER-ADV., Los Angeles, has moved to 527 W. Seventh St.

# **Aleshire to Ellis**

EDWARD ALESHIRE, formerly vice-president of Benton & Bowles, Chicago, and previously manager of the radio departments of Lord & Thomas and Blackett - Sam-

& Thomas and Blackett - Sample - Hummert, Chicago, on Sept. 1 joins Sherman K. Ellis & Co., N e w Y or k, as manager of the radio department. Mr. Aleshire replaces Lawrence Holcomb, who has resigned to take



has Mr. Aleshire

an executive position with a new magazine and do freelance radio directing.

# **L&T Names Long**

FREDERICK A. (Ted) LONG, veteran program producer, has been appointed radio production director of the Chicago office of Lord & Thomas. Mr. Long was assistant director of radio of the Republican National Committee during the 1940 presidential campaign. At one time program director of CBS in Washington, and director of broadcasting of the New York World's Fair, Mr. Long came to Chicago from the New York office of Lord & Thomas where he was a program producer. His new p r od uction duties will include the direction of the thrice - weekly quarter - hour *Treat Time* program sponsored on CBS by Armour & Co., Chicago, and the half-hour weekly CBS Wayne King and His Orchestra program for Luxor Ltd., Chicago.

JOHN ORR YOUNG, co-founder of Young & Rubicam, who has been in retirement for several years, has opened consulting offices at 610 Fifth Ave., New York, and plans to offer advisory services in advertising and public relations.

RAINBO RECORD Co., 6400 Crenshaw Blvd., Los Angeles, is marketing a new blank recording disc. It is said to be one of the first to use the cold pressing process.







# TOM CARSON

IF YOU are interested in finding out something about (1) Spode China, or (2) Pedlar and Ryan ra-dio accounts, Tom Carson probably can give you most of the answers. For Tom was once (1932-35) with For Tom was once (1932-35) with the Spode China Importing Line, reputedly the largest English China concern in the business. Leaving dish and dinnerware im-porting in 1935, he joined Erwin Wasey & Co.'s New York office, holding down jobs in production, publicity and timebuying during a four-year stand with that agency. In 1939 he became affiliated with

the New York office of Pedlar & Ryan as a timebuyer. Currently, he is handling network and spot buying for the following Pedlar & Ryan accounts: Procter & Gamble's

Ryan accounts: Procter & Gamble's Canay, Chipso and Dash products, Bristol-Myer's Vitalis, Lady Esther and J. C. Penney & Co. Since his advent in the time-buying field, Carson estimates he has bought over \$5,000,000 worth of network and spot for his agen-cies' clients. As far as the forth-coming fall season is concerned, Tom predicted no radical changes Tom predicted no radical changes in network or spot activity, though in all probability there will be a larger annual billing than last year's mark of some three million.

Tom gained his higher education at the U of Virginia, graduating in 1932 with a BA degree. Born in Kenosha, Wis., in 1912, Tom is single, six feet tall, soft-spoken and highly regarded in New York ra-dio circles



# Joy in Portland

ROMANCE and family life played a large part in activi-ties of staffmen of KGW-KEX, Portland, Ore., in recent weeks. First, Announcer Bob Thomlinson married Lucille Lamb. Then Hank Nor-ton, continuity man, an-nounced an heir, Henry Jr. Followed Don Green with the announcement of the advent of Don Jr., and within a few days Newsman Bob Thomas was blessed with twins. To cap it all, Jack Eichenberger, of the public relations staff, a few days ago married Vera West, daughter of R. D. West, Pacific Coast manager of Mantle Lamp Co.

Howard H. Wilson Plans Flat Fee Payment For Station Representation A FLAT FEE plan of station representation has been announced by Howard H. Wilson of the Howard H. Wilson Co. station representa-Under the plan outlined by tives. Mr. Wilson, the station will pay a flat fee for representation based on gross national billing, with a sliding scale providing fee increases in proportion to amount of national business. Besides the flat fee, the station pays on all national billing a 1% commission which goes di-rectly to the Howard H. Wilson

salesmen who book the business. Mr. Wilson intends to operate his representative firm entirely on the straight fee basis by Sept. 1, transferring his present stations from commission basis. The ability to render complete service to a selective list of stations and to cooperate closely with the individual station's local salesmen in developing local and regional business are among the advantages claimed for the plan by Mr. Wilson.

MGM Buys Radio Sketch JERRY SCHWARTZ, of the CBS Hollywood continuity staff, has sold his original radio sketch, Now We Are Twenty-One, to MGM. Sketch was recently used on the CBS Young Ideas series. It will be turned over to MGM younger writers and directors for film-ing. Studio plans to have each writer and director do a sequence in the pic-ture, with younger film players slated for various roles.



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# Time Sales Tax (Continued from page 9)

to yield between four and five billion dollars, "you wouldn't have to reduce sales volume by more than ½ of 1% to actually cost the Treasury more than the gross of the radio tax".

Mr. Alvord's memorandum, in a point-by-point analysis of the House Ways & Means Committee report, flatly denied that broadcasters possess "a valuable monopolistic privilege", that "the principal operators in commercial broadcasting earn high rates of return on relatively small investments" and thus "possess unusual taxpaying ability", and declared that radio should not be singled out "as the sole object" of a charged Federal policy under which public regulation should be paid for through special rather than general taxation.

# Plenty of Competition

Speaking of the "monopolistic privilege" question, the brief stated:

"In the first place, a license to operate a radio station confers no monopoly on the licensee. Monopoly, of course, involves a lack of competition, and there is no lack of competition in the radio broadcasting industry today. Virtually no locality in the country lacks competitive broadcasting. No licensee has a monopoly of the listening public. Every licensee faces vigorous competition from other licensees, and some must compete with a score or more.

"Secondly, license renewal is more than a mere formality. It must be obtained on the merits.

"Third, improvements in the art are constantly making more frequencies available, and such developments as FM promise even wider opportunities in the future.

"In the fourth place, the broadcasting industry's only substantial source of income is from advertising, and radio certainly has no monopoly of advertising media. Radio commands less than one-eighth of the advertiser's dollar, and it must fight every inch of the way for that share."

## Years of Losses

Speaking of the alleged "high rate of return on investment", the memorandum declared:

"It is true that the initial investment required to provide the physical equipment of a radio station is relatively moderate, but it is by no means insubstantial. However, while in some businesses the original outlay for physical equipment will suffice for many years, the radio broadcaster is in a field in which technical improvements may render his equipment obsolete almost overnight. As those improvements come along, he must put them into effect, even though a complete duplication of his physical facilities may be required. The new technique of FM, for example,



DEEP INTO THE EARTH went the microphone of WKY, of Oklahoma City, to originate a special broadcast of a 100-voice choir brought there by R. G. Miller, editorial columnist of the Oklahoma City Times (holding panama). Occasion was a program describing the activities of the 4,000 tourists who visited Northwestern Oklahoma's alabaster caverns on a pilgrimage conducted by Mr. Miller. Here in the natural caverns 150 feet below the surface Mr. Miller and John Prosser, program director of WKY (at right of microphone) interviewed the visitors.

already has forced extensive and costly additions to equipment.

"Obviously, no station can be expected to be profitable from its inception. In almost every case substantial operating deficits will be incurred for several years; and in a large number of instances these losses will continue for many years. The necessity for a very substantial investment over and above stantial investment over and above the cost of physical equipment is expressly recognized by the FCC one of the more important requirements prescribed is that the licensee establish its financial responsibility.

"The rate of return earned on capital invested is not a fair single test of taxpaying ability. Capital is only one income-producing factor. Far more important than capital are the intangible factors, such as energy, imagination, initiative, managerial ability and above all, just plain hard work. A successful radio station is peculiarly the creature of these other factors."

On the public regulation question the brief said:

"The Federal Government regulates many industries, not radio broadcasting alone. Among them are the railroads, buses and trucks, commercial aviation, shipping, the electric power industry, the telephone industry and the telegraph industry. It has not been thought that the necessity for public regulation of these industries justifies a special tax upon them. The functions of the Federal Government, in so far as they represent regulation of business for the benefit of the public, have been consistently financed through general rather than special taxation. There is no valid reason for an exception in the case of the radio broadcasting industry.

#### Defense Problems

"The radio broadcasting industry will readily concede that if the long-standing policy of the Government is to be changed, and businesses regulated for the benefit of the public are to bear the cost of their own regulation, then the radio broadcasting industry should bear its fair share. It insists, however, that it should not be singled out as the sole object of such a change in policy. And in no event can the propriety of a charge to cover the costs of regulation be offered as a justification for the tax proposed by the pending bill."

In discussing objections to the tax, Mr. Alvord in the memorandum emphasized that even without the burden of a tax of the proportions of the one proposed the industry faces a difficult and uncertain period, since the defense program necessarily involves dislocations and disruptions of normal business activities. He pointed out that with declines in revenue actually possible and perhaps probable, depending on the effect on advertisers of priorities, bans on installment buying, and other factors, the prospect becomes more certain day by day that broadcasters' operating costs are going to continually rise, even if volume decreases.

#### An 'Amusement'

Recommending a 100% increase in the radio tax, Mr. Haggerty in his printed statement of last Friday declared that "those who secure yearly net profits in excess of 100%, after payment of present Federal income taxes, should not complain of the so-called burden of taxation." He commented also that such a tax would be neither excessively burdensome nor discriminatory, citing FCC income figures and comparing them with investment figures to attempt to show how well the industry could afford to pay the "proposed low taxes."

Analyzing the financial return statistics, from networks down to regional stations, he noted that although the relative return declined, net profit from these radio operations was "many times the liberal rate of 8% or 10%" which is considered a high return on investments.

Mr. Haggerty also recommended the tax on an amusement levy basis, declaring that amusement and not advertising is the avowed function of radio broadcasting. Commenting that radio operators re-

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ceive an outright gift of monopolistic license from the Federal Government, he declared, "The opponents of this tax have enjoyed these valuable privileges so long, through the generosity of the Congress, that they apparently find it disagreeable to be called upon to pay their fair share of the costs of Government and of national defense.'

Discussing the effects of the tax on networks, he charged that "network broadcasters and many of the larger radio stations can and do pay rebates and discounts, as well as agency commissions, ranging from 36% upward." Estimating that rebates and discounts, other than agency commissions, divert about \$20,000,000 of yearly income otherwise coming to broadcasters. he observed that the proposed tax allows a deduction of no more than 15% for commissions.

On this basis, he claimed, by eliminating rebates and discounts networks and stations would save an estimated total greater than the estimated \$12,500,000 gross of the tax. He declared a principal reason for advertising agencies' opposition to the tax lies in this possibility of a reduction or elimination of discounts and rebates.

Concluding, Mr. Haggerty came out for a substantial increase in the tax "because of the diversion of advertising from printed publications to radio broadcasting, with its resultant loss of thousands of job opportunities to printing trade workers."

## Would Buv KSAM

C. ROTHWELL, manager of KSAM, Huntsville, Tex., and W. J. Harpole, commercial manager of KVIC, Victoria, Tex., will purchase KSAM for \$3,500 if the FCC ap-W. Bryan Shaver, owners of the licensee Sam Houston Broadcasting Assn., to transfer the station voluntarily to the new partners under the name of Radio Station KSAM. Both Harpole and Rothwell were at onetime part owners of the Seminole Reporter of Brady, KSAM operates on 1490 kc. Tex with 250 watts daytime.

#### Stone Seeks KLBM

BEN E. STONE, general man-ager of KOOS, Marshfield, Ore., ager of KOUS, Marshfield, Ore., and secretary-treasurer of KVAN, Vancouver, Wash., would acquire KLBM, LaGrande, Ore., for an undisclosed amount if the FCC ap-proves the application of Harold L. Findlay, licensee of the station, to assign KLBM voluntarily to Mr. Stone. Mr. Findlay who has managed the station since its inception in 1938 is former publisher of the LaGrande Observer.

Reach a big chunk of Illinois . . . do your testing thru the **DECATUR** station,

TESTING?

Federal Radio Tax **Protested by AFRA** 

# Lawrence Tibbett Re-elected As President of Union

LAWRENCE TIBBETT was reelected president of the American Federation of Radio Actors for another year in the closing session of the union's fourth annual convention, held in Detroit, Aug. 14-17. With no major problems on the agenda, the four-day session passed without excitement, its main achievement being the adoption of constitutional amendments altering the procedure of election of board members.

Virginia Paine, president of AFRA's Chicago local, was elected first vice-president of the national organization. Other vice-presidents elected were: Ken Carpenter, president of the Hollywood local; William Adams, president of the New York local; Ben Grauer and Gene Hersholt. George Heller was reelected treasurer and Alex McKee was re-elected recording secretary. Emily Holt continues as national executive secretary.

#### Radio Tax Opposed

Hollywood was selected as the location of the 1942 convention, to be held in August with the exact date to be determined by the board. Convention adopted a resolution protesting the proposed tax on radio time sales as detrimental to the interest of radio employes as well as station owners.

Television was discussed in a general way to bring the members upto-date on the situation in those cities in which video stations are already in operation, but no action was taken by the delegates. Plans for expanding AFRA's membership throughout the country and for organizing individual station staffs were also discussed at some length, but all action was referred to the board for execution when, where and as they see fit.

As amended, the constitution now provides that each local will nominate and elect its own board members, the nomination to be done by petition and the election by a mail referendum to obviate the need for special membership meetings of the locals. Formerly the local nominated members for the board, but the election was left to the delegates at the convention. Members at large, representing locals too small to have individual representatives on the board. were increased from two to three seats on the board. They will be elected at the convention each year.



DESIGNED to provide representative listening groups with a con-crete case record of clear-channel broadcasting's history, accomplish-ments and problems, Clear Channel Broadcasting Service headquarters in Washington has published a 130page presentation which will be circulated by the 16 member stations of the organization. The large easel-bound presentation, with 19 x 28 inch pages, was prepared from questionnaire data and supplement-ary studies by Victor M. Sholis, di-rector, and Allan B. Miller, assistant director of CCBS.

Based on estimates drawn from data supplied by the 16 CCBS memter stations, the new presentation, which combines pictorial and graphic illustrations with two-color page illumination, indicates that 25 clear-channel stations in the United States are on the air a total of 470 hours every day and 3,238 hours every week.

Estimates also showed that 7,245 hours annually are devoted by the 25 clear-channel stations to their own farm service programs, 3,750 hours to religious programs, 8,665 hours to educational programs, 31,650 hours to local programs by staff artists, 8,825 hours to serious music programs, and 1,906 hours to civic and public discussion programs—excluding progisms pro-vided through regular network service.

# Shafer Seeks Inquiry **On Military Censorship**

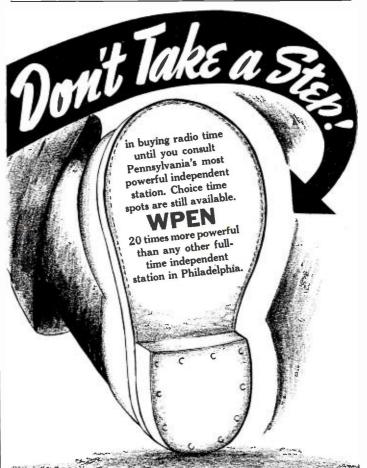
LOOKING into the threat of press and radio censorship, Rep. Shafer (R-Mich.) last Thursday intro-duced in the House a pair of reso-lutions calling upon the Secretaries of War and Navy to inform the House if you place been definit. House if any plan has been definitely formed to provide compulsory censorship of press and radio or whether censorship is being considered by the Departments or the

Joint Army-Navy Board. Earlier in the week Press Secre-tary Stephen T. Early, in one of the strongest denials coming recently from the White House, tore apart a press association report that President Roosevelt had approved an Army-Navy recommendation for prompt enactment of legislation imposing wartime censorship on all forms of communications, broadcasting, press and mo-tion pictures. He declared the President had disapproved the plan.

# **Oil Firm Spots**

NATIONAL REFINING Co., Cleveland, from Aug. 25 to Oct. 25 is conducting a campaign of one-minute transcriptions 12 times weekly on a list of 15 midwestern stations for its gas and oil prod-ucts. Agency is Sherman K. Ellis & Co., New York.

THE newspaper Diario Nuevo of El Salvador has opened a new broadcast-ing station dedicated to the defense of the democracies, and will not accept advertising by totalitarian firms.



WS

250 w, 1340. Full time, Sears & Ayer, Local help given.





A Hooper-Holmes survey shows that WFMJ has more listeners than any other station heard in the Youngstown District.

# Reserve Your Copy of 1941 Iowa Radio Audience Survey NOW

Conducted by Dr. H. B. Summers of Kansas State College, the 1941 Iowa Radio Audience Survey is an authoritative study . . tells virtually everything you need to know about Iowa and Middlewest radio listeners' habits . . furnishes a means by which you can scientifically check almost all your advertising plans in this section.

Write for it. No cost or obligation. Address Dept. B STATION WHO DES MOINES, IOWA



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**E** MPHASIZING the station's audience, KIRO, Seattle, in connection with its 50,000watt operation, has sent to the trade a four-page black, white and yellow broadside tracing details of the campaign since it went to 50 kw. June 29. Replicas of power boost announcements and followup newspaper space, billboards and highway bulletins, taxi bumper strips, radio promotions, direct mail, and special publicity features, including a spread in the radio section of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer for June 29 are included, along with a large map of the nighttime primary area.

# Bridge of Signs

THE famed "Bridge to Nowhere" of Port Arthur, Tex., built 10 years ago at a cost of \$260,000, will become one of the nation's largest sign boards under arrangements recently made by Glenn Hewitt, manager of KPAC, Port Arthur, to make a station promotion sign of each 101-foot bridge arm.

#### **Baseball** Premiums

PONTIAC DEALERS of Southern California, Los Angeles, sponsoring a five weekly baseball broadcast on KMPC, Beverly Hills, Cal., are offering a baseball mitt, bat and ball to the writer of the best letter on "Who Will Win the World's Series and Why."

#### Magazine Tieup

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NEWSTANDS in the listening area of WHN, New York, are displaying large red cardboard posters to promote the station's weekly mystery drama *The Avenger*, through a tieup by WHN with Street & Smith, publishers of the magazine *The Avenger*.

#### \* \* \* Chopsticks

CLAIMING the distinction of having the only Chinese announcerm.s-newscaster in American radio, WWRL, New York, sent out a special news release with a pair of chopsticks attached to announce that C. Gus Chan had joined the station. Merchandising & Promotion

Plugs for 50—Ghost Bridge—Sticks for Chan— News Schedules—Pennies in Glass

Covering the Food Show WSAI, Cincinnati, again provides coverage of the 27th annual Cincinnati Food Show at the Cincinnati Zoo, Aug. 19-Sept. 1. A special WSAI booth was erected on the grounds and as much of the station's programs as possible will be released there, including descriptions of the Cincinnati Reds out-of-town baseball games. A mobile unit is to be used on the grounds for special pickups. Dewey Long, WSAI general manager, handled the station's participation in the exhibit.

# List of Accounts

WBBM, Chicago, is sending all grocery wholesalers, drug wholesalers and drug chain headquarters in its primary area a monthly list of the WBBM programs that plug grocery store and drug products. Included on the list are the advertiser and product, time and day of program, sales results and type of program. Shown in a different color on the bulletins are the various offers or contests advertisers are running.

# News Schedules

CAPITALIZING on the interest in newscasts, CFRN, Edmonton, Alta., has distributed to 19,000 urban and 11,000 rural homes in the Edmonton area *CFRN News Directory Cards*, listing every daily and Sunday newscast heard on the station. Each listing carries with it time and name of sponsor.

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# Tinkling Jar

TWO PENNIES, real ones, too, jingle daintily in a fruit jar sent to the trade by WIBW, Topeka. Jars are by Kerr, which is said to have received many thousand inquiries at 2 cents each in a campaign on WIBW.

# BETTER NUTRITION FOR DEFENSE Woman Food Experts, Guests of WLW, Indicate Food Industry Is Making Diet Plans

PLEDGING the American food industry to full cooperation in the national defense program, a group of 10 leading women in the food field, meeting in Chicago recently under sponsorship of WLW, Cincinnati, indicated the industry is organizing to afford better balanced menus and make food information available to home makers. The food experts, guests at a WLW luncheon at the Drake Hotel, participated in a forum discussion later broadcast via transcription on Jane Sheridan's Homemakers' Review on WLW.

Taking its cue from the National Nutrition Conference for Defense, held in Washington May 26-28 at the request of President Roosevelt, the Chicago meeting brought the experts together to correlate for WLW listeners their best thoughts on the growing importance of nutrition in the national defense scheme. Members of the discussion group included Rose Marie Kiefer, executive secretary, National Assn. of Retail Grocers; home economics directors, including Marjorie Childe Husted (Betty Crocker), General Mills, Jeanette Kelley, Lever Bros., Doris Tisdale, Standard Brands, Jean Allen, Kroger Grocery & Baking Co., Eleanor Ahearn, Procter & Gamble, Mary Dahnke, Kraft Cheese Co., Marie Sellers, General Foods Co., and Marie Gifford, Armour & Co. Jane Sheridan, WLW home director, was in charge of the program, which also presented Robert E. Dunville, general sales manager of the broadcast division of Crcsley Corp., and Walter Callahan, WLW Chicago sales manager. Interviewed by Miss Sheridan, the guest experts explained how

Interviewed by Miss Sheridan, the guest experts explained how their companies are intensifying efforts to closely ally themselves with the task of educating consumers in the job of planning nutritious meals.



ABOUT 500 of these bronze medals will be awarded this fall by WNAX, Yankton, S. D., to outstanding 4-H Club members in South Dakota, Nebraska and parts of Iowa, Minnesota and North Dakota. The awards were instituted last year by Charlie Worcester, WNAX farm service director. Apart from general cooperation with the 4-H movement in its area, highlighted by undertakings such as these annual awards, WNAX also pays the expenses of four prizewinning club members to the National 4-H Club Camp in Washington each year.

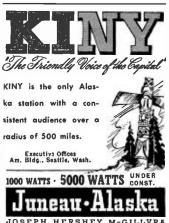
# BROCHURES

WMAZ, Macon-Booklet giving facts and figures on WMAZ's listening area. WROL, Knoxville-Offset printed booklet with studio views and coverage maps.

WEEI. Boston-Booklet Let It Begin Here describing WEEI's role in originating civilian defense programs in Massachusetts.

MBS—Third in series of brochures, The Move Is to Mutual, showing Bhackett-Sample-Hummert clients using 21 quarter-hours on 76 MBS stations.

WWNC. Asheville—Brochure entitled "Poor Paperhanger—One Appendage Thives" in which the coverage and listener reaction to WWNC is shown with figures and coverage maps.



# Merchandising Setup in Latin Nations Included in Crosley Rebroadcast Net

THE Crosley Latin-American network, Cadena Radio Inter-Americana, began operation in mid-June with 13 longwave and 15 shortwave stations below the border picking up and rebroadcasting programs in Spanish originated at WLWO, Crosley 75,000-watt shortwave station in Cincinnati.

A month later, July 15, the network got its first commercial program, El Noticeiro Mundial, a quarter-hour news summary broadcast seven days a week under the sponsorship of Bristol-Myers Co. for Ipana, Sal Hepatica and Vitalis. Currently the series is heard on several stations, but if the 26week test proves successful, more will be added. Program was placed by Boclaro Adv. Agency, New York.

Longwave affiliates are :: XEB, Mexico City; TGW, Guatemala City; HRN, Tegucigalpa, Honduras; TIP; San Jose, Costa Rica; HP5C, Panama City; OAX41, Lima; CMCK, Havana; YV5RB, Caracas, and YVIRF, Maracaibo, Venezuela; HJDK, Medellin, HJCB, Bogota, and HJEL, Cali, Colombia; HC2AJ, Guayaquil, Ecuador. Shortwave stations are: XEBT, Mexico City; TGWA, TGWB, TWGC, Guatemala City; two shortwave stations affiliated with HRN, Tegucigalpa; YSDN, San Salvador, El Salvador; HP5B, Panama City; OAX4J, Lima; COCO, Havana; YV5RM, Caracas; YVIRX, Maracaibo; HJDE, Medellin; HJCD, Bogota; HC2AK, Ecuador

# Others to Join

WIAC, San Juan, Puerto Rico, will join the network when it begins operations in late September, and negotiations are under way for an affiliate in Buenos Aires, according to Bernard Musnik, New York representative for WLWO and CRIA. Mr. Musnik was formerly associated with Radio Cite in Paris.

Present network covers only the territory known as the "quartersphere", he explained, including all Central America, the Caribbean islands, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela. Decision to con-fine CRIA to this area, he said, was based on the fact that 50% of all Latin American business comes from the quarter-sphere and because of governmental restrictions in other countries which make it difficult for North American firms to do business. In addition, Brazil was excluded because of the language situation, its population speaking Portugese, whereas all other countries use Spanish.

Two main considerations were given to the selection of affiliates, he stated. First, they must be technically equipped to pick-up and rebroadcast the WLWO programs without loss of quality. This did not present much of a difficulty, he explained, because the super-power

of WLWO enables it to lay down a strong, clear signal throughout Latin America. The chief qualification was that the stations have live progressive management, willing to give CRIA advertisers the same type of merchandising which has been successfully used in this country by WLW.

#### Merchandising Service

"We offer advertisers not merely a rebroadcast service," he stated, "but a complete merchandising plan like that of WLW, which has already aroused considerable interest among export advertisers." He declined to release the network's rates for publication, but said three quarter-hour programs a week on the complete network could be purchased for less than \$700 weekly.

WLWO program service, all in Spanish and all available for rebroadcasting by all affiiates, includes many special events, both political and sporting. Regular features include a daily summary of editorials from the Latin American press and the Sunday operas given at the Cincinnati Zoo. Coordinator of the network, in charge of its station relations, is A. Rojas Villalba, former manager of the overseas department of Gotham Adv. Co., New York.

## **Parker's Latin Series**

PARKER PEN Co., Janesville, Wis., recently started a series of 26 weekly half-hour broadcasts in Spanish and Portuguese on NBC's international stations, WRCA and WNBI. Titled Ritmo v. Danza, the broadcasts will feature recorded popular American music, Mondays at 8:15 p.m. in Spanish and at 6:30 p.m. in Portuguese. Agency is Blacket-Sample-Hum-mert, Chicago.

#### 'America Thinks'

America Inflks TO INTERPRET to the people of Latin America present public opinions in the United States, WRCA, NBC's international station, is broadcasting a daily quarter-hour series America Thinks, the material being supplied by Maurice English of the International Division, with Mario Silveira and F. J. Lara of the Snanish section alternat Division, with Mario Shvera and F. J. Lara of the Spanish section alternat-ing as Spanish commentators. Also heard regularly on WRCA and WNBI each week is a half-hour program of music by Vincent Lopez' Orchestra, with Portuguese announcements by M. Cowless of the intermentional tag Cardoso of the international staff.



# New Swan Serial

LEVER BROS. Co. (Swan soap), LEVER BROS. Co. (Swan soap), on Aug 25 started a new serial, *bright Horizon or The Story of Michael West on 34 CBS stations*, Monday through Friday 11:30-11:45 a.m. with repeat at 2-2:15. "Michael West" is the name of a character in the *Big Sister* serial now heard for Rinso at the same time. It is understood Young & Rubicam agency handling the new Rubicam, agency handling the new show, purchased the right to the character and title from Ruthrauff & Ryan, agency handling Big Sis-ter, which will be shifted to 12:15-12:30 p.m., cancelling its repeat broadcast as of Aug. 25.

# Senate Approves Plan For Census of Defense

IN A MOVE to expedite the supplementary survey activities of the Census Bureau, and at the same time clear the decks for a comprehensive census study of defense industry, the Serate has approved a bill (S-1627), introduced by Senator Bailey (D\_N. C.), chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee, providing for a quinquen-nial census of industry and busi-

ness, starting in 1943. The five-year census studies in the manufacturing and business fields would be conducted at the same time rather than at two and five-year periods, respectively, as provided under present law. The measure was strongly backed by the Census Bureau, and has been referred to the House Committee on the Census. Favorable House action on the measure is expected shortly after the House reconvenes Sept. 15 for regular sessions.



If you have a swell spot announcement . . . or transcription . . . or program IT STILL MUST BE HEARD TO BE EFFECTIVE. WSUN, since 1927 on 620 kc., SERVES THE TAMPA BAY AREA .... PLUS more than half of Florida's population . . . with a clear, strong, interference-free signal . . . the ESTABLISHED listening habit for this market.

Louis J. Link, Director

WEED AND COMPANY NEW YORK - DETROIT - CHICAGO - SAN FRANCISCO





On August 4th Radio Station WTSP, serving St. Petersburg and the Tampa Bay Area of Florida, joined the MUTUAL BROADCAST-ING SYSTEM. Now WTSP is bringing the splendid programs of Mutual to this rich market, attracting even more listeners than before and paying bigger dividends to advertisers using this station.



St. Petersburg TIMES Affiliate A REGIONAL STATION

# R. S. Stratton, Manager St. Petersburg, Fla.

Represented by Theis & Simpson Co., Inc. New York • Chicago • Detroit Atlanta

> TTLE Is the Only Columbia Outlet in ARKANSAS

ROCK

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**OVER 1000 new homes** are now under construction in this defense area where over \$150,-000,000 in defense orders are being spent.



# **Franchise Tax**

(Continued from page 7) mission takes will be in the nature of recommendations to Congress for amendment of the Communications Act of 1934.

The rules committee feels there is precedent for such a tax both in Federal and State laws. The Federal Power Commission, for example, it is understood, fixes annual charges on the basis of maximum horse-power authorized by license, and for the last 20 years has made collections approximately equal to the cost of regulating power companies.

The proposed amendments drafted by the Rules Committee would levy an excise tax on gross receipts in excess of \$25,000 on all persons engaged in broadcasting as well as on the gross receipts of common carriers. The definition of gross receipts would be extremely broad, embracing money received from the sale of time or programs, including commissions paid, whatever their nature. Networks would calculate their gross receipts on the same basis except that money paid as compensation to affiliates would be deducted, but included in the gross receipts of station licensees. The \$25,000 exemption for broad-

cast stations apparently was decided upon as constituting the average demarcation between profitable and non-profitable operation.

The rules committee plan presumably would be designed to raise sufficient money in each fiscal year to offset the amount appropriated by Congress and spent by the Commission for the prior fiscal year. Amateur and safety of life services would be excluded. The proposed statute recommended by the rules committee would specify the precise percentage of Commission overhead to be borne by each branch of communications. The funds collected would be paid into the Treasury.

#### Defense Costs Excluded

National defense expenditures, for the far-flung monitoring and foreign propaganda service estab-

# **Station in New Mexico Plans September Debut**

DESPITE difficulties in obtaining materials necessary for the con-struction of the new KTNM, Tu-cumcari, N. M., Lester Q. Krasin, general manager and half-owner of the new local, announces that oper-ation is expected to begin in latter September. Construction permit was granted June 24 to the partnership of Mr. Krasin, a radio technician, and Otto A. Krutzner, owner of an auto body reconstruction business in Las Vegas, N. M., to operate on 1400 kc. with 250 watts. Mr. Krasin will be chief engi-neer, with Stu Morrison, of Tucum-commonial management Relation

commercial manager. Balance cari, of staff has not yet been selected. A Gates transmitter has been pur-chased and speech equipment will be composite. Antenna, to be constructed locally, will be a tubular steel-guyed tower.

# **Carnation Extends**

CARNATION Co., Milwaukee, on Sept. 1 is increasing its sponsor-ship of the Carnation Bouquet variety program on KYW, Philadel-phia, and WSYR, Syracuse, from two to three times weekly. The company also sponsors Arthur Godfrey via transcriptions twice-weekly in 35 cities, and on Sept. 1 shift three of those stations, WGN, KHJ and WWJ, to the quarter-hour Bouquet program for thrice-weekly presentation. Agency is Erwin, Wasey & Co., New York.

lished during the last two years, would be excluded from the funds recovered, The Commission estimates that approximately \$2,150,-000 would be involved in the excise tax plan with common carriers contributing approximately 51% and the broadcasting industry about 49%.

The proposed statute itself would set out that all industries affected would pay to the United States an annual excise tax based on the percentage of engaging in communications. It would set forth that the broadcasting industry should contribute 49% of the total amount: telephone industry, 25%; wire line telegraph, 8%; cable, 4%, and radio telephone-telegraph, 14%. Collections would be made by the Bureau of Internal Revenue for the District in which the company maintained operations with quarter annual installments optional. In the event of default, a 5% penalty would be imposed for the first month and 3% for succeeding months.



MEYER BROS. DRUG Co., St. Louis (Sherton wine tonic), to Jimm Daugherty Inc., St. Louis. Radio and newspapers to be used

KEVO PRODUCTS Inc., Los Angeles (health food drink), to Eugene F. Rouse & Co., that city. Currently formulating fall radio plans,

AFTA SOLVENTS Corp., New York, to Gelles Adv. Agency. Said to use radio.

ENGELS & KRUDWIG Wine Co., San-dusky, O. (E & K wines), to Sterling Beeron Inc., Toledo. Said to use radio.

HUNTER PRESSED STEEL Co.. Lans-dale, Pa. (steel springs), to John Falkner Arndt & Co., Philadelphia.

40 FATHOM FISH Inc., Boston, to Smith & Sweeney, New York, to handle entire line of canned seafood.

DURHAM DUPLEX RAZOR Co., Mystic, Conn., to Erwin. Wasey & Co., New York, for all products. including razors, Enders Speed shaver and blades, Marathon single and double-edge blades, Wade & Butcher cutlery, and Duplex Dog Dressers. No ad-vertising plans made as yet.

# **Insurers** Spots

TRAVELERS CASUALTY Insurance Co., Chicago, is sponsoring quarter-hour program six times weekly on WDZ, Tuscola; WROK, Rockford; WTAX, Springfield, and quarter-hour Musical Clock thrice-weekly on WBBM, Chicago. Affili-ots company Michigan Casualt ate company, Michigan Casualty Insurance Co., Detroit, is using six quarter-hour participations weekly on *Mrs. Page's Program*, WJR, Detroit, and five quarter-hour participations weakly on hour participations weekly on Happy Joe, CKLW, Windsor. More stations will be added in Illinois and Michigan. First United Broadcasters, Chicago, is agency.



## They're singing in the TVArea.

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5,000 W. DAY

5000 W. NIGHT

Recently, a Sunday morning sponsor invited listeners to an oldfashioned singing bee in the WNOX 600-seat studio. It was jammed by 6:00 a. m., with crowds turned away.

Yes, they're singing in the WNOX-TVArea, and they start early. They sing because they're happy: happy because normally good times in the rich and fertile Tennessee Valley are now better. Better because

of TVA's vast dam-building program, stepped-up aluminum production, overtime working of mills and factories, all industry at peak capacity. Work is plentiful; payrolls are big.

And as happy WNOX listeners sing, your sales message will sing, too. when aired over this popular station of the TVArea.



# Access to Radio Plants Denied in Anti-Spy Move

A WARTIME move barring access to the premises of wire or radio communication companies, including manufacturing, of representatives of any foreign government, persons, associations or corporations, was announced last Friday by the Defense Communications Board, of which FCC Chairman James Lawrence Fly is head. A resolution adopted by DCB served notice to all such companies that on account of the "importance to national defense of the plants and facilities of the communications industry," it appeared desirable to restrict free access. Companies were requested to

Companies were requested to take all measures necessary to insure that access to premises containing communications equipment or facilities other than those necessarily open to the general public, be restricted to employes, federal, state or local Government officers acting in their official capacity and other persons considered necessary by the management in the conduct of its business. Specific mention was made of exclusion of representatives of foreign governments or companies. Broadcasting operations are not covered in the order.

# **Occident Flour Spots**

RUSSELL-MILLER Milling Co., Minneapolis, on Sept. 1 starts a fall campaign for Occident Flour, using an average of 10 announce-ments weekly on the following sta-tions: WMAS WDEV WKNE WTAG WBEN WSYR WSLB WKOK WBRE WGBI WHBC WJAC WDAY WHDF WCED WTAQ WDMJ WNAX WJMS WHO KSTP WHDF WDMJ KFIZ WMAM WKBH CJIC KFBB KGCX KGVO KGHL KFYR and KFJM. On WEBC, WMFG and WHLB, Occi-dent Flour clear with dent Flour also will be promoted on six weekly quarter-hour newscasts in Finnish; on WFHR, once week-ly on the *Man-on-the-Street* pro-gram; on WLS, thrice-weekly pargram; on WLS, thrice-weekly par-ticipations on the Homemakers Program; on KSTP, weekly par-ticipation in the Household Forum; on WDAY, the Z-Bar Network, KGHL and KFYR, with quarter-hour weekly transcriptions of the Frank & Julia series, used by the company for last year's campaign. Agency is N. W. Ayer & Son, New York.

# Libby Tests Serial

LIBBY, McNEILL & LIBBY, Chicago (canned fruit juices), will test a quarter-hour transcribed serial, *Terry & the Pirates*, adapted from the newspaper comic strip, on WGN, Chicago, and KMBC, Kansas City, starting Sept. 29. Agency is J. Walter Thompson Co., Chicago.

# Milligan Changes Post

Milligan Changes Fost LAWRENCE MILLIGAN, account executive of Blackett-Sample-Hummert. ('hicago, has resigned to join Sherman & Marquette, Chicago, in an executive capacity. He had been with B-S-H eight years, handling the Procter & Gamble account.

TRANSCRIPTIONS for the quarterhour weekly *Musical Mediations* program sponsored on 12 stations by Omar Flour Co., Omaha, are being cut by NBC Radio-Recording. Chicago. Hays MacFarland & Co., Chicago, handles the account.

# ASCAP Situation

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full network profits. Only initial negotiations by Mutual would have established a permanent formula adaptable to its operations, rather than a network formula which would have been prohibitive and disastrous to the stations involved in a Mutual operation.

"Four—The establishment of the now accepted principle that networks and stations have to negotiate separately and individually for the return of ASCAP music to the air, so that listeners would not continue to be deprived of this catalogue.

"Five—Up to this date, all functioning industry organizations were exerting their influence against a policy of negotiating a basis for the return of ASCAP music to the networks and stations."

# Court Delay

Hearing on the ASCAP motion to have BMI eliminated from the suit filed jointly by BMI and Edward B. Marks Music Corp. against ASCAP in the New York Supreme Court has been postponed until Sept. 15 from the originally scheduled date of Aug. 16. The proposed ASCAP suit against BMI, NAB, CBS and their officers will of course be dropped unless some hitch should develop to prevent the consummation of the NBC contract.

ASCAP has taken no action toward working out a method of permitting the use of ASCAP music by broadcasters, restaurants, taverns, etc., in Florida, where the anti-ASCAP law, recently upheld by the United States Supreme Court, prohibits the users of music from being required to deal with a combination such as ASCAP. It is reported, however, that conversations between ASCAP officials and the attorney general of Florida have resulted in a plan whereby ASCAP music will be made available to users on a dual basis, either through the society as formerly or by individual arrangements with the publishers and writers holding the copyrights on the music desired by the user.

# BMI Disc Policy

When the network negotiations are concluded, ASCAP's attorneys, it is understood, will write a letter to the Attorney General describing this proposed plan of operation and showing how it falls within the law, to which the Attorney General will reply with a letter of approval of the proposed operations. By enabling the Florida citizens who wish to use ASCAP music to deal directly with the individual copyright owners as well as through ASCAP, the society will be conforming with the terms both of the State law and of the Federal consent decree, it was explained.

Meanwhile, BMI has announced that as of Sept. 1 it will stop the use of its music via transcriptions by stations which are not BMI subscribers. Previously, BMI had made no effort to curb this practice, partly because it gave additional performances of BMI tunes but chiefly so as not to interfere with the placement of commercial musical programs making use of BMI music. In the case of these latter programs after Sept. 1 BMI states that it will set a per-program fee which can be paid either by the station or the sponsor if the stations he schedules do not want to take out blanket BMI contracts.

# WKBN Goes Fulltime

ALMOST on the eve of its 15th anniversary, which is Sept. 26, WKBN, Youngstown, was scheduled on Aug. 25 to go to fulltime operation on 570 kc., terminating its former time-sharing with WOSU, Ohio State U station at Columbus, which has been granted 5,000 watts limited time on 820 kc. Dignitaries, including Gov. Bricker of Ohio and Gov. James of Pennsylvania, along with William S. Paley, CBS president, were scheduled to extend greetings via transcriptions. WKBN will operate with its present power pending installation of a new transmitter which will enable it to operate with its assigned 5,000 watts.

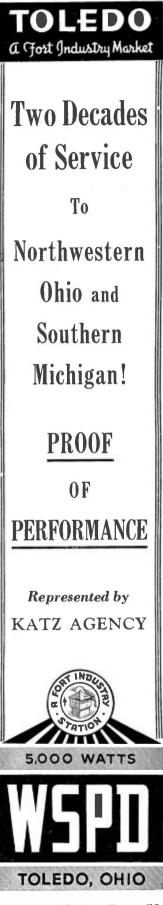
# Buying 'Touchdown Tips'

MORE THAN 20 advertisers in as many cities have already contracted for fall sponsorship of the second annual edition of *Touchdoton Tips*, recorded football series syndicated by NBC Radio-Recording Division in 13 quarter-hour programs, to start Sept. 12 with the opening of the football senson. Sam Hayes, West Coast sportscaster, predicts scores of 30 leading college games each week and points out general trends. The transcriptions are produced in NBC's Hollywood stutions taking the series, which are WEAF WFIL WWDC WEBR WRAW WDBJ KVOD WPID WTBC WPIC WAKR WLOF WMC WMBR WLAC WGAL KLRA WCOA KDYL WBRE KGHL WMBS and WSJS.

# Huffington to WPID

Humngton to WFID APPOINTMENT of Walter Huffington as general manager of WPID, Petersburg, Va., and Bill Steadman as program director, has been announced by R. B. Huber, president, Huffington, for three years traffic manager of WPTF, Raleigh, and Steadman, formorly chief announcer and publicity director of WGTM, Wilson, N. C., succeed Lee Chadwick and Ben Miller, respectively, resigned.





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# **New Crosley Processes** Aid Air Corps Material

WITH announcement last week of an award by the U.S. Air Corps of two additional contracts for certain aviation equipment to the Crosley Corp., Cincinnati, it was revealed that manufacturing processes developed in the Crosley laboratories will make it possible to substitute ordinary steel, in making this equipment, for aluminum and special alloy steel, at no sacrifice in weight, and will result in saving many tons of aluminum. The two additional contracts, totaling about \$1,200,000, will bring to five the jobs that have been re-cently awarded to Crosley by the Air Corps, according to R. C. Cos-grove, Crosley vice-president and general manager.

Instead of aluminum die castings and chrome molybdenum forgings formerly required in making this aviation equipment, Crosley research engineers have shown it to be possible to substitute steel drawings and steel punchings, pro-cessed by hydrogen brazing, resulting in a slight saving in weight as compared with the material formerly used.

# **Glass Disc Advantages** Are Claimed by Presto

PRESTO RECORDING Corp. reports its new glass base disc during the last month has been shipped to 14 foreign countries, including the tropics, and that neither high temperatures nor humidity had affected their recording characteristics or playback life. Because of this advantage, Presto states the cellulosecoated master discs have almost completely replaced wax masters formerly used by some foreign record manufacturers. Besides orders from the larger Central and South American countries. Presto reports shipments to the Philippines, India, Dutch East Indies, Portugal, Malaya, South Africa and Egypt.

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IDENTIFICATION CARDS, designed by Chief Engineer Frank Falknor of WBBM Chicago, have been issued to the station's engineering staff. The cards, which must be carried by WBBM's 40 engineers at all times, are used in lieu of badges to prove identification when working on re-motes. All have been fingerprinted with the FBI providing equipment.

# FM in Pittsburgh

FM WILL BE heard regularly for the first time in the city of Pittsburgh as well as the State of Pennsylvania when W47P, FM adjunct of WWSW, Pittsburgh, goes on the air Aug. 28 from the Al-legheny County Fair in South Park, Pittsburgh.

Video Guild to Hear See HAROLD P. SEE, in charge of NBC's mobile television unit, will speak on the art and practice of outside pickups at the August meeting of the Television Guild, to be held Aug. 28 at the Aberdeen Hotel, New York.

WOSH are the call letters assigned to the new local in Oshkosh. Wis., authorized to Howard H. Wilson, Chicago station representative [BROAD-CASTING, Aug. 4].



**BBC USING WOMEN Technicians Being Trained to** -Take Radio Posts-

WARTIME AS Α experiment, British Bradcasting Corp. has started a six-week training pro-gram for women between 21 and 35 to become technicians in control rooms, recording centers and transmitters. BBC has set up its own training school for candidates, who go through two special courses of instruction before being placed on the job. Although the presently contemplated posts are more or less routine, BBC has indicated that trainees may become eligible for more advanced jobs, such as program engineers.

The first part of the six-week course covers both theoretical and practical work, with emphasis on lectures covering the organization of the BBC engineering division, the wartime system of wireless transmission, studio equipment, microphone control desks and panels, and outside pickups. Following this "A" course, can-

didates work four weeks under an expert instructor in control or recording rooms, watching the ac-tual handling of programs and gradually taking over some of the work. Upon completing the six-week instruction period successful candidates to working posts.

# **WOV Hearing Set**

NATIONAL LABOR Relations Board office in New York has set Sept. 18 to hear the charges of American Communications Assn., CIO union, against WOV, New York. Union filed its charges of unfair labor practices last winter, following a breakdown in negotiations which culminated in a strike of technicians, announcers and office workers at WOV on Nov. 3 [BROAD-CASTING, Nov. 15, 1940], at which time the station management accused the strikers of sabotage.

# WCBX, WCRC GET **MORE FREOUENCIES**

ADDITIONAL frequencies were authorized Aug. 19 to WCBX and WCRC, international shortwave stations of CBS at Brentwood, Long Island, N. Y., when the FCC granted modification of their construction permits to add the 6060 and 21520 kc. channels to both stations as well as the 6120, 6170 and 21570 kc. channels which are to be shared by WCBX, WCRC and WCAB, Philadelphia. WCBX, under construction, had originally been granted its construction permit to share on 17830 kc. with WCRC; share on 9650, 11830, 15270 kc. with WCAB and WCRC; and operate unlimited on 6120, 6170 and 21570 kc. WCRC, also being built, had been authorized to share on 6060, 21520 with WCAB; share with WCBX on 17830 kc.; and share 9650, 11830 and 15270 kc. with WCAB and WCBX.

The Commission granted special authorization to Philco Radio & Television Corp. to operate its pres-ent experimental television station W3XE for a period of 60 days from Sept. 1 on channel No. 3 (66,000-72,000 kc.) pending fur-nishing of additional engineering data required by the FCC to pass on Philor's produce application for on Philco's pending application for a commercial television station. Action was to enable the Philadelphia area to have scheduled television program broadcasts as soon as possible.

# St. Louis FM for CBS

CBS was awarded its fourth com-mercial FM station when the FCC last Tuesday authorized a construction permit for a new outlet in St. Louis, to operate on 45.9 mc. and serve a 13,000 square mile area. The proposed transmitter site area. Ine proposed transmitter site is in the Mart Bldg., 12th and Spruce Sts., also home of KMOX, CBS owned station in St. Louis. Other CBS construction permits for FM stations are held in Holly-wood, Chicago and New York. Grant brings the total FM grants Grant brings the total FM grants by the FCC to 54.

## Memorial to Fessenden

Memorial to ressenden ROANOKE Island, N. C., not far from Kitty Hawk, where the Wright brothers carried out their first flight experiments, is the site of a \$100,000 memorial that has been dedicated to the late Reginald A. Fessenden, the ra-dio inventor. It was on Roanoke Island that Dr. Fessenden established two-way radie computations with Het way radio communications with Hat-teras about 40 year, ago.

#### FM Receiver Plans

FM RADIOS will account for 80% FM RADIOS will account for S0% of the volume of business during 1942 of Stromberg-Carlson Tel. Mfg. Co., Rochester, according to Dr. Ray H. Manson, vice-president and general manager, who stated that its 1942 line would be introduced shortly. Two FM engineering developments will be in-corporated in the radios, including automatic range shifting and a simpli-fied push-button control for both FM and standard broadcasting. and standard broadcasting.





T. E. La CROIX. KFAC. Los An-geles, engineer. on Sept. 1, joins NBC Hollywood in a similar capacity. He succeeds Don 3cheuch, who resigned to return to U. of California.

HENRY T. BAILEY, of Gadsden. Ala., has joined the engineering staff of WLAG, LaGrange, Ga.

ANDY ANDERSON, chief technician of KTAR. Phoenix, and a licensed pilot, has been commissioned a deputy in the Maricopa County Sheriff's air squad, a civilian defense unit.

VINCENT CHANDLER, chief en-gineer of WMUR. Manchester, N. H., is the father of a baby boy, born Aug. 13

TED KALIN and Fred Brill have joined the engineering staff of WELI, New Haven, replacing John Reilly, re-cently appointed chief engineer of the new WSRR. Stamford, Conn. and Joseph Austen, who has joined WEIM, Fitchburg, Wass. Fitchburg, Mass.

DENZIL PULLEY, formerly of WSIX, Nashville, and WHUB, Cooke-ville. Tenn., has joined the new WGAA, Cedartown, Ga., as chief engineer.

LEONARD DOESE, chief engineer of WIBU, Poynette, Wis., is the father of a boy born Aug. 12.

JOHN LUSTEN, formerly of WELI. New Haven. Conn., has joined the technical staff of WEIM, Fitchburg, Mass

GENE GOLDRUP, chief engineer of KGMB. Honolulu, and KHBC, Hilo, recently resigned and plans to settle on the mainland.

HARRY A. TURNER has been ap-pointed production supervisor of Uni-versal Microphone Co., Inglewood, Cal.

ROBERT CONNOLLY has been named acting chief engineer of WHAT, Philadelphia, succeeding Lieut. Chet Geise, now stationed in the Canal Zone.

# Killed in Plane Crash

Killed in Plane Crash W. K. (Bill) MARKS, radio operator on the trans-Atlantic bomber ferry service, was killed in a plane crash in Eugland while returning to Canada. He was formerly with CKPC. Brant-ford, Ont. And CJKL, Kirkland Laise, Ont. He started as a radio amateur in Brantford and then was a radio operator with Trans-Canada Air Lines. A brother. Delmar Marks, is transmit-ter operator at CKGB. Timmins. Ont., and another brother. Ernest Marks, is flying bombers to Britain.

# ACA Signs Two

A M E R I C A N Communications Assn., CIO union, reports it has signed contracts with WBAX, Wilkes-Barre, and WWDC, Wash-ington. Agreement at WBAX covers 17 employes in all departments, the union states, providing for closed shop, no firing without ACA permission, salary increases up to \$4 a week, vacations, sick leave and other standard clauses such as holi-days, overtime, etc. The WWDC contract covers 12 engineers employed in the control room, the booster and at the transmitter. It provides for a general increase of 8% to 11%, with total benefits from increased overtime, vacations, holidays, etc. averaging about \$300 per man per year. Agreement also calls for a preferential union shop and arbitration, according to ACA.

# **IBEW Gets Contracts** In Michigan, Kansas City

NEGOTIATIONS have been con-cluded with KCKN, Kansas City, for an agreement covering the technicians and engineers employed by the station, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers announced last week through Lawson Wimberly, international representative. The agreement, which is the first to be negotiated by the IBEW in the Kansas City area, was signed by Ellis Atteberry, vicepresident and general manager of KCKN, and Walter L. Reed, international representative for the union, on behalf of Radio Broadcast Technicians Local Union No. 1259. The local, which has or-ganized technicians in several other stations in Kansas City, is affiliated with the ABT Unit of IBEW.

IBEW announced that Local No. 1218 of Detroit, affiliated with the ABT Unit of IBEW, had concluded agreements with WOOD - WASH, Grand Rapids, and WKZO, Kalamazoo

# **Charles Travis**

CHARLES TRAVIS, 58, radio engineer consultant for the Philco Corp., Philadelphia, on Aug. 15 died of a heart ailment in Germantown Hospital, Pa. An inventor of numerous radio devices, Mr. Travis also served at various times as consultant to Atwater Kent Mfg. Co., RCA Mfg. Co., and the Tacony Steel Co.



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Lingo has set a new pace in the FM field! This new patented Turnstile Antenna is a distinct, new improvement over all previous designs. It is now offered with a background of experience and not experiment . . . it is the result of a basically sound process of development and its excellent performance has already been proven. This FM Antenna con be provided on your building roof or supporting tower.

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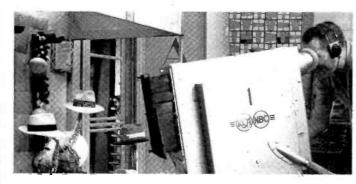
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UTILIZING THE FULL SCOPE of television in presenting commercials on its telecasts of boxing bouts from Ebbetts Field on WNBT, New York, Adam Hat Stores has erected in NBC's television studios a full-size store front, complete with merchandise and window-shoppers. Opening with a long shot showing a man stopping to inspect the window, comparing the hats shown there with his own and then turning into the store, the camera dollies up to the window for a closeup of the featured models, which are mounted on revolving stands to give an all-around view.

# Adam Hat Shows Its Faith in Television **By Signing for All NBC Sports Events**

A CONTRACT that may well make Adam Hats as synonymous with televised sporting events as Bulova Watches are with time signals in sound broadcasting was signed last week by Adam Hat Stores and NBC, calling for sponsorship by the hat company of all sporting events televised by NBC.

In addition to the boxing bouts staged by Chick Meehan at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, which Adam is already sponsoring on WNBT, New York, the new contract gives the sponsor exclusive rights to track meets, tennis matches, baseball and football games and any other sports for which NBC is able to secure television rights.

The agreement covers sports telecasts from NBC's video station in Washington, now under construction and scheduled to being operations Jan. 1, 1942, and from the network's television station in Philadelphia, expected to be ready for telecasting by July 1, 1942.

Contract is in effect a testimonial to the advertising effectiveness of television, which Adam Hats entered following the beginning of commercial operation on July 1, sponsoring telecasts in New York of the local fights the company was also sponsoring via sound broadcasting on the Blue Network.

Bouts promoted by Herman Taylor in Philadelphia and by Ray C. Alvis in Washington, to which NBC has exclusive television rights, as well as the exclusive rights for both longwave and shortwave broadcasting, are already broadcast under Adam sponsorship on the Blue and will be televised for this advertiser as soon as NBC is able to provide coverage for sight as well as sound.

In a letter to NBC requesting to be "the first to go on record to give you an order for television facilities covering all the sports events on contract," Leon S. Goldberg, advertising manager of Adam Hat Stores, declared that "our preliminary experiments with commercial

television have unequestionably proved our contention that this new modern medium will excel all others.

"We would like you to make every effort," he continued, "to arrange that we can pick up our Adam Hats Sports Parade from all points in the country. For instance, we have contracted for broadcasts in Philadelphia, Washington, Chicago, etc., and we would like to, when technically possible, bring them into the New York market for our WNBT audience."

#### Growth of Adam

Adam has grown from a single store in New York to a national chain of hat stores, due largely to its advertising program, which has been built around sports broadcasting, first on individual stations in New York and since 1937 on the Blue Network.

Shortwave broadcasting to Latin

America, started as a goodwill gesture with the broadcast of the Louis-Godoy fight, has lately resulted in the development of an international business. Even the switch of the fights promoted by Mike Jacobs, which Adam had for several years sponsored on the Blue, to MBS for Gillette Safety Razor Co., did not alter the Adam advertising, as the company has gone along with NBC in lining up other promoters' matches for broadcasting.

# SALARY INCREASES FOR FCC LAWYERS

SALARY increases for members of the FCC's inquiry section as well as for other attorneys were approved last week by the FCC sub-ject to ratification by the Civil Service Commission.

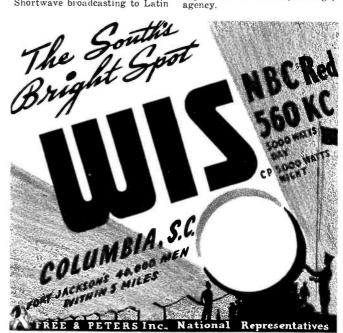
Allen W. Sayler, supervising in-vestigator of the inquiry section, was raised from \$3,800 to \$4,600 per year. He was the Commission's first witness in the newspaper divorcement inquiry which began last month.

Seymore Krieger, special counsel, who participated actively in the drafting of the network-monopoly rules, was increased from \$3,800 to \$4,600 but because of his temporary status, Civil Service ap-proval is not required. Hugh B. Hutchison, attorney on the regular legal staff, was recommended for a boost from \$3,800 to \$4,600. Charles E. Clift, field investi-

gator, was recommended for an increase from \$3,200 to \$3,800 and Raymond Lewis, also an attorney investigator, was recommended for increase from \$2,600 to \$3,200.

# Kleenex on CBS

INTERNATIONAL CELECUT-TON PRODUCTS Co., Chicago, has purchased a five-minute weekly period on 51 CBS stations starting Sept. 19. Program will advertise Kleenex and will be heard on Fri-days at 9:55-10 p.m., immediately following the First Nighter spon-sored by Campana Sales Co., Chi-cago. Lord & Thomas, Chicago, is agency.



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news coverage.

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE



OMAHA, NEBRASKA

On the RED Network 590 KC. 5000 WATTS DAY & NIGHT JOHN J. GILLIN, JR., MGR. John Blair & Co. Representatives

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# JOHN DAVID CHAIN TO SPONSOR VIDEO

JOHN DAVID Inc., New York, chain of men's wear stores, will sponsor *Men's Wear Highlights of Television* on WNBT, New York, 9-9:30 p.m. each Wednesday, beginning Sept. 24. Contract, which covers the first men's style show series of commercial television, calls for a 13-week series, with renewal options.

Programs will be variety shows produced by Reginald Hammerstein, who has left NBC's television staff to become television producer of Norman D. Waters & Assoc., New York, agency handling the series. The same agency recently contracted for a feminine style series, Fashion Discoveries in Television, which will start on WNBT Sept. 4 for a 13-week test series, Thursdays, 5-5:30 p.m. Both series will be merchandised with point-ofsale displays identifying merchandise as that shown in the telecasts.

The Fashion Discoveries series will be sponsored jointly by Bloomingdale Bros., New York, and Abraham & Strauss, Brooklyn, associated department stores which are also joint owners of Metropolitan Television Co., granted a construction permit to erect a television station in New York. Difficulty in obtaining material is holding up construction, BROADCASTING was informed, and Metropolitan executives said they were unable to predict when they might be ready to begin operation.

# **Schlitz Tests**

JOSEPH SCHLITZ BREWING Co., Milwaukee, is testing Monday through Friday five-minute news commentary on WMAQ, Chicago for Old Milwaukee beer. Company is also placing five-minute news programs and one-minute announcements on a number of selected stations. Commercials are transcribed in jingle form. Mc-Junkin Adv. Co. is agency.

HENRY MORGAN, who conducts his own participating program of patter and music ou WOR, New York, is now available for local cooperative sponsorship on MBS stations, Monday through Saturday, 7:15-7:30 p.m., Mutual has announced. Besides the reguhar quarter-hour time rate, the talent cost for Morgan on a six-weekly basis will be the local one-time quarter-hour national rate, and on a thrice-weekly basis, the minimum requirement, for 50% of that rate.



with *Simplified* CIRCUIT DESIGN





HIGH IN THE ROCKIES, in fact 13,000 feet high, was the origination point for a program during the annual trek of the Boulder (Col.) Chamber of Commerce. KOA, Denver, got its outfit up to this point on the Continental Divide by packhorse. A relay point was set up 2½ miles below, with the regular lines another five miles down the mountain. Here Don Martin (left) and Engineer Verne Andrews operate the equipment.

# **Lilly Painters**

81,000 STRONG, the Lilly Clan, resolved Aug. 20 in annual reunion assembled that WLW, their "favorite station", should be granted 650,-000 watts on its clear-channel frequency. Head of the clan is Cousin Abe Lilly, former West Virginia attorney general, who drew "thunderous applause" as he exhorted on behalf of the power boost. Ed Mason, WLW farm director, and Phil Underwood, engineer and a Lilly on his own right, cut a transcription for the WLW Everybody's Farm Hour.

# Wrigley Auditions

WM. WRIGLEY Jr. Co., Chicago (chewing gum), as supplement to its weekly CBS *Melody Ranch* featuring Gene Autry, is considering a new hillbilly quarter-hour program featuring the Canovas (Judy, Annie and Zeke), for fall release on that network. Audition program was produced and piped through in mid-August from Hollywood to Chicago executives of that firm by J. Walter Thompson Co., agency servicing the account.

# **Grove Morning Series**

GROVE LABS., St. Louis, on Oct. 6 will start a thrice-weekly early morning quarter-hour program of western and "home-folk songs on 65 NBC-Red stations in the interest of Bromo-Quinne. Louise Massey and the Westerners will be featured, and the program will be heard Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from Chicago at 7:45 (EST), with two rebroadcasts so it will reach central and mountain time zones at 7:45. It is believed the first regular network sponsored program presented that early in the morning. For stations unable to clear time, the program will be transcribed. Agency is Russel M. Seeds Co., Chicago.

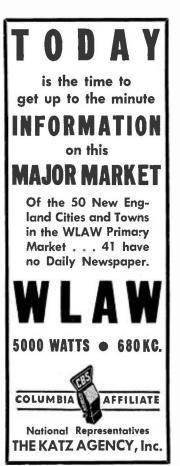
IT WAS incorrectly stated in the story on Noxema Chemical Co. titled "They Had to Do Something —And Quick," in the July 21 issue of BROADCASTING that the Quiz of Two Cities is heard on WHAM, Rochester. The program is heard in Rochester on WHEC. CBS Air School Given Praise by Latin Nations EXTENSION of the CBS School of the Air of the Americas to the entire Western Hemisphere may result in all American nations becoming bilingual, according to Dr. Luis Sanchez Ponton, Mexican minister of education. Dr. Ponton's prophesy was given Sterling Fisher, CBS director of education. Returning from the First Interretioned Conference in Maxim

Returning from the First International Conference in Mexico City of the CBS air school, Mr. Fisher announced Mexico had officially included the air study in its curriculum for all schools and plans to have all 10,000 classrooms radio equipped. Scripts and teachers' manuals for the air program will be sent to Mexico well in advance for adaptation. They will be forwarded to other Latin nations. Mr. Fisher reported the air school has been accepted "intellectually and emotionally" by the Latin countries.

# **Clothing Chain Spots**

FOREMAN & CLARK, Los Angeles (chain clothiers), in a twomonth campaign starting Sept. 1, along with other media will extensively use transcribed announcements in selected markets of the Western States. Station list is now being made up. Milton Weinberg Adv. Co., Los Angeles, has the account.

PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE. assistant in the CBS news dpartment, has written an article on Bermuda during wartime which will appear in the september Woman's Home Companion.

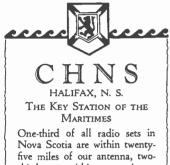


# WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT RICHMOND?

Richmond is at the fingertips of WMBG's sales and merchandising staff. You can get the dope instantly from WMBG—the Red Network Outlet in Richmond —on a food, drug or any other situation. As proof, WMBG received the Armour Merchandising Award. WMBG offers you the Red Network audience—5000 watts daytime—1000 watts night and equal density of coverage at lower rates. Before you buy—get the WMBG story.







Nova Scotia are within twentyfive miles of our antenna, twothirds are within our primary coverage area. No advertiser can afford to overlook this field.

Representatives JOS. WEED & CO. 350 Madison Avenue, New York





WTAG. Worcester, following installation of an Associated Press news wire, in mid-August transferred its news staff from offices in the adjoining *Worcester Telegram & Gazette* to the station's new newsroom. Directed by James G. Little, formerly of the NBC publicity bureau in Chicago, and Keuneth M.c.Mulleu, of the *Providence Journal*, the WTAG news division will broadcast seven quarter-hour news periods daily.

PHOTO & COUND Inc. San Francisco transcription firm, has written all Northern California radio stations and advertising agencies, offering to buy all old high-grade 16-inch pressings at 10 cents each. By high grade the company means materials classified as vinylite, the regular transcription pressing.

WCOP. Boston, marks its sixth birthday Aug. 26 when appropriate festivities to commemorate the anniversary are planned.

THE congineering department of KLZ. Denver, is acknowledging D-X letters with a new D-X card, printed in blue and red ou buff. It features two photographs, one of the station's transmitter building and tower and one showing the KLZ mobile unit high on a mountain highway during a shortwave broadcast.

KTAR, Phoenix, broadcast recent graduation maneuvers from Luke Field, near Phoenix, with Andy Anderson, KTAR announcer, taking a microphone aloft in the rear cockpit of the lead ship of an 18-plane flight. Broadcast climaxed a series in which KTAR had followed the progress of the flying cadets up to the first graduation.

WMSL. Decatur. Ma. has been carrying a commercial community sing from its auditorium each Thursday night that was so successful that a dozen merchants of Athens. Ala., 15 miles distant, recently petitioned WMSL to put remote facilities in Athens for a similar broadcast. Stumped through lack of a building large enough for the large studio audience, a solution arrived when permission to use the County courthouse was obtained.

WITH the start of the fall season on Broadway. Howard Barnes, motion picture critic of the New York Herald Tribune, on Sept. 2 is resuming his series on WOR. New York, titled Horard Barnes Reviews. Heral five times weekly at 12 midnight, the program covers the entire entertainment front with special reports on the opening nights of Broadway plays.

A BROADCASTING BOOTH has been installed in the auditorium of the Royal Canadian Air Force Manning Depot, at Toronto, and weekly broadcusts are now made from there by the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. Seven thousand airmen make up the audience for the weekly CBC musical program *Playtime* and join in the singing.

KSRO. Santa Rosa. Cal. Aug. 15 dedicated its uew 1.000-watt transmitter. directional antenna and new remote studios at Vallejo. Cal. with a series of special programs. The Vallejo studios are 44 miles from Santa Rosa and provide KSRO with facilities near the Mare Island Navy Yard. Wilt Gunzendorfer, general manager of the station. presided over the ceremonies which featured the appearances of various dignitaries and radio artists.

WJR. Detroit, is presenting each Sunday transcribed shows featuring Michigan selectees at various camps throughout the country. Discs were made by Larry Payne and Jerry Pettit, announcers, and Pinky MacClellan and Fran Jennings, engineers, who have already traveled 5,000 miles through seven states to make the transcriptions



HANG ON, TOOTS screams Wayne Ackley (upper left) to Beverly Ferry, as she hurtles around the merry-go-round astride a bounding steed at the second annual picnic of KRNT-KSO, Des Moines. Behind her is another revolving equestrian, Gene Loffler, as Dale Morgan daringly rides backward. Some 22,700 lowans jammed the Riverview park in Des Moines for the Sunday frolic. Entertainment was free.

WOR. New York, will exchange programs of contemporary music once a month with a network of Brazilian stations. Series will begin Aug. 28 with Brazil presenting the first program. Dr. Julio Barata, director of the radio division of the Departmento De Imprensa E. Propaganda of Brazil, and Adolph Opfinger, program manager of MBS, completed the arrangements.

WPEN. Philadelphia in line with its policy to curb foreign-language programs. on Ang. 18 dropped the last of its evening foreign language shows. All remaining foregu language shows are scheduled for the early morning hours and it is planned that the entire program schedule will eventually be English-speaking programs only.

WIP. Philadelphia, replaced its electronic time signal note each hour with a V for Victory signal. The signal will be given 24 hours a day for the duration of the war. WITH ANNOUNCERS and commentators at five points on the giant Shasta Dam. CBS on Aug. 17 started a series of half-hour West Coast special event broadcasts from the \$264,000.-000 Central Valley Project, now under construction to control and supply water for that California area. Under supervision of Fox Case, CBS Western special events director, programs are fed through special lines to Redding. Cal. and into KSFO, San Francisco, for release to the network's West Coast stations. Project is the second largest masonry structure ever made by man.

KHSL. Chico. Cal., has completed plans for the construction of a new transmitter building to house the directional equipment to be installed for its recently authorized 1,000-watt fulltime operation. Work, to start immediately, will be under the supervision of Manager M. F. Woodling.

KLZ, Denver, Aug. 10 held its sixth annual free picnic at the local Lakeside annisement park. Outing was attended by 10.000 and the only advance publicity given the affair were plugs by station artists and the distribution of the free tickets through KLZ clients.

SIX-PAGE house organ written by studio employes, was recently instigated by KMPC. Beverly Hills. Cal. Titled *KMPC Neucs*, cartoon illustrated sheet is edited by Paul Masterson, staff announcer.

MOBILE unit of WWL, New Orleans, traveled 560 miles last week to cover anniversary ceremonies at Florence. Ala., honoring Ed A. O'Neil, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation. Woody Hattic, WWL agricultural director, was invited to attend the ceremonies and took with him the mobile unit. Mr. O'Neil, who was interviewed, was given a transcription of his anniversary speech by the station.

JOEL STOVALL, musical arranger of KMON. St. Louis, recently made a band arrangement of the selection, "Let's Go" for Maj. Gen. C. S. Ridley. commanding officer at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. The Sixth Division liked the arrangement so well that it was adopted as the division song, and recordings are being made of it for the various bivouacs during the coming maneuvers.

WHO. Des Moines, is originating most of its local studio programs in Crystal Studio at the Iowa State fairgrounds for an eight-day period.



# **Admiration Adding**

NATIONAL OIL PRODUCTS Co., Harrison, N. J. ("Admiration" shampoo), the latter part of September will add five stations to its campaign of one minute transcribed announcements now heard Mon-day thru Friday on WTAR, Nor-folk, and WRNL, Richmond. Spots run 5 to 10 times weekly and con-tracts are for 20 weeks. Agency is Chas. Dallas Reach Co., Newark.

# Aetna Names Kudner

AETNA LIFE INSURANCE Co. and its affiliated companies, the Aetna Casualty & Surety Co., the Automobile Insurance Co. and the Standard Fire Insurance Co., Hartford, have named Arthur Kudner, New York, as agency. Company is currently surveying markets and will probably use radio in the near future.

# St. John on WEAF

WITH WORLD news becoming more important daily, WEAF, New York, has rearranged its program schedule to assure listeners at least two news periods a day, and has added Robert St. John, former Associated Press correspondent in Greece, to its new staff. St. John will take over the 6:15-6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, spot now occupied by Don Goddard, with Goddard switched to 12:45 p.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, until Sept. 30, and thereafter 12 noon five times weekly and 12:45 p.m.





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- Engineer -- Experienced remote, studio, transmitter maintenance. Satisfactory references. Prefer South Atlantic States. Box 837, BROADCASTING
- Engineer-6 years in broadcasting. Chief engineer experience. Want Eastern loca-tion; consider others. Box 832, BROAD-CASTING.
- Experienced Announcer-Engineer-Ad-lib; write copy—handle sports. Young, draft deferred. Prefer Eastern and Middle At-lantic States. Box 833, BROADCASTING.
- News Director—Twenty years' newspaper experience. Two years assisting in na-tionwide newscast. Now employed metropolitan newspaper. Improve content and presentation of daily news schedule. Box 881, BROADCASTING.

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# **ACTIONS OF THE** FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

# -AUGUST 16 TO AUGUST 22 INCLUSIVE-

# Decisions . . .

AUGUST 19

NEW, Columbia Broadcasting System Inc., St. Louis-Granted CP new FM sta-tion 45.9 mc. 13,000 sq mi.

NEW. Westinghouse Radio Station Inc., Hull, Mass.—Granted CP new develop-mental station on 9570 kc 700 w to furnish signal for Bureau of Standards, Washing-ton. in connection with radio wave propa-gation studies.

gation studies. MISCELLANEOUS-WWVA. Wheeling, W. Va., granted special service authoriza-tion for 1170 kc 5 kw unl. to 2-1-42; WHIO, Dayton. O., granted reinstatement CP new transmitter move transmitter, in-stall directional N, increase 5 kw N; WTOC, Savannah, Ga., granted modifica-tion CP to 5 kw N directional; WCBX, Brentwood, L. I., N. Y., granted modifica-fication CP add frequencies 6060 and 21520 kc, sharing with WCRC and WCAB; 6120, 6170 and 21570 kc, sharing with WCRC; WCRC, Brentwood, L. I., N. Y., granted modification CP add frequencies 6120, 6170 and 21570 kc, sharing with WCBX; 6060 and 21520 kc sharing with WCBX; 6060 and 21520 kc sharing with WCBX; 6060 and 21520 kc sharing with WCBX; and WCAB; W3XE, Philadelphia, granted special authority to operate com-mercially on channel No. 3 for 60 days. MISCELLANEOUS-Robert V, Lee, MISCELLANEOUS-WWVA. Wheeling,

mercially on channel No. 3 for 60 days. MISCELLANEOUS — Robert V. Lee. Bradenton. Fla.. denied petition reconsider and grant new station 1490 kc 250 w unl.; KFPW, Fort Smith. Ark.. granted petition reconsider and grant without hear-ing license renewal; WRDW. Augusta. Ga.. granted petition reconsider and grant without hearing CP change 1480 kc in-crease power install new transmitter sub-ject to filing application modifying CP to 5 kw unl. directional N; NEW. Utica Broadcasting Co. Inc.. Utica. N, Y.. de-ned petition reconsideration and grant CP new station 1450 kc 250 w unl.

#### AUGUST 22

NEW, Southern Cal. Broadcasting Co., Pasadena, Cal.—Granted CP 1430 kc 1 kw

D NEW, Washington Broadcasting Co., Washington, Pa.-Granted without hearing CP 1450 kc 250 w unl., hearing cancelled. NEW, Seaboard Radio Broadcasting Corp., Philadelphia-Granted CP FM 48.1 mc commercial, 9.300 square miles, 3.900, 000 population.

Corp.. Philadelphia-Granted CP FM 48.1 mc commercial, 9,300 square miles, 3,900, 000 opoulation. MISCELLANEOUS -- KONO, San An-tonio, grante modification license to unl., facilities KMAC when that station goes on new frequency (KONO now shares 1400 kc 250 w N & D with KMAC); KPQ, Wenatchee, Wash., granted CP new trans-mitter and antenna, increase to 500 w 1 kw D, change to 560 kc; WRNL, Rich-mond, Va., granted CP new transmitter, change directional N, increase to 5 kw; WIBG, Glenside, Pa., granted CP new transmitter directional N & D, increase to 10 kw unl., move transmitter, studio; KEVR, Seattle, granted special service auth. 1090 kc 250 w unl.; WIBG, Glenside, Pa., granted without hearing renewal ap-plication and application transfer control to Paul F Harron. Joseph Lang, John B. Kelly, Anthony J. Drexel Biddel Jr.; WNOX, Knoxville, granted modification CP change to 1050 kc. change antenna; WBAX. Wilkes-Barre, granted extension of termination date of temporary license to 11-1-41; NEW. Peter Q. Nyce, Alexan-plication WWRL increase to 5 kw 1600 kc; KOTN, Pine Bluff, Ark., denied re-hearing ing grant 7-16-41 of CP to Helena Broadcasting Co., Helena, Ark., CP new station 1490 kc 250 w unl.; KFJM, Grand Forks, N, D., and Dalton LeMasurier, Grand Forks, granted petition to reconsider with application of LeMasurier for CP to perate station all but the two hours used by U of North Dakota; NEW, Western Mass, Broadcasting Co., Pittsfield, Mass., dopted order removing application new station from hearing docket and placing file under Order 75; NEW, WFAM Inc., Lafayette, Ind., denied assignment call letter WFAM.

SET FOR HEARING-NEW. Northeast-ern Penna Broadcasters. Wilkes-Barre, CP 1240 kc 250 w unl. asks WBAX facilities; NEW. Key Broadcasters. Wilkes-Barre, CP 1240 kc 250 w unl., asks WBAX facilities;

NEW, Central Broadcasting Co., Wilkes-Barre, CP 1240 kc 250 w unl., all three to be heard jointly

# Applications . . .

# AUGUST 18

WTBO, Cumberland, Md.—CP new trans-mitter, directional N, change 940 kc, in-crease 250 w N 1 kw D, hours to unl. KLBM, LaGrande, Ore.—Voluntary as-signment license to Ben E. Stone. NEW, Earle C. Anthony Inc., Los An-geles—CP new commercial television sta-tion on channel No. 6, A5 and special emission for FM. 2,215 sq. mi., 2,645,521 population. population.

#### AUGUST 20

AUGUST 20 WKZO, Kalamazoo, Mich.--CP increase 5 kw N directional changes. NEW. Hoosier Broadcasting Co., Indi-anspoils-CP new station 810 kc 250 w D. NEW, Brainerd-Bemidji Broadcasting Co., Brainerd. Minn.--Amend application CP new station to 1400 kc 250 w. KYCA. Prescott, Ariz.--Transfer con-trol to KTAR Broadcasting Co. through purchase 65 shares common stock from Albert Stetson.

mitter. KTRB, Modesto, Cal.--Modification C new transmitter, direction N 1 kw unl. CP

### AUGUST 22

NEW, Portland Broadcasting System. Portland. Me.—CP 47.1 mc 5,050 sq. miles 256,466 population, amended to 3,980 sq.

256,496 population, annual miles. NEW, Charles P. Blackley, Staunton, Va.-CP 1240 kc 250 w unl. WCHS, Charleston, W. Va. - CP new transmitter, increase to 5 kw 10 kw D. W8XO, Mason, O.-CP increase to 100

W&XO, Mason, O.--CP increase to 100 and 750 kw. WJHP, Jacksonvile, Fla.--CP change to 640 kc 50 kw. new transmitter, direc-tional N & D, move transmitter to Mari-etta, Fla. KLCN, Blytheville, Ark. -- Modification

KLCN, Blytheville, Ark. — Modification CP new transmitter, antenna, increase power, change to 950 kc. WNAX, Yankton, S. D.—CP reinstate-ment CP as modified for directional N, in-crease to 5 kw N & D. NEW. Globe-Democrat Pub. Co., St. Louis-CP 44.1 mc 15.850 sq. miles 1.858. 665 population. amended to 13.083 sq. miles, 1.766.569 population. NEW, J. E. Rodman, Fresno, Cal.—CP 1340 kc 250 w unl.

Tentative Calendar . . .

KFJM. Grand Forks, N. D., license re-RFJM. Grand Forks. N. D., license re-newal, modification license 1440 kc 500 w N l kw D specified hours 3-5 p.m.; NEW, Dalton LeMasurier, Grand Forka, N. D., CP new station 1440 kc 500 w N l kw D specified hours (consolidated hear-ion 440 gEl)

ing. Aug. 25). KDRO, Sedalia, Mo., CP 800 kc 1 kw D

KDRO. Sedalia, Mo., CP 800 kc 1 kw D (Aug. 25). WIBG, Glenside, Pa., license renewal (Aug. 27). NEW, West Allis Broadcasting Co., West Allis, Wis., CP 1480 kc 250 w D (Aug. 28). NEW, KNOE Inc., Monroe, La., CP 1420 kc 250 w unl. (Aug. 29). NEW, Park Cities Broadcasting Corp., Dallas, CP 710 kc 5 kw unl. directional N (Sept. 24). KGRO, Fort Worth, modification license 570 kc 1 kw N 5 kw D directional N (Sept. 26).

KGKO. Fort Worth, modification license 570 kc 1 kw N 5 kw D directional N (Sept. 26). NEW, Hawaiian Broadcasting System Ltd, Honolulu. CP 1840 kc 250 w unl. (fur-ther hearing, Sept. 29). KWK, St. Louis. CP 680 kc 50 kw unl. directional (further hearing, Sept. 29).

directional (further hearing, Sept. 29). NEW, Scripps-Howard Radio Inc., Houa-ton, CP new station 1230 kc 250 w unl.; NEW, Texas Star Broadcasting Co., Hous-ton, same; NEW, Greater Houston Broad-casting Co., Inc., Houston, same (con-solidated hearing, Sept. 29). KFVD, Fort Dodge, Ia., modification li-cense 1400 kc 250 w unl.; KFGQ, Boone. Ia., license renewal (consolidated hearing, Oct. 14).

Ia., license renewal (consolidated hearing, Oct. 14). NEW, Hennessey Broadcasting Co., Butte, Mont., CP new station 1490 kc 250 w unl. (Oct. 16). NEW, Barclay Craighead, Butte, Mont., CP new station 1490 kc 250 w unl. (Oct. 16).

16). NEW, Jefferson Broadcasting Corp., Birmingham, Ala., CP new station, 1340 tec 250 w unl. facilities of WSGN when va-cated; NEW, George Johnston Jr., Bir-mingham, same; NEW, WBAM Inc., Bir-mingham, same (consolidated hearing, Oct. 27).

THE FCC's Administrative Board, rather than the Commission itself, will administer Orders No. 72 and 73, dealing with dispensation to amadealing with dispensation to ama-teurs to operate with foreign coun-tries and with using long-distance transmitters, under an administrative order approved Aug. 18 by the Com-

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# **PHILCO TELEVISION** TO START SEPT. 1

PHILADELPHIA'S first commercial television broadcasts will start Sept. 1, it was announced Aug. 20 by Philco announced Aug. 20 by Philco Radio & Television Corp. Granted a 60-day commercial li-cense by the FCC for its W3XE, Philco announced it will be on the air 15 hours a week, transmitting over 25-mile radius from its 230-foot telecasting tower at the company plant.

While prospective sponsors were not disclosed, it was stated the pro-gram schedule will include playlets, variety shows and newsreels from the W3XE studios. In addition, there will be telecasts of athletic events, parades and public meet-ings, relayed to the transmitter by a mobile television unit.

As a result of the commercial li-As a result of the commercial li-cense, Philco engineers are step-ping up power from 3,000 to 10,000 watts, operating on Channel 3 (66-72 mc.). Since opening W3XE as an experiment television station in 1932, Philco has had approximately 6 000 hours of experimental tele 6,000 hours of experimental telecasts, including the transmission of football games, wrestling matches and political conventions. Philco engineers estimate there are 300 to 400 television receivers in the Philadelphia ara.

ELECTION of Larry E. Gubb, former executive vice-president, to the office of chairman of the board of Philco Corp. was announced Aug. 21 by that company. In addition, John Ballantyne, formerly treas-urer, was elected vice-president in charge of operations; Thomas A. Kennally, formerly general sales manager, was named vice-president in charge of sales; W. R. Wilson, controller, was chosen to succeed Mr. Ballantyne as treasurer and James H. Carmine, former assistant sales manager, will become sales manager.

Mr. Gubb, a 1916 graduate of Cornell, has been with Philco since 1920. He was elected president of Philco Radio & Television Corp. in July, 1934, and when that corporation became a subsidiary of Philco Corp. in 1940, Mr. Gubb was named its executive vice-president.

Mr. Ballantyne, after graduating from Pennsylvania in 1921, became a partner in the accounting firm of Mathieson, Aitken & Co., Philadel-phia. He withdrew in 1934 and shortly thereafter was elected treasurer of Philco Radio & Television Corp. In 1940 he became treasurer of Philco Corp.

# **Craven** in Charge

FOR THE next fortnight Commissioner T. A. M. Craven will serve virtually as a one-man FCC, due to the absence of other members from the city. Chairman James Lawrence Fly and Commissioners Paul A. Walker and Ray C. Wakefield are attending the annual con-vention of the National Assn. of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners in St. Paul Aug. 26-29, with the chairman scheduled to address the session. Commissioner Norman S. Case is at his home in Rhode Island, recuperating from a recent illness. Commissioner George H. Payne has been absent from Washington for several weeks.





New Business

GROVE LABS. St. Louis. on Oct. 6 will start the Westerners on 65 NBC-Red stations. Mon., Wed., Fri., 7:45-8 a.m. (EST). with rebroadcast at 7:45-8 a.m. (CST) and at 7:45-8 a.m. (MST). Agency: Russel M. Seeds Co., Chicago.

RALSTON PURINA Co., St. Louis (cereal) on Sept. 29 resumes Tom Mix Ralston Straight Shooters on 65 NBC-Blue stations. Mon. thru Fri., 5:45 p.m., rebroadcast to the Midwest at 5:45 (CST). and broadcast via transcription on Pacific Coast stations at 5:45 (PST). Agency: Gardner Adv. Co., St. Louis.

LEWIS-HOWE MEDICINE Co.. St. Louis (Tums), on Oct. 23 starts Frank Fay Variety Show on 76 NBC-Red stations, Thurs., 10:30-1 p.m. (EST). Agency: Stack-Goble Adv. Agency, Chicago.

LEVER BROS. Co., Cambridge, Mass. (Lifebuoy), on Oct. 8 resumes Meet Mr. Meek on 60 CBS stations, Wed., 7:30-8 p.m., following a six-week vacation. Agency: Wm. Esty & Co.

LEVER BROS. Co., Cambridge (Lux), on Sept. 8 resumes Lux Radio Theatre on 66 CBS stations, Mon., 9-10 p.m. Agency: J. Walter Thompson Co., N. Y.

Son Co., N. T. HALL BROS., Kansas City (greeting cards), on Oct. 5 resumes Tony Wons Scrap Book on split network of 38 NBC-Red stations, Sun. 3 (15-3:30 p.m. (CST), Thes. & Thurs., 12:15-12:30 p.m. (CST). Agency: Henri. Hurst & MacDonald, Chicago.

## Renewal Accounts

AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS, Jersey City (Kolynos, Bisodol), on Sept. 28 renews for 52 weeks The Romance of Helen Trent on 37 CBS stations. Mon. thru Fri., 12:30-12:45 p.m. Agency: Blackett-Sample-Hummert, N. Y.

PEPSODENT Co., Chicago (toothpaste), on Sept. 23 renews for 52 weeks half-hour period on 67 NBC-Red stations, 10-10-30 p.m. Date With Judy currently occupies the period. Bob Hope will be resumed on Sept. 23. Agency : Lord & Thomas, Chicago.

CAMPANA SALES Co., Chicago (lotion) on Sept. 2 renews for 52 weeks *First Nighter* on 51 CBS stations, and on Sept. 19 shifts the program from Tues. 8:30-8:55 p.m. to Fri. 9:3(I-9:55 p.m. Agency: Aubrey, Moore & Wallace, Chicago.

ANACIN Co., Jersey City (headache pills), on Aug. 25 renews Our Gal Sanday on 50 CBS stations, Mon. thru Fri., 12:45-1 p.m. Agency: Blackett-Sample-Hommert, N. Y.

MID - CONTINENT PETROLEUM Corp. Tulsa, after a successful 13week test, has renewed for 52 weeks its six-weekly early morning quarterhour newscast on KDTH. Dubuque, Agency is R. J. Potts Co., Kansas Ciry.

# WRVA COVERS RICHMOND AND NORFOLK IN VIRGINIA!

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# **Fulltime MBS Outlets**

WICC, Bridgeport, Conn., now an NBC-Blue and Mutual affiliate, as well as a member of the regional Yankee and Colonial networks, on June 15, 1942, will become a fulltime MBS outlet, discontinuing its connection with the Blue Network. WNAC, Boston, and WEAN, Providence, both NBC affiliates, also switch to fulltime Mutual on that date. Joining Mutual on Oct. 1 are WCAE, Pittsburgh; WFBR, Buffalo, and WGR, Buffalo.

# Network Changes

GRIFFIN MFG. Co., Brooklyn (All-White Shoe Cleaner), on Aug. 29 discontinues Who Knorcs on 4 MBS stations. Fri., 10:15-10:30 p.m. Agency: Berminghani, Castlenan & Pierce, N. Y.

PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE Co. of America, New York, on Aug. 31 replaces When a Girl Marries on 50 CBS stations, Mon. thru Fri., 12:15-12:30 p.m. with The Family Hour on 59 CBS stations, Sun., 5-5:45 p.m. Agency: Benton & Bowles, N. Y.

R. B. SEMLER Inc., New York (Kreml), on Ang. 18 added 7 MBS stations to *Gabriel Heatter*, making a total of 22 MBS stations, Mon., Wed., Fri., 9-9.15 p.m., Agency: Erwin, Wasey & Co., N. Y.

TAYTON Co., Hollywood (cosmetics), on Aug. 22 shifted Tayton's Tattler from 6 CBS West Coast stations, Fri. 8:30-8:45 p.m. (PST), to 8 Don Lee Pacific Coast stations, Fri., 6:15-6:30 p.m. (PST), Agency: BBDO, Hollywood.

EVERSHARP luc., Chicago (pens, pencils), on Sept. 28 adds 11 CBS stations to Take 11 or Leave It, making a total of 71 CBS stations, Sun., 10-10:30 p.m. (EST), Agency: Biow Co., N. Y.

LEVER BROS., Cambridge, Mass. (Lifebuoy soap), on Sept. 19 switches *Hollywood Premiere* on 70 CBS stations from Fri., 9:30-10 p.m. (EDST), to Fri., 10-10:30 p.m. (EDST), Agency: Wm. Esty & Co., N.Y.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON, New Brunswick, N. J. (Band-Aid), on Aug. 19 added 4 CBS stations to Voice of Broadway making a total of 68 CBS stations, Tues., 6 (15-6):30 p.m. Agency: Young & Rubicam, N. Y.

# Wichita Airplane Orders to Reach 500 Million

Sounds like Chamber of Commerce figures, doesn't it? Yet Wichita is already well along the way toward that figure. And new orders continue to pile in.

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# Bendix to Sponsor Treasury Program Show Now Paid for by Texaco To Shift in October

BENDIX AVIATION Corp., South Bend, Ind., will sponsor *The Treasury Hour* for 13 weeks on 100 NBC-Blue stations, Tuesdays 8-9 p.m. (EST), starting on Sept. 30 when Fred Allen returns to the CBS spot, Wednesdays 9-10 p.m. (EST), for the Treas Co. The Treasury Department an-

The Treasury Department announced last Tuesday that Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. had accepted an offer by E. R. Palmer, Bendix vice-president and treasurer, to continue the Treasury show through December.

The summertime show, featuring guest appearances by stage, screen and radio stars to promote the sale of Defense Bonds and Stamps, was donated by Texas Co. The Fred Allen show resumes for Texas on 85 CBS stations on Aug. 1.

## **Publicity Contract**

The Treasury Department radio section, headed by Vincent F. Callahan, also has announced that Radio Feature Service Inc., headed by Earle Ferris, will service radio editors with news releases about Treasury programs, which currently include The Treasury Hour on CBS, For America We Sing on NBC-Blue, and the new America Preferred, to start Sept. 6 on MBS.

According to figures released Aug. 15 by C. E. Hooper Inc., *The Treasury Hour* held top ranking in radio audience for the first week in August. Led by the Treasury show with a 9.9 ranking achieved in seven weeks of broadcasting, other favored programs were Bing Crosby, 9.7, Walter Winchell, 9.7, and Rudy Vallee, 9.6.

Fulltime Grant Given For WWVA, Wheeling APPARENTLY an outgrowth of the recent FCC order banning multiple ownership where duplicating service is involved, WWVA, Wheeling, was authorized by the FCC last Tuesday to operate with 5,000 watts fulltime until Feb. 1, 1942, while holding a construction permit for an increase in power to 50,000 watts.

mit for an increase in power to 50,000 watts. While the FCC has not made public a list of stations which would be embraced in its multiple ownership-overlapping service ban, it is understood WWVA, with 50,000 watts, definitely would fall into that category by virtue of the operation of a sister station, WMMN, at Fairmont, W. Va. The Commission granted WWVA special service authorization to operate on 1170 kc. with 5,000 watts fulltime in lieu of its present assignment on 1170 kc. with 5,000 watts operating simultaneously day with WOWO, Fort Wayne, while sharing at night with that station. The construction permit for 50,000 watts with unlimited time remains intact.

THOMAS M. KERESEY, for the last 11 years vice-president of Lord & Thomas, has resigned, effective immediately.



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# Army and Networks Hold Conferences To Prepare Coverage of War Maneuvers

PLANS for network coverage of the "war" between the U. S. Second and Third Armies, to be held in Louisiana in the latter half of September, were discussed in New York Aug. 20 by members of the Radio Branch of the War Department's Bureau of Public Relations and network special events executives at a meeting at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York.

Difficulties of obtaining live onthe-scene broadcasts during "free maneuvers", which follow no set schedule and occur in a sparsely settled region with a minimum of telephone facilities, were pointed out by the War Department delegation, which told the network men that local stations, whose representatives will accompany single Army units with recording equipment to pick up the best action available for delayed broadcasts, will have all the best of it. [For a detailed description of the radio problems, see BROADCASTING, Aug. 18.]

# Radio Aides

Networks will have men attached to both Armies, to insure complete coverage of both sides. It is expected the network crews will include radio reporters who have had experience in broadcasting the European war and who can contrast the real thing with the simulated battles of the maneuvers, which will employ tanks, planes, artillery and all the equipment of warfare at the Armies' command.

To aid broadcasters, the Bureau will assign a radio man to each Army. Brooks Watson will be attached to the Second Army, with headquarters at Jonesboro, La., or Winfield, Ark.; Ross Worthington to the Third Army headquarters at Lake Charles, La.; and Jack Harris at general headquarters for the observation of the maneuvers at Leesville, La. To aid in arranging live broadcasts, a telephone company man will also be stationed at each of these headquarter points. Each Army also will have its own radio staff, as well as press staff, for the first time in the history of war games.

Since the glass discs now in common use for transcriptions are not designed to stand up under the conditions of transport that will prevail during the maneuvers, the Bureau has requested OPM for priorities and has ordered 400 aluminum discs from Presto, contingent on the OPM permission. These discs will be distributed among the station crews covering the war games when and as needed.

These maneuvers, largest peacetime war games ever held, involving some 500,000 officers and men, have evoked such interest in Central and South America, as well as in the United States, that extensive coverage by both shortwave and do mestic broadcasting is planned. Already NBC and WLWO, Crosley shortwave station, have arranged for maneuver broadcasts, and other shortwave operators are expected to follow suit.

Conference was attended by Edward M. Kirby, on leave from his position as public relations director of the NAB to serve with the War Department as chief of the Radio Branch, and Messrs. Harris, Watson and Worthington of the Bureau's Radio Branch; Ken Frey and Art Feldman, NBC; Paul White, Bill Slocum and Brewster Morgan, CBS, and Tom Slater, MBS.

# News Service Plans

On the previous day the Washington delegation conferred with the radio executives of the news services supplying news to broadcasting stations, UP, PA, INS and Transradio, laying plans for expediting the movement of War Department news to the broadcasters. This assignment will be supervised by Bill Bailey, formerly news editor of WLW-WSAI, Cincinnati. The Radio Branch has volunteered

# BETTER FACILITIES GRANTED STATIONS

POWER increases to 5,000 watts fulltime were granted three regionals by the FCC at its special meeting last Monday. Action was taken by Commissioners Fly, Craven and Walker, under the temporary "no quorum" rule. WHIO, Dayton, was granted re-

WHIO, Dayton, was granted reinstatement of a construction permit to install a new transmitter and a directional antenna for night use and increase its night power to 5,000 watts. The station has held a construction permit, which had expired, to use 1290 kc. with 5,000 watts day and 1,000 watts night.

WTOC, Savannah, was granted modification of a construction permit to increase its night power to 5,000 watts and make changes in its directional antenna. The station now has a construction permit for 1290 kc. with 1,000 watts night and 5,000 watts day. WRDW, Augusta, Ga. on peti-

WRDW, Augusta, Ga. on petition to reconsider and grant without hearing its application for Class III-A facilities, received favorable action from the FCC. In granting the petition, the Commission authorized the station to shift frequency from 1490 to 1480 kc. and increase its power from 250 watts to 5,000 watts fulltime. KFPW, Fort Smith, Ark., re-

KFPW, Fort Smith, Ark., received favorable action on its petition to reconsider and grant without hearing its application for renewal of license. A hearing heretofore scheduled was cancelled. The station operates on 1000 kc. with 250 watts.

# **Camille Spots**

CAMILLE Inc., Morristown, N. J., in September will run two eightweek local campaigns, one for Run-R-Stop on WHK, Cleveland, and the other for a new mascara cream on WJBK, Detroit. Run-R-Stop is a preparation to stop runs in silk stockings and will be promoted by twice-weekly five-minute spots. On WJBK, the cream will be promoted on evening spot announcements placed before or after musical programs. Agency is Hudson Adv. Agency, New York.

# **Iodine Spots**

IODINE EDUCATIONAL Bureau, New York, to promote the use of iodine, is using one-minute transcribed announcements three times a week on WLW WLS WHO WKY KFAB WIBW KFEQ KWTO WHP WSAN WHEC WJTN WNBF KSTP KROC KYSM KCRC KFPW KOTN. Agency is Simonds & Simonds, Chicago.

to act as leg man for the news services on all War Department matters and believes it can handle inquiries in minutes instead of the hours it would take a news service reporter to get to the proper individual and secure his information in person.

The Branch is also developing feature broadcast material concerning Army activities, it was said, with the recent appointment of Mrs. William Hobby, vice-president of KPRC, Houston, as coordinator of women's news cited as an example.

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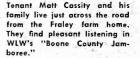
# "Meet the FRALEYS and CASSITYS"

Mrs. Fraley finds WLW afternoon serial stories a constant source of entertainment. The newscasts of Peter Grant and "Earthborn" are also on the "must-listen-to" list.

of Fraley. Under their combined efforts—and with due respect to the soil's fertility—bumper crops of tobacco and corn are being produced this year.

Both the Fraleys and the Cassitys talk much of WLW as a friendly, constant companion. They speak of the stimulating power of ideas expressed in "Everybody's Farm Hour". They nod emphatic agreement to the usefulness of WLW's complete market reports. When surprise was expressed at their intimate knowledge of WLW's programs, they said, "WLW is practically the only station we listen to."

Deep in Kentucky, three miles from Morehead, in an atmosphere aromatic with tradition, tobacco, and waving tasselled corn, sets the Glennis Fraley Farm. The operation of this farm is somewhat uncommon. Mr. Fraley also owns a large "serve yourself" grocery in Morehead, to which he daily commutes. So the Cassitys, tenant farmers, operate the rural business



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