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## FCC to Cleanse Radio of Loose Practices

By SOL TAISHOFF

Cites Score of Stations for Medical Care Broadcasts; Calls National Conference on Educational Programs

FOLLOWING through with its pledge to eliminate loose practices in broadcasting and otherwise to cleanse the ether of objectionable commercial programs, the recently reorganized Broadcast Division of the FCC has opened fire on all radio fronts during the last fortnight under the leadership of Chairman Anning S. Prall, who assumed that office March 11.

Current developments having direct bearing upon station operations, involving both the commericial programming and technical maintenance phases, include:

1. Citation of more than a score of stations for broadcasting of programs sponsored by medical groups which advertise personal medical care, involving the possible refusal to renew licenses. One station had its license renewal set for hearing before the FCC Broadcast Division for advertising a medicated jelly.

slon for advertising a medicated jelly. 2. Sending of notice to all broadcasting stations that henceforth they will be required to observe strictly all rules and regulations. One station was cited for a license renewal hearing on charges of exceeding its licensed power.

licensed power. 3. Calling of national conference May 15 to consider proposals for greater cooperation between broadcasting stations and non-profit organizations, particularly insofar as educational programs are concerned.

4. Holding of conference in New York attended by Chairman Prall; M. H. Aylesworth, NBC president; Fred Willis, Assistant to President Paley of CBS; J. Truman Ward, NAB president; Philip G. Loucks, NAB managing director, and officers of the Women's National Radio Committee, regarding elimination of programs that offend good taste. 5. Flat assertion by Chairman Prall in an interview over NBC that the FCC will brook no trifling in radio regulation and

man Prall in an interview over NBC that the FCC will brook no trifling in radio regulation, and that programs not in the public interest will be the basis of punitive action against stations.

Immediately after its reorganization last month, the Broadcast Division sallied forth with its project. Judge E. O. Sykes became chairman of the Division upon retiring from the chairmanship of the full Commission, with Former Gov. Norman S. Case assuming the vice chairmanship by exchanging places with Col. Thad H. Brown, who joined the Telephone Division. As chairman of the full FCC, Mr. Prall sits as ex officio member of each of the three divisions.

#### Voluntary Action

"OUR current campaign," s a id Chairman Prall March 26, "may seem to be drastic and too inclusive. It is our view, however, that lax practices must be cleaned up for the benefit of the industry itself as well as for the public. In the long run, I am confident that all groups affected will realize that the course is wise, for it is far more desirable and usually more effective to clean house voluntarily than to do it by legislation."

The letter to all stations putting them on notice that violations of regulations will not be countenanced, was mailed March 18 at the direction of the Broadcast Division by Secretary Herbert L. Pettey. It read:

"There has been a general laxity on the part of licensees of broadcast stations with reference to observance of the Rules and Regulations of the FCC. You are advised that henceforth all stations will be required to observe these rules and regulations in their strictest form.

regulations in their strictest form. "The Commission, for example, has had a number of applications filed recently for authority to broadcast special programs, many of which were not filed in accordance with Commission Rule No. 22 [requiring 10 days advance notice]. In the future, all applications filed which do not come under this rule or any other rule, will be returned without action. Your cooperation in the enforcement of these rules will be appreciated." programs actually had its incep-tion before the Broadcast Division reorganization. But it has been accelerated since then. As of March 21, the FCC had before it the cases of 21 stations which broadcast programs sponsored by medical groups to advertise personal medical care, as well as nine stations for having broadcast certain medical products. These cases are entirely apart from those under surveil-lance of the Federal Trade Commission, which is reviewing pro-gram continuities of every character to determine which ones transgress the laws governing false and fraudulent advertising and unfair competition. The FCC, in considering such program mat-ters, must do so under the public interest, convenience and necessity clause of the law upon applica-tions for renewal of license, where-as the Trade Commission has a more direct course.

#### Stations Not Named

IDENTITY of stations cited was not divulged by the FCC. The six products involved were enumerated as: Dr. Springer's Products; Dr. Ford Reducing Tea; Electron-o-Meter; Cherry Pectoral; Commanders; Birconjel. In connection with the last-named product, a medicated jelly, it was cancelled by WMCA, New York, following receipt of a complaint against it. Despite this, the Broadcast Division at its meeting on March 26 cited WMCA for hearing on the renewal of its license.

The hearing was scheduled before the broadcast commissioners sitting en banc June 6 in Washington. This drastic action was considered most unusual since, so far as known, it is the only complaint about WMCA programs officially on record. Moreover, the same product was advertised in the New York Times, regarded as among the most reputable newspapers, with a rigid advertising censorship policy.

At the same time the Broadcast Division cited for hearing May 21 the renewal application of KFYR, B is m a r c k, N. D., because of charges of having operated with excessive power. In this instance, it was brought out that the station management had no knowledge of the action of its engineers in stepping up the output. The FCC suspended the licenses of the engineers involved, but nevertheless cited KFYR for the infraction of regulations.

The 23 programs advertising "medical care" were named by the

#### regulations will not be counte- The campaign against medical The New Deal Strikes Radio ... By Thornton Fisher



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FCC as follows: S-M-S Laboratories Inc.; S-M-S Herb-Nu Health Institute; S-M-S Herb-Nu Remedies; Mother Helen; Mother Helen's S-M-S Remedies; Mother Helen's Herb-Nu Remedies; Mother Helen's Herb-Nu Remedies; Co.; Mother Helen's S-M-S Herb-Nu Remedies; Mother Helen and Doctor Schyman; Dr. P. B. Schyman; Pure Herb Health Institute; Medical Herb Institute; Dr. Michael; Dr. Brinkley; Dr. O'Connell Dentists; Varicur Institute; Electronic Institute; Modern Medical Associates: Hill Medical Office; Winslow Medical Group; Dr. McCleary Sanitarium; Dr. Whetstone, Dentist, and Dr. Ritholz Optical Co.

#### Programs to Be Studied

IN EACH INSTANCE, the FCC has asked the stations involved to submit, in affidavit form, copies of the programs sponsored by the groups mentioned, together with announcements, contracts, agreements and periods of time during which the programs were broadcast. In flagrant cases, it is designating for hearing the station's applications for renewal of license to determine the nature and character of the service rendered and the program broadcast and "to determine whether the continued operation of the station would serve the public interest, convenience and/or necessity."

The notice for the national conference on educational programs was sent March 19 to all parties in interest. It was called pursuant to the FCC report to Congress on Jan. 22 submitted in response to the Congressional mandate for an exhaustive inquiry into proposals for so-called "class allocations". At that time the FCC unqualifiedly opposed any plan to allocate fixed percentages of facilities to nonprofit institutions, and stated that a national conference would be called to bring about greater cooperation between broadcasters and non-profit groups.

Also on the program side was the conference in New York March 25, attended by Chairman Prall with the heads of the major networks and officials of the NAB. (Details on page 9.)

In addition to the commercial program campaign and to the notice served upon stations that violation of regulations will not be tolerated, broadcasters who have contacted the FCC during the last month have detected a sudden change in procedure in its various departments. Strict compliance with every technical regulation now is being demanded by the technical departments, with all policy matters, however minor, left to the FCC itself. This is a wide departure from past activity, brought about by instructions given by the FCC itself that every regulation shall be observed. In this manner, Chairman Prall has made clear, it is hoped to rid the FCC staff of the last vestige of "politics" and "wire-pulling".

The three Broadcast Division commissioners will sit during the May 15 educational conference. Invited to participate are all broadcast station licensees, the NAB, all chain companies, all educational, religious and non-profit eleemosynary institutions, and all persons, groups and associations of every character interested in the subject. "The cooperation and participation of all governmental agencies, particularly the U. S. Commissioner

## **Government Broadcast System Urged by Joy Morgan Group**

A VISIONARY plan for a government broadcasting system, paralleling the existing commercial structure but supported by taxes on radio sets or on commercial broadcasters, has been drafted by a subcommittee of the National Committee on Education by Radio, controlled by Joy Elmer Morgan. It is designed to be the spearhead of an attack of this group of reformers at the forthcoming educational conference called by the FCC on May 15 to consider a cooperative educational-radio program plan.

Closely paralleling the plan introduced at the FCC educational hearings last fall, attributed to and then repudiated by the Tennessee Valley Association, the new plan was considered at a meeting of the Morgan group March 25. The subcommittee which brought in the plan consisted of Arthur G. Crane, president of the University of Wyoming; Father Charles A. Robinson, of St. Louis University, and J. O. Keller, assistant to the president of Pennsylvania State College.

Facilities for the proposed network, to be administered by public boards, would be wrested from commercial stations, or, in other words, by disrupting the existing structure. The proposed system would have national coverage, with the stations constructed by the government. Other "non-profit" stations now existing would have the right to hook into this network.

Two separate financing plans are proposed: First, a tax on new receiving sets and supplies and re-

of Education, are especially requested by the Broadcast Division," the FCC stated in its announcement. "It is also hoped that, at this hearing, definite plans may be presented for consideration and study."

In the notice, the FCC asked also that all those who desire to participate in the hearings inform it not later than April 24, that an agenda may be prepared. The hearings will be held at the FCC offices in the New Post Office Building, Washington, beginning at 10 a. m. May 15.

The issue of specific allocation of facilities to non-profit institutions is in no way involved in the forthcoming discussions, since the FCC disposed of the matter in its report to Congress last January, based on the extensive hearings held the preceding fall. The broadcasting industry, through the NAB, probably will offer a plan for cooperation between non - profit and broadcasting groups for use of the latter's facilities. The networks likewise are expected to present plans under which specific blocks of time may be earmarked for educational and religious programs.

cational and religious programs. In its notice, the FCC referred to that portion of its report to Congress detailing the plan for a national conference. At such a session, it said, "plans for mutual cooperation between broadcasters and non-profit organizations can be made, to the end of combining the educational experience of the educators with the program technique of the broadcasters, thereby better placements, or adoption in principle of the so-called British system; second, a proposition for a license fee on commercial stations in compensation for the chance to get in the government franchise.

The Morgan group, which was overwhelmingly repudiated at the autumn FCC hearings by other educational groups, which sought only greater cooperation with commercial broadcasters rather than exclusive facilities, has persistently denied that it endorses government ownership or operation of radio in any fashion. The committee exists under an endowment by the Payne Fund, which expires shortly. The requirement of this fund is that "constructive progress" be made. In the case of the Morgan reform committee, its record is regarded in the broadcasting industry as having been one of destructive opposition from the start.

It is held that the expense of constructing and maintaining this proposed governmental system would not be excessive, since under one plan a "modest" manufacturer's tax would be sufficient. Under the second, the license fee would be based upon station power, population of its primary service area, time privileges and desirability of the channel allocated. The fees, it is argued, could be used by the Federal Government not only to support the government system and supply programs, but also to defray the cost of federal regulation of broadcasting.

to serve the public interest. The conference should also consider such specific complaints as might be made by non-profit groups against the actions of commercial broadcasters in order that remedial measures may be taken if necessary."

One of the plans to be advanced to the conference will be that evolved by Allen Miller, radio director of the University of Chicago, for a cooperative venture, with funds to be raised from philanthropic groups, together with contributions from both schools and stations. This proposal, discussed in detail with Federal officials as well as with representative groups in broadcasting, was outlined in the March 15 issue of BROADCASTING. Plans now are under way for a test of this plan in Chicago this spring, with four of that city's stations joining with a like number of universities.

#### Prall Goes on Air

IN AN interview over a nationwide NBC-WEAF network on March 30, Chairman Prall reiterated in lay language what he has said previously about the objectives of the "New Deal" FCC. Questioned by Martin Codel, publisher of BROADCASTING, he was asked about the purpose of the changes in FCC division assignments. He said there was nothing "especially sensational" in this, but he added: "We all agreed that bringing

"We all agreed that bringing fresh viewpoints to the several divisions might be helpful all around.

#### Name of Representative Now Is John Blair & Co.



CHANGE in the name of the station representative firm of Greig, Blair & Spight was announced March 19 by John Blair, president. The organization will hereafter be known as John

Blair & Company, Mr. Blair maintaining his headquarters at 520 N. Michigan Blvd., Chicago, with other offices in New York, Detroit, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

No changes in the organization other than its reincorporation are involved. Humboldt Greig, former president, sold his interest several months ago and left to become commercial manager of the Southwest Broadcasting System. Officers of the new organization, in addition to Mr. Blair, are Lindsay Spight, J. Curtis Willson and Raymond T. Linton, vice presidents, and Blake Blair, secretary - treasurer.

#### **Canada Bans Sunday Ads**

ALL SALES talks and spot advertising will be prohibited on all Canadian radio broadcasting stations on Sundays under an order just promulgated by the C a n a d i a n Broadcasting Commission. The order will become effective following a study of existing commercial contracts. How it will apply to sponsored programs carried by Canadian stations from U. S. networks on Sundays was not indicated, but the order was obviously designed to clear all commercialism from the air on that day.

\* \* \* We have decided to tighten up broadcasting regulation and enforce our rules more rigidly. That means that radio stations must toe the mark if they want to earn their license renewals. We will not brook any triffing with our regulations. The radio people who disregard them—and I include the broadcasting of harmful and manifestly fraudulent material—are going to be made conscious that there is a board in Washington to whom they must render an accounting. We will punish the malefactors even if it means their extinction from the wave lengths.

"To maintain the high standards of radio programs, to render the most efficient and satisfying service to the people of the country, to aid the broadcasting industry in every possible legitimate way, and to bring to the administration, to which we are responsible, honor and credit in this particular field of its activity, is the purpose of the seven members of the FCC." Chairman Prall said there was

Chairman Prall said there was no plan pending for any sort of general reallocation. He said it was his view that the fullest possible use of radio as a educational and cultural force had not yet been made, and that a greater cooperation was essential. Juvenile programs of the "blood-and-thunder" type were condemned, along with extreme c om m er c i a l s in other fields. On the other hand, he paid high tribute to broadcasting for the opportunity it offers to develop juvenile talents.

## Program Study Plan Discussed By Radio and Women's Groups

Cooperation in Analyzing Broadcasts for Children And Housewives by Review of Fan Mail Proposed

PRELIMINARY plans for cooperition between the Women's Naional Radio Committee, a newly ormed organization of women's lubs, and the broadcasting indusry, having to do with production of programs designed for housevives and children, were discussed it a conference in New York March 25 attended by leading fignres in broadcasting and officers of he women's committee.

Participating in the discussion were Chairman Anning S. Prall, of the FCC; M. H. Aylesworth, presdent of NBC and RKO; J. Truman Ward, president, and Philip G. Loucks, managing director of the NAB; Frederic A. Willis, assistant to the president of CBS, and Franklin Dunham, NBC ed u c ational director, for the broadcasters; Mrs. Harold V. Milligan, president; Mme. Yolanda Mero, advisory chairman, and Miss Luella S. Laudin, executive secretary, for the women's organization. The informal conference was called at the instance of Chairman Prall.

A suggestion by Mr. Aylesworth made early in the conference that the women's organization began its task by analyzing the tremendous volume of fan mail received by the networks and by selected independent stations, was well received and probably will be given further consideration. His proposal followed a general discussion of the possibility of improving programs designed for women and children, based on reactions from women's organizations affiliated with the Radio Committee, which would be gleaned from the observations of "listener's groups" to be established throughout the country. Chairman Prall, in concluding the three-hour session, assured

Chairman Prall, in concluding the three-hour session, assured those present that the FCC, under its new organization, proposes to do its duty in every way. "The day of the influential Senator, Congressman, politician or lawyer has passed," he asserted. "We have given those orders to the rank and file of the Commission staff, and the Commission itself will take the responsibility."

As to programs, Chairman Prall declared that the problem, as he analyzed it, is comparatively simple. Setting as his goal the "composite American home", he declared that the broadcaster has only to gauge his programs to fit the desires of that group. Mutual cooperation in the planning of programs designed for feminine and juvenile listeners, he declared, should prove wholesome and productive. He suggested that such conferences might be held periodically "since they certainly can do no harm."

Reverting to broadcasting regulation, Mr. Prall declared that "if broadcasting should fail by reason of even the small stations doing the wrong thing, you certainly will find enough legislative power not only to take action on applications on renewal of station license but also to take prompt and effective steps when the transgressions are made. We are going to protect that portion of the industry that is doing the right thing."

All of the participants agreed that some sort of cooperative steps might be taken in connection with the production of certain types of programs, both commercial and sustaining. The only concrete proposal given detailed consideration, however, was that advanced by Mr. Aylesworth for the fan mail analyses.

In opening the conference, Mrs. Milligan, who is prominent in national women's activities, explained that the committee was organized last summer to make more articulate the views of American womanhood regarding radio. Expressing whole-hearted support of the American plan of broadcasting, as opposed to the government-controlled systems, she said the desire of the organization was to see it "as free as the press".

#### **Ounce of Prevention**

THE ORGANIZATION, Mrs. Milligan emphasized, is not in any sense a "reform" movement, analagous to the motion picture crusade or to the factional educational lobby for radio facilities. The purpose, she said, is simply that of offering to commercial radio the women's viewpoint, notably in connection with commercial programs, on the theory that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Miss Laudin, who conducted the initial research for the women's committee, declared there was real need for the "elimination of repulsive advertising". Many women, she asserted, no longer listen because of some of the extreme commercials. The organization, she said, desires to make the woman more articulate. Listening groups, she said, are being formed in the South and the West.

Mr. Aylesworth pointed out that radio is no more commercial than the New York Times. He said that the average newspaper runs 75%advertising and 25% news, and that the two media are closely parallel and work on the same basis. He



A GOOD ONE—Chairman Anning S. Prall of the FCC (right) is spinning a yarn which apparently amused his listeners, M. H. Aylesworth, NBC president (left) and J. Truman Ward, president of the NAB. This candid camera shot was made in New York following the meeting with the Women's National Radio Committee.

pointed to the decided trend toward cultural programs, and declared that the commercial rather than the sustaining features are most popular and, from the standpoint of merit, far superior to the sustaining periods. Advocating better commercial programs, he then suggested his fan mail analysis plan as a starting point in the gauging of listener reaction.

#### Cultural Programs

ON BEHALF of the NAB, President Ward pledged the "highest degree of cooperation" from the industry. He pointed to the vast improvement in program quality during the last few years. People, he said, are too prone to criticize radio generally for some single program or some single station that exceeds the bounds of good taste or good judgment.

The Institute of Audible Arts, founded by Philco, was referred to by Mr. Willis as the character of "intelligent cooperation" that is helping radio. He said that no one in the industry realized the staggering amount of cultural, educational and civic programs actually broadcast over networks and stations until the hearings on the educational issue before the FCC last fall. When he began digging into the CBS records, he said, he found an "astounding" amount of this character of program material on the air.

the air. Mr. Loucks pointed out that the Federal Trade Commission which last year began scrutinizing radio advertising, received 100% cooperation from broadcasting stations in calling for continuities. The industry, he said, can be depended upon for full cooperation in any plan to improve programs on a sound basis.

sound basis. Running through the discussion were possible means of improving children's programs to eliminate the "scare" element for nervous youngsters, and removal from the air of certain medical programs relating to feminine hygiene and laxatives. There was agreement that these should be controlled, and, on the part of the broadcasters, a strong indication that certain proprietary accounts would be more sharply edited or eliminated.

#### Government of Mexico Sponsoring NBC Series

OPENING of a series of programs on an NBC-WJZ network March 21 by the Mexican government marks the first time a foreign country has sponsored a network series in the United States. Designed to promote good will and create interest in Mexico and Mexican life, the broadcasts present music and talks about the country. On the first broadcast, Edouardo

Villasenor, Mexican Consul General in New York, brought a greeting from Dr. Emilio Portes Gil, Mexican Secretary of Foreign Relations. Music is furnished by Angell Mercado and an orchestra of native Mexicans, with two vocalists. The account is placed by De Garmo-Kilborn Corp., New York.

#### **Congressman's Network**

CONGRESSMAN Martin L. Sweeney (D) of Cleveland, booster of Father Coughlin, is arranging a network of Ohio stations to carry his Sunday talks preceding those of the Detroit priest. Previously Rep. Sweeney had broadcast over WGAR, Cleveland. The new network is to include WGAR; WSPD, Toledo; WCKY, Cincinnati, and WAIU, Columbus.

#### WKBF Now WIRE

A CHANGE in call letters from WKBF to WIRE for the Indianapolis station operated by Indianapolis Broadcasting, Inc., was announced March 16 by the FCC. The station, managed by D. E. "Plug" Kendrick, sought the change because its original call often was confused with that of another station in the same area.



RADIO PROGRAM CONFEREES—These leaders in radio and women's activities attended the conference in New York on March 25 devoted to women's and children's programs. They are, left to right: Mrs. Harold V. Milligan, president Women's National Radio Committee; Philip G. Loucks, NAB managing director; Anning S. Prall, chairman FCC; M. H. Aylesworth, president NBC; Mme. Yolanda Mero, advisory chairman of Women's Committee; J. Truman Ward, NAB president; Frederic A. Willis, assistant to president, CBS and Franklin Dunham, NBC educational director.

## Food and Drug Bill Takes a Back Seat Tests by Sunkist Believed to Have Little Chance Despite Presidential

Message; Changes Remove Main Radio Objections

DESPITE a Presidential message to Congress urging enactment of food and drugs legislation, the Copeland-Tugwell bill (S-5) to amend the existing law by estab-lishing rigid control over sale and advertising of food, drugs and cosmetics, has taken a back seat in the Senate with only a fighting chance of becoming law at the

with the transmission to the Congress on March 22 of a spe-cial message from President Roosevelt asserting the need for new legislation, the Senate Commerce Committee, of which Senator Copeland (D.) of New York, is chairman, reported S-5 favorably to the Senate by a split vote of 9 to 6. A minority report will be filed by Senator Clark (D.) of Missouri, who was chairman of the subcommittee which held the hearings on the measure earlier this month. Senator Clark along with the remainder of the minority, is strongly opposed to certain provisions, notably that which would transfer from the Federal Trade Commission to the Department of Agriculture control over advertising of the commodities.

#### Still Objectionable

WHILE the measure is regarded as a distinct improvement over the last draft, as a result of amend-ments adopted in committee, it is still held to be somewhat objectionable from the standpoint of most advertising media, including broadcasting. It still contains the pro-vision in the so-called "dealer" section which discriminates against broadcasting and in favor of small local papers, supposedly in intrastate commerce. The major objection otherwise from the ad-vertising groups is that of setting up the Department of Agriculture

as the autocrat over advertising. On behalf of the NAB, Henry A.

On behalf of the NAB, Henry A. Bellows declared, following an an-alysis of the new bill: "A careful study of report No. 361 of S-5 indicates, from the standpoint of broadcasting, a con-siderable improvement over the earlier draft. The discrimination against radio in the retail dealer careful a very corrious flow section is still a very serious flaw in the bill, and it still remains true that the bill would set up a wholly new agency for the regulation of advertising in addition to the regulatory power now given to the Fed-eral Trade Commission."

#### **President's Views**

IN HIS MESSAGE, President Roosevelt did not specifically en-dorse the Copeland measure or any other pending bill. He simply said that there was a need for enactment of the basic principles in-volved, to protect the consumer, and to protect the vast majority of legitimate trades that need no reg-ulation against the minority of evaders and chiselers". He said that changes in conditions have made "loopholes" in the old law, on the books for more than a quar-"It is time," he said, "to make

practical improvements. A mea-sure is needed which will extend the controls formerly applicable only to labels to advertising also; which will extend protection to the trade in cosmetics; which will provide for a cooperative method of setting standards and for a sys-tem of inspection and enforcement to reassure consumers grown hesi-tant and doubtful; and which will provide for a necessary flexibility in administration as products and conditions change."

#### **Only** a Possibility

ON MARCH 26, however, Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, Democratic leader, disclosed a legislative "must" list, approved by the Ad-ministration, which did not include food and drugs legislation, but mentioned it only as a possibility. After a conference at the White House, Senator Robinson said that the subjects to be considered during the remainder of the session include social security and unemployment insurance, regulation of utility holding companies, increas-ed capital for Home Owners Loan Corp., banking legislation and NRA extension.

Then, in a secondary list, he said the President has heretofore in-dicated his desire that transportation legislation may be worked out but that "it cannot be determined now whether this legislation can be completed during the present ses-sion." Winding up in the rear was this assertion: "It is also thought that the Pure Food and Drug Act

may be brought forward." This, plus the fact that the Commerce Committee itself is seriously split on the Copeland bill, led to extreme pessimism even on the part of proponents of the mea-sure. Even should the bill succeed in getting through the Senate, it would have to start from scratch (Continued on page 44)

#### **President's Food and Drug Message**

THE TEXT of President Roosevelt's message to Congress March 22 on food and drug legislation follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

Every enterprise in the United States: Every enterprise in the United States should be able to adhere to the simple principle of honesty without fear of penalty on that account. Honesty ought to be the best policy not only for the individual, or one enterprise, but for every individual and every enterprise in the nation. In one field of endeavor there is an obvious means to this end which has been too long neglected: the setting up and careful enforcement of standards of identity and quality for the foods we eat and the drugs we use, together with the strict exclusion from our markets of harmful or adulteriated products adulterated products.

adulterated products. The honor of the producers in a country ought to be the invariable ingredient of the products produced in it. The various qualities of goods require a kind of discrimination which is not at the command of con-sumers. They are likely to confuse outward appearance with inward integrity. In such a situation as has grown up through our rising level of living and our multiplication of goods, consumers are prevented from choosing intelligently and producers are handicapped in any attempt to maintain higher standards. Only the scientific and disinterested activity of government can protect this honor of our producers and provide the possibility of discriminating choice to our consumers. possibility of discriminating choice to our consumers.

possibility of discriminating choice to our consumers. These principles have long been those on which we have founded pub-lic policy. But we have fallen behind in their practical application. No comprehensive attempt at reform in the regulation of commerce in food and drugs has been made since 1906. I need not point out to you how much has happened since that time in the invention of new things and their general adoption, as well as in the increase of advertising appeals. Because of these changes loopholes have appeared in the old law which have made abuses easy.

It is time to make practical improvements. A measure is needed which will extend the controls, formerly applicable only to labels, to ad-vertising also; which will extend protection to the trade in cosmetics; which will provide for a cooperative method of setting standards and for a system of inspection and enforcement to reassure consumers grown hesitant and doubtful, and which will provide for a necessary flexibility in administration as products and conditions change.

I understand this subject has been studied and discussed for the last two years and that full information is in the possession of the Congress.

No honest enterpriser need fear that because of the passage of such a measure he will be unfairly treated. He would be asked to do no more than he now holds himself out to do. It would merely make cer-tain that those who are less scrupulous than I know most of our pro-ducers to be, can not force their more honest competitors into dishonorable ways.

The great majority of those engaged in the trade in food and drugs do not need regulation. They observe the spirit as well as the letter of existing law. Present legislation ought to be directed primarily toward a small minority of evaders and chiselers. At the same time even-handed regulation will not only outlaw the bad practices of the few, but will also protect the many from unscrupulous competition. It will, be-sides, provide a bulwark of consumer confidence throughout the business world world.

It is my hope that such legislation may be enacted at this session of the Congress.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

## Pave the Way for **National Campaign**

#### **Favorable Results Are Shown** After 19-Station Drive

AFTER a 60 - day test campaign on 19 Eastern and Midwestern stations, California Fruit Growers Exchange, Los Angeles (Sunkist), is studying results prior to an ex-tension of its radio advertising in the near future. Details of the campaign are being worked out, with Lord & Thomas, Los Angeles, handling the account. Definite areas have been mapped, returns tabulated and consumer reaction

charted. The Exchange has announced that it is satisfied with the test drive and will continue radio adwertising of citrus fruit in May, with copy to be placed again in the East and Midwest. Meanwhile, the East and Midwest. Meanwhile, one-minute daily spots are being placed on WMT, Waterloo, Iowa, and WMBD, Peoria, Ill., featuring the health qualities of lemon juice. In addition, an experiment is being conducted at KHJ, Los Angeles, and KNX, Hollywood, where double time has been contracted on daily merging pertinging the programs morning participation programs, with the sponsor's name mentioned but not Sunkist. This drive is promoting health qualities of lemons and oranges, it being considered unnecessary to urge Californians to eat citrus fruit.

#### **Promoting New Uses**

SOME PARTS of the country offer a virgin field for new uses of citrus products, the sponsor be-lieves, and radio will be used in this phase of the campaign.

The 60 - day campaign took the form of one-minute spots with the s c r i p t calling attention to the health properties of Sunkist navel oranges. Stations included WBZ, WBZA and WNAC, B o s t o n; WDRC, Hartford; WEAN, Provi-dence; WCAO and WBAL, Balti-more; WCAO and WFIL, Philadel-phia; KDKA and WJAS, Pitts-burgh; WGAR and WTAM, Cleve-land; WJR and WWJ, Detroit; WKRC, Cincinnati; KWK, St. Louis; WENR and WBBM, Chi-cago. The 60 - day campaign took the

cago. The Exchange, a cooperative, had used Los Angeles stations and a network program for Sunkist but had been off the air for a couple of years.

#### **Big Chevrolet Campaign**

CHEVROLET unit of General Motors is undertaking another extensive spot campaign, seeking to clear time on more than 250 sta-tions for a 13-week transcription series titled *Musical Moments*. The music is dubbed from the WBS World Library, with Hugh Conrad announcing. The series is to run three times weekly, and is being placed through Campbell - Ewald Co., Detroit, with local dealers par-tising in the sponsorship ticipating in the sponsorship.

HAVING concluded his Sunday night series on CBS for Pebeco, Eddie Cantor has established of-fices as a radio consultant on scripts and productions at 113 W. 57th St., New York.

#### BROADCASTING • April 1, 1935

An Analysis of 'Sponsor Recognition'

By JOHN M. DOLPH

N. W. Aver & Son Inc.

## istening Audience Is Described as the Best Criterion; mplanting the Advertising Message Most Important

GREAT DEAL has been said the past and more is going to said in the future about the ssociation in the listening mind etween the artist and the sponsor. his new phase of inquiry has een given the name "sponsor recgnition", and in certain radio sureys being regularly conducted has been made a definite part of the tudy. As a matter of fact it has een carried far enough now so hat a second figure, the supposed ost to the sponsor per thousand steners associating his name with he program is being furnishd ubscribers.

All of which has led a great nany of us to wonder just how mportant such a listener associaion is in the sale of merchandise. It seems to me that the process It seems to me that the process f advertising, whether visual or ural, is the attempt to influence ndividual behavior by presenting ts story to groups of such indiiduals whenever they may be ound. The history of the publi-ation business has been a long ng groups to which advertising nay be presented with the great-st possible money efficiency. In ther words, the publication business has been carefully building its own audience, providing for the dvertising fraternity fairly defi-nitely outlined markets to be se-ected as they fit the need and haracter of the product to be adertised.

#### **About Audiences**

IN ANY consideration of a paralelism between advertising as it has been successfully employed on the printed page and advertising as it is to be successfully employed over the air, one fundamental fact has to be kept in mind. It is this: While in publications the audience nas been amassed with a certain amount of selectivity by the pubisher — in radio it has remained for the advertiser, in most cases, to gather his own audience.

Most publications have a definite pre-arranged balance between perentage of advertising and percentage of editorial matter. In ra-dio no such balance has so far been established as a general "edicorial" policy, and within certain imits of decency and standards of corial" performance an advertiser may provide what editorial content he wishes to surround his advertising messages.

The reason for this seems to me to be simple enough when the birth and growth of the radio business is considered; since most of the material provided in the early days of radio was done for purposes of experience, publicity and just for fun . . , there wasn't much necessity for large working capital in the average radio station. The question at that time was "Who is going to pay the artist?", and as a result, when radio was freed for

"SPONSOR RECOGNITION" is a term appearing more and more in surveys which attempt to evaluate the "circulation" of radio. There's danger in that, and Mr. Dolph, looking at the subject from the agency viewpoint, goes right to the heart of the problem and points out the weakness of the method. After all, advertisers spend money because they want to sell their products, and not to provide memory tests for the listening millions. The writer offers excellent food for the thoughts of those who believe that listeners should be mobile advertising directories.



MR. DOLPH

commercial purposes the first money which came along was that of the sponsor who, having paid the artist, put on the show.

There isn't much difference basically between the attitude of the reader of the newspaper or magazine and that of the radio listener. In publications the reader has be-come quite accustomed to the intrusion of advertising. He glances at some advertisements, partially reads others, and gives his most careful attention to those which refer to the current needs of his life. He does all this while being instructed or entertained by editorial material.

In radio he is rapidly learning to accept the presence of advertising material and probably goes through a very similar perfor-mance in the selection of that to which he gives his best attention. He too is being entertained or in-formed and he too has the privi-lege of "turning the page" or fig-uvatively glauging away if he is uratively glancing away if he is not interested in the advertising which is being presented to him.

With a certain few exceptions which, at the moment, appear to be opportune and clever scattering of advertising throughout the editorial matter such as interruptions by the announcer, gags and situa-tions by the artist, most radio ad-vertising takes the form of spot announcements.

I am not convinced that the good will and gratitude supposedly achieved by the advertiser for the mere fact that he presents the program is all that it has been cracked up to be. Rather I believe cracked up to be. Rather I believe people consider radio more or less their natural heritage, paid for when they bought their set much as their newspaper is paid for when they pay their two cents, re-gardless of the fact that the ad-vertiser also makes the newspaper possible possible.

All of which leads up to the subject of sponsor recognition. There has been a question in my mind as to whether some of our most successful programs, com-mercially, would show high spon-sor recognition. On rather careful inquiry into the figures as pre-sented by field studies taking this point into consideration, I find that a surprisingly small proportion of people can name offhand the sponsor of some of their favorite radio artists.

#### Popping the Question

MORE and more this condition is going to become a bugaboo in radio advertising until it is understood. The same condition has existed in publication advertising almost since its inception. I remember one particular instance. An important executive of an account upon which I was working made the rounds of fellow passengers on a ship, asking how many had seen his company's advertisement that morning in the ship's paper. He was upset to find that practically none remembered having seen it.

Yet if he had phrased his ques-tion differently he would have found that a surprisingly high percentage of the passengers knew

the information conveyed by the advertisement. Probably most of them would not have known where they learned it, and more than likely many would have thought a friend had told them, or that they had heard it in general conversation. This is an old problem which publication advertising has pretty well settled.

But in radio, there seems to be a growing tendency to expect the listener not only to remember the advertising message, but the sur-rounding editorial material as well. I do not believe there is much more reason for us to find that a radio listener has associated the advertising and the artist than for the reader of a shoe advertisement in

reader of a shoe advertisement in a newspaper to remember the col-umn of news material next to which it appeared. If there is any truth in this, ra-dio is making a mistake in basing its calculations on sponsor recog-nition rather than on listening audience attained. It has not been long size these interested is not long since those interested in promoting broadcasting were calling much attention to the tremendous amount of mail produced. I think we all remember painfully the difficulties we encountered in reedu-cating our advertisers. Perhaps this story of sponsor recognition, improperly viewed or too enthusiastically presented, may constitute another of our own petards upon which we may be hoisted. At any rate, it's worth thinking

about.

#### **Chandu Magician Series** Is Revived and Recorded

ALL of the Chandu the Magician programs now being sponsored over WGN, Chicago, are being transcribed in the Chicago studios of WBS direct from the WGN studio show for possible later place-ment in a spot campaign on additional stations to be selected. The programs, sponsored by Sterling Products Co., New York, for its new Cafi-Aspirin, are already be-ing repeated on discs over WJR, Detroit.

The revival of Chandu over the two stations is a test campaign in the two markets, the success of which will determine its expansion. WGN carries it five nights weekly at 9:15 p. m., and WJR has a simi-lar schedule at 6:15 p. m. Both schedules are for 13 weeks, the account being handled by Blackett-Sample-Hummert Inc., New York.

#### **Heinz Tests Series**

H. J. HEINZ Co., Pittsburgh (57 Varieties) in March started a schedule of 52 15-minute WBS transcription programs over WTIC. Hartford; WHK, Cleveland, and WHO, Des Moines. The program features Col. Roscoe Turner, noted speed pilot, and is being tested for possible later expansion to other stations. It runs five times weekly, placed through Maxon Inc., Detroit.

## ABC Demise Brings Projects For Mutual Program Exchange

#### HookuponCooperativeBasisStartedbyWMCA-WIP; WNEW Ties up With WPRO, W1XBS, WHDH

OUT OF the demise of American Broadcasting Co. on March 26, when it ceased feeding programs to 10 stations along the Eastern seaboard have come two separate "mutual program exchange" ventures, neither claiming network aspirations, along with a crop of unverified reports regarding a possible new project for another major network.

ABC, which had curtailed its operations last month by dropping 13 of its 24 stations, decided to discontinue after Arde Bulova, its acting head, failed to evolve a definite plan of procedure at a meeting March 22 in New York with affiliates. George B. Storer, of Detroit, organizer of the network and its predecessor, American Broadcasting System, had withdrawn earlier in the month. It was construed as another indication of the futility of attempting to inaugurate a "third chain", due to lack of available outlets with suitable coverage in the primary markets. Promptly following the ABC disintegration WNFW its law stat

Promptly following the ABC disintegration, WNEW, its key station, announced that it was continuing service on a "mutual" basis to three New England outlets---WPRO, Providence; W1XBS, Waterbury and WHDH, Boston. Certain of the commercials on the old network, including Crazy Crystals, it was said, will be continued on this hookup, with negotiations in progress for retention of others. No plans for extension of this hookup are under contemplation, it was stated.

#### WMCA-WIP Hookup

THE SECOND development following the closing down of ABC was the announcement by WMCA, New York, and WIP, Philadelphia, of a cooperative association, with permanent telephone lines. Announced on March 26 after negotiations between Donald Flamm, president of WMCA, and Benedict Gimbel, Jr., president of WIP, the arrangement is for leasing of permanent A. T. & T. lines on a 24-hour basis for simultaneous broadcasting of commercials in the two markets, and also for exchange of sustainings.

Joint sales representatives will be engaged by both stations, with Betram Lebhar, Jr., commercial manager of WMCA, superintending activities in New York, and Albert A. Cormier, commercial head of WIP, in charge in Philadelphia. Both are well known in radio circles, Mr. Cormier formerly having been general manager of WOR, while Mr. Lebhar was associated with the WOR sales staff and ABC. The stations will be sold commercially for a combination of their two rate card quotations. It was said that there are no present plans for expansion, but that there have been "a number of conversations" with other stations, with the possibility that later on the service will be expanded to stations in other major markets.

in other major markets. Meanwhile, word was received that a new influential group, not now in broadcasting, planned to emerge in the near future with the aim of establishing a "national network" competitive with the major chains. Little could be learned beyond this, except that the project would be formally broached within a few days.

#### **CBS** Supplementaries

SIMULTANEOUSLY, there were wholly unconfirmed reports that CBS, due to the demise of ABC, might reconsider old plans for a junior network which long have been pigeon-holed, the primary purpose of which would be to feed sustaining programs to supplementary stations which do not receive commercials booked only for the basic network. The problem has been that of originating such sustaining features for the supplementaries. More than a year ago, it is understood, CBS shelved such a plan because of the lack of desirable outlets. Whether it will be reconsidered because of the folding of ABC, at this time, is problematical.

In connection with the cessation of ABC operations, Walton Butterfield, program director of WNEW, sent the following telegram to affiliated stations on March 25: "Due to inability of the associ-

"Due to inability of the associated stations to a gree on the amounts to be paid by them for sustaining service and due to the losses sustained by WNEW in supplying this service, we are compelled to discontinue all network service as of 1 a. m. tonight March 25. Perhaps at some future date we can get together on some mutual basis."

The mutual proposition which failed at the meeting, it is understood, involved pro-rating line charges, but nothing came of it. During the last month of ABC operation, it was stated in one quarter, the operating deficit ran about \$50,000, with a number of the stations failing to remit for line charges at approximately \$1,500 per month.

Mr. Flamm and Mr. Gimbel made public the following joint statement regarding their project: "We have for some time been in accord in the idea that a combination

"We have for some time been in accord in the idea that a combination of the two popular stations WMCA and WIP would afford advertisers the opportunity of reaching the vast audiences of these two great metropolitan areas at a rate considerably below that of any single high powered station. The combined 'good service' areas of these two stations is equal to almost twenty per cent of the population of the United States. Both stations occupy excellent wave lengths and have sufficient power to do a thorough coverage job in their respective communities. Both stations are independently owned and operated and have each enjoyed the distinction of exclusively catering to the program needs of their respective cities. This arrangement will draw the city of Father Knickerbocker and Father Penn together and will eliminate the 88-mile gap that separates them."

OSBORN & SOUVAINE Inc., New York program producers, have changed the firm name to Henry Souvaine Inc.

#### **Does Radio Pull?**

A TOTAL of approximately 2,600,000 Pepsodent cartons, which means sale of that number of tubes of the toothpaste, was pulled by the nationwide contest early this year over NBC in connection with the Amos 'n' Andy prize offer, it was learned in authoritative quarters. The Pepsodent Co. has never revealed this result. The \$31,000 contest requirements were that a complete Pepsodent carton be mailed the Pepsodent Co., together with a statement of 50 words or less on "Why I Like Pepsodent Toothpaste."

#### **CBS Changes Staff At Chicago Office**

DONALD W. THORNBOUGH, for the last four years a member of the CBS Chicago sales department, has been named assistant to H. Leslie Atlass, CBS vice president in charge of the western division, in a personnel shift. Richard C. Elpers, former sales promotion head of the CBS Chicago headquarters, has been promoted to the sales department. Succeeding him is John Myers, formerly with Simmonds & Simmons Inc., Chicago agency.

agency. Hal Hudson has been named continuity head of CBS in Chicago, succeeding Henry Klein who resigned to become radio director for Charles Daniel Frey Co. C. D. McMillan, formerly in the Sears, Roebuck & Co., advertising department, has been added to the continuity staff. Cecil Widdefield, CBS continuity

Cecil Widdefield, CBS continuity chief in Chicago from 1930-32 and later with Bob White Productions Inc. and H. W. Kastor & Sons Adv. Co. Inc., has returned to CBS to organize and head the WBBM sales service department.

#### Federal Probe of Threat To Kidnap Boake Carter DEPARTMENT of Justice

agents are investigating kidnap threats received by Boake Carter, Philco's CBS commentator. Four notes demanding \$5,000 have been received by the noted radio commentator at his Philadelphia home and office during the last two months.

and office during the last two months. The last note ordered him to change his usual signoff with a code phrase signifying that he would meet the demand. Carter said he did so and planted a package of fake money at the place designated. With two federal agents he waited for the kidnapers to appear, but they failed to do so.

#### Wright Buys WPFT

C. J. (Chuck) WRIGHT, studio director of WBRC, Birmingham, since 1930, has bought WPFT, Hattiesburg, Miss. He has been made president of the Forest Broadcasting Co., which plans to change the call letters to WFOR. Mr. Wright has been in radio since 1925, is a native of Knoxville, Tenn., and attended the University of Tennessee.

#### CBSAnnual Report Shows Network in Stronger Position Contracts Reach Record Total:

Improved Service Claimed

NET PROFITS of CBS during 1934, after providing \$480,097 for depreciation and \$357,286 for federal income taxes, amounted to \$2,274,119, according to the annual report for the year issued March 16 by William S. Paley, president At the end of the fiscal year, as of Dec. 29, 1934, the network organization's earned surplus was \$2,148,928, the report reveals.

The CBS surplus on Dec. 30 1933, was \$4,150,853, but cash and stock dividends in the amount of \$3,138,545 were paid out and there was transferred to capital, arising from a change of no par stock tc stock of \$5 par value, the sum of \$1,137,500.

According to National Advertising Records, gross income from the sale of time to advertisers over CBS amounted to \$14,825,845 during 1934. Mr. Paley's report states that the network anticipates continued favorable results for 1935, the value of its unbilled contracts at the end of February being nearly half a million dollars greater than at the same time last year.

#### **Capital** Changes

TWICE during 1934 CBS changed its capitalization. In February its stock was changed from no par to a par value of \$5, and five shares of new stock were exchanged for each share of old. A 50% stock dividend was paid in December. Dividends were paid at the rate of 25 cents per share for the first quarter and 50 cents for the next three quarters, with an extra dividend of \$1 per share paid in the fourth quarter.

The consolidated balance sheet shows 750,000 authorized shares each of Class A and Class B stock, of which 474,298 shares of the former and 474,337 shares of the latter have been issued, with 1,425 shares of Class A and 94,875 shares of Class B in the treasury. The par value of the capital stock is \$5 per share. Mr. Paley's report reviews the

Mr. Paley's report reviews the program policies and the activities of the network during the year and emphasizes the fact that CBS strives to maintain a balanced schedule. "It is only by providing programs of all types in proper proportion and proper relation to each other that we discharge our obligations as custodians of a great instrument of public service," he states.

The CBS network was expanded during 1934 from 92 to 97 stations. of which seven have power of 50,000 watts and 59 have 1,000 watts or more. Mr. Paley's report concludes: "We find ourselves in 1935 in a stronger position than ever before. The size of our radio audience has increased. Advertising contracts booked show the greatest total in the history of the business. The standards of radio broadcasting have reached new peaks. The financial condition of your company was never sounder. We are very hopeful for a very successful year."

## **Radio Clouds on the Rio Grande Horizon**

**By VINCENT S. BARKER** 

#### he Intimate Story of the Kilocycle Dust Storms Created y U. S. Promoters Licensed by Mexican Government

THE SUMMER of 1930, when Federal Radio Commission was eping a wary eye on and cramp-g the style of, stations broadcastg programs whose commercial vertisements were of a misleadcharacter or of an objectional dical nature, and Better Busiss Bureaus were frowning upon e broadcasting of so-called "psy-ology" programs on a "send-a-llar" basis, two Texas promoters upon the happy idea of build-a broadcasting station corpora a broadcasting station across e Rio Grande—as close to the nited States as possible— from nich location they would be able broadcast programs of what-er nature they wished, regard-s of finding ill favor in the eyes the FRC or the U.S. Governnt. After all, they would be a reign radio station broadcasting om a foreign country, and as ng as they complied with the very nient Mexican radio laws, they ould worry!

The idea was great. They would ed enough Mexican citizens in e company to make the thing le-I, and that could be easily arnged. Permission was obtained om Mexico City to form the Inrnational Broadcasting Co. S. A., d to build and operate a broad-sting station in Reynosa, in the ate of Tamaulipas, immediately ross the international bridge at idalgo, Texas. The call would be ED.

Although all the money put into e scheme was American, the mpany was incorporated in the exican state of Tamaulipas and e thing was legally and techni-lly a Mexican concern.

#### One-Hundred Hours

CONTRACT to build a station of 0,000 watts power—a consider-ble power five years ago—was warded to one W. E. Branch, a ra-to engineer of Fort Worth, Tex., ad in July 1930 construction start-I. A low stucco-brick building was ected on a site about 1000 yards from the Rio Grande, snugly tted in between two saloons-am's Place on the one side and the ztec Club on the other. It con-ined two studios, two offices, re-



XED AT REYNOSA—Now known as XEAW, this Mexican border staation is reported to be in the hands of Dr. John R. Brinkley, deposed for-mer U. S. medico-broadcaster. Like other border stations, it is described as a paradise for accounts frowned upon by most American stations.

ception hall and transmitter rooms, while additional office and studio space were rented in McAllen, Tex., some nine miles in from XED, and telephone lines were connected to join the two points.

Things progressed smoothly and the opening was set for the early part of November. Commercial accounts were obtained with the Rio counts were obtained with the Rio Grande Valley Chamber of Com-merce, the Rio Grande Valley Bridge Co., the South Texas Build-ing and Loan Co., and the Hicks Rubber Co., while across the river the Berreteaga Habanero people and the Carta Blanca Beer Co., hought time on the new station

bought time on the new station. On Nov. 9, 1930, the inaugura-tion of XED, "The Voice of Two Republics" started. I say started, for it was to run uninterruptedly for 100 hours and run it didl for 100 hours—and run it did! What with the fall rains and the newly broken ground, there was a foot of mud around the building, and through this slopped local dignitaries, artists, orchestras and sightseers for four days and four nights. When the brain and tongue lagged, the convenient Aztec Club or Sam's Place provided new inspiration.

What an inauguration! Reynosa

TITH Dr. Brinkley reported back on the air in Mexico, pparently having made his peace anew with the Mexian authorities, this case history of American promoted nd sponsored broadcasting from across the Rio Grande ill be of real interest to broadcasters here. Unfortuately, the Mexican situation doesn't seem to have ocupied as great concern among the American radio offi-ials pledged to protect U. S. interests. The author nows whereof he writes for he was engaged in radio ngineering work in South Texas during the period liscussed, and for a year was engineer in charge of **EAW**, Reynosa, which formerly was XED.

had never seen anything like it. Even a July 4 bull fight couldn't compete with a concentrated four days spree like that. When it was all over, XED was truly ensconced on her "clear channel" of 965 kc. Since all U. S. stations are assigned frequencies of 10 kc. separation, XED was sitting half way between stations on 960 kc and 970 kc, and must, of necessity, cause interfer-ence to both.

#### Dollars, Dollars Everywhere

ONE American engineer and one American announcer were in charge of the broadcasting on the Reyno-sa side, the remaining office and technical employes being Mexican, while most of the American artists and orchestras went on the air from the McAllen studio. Among them were Jimmy Rogers, Honey Boy and Sassafras, Briar Hopper and Raja Raboid. On the Mexican side Juan Arvizu and Rosa Dominguez were perhaps the best known of their countrymen to sing there. New accounts were obtained and the "psychology" program, run by Gayle Norman II, was good for an average of \$100 per day. He was later followed by Dr. A. M. Curl, Raja Raboid, Ethel Duncan and Prince David. Raja Raboid and Ethel Duncan proved the most successful, a fair day's mail bring-ing in \$250 to \$300 over the winter months. Most of these programs boiled down to "send a dollar and I will answer any three questions by return mail". The dollars rolled in from all parts of the Union, a few from Canada, Mexico and Honolulu.

The station was on the air from 6 p. m. to midnight, and programs were selected from the lists of songs restricted from the Insts of songs restricted by the American Society of Authors, Composers and Publishers. For a time even the Amos 'n' Andy program was pick-ed up from a Texas station and sold to a Mexican hear company sold to a Mexican beer company, the beer continuity being read

while the Pepsodent ad was made. XED would fade the program in during the Amos 'n' Andy theme and cut it at the end of the show to put on the beer closing commercial before the Pepsodent announcement could be heard.

Along toward the summer of 1931 there were rumors of an impending rival on the border. A certain Dr. John R. Brinkley of Milford, Kan., having lost his broadcasting license in that state, was reported to be building a 75,000-watt sta-tion—an unheard of power in those days-in the Mexican town of Villa Acuna, along the border about 400 miles west of Reynosa. This rumor developed into a fact when construction started in July 1931, the contract again being awarded to Mr. Branch.

#### Then Came the Lottery

ABOUT this time things at XED were not so good. Most of the commercial accounts were off, and the income was largely dependent upon the percentage programs—i.e. pro-grams that cost the sponsor nothing to put on, the station splitting 50-50 on any returns. Expenses were cut to a minimum and phonograph records took the place of the Mexican orchestra and marimba band. However, rip roaring days were just ahead—for a Houston, Texas, theater owner, one Will Horwitz, had just had a bright idea. He made a deal with the owners of XED so that he had control of the station, and the bright idea—the XED lottery that was to bring him a prison sentence-was started.

The lottery was entirely on the level, a Tamaulipas state affair, all drawings taking place on the Plaza in Reynosa in the presence of state officials. It was broadcast over the air at the time. One whole ticket cost 20 pesos (about \$6) but parts of a whole ticket could be bought and the prize money awarded ac-cordingly. A total of 10,000 pesos were given away at each monthly drawing, the first prize being 5, 000 or about \$1,500, and the others proportionally smaller. The fortu-nate winner of the first prize was called by long distance telephone, whereever this was possible, and notified of the happy fact, the check being mailed immediately. All orders for tickets were addressed to the station in Mexico and all tickets were mailed out from that point, not from the Texas offices, so Horwitz was satisfied that no U. S.

anti-lottery law could touch him. It took some time to get the American public, or rather, XED's public, to bite. "Plug the lottery" was the order of the day, and plug they did The station was now on they did. The station was now on the air from 7 p. m. to 2 a. m. and again from 4 a. m. to 7 a. m., so they got you going to bed and they got you getting up again. Gone was all semblance of program production. It was plug, plug, plug-lottery, lottery, lottery, and gradual-ly the thing took hold. Orders for tickets began to come in and then built up with amazing speed until XED had 15 Mexican stenograph-(Continued on page 36)

## Copyright Bill Eases Burden on Radio Government Wins **Government Group Strips ASCAP of Much of Its Power** In Revising Measure for Senate Subcommittee

ADOPTING practically all the recommendations made on behalf of the broadcasting industry by the NAB to lessen hardships imposed by existing copyright laws, the Interdepartmental Committee on Copyright, created by the State Department, on March 28 was ready to submit to the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee a revised draft of a proposed bill to amend the copyright laws. The revision was made following a series of conferences before the committee in February, held at the request of the Senate subcommittee.

Senator Duffy (D.) of Wiscon-sin, planned to introduce the bill in the Senate, and have it referred to the Patents Committee, of which Senator McAdoo (D.) of Cali-fornia is chairman. Hearings probably will be held, since such a request from the American So-ciety of Composers, Authors & Publishers, which would be stripped of much of the arbitrary power it now holds, is seen as a foregone conclusion.

A copy of the revised bill and a A copy of the revised bill and a letter analyzing the changes were submitted to Philip G. Loucks, NAB managing director, by Wal-lace McClure, State Department official and chairman of the Interdepartmental Committee. The proposed amendments are designed so to alter the Copyright Act of 1909 as to permit American entry into the Rome revision of the Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Property. After the original State Department proposal was submitted, protests were filed by numerous organizations, including the NAB, and the whole issue was referred back to the State Department by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. It was on this instruction that the Interdepartmental committee conducted the conferences, after which the revised draft was submitted.

#### Infringement Fee

MOST IMPORTANT of the amendments suggested by the Committee was the elimination entirely of the existing \$250 statutory minimum for innocent infringement of copyrighted works-a provision that has been used ruthlessly by ASCAP in imposing arbitrary license fees on broadcasters, hotels, restaurants and others it classifies as copy-

right performers for profit. Impressed with the argument advanced by the spokesmen for the broadcasting industry that stations should be placed on equal footing with periodicals and newspapers with respect to injunctions, the revised draft would prevent a copyright owner from holding up an entire broadcast by temporary restraining orders for infringement. Also proposed is the NAB suggestion that there be no multiple infringement of the same

composition, as in the past. In his letter to Mr. Loucks, Mr. McClure enumerated the changes made in the draft and their effect. Among other things, the measure extends the scope of copyright laws to include literary matter and

copyrighted music broadcast over stations; exempts from copyright requirements hotels, stores, restau-rants and others who pick up programs on receiving sets for inci-dental entertainment of patrons, and provides automatic copyright of all foreign copyrights. The stand of the NAB was supported on all controversial points by the American Hotel Association, and the Motion Picture Theatre Own-ers of America. The National Edi-torial Association also has ap-proved the general proposal.

#### **Removing Abuses**

THE REVISED measure, according to Mr. Loucks, appears to meet all of the objections the broadcasting industry had to the original measure. "It seems to be the most constructive thing yet attempted to correct the abuses in the music copyright field," he asserted. In writing Mr. Loucks, Chairman

McClure said the Interdepartmental Committee has considered "with sympathy the peculiar situation of the broadcasters as a comparatively new industry making very large use of copyright material and not finding in the present copyright law, which was enacted before the advent of broadcasting, any special reference to their needs. You will therefore find, I believe, that the amendments in the new draft have approached closely the requirenients of the broadcasting industry as stated in your brief (NAB brief filed on Feb. 23)."

Excerpts from Mr. McClure's letter, enumerating the changes

which apply to radio, follow: The right of radio broadcasting granted in Section 1 (f) has been enlarged to include other analogous forms of communication to the public, to which it is assumed the broad-casters will find no objection. The word "writings" (revised draft.

p. 6, line 9) has been restored in

place of the word "works", thus removing any danger as to the adoption of the so-called "oral copyright". The 'ommittee did not believe that oral copyright would be required under the Convention and this opinion has been concurred in by some of the counsel who appeared at the hearings. However, the use of the word "writings serves to remove any doubt on the question.

the question. Careful consideration has been given to the language proposed by you for an amendment in the pro-viso to Section 8 of the present law (pp. 11-12 of the new draft). It is understood that the broadcasters deunderstood that the broadcasters de-sired to be certain that they may continue the use of recordings or arrangements of music made for broadcasting from works hitherto in the public do main but to which copyright will accrue after the ad-herence of the United States to the Convention. It is believed that the Convention. It is believed that the language of Section 8, proviso, is Convention. It is believed that the language of Section 8, proviso, is broad enough to permit such con-tinued use, but for the sake of bet-ter assurance in this respect, certain changes have been made in the lan-guage of the final clause. It is not understood that the broadcasters would contend for the right to use an arrangement or recording not made by them but merely surveys The by them but merely purchased. The purpose of the proviso in Section 8 is to afford all equitable protection to persons who have themselves invested money or incurred liability in the direction of performance of works which were not copyrighted at the time when the undertaking began, but not to permit everyone to use a work which was in the public domain, since the Convention requires generally the protection of all works for which copyright exists in union countries. The changes suggested by you in

The changes suggested by you in Section 23 (pp. 19-21 of the new draft) as to the permissibility of other proof of the date of origin of a work only in the absence of notice and registration, have been adopted. You will note also that language has been added providing that the term shall in no case exceed 56 years, that when an unpublished work has been copyrighted, a new term will not

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MERCHANDISING IDEA-WJBC, Bloomington, Ill., has been displaying merchandise advertised on its programs in the window of a vacant store. Interest was enhanced by installation of a 30-day clock, with 27,-766 persons registering guesses as to the time the clock would stop. .A bedroom suite was given the winner. The local Association of Commerce plans a similar promotion for its members.

# **ASCAP** Skirmish

Granted Motion to Strip Suit **Of Irrelevant Questions** 



SMASHING Α victory in the first preliminary clash involving adjudication of the Department of Justice antitrust suit against the American Socity of Compos-ers, Authors &

Mr. Bennett · Publishers, was won by the Government March 26 when Federal Judge John C. Knox, of New York, granted the Govern-ment's motion to strip the case of irrelevant matter.

Sustaining practically every con-tention of the Department, as advanced in January by Andrew W Bennett, special assistant to the Attorney General, who has been in charge of the case, Judge Knox at the same time denied a counter-motion by ASCAP chief counsel Nathan Burkan, seeking to delay the case through taking of depositions throughout the world. He left the way open, however, for ASCAP to reapply to take testimony on three or four of the relatively minor points, but only if exceptional reasons are advanced.

By the court's ruling, the case now is limited to the important issue of illegal price-fixing by ASCAP—the point around which the Government built its case. Mr. Bennett had argued before the court Jan. 11 this was the clear-cut issue, and that the power to fix royalties, exercised by ASCAP, was tantamount to the power to fix prices. Judge Knox sustained this viewpoint.

#### Argument Expedited

WITH the issue so restricted, it is now likely that argument of the case before the court will be expedited. In its answer to the origpeartea. In its answer to the orig-inal suit, filed last year, ASCAP sought to bring into the case such issues as its difficulty in fighting. "piracy", operation of foreign copyright societies, hearings be-fore Congress, and the like, all of which confirmed the case. which confused the case. Similarly the motion to take depositions would have delayed action indefinitely, if it had been granted, since ASCAP had proposed to have a commissioner appointed to take testimony in many foreign coun-tries, as well as in the United States.

When the case, which alleges violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust law by ASCAP and names 132 defendants, will be tried is problematical because of the crowd-ed docket of the Federal District Court for the Southern District of New York. However, with the elimination of extraneous issues, trial will be hastened.

In denying the ASCAP motion in its entirety, Judge Knox added that the denial "is without prejudice to the right to renew as to witnesses living in the United States, and who can testify to defensive matter that is relevant and material to the defense. However I may say now that if a renewal motion is made, a strong case for relief will have to be presented." If you're interested in dominant low-cost coverage of Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas---study this map of WREN audience mail based on 24 months ending January 1, 1935, and exclusive of NBC or mail directed to sponsors of NBC programs.





NOTE—The Federal Communications Commission has authorized WREN to increase its daytime power to 5,000 watts. New RCA highfidelity transmission is being installed.

There are 336,510 native white families in the white area. WREN received at least one piece of audience mail each month from each 200 native white families living in each county in the white area.

NOTE—In the counties of which Kansas City, Missouri, Kansas City, Kansas, Topeka, and St. Joseph are a part, WREN actually received one piece of audience mail monthly from each 72 native white families living in these four important trading centers. There are 95,267 native white families in the shaded area—WREN received one piece of audience mail monthly from each 500 native white families.

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## Radio Set Ownership by Principal Cities of the U.S...

NEW ESTIMATES of radio set ownership in American cities are pre-sented herewith as a sequel to the census of "radio homes" for the United States reported in the March 15 BROADCASTING in a review of the recent CBS report Lost and Found which set forth radio ownership by states as of Jan. 1, 1935. CBS has now broken down the state re-ports into county and community estimates by applying to each county the state-wide average ownership found to prevail in each state for each of the following population groups: cities over 100,000 populations, cities of 50,000-100,000, cities of 2,500-50,000, rural non-farm communities and rural farms. Individual state reports are available upon application from the Market Research Department, Columbia Broadcasting System, 485

Madison Ave., New York. CBS explains how it projected forward the 1930 federal census, to make available a 1935 census, as follows: "The breakdown of number of families in each of these population groups, by counties, was developed from census records. The resulting figures of radio set ownership are thus entirely dissociated from the 1930 radio census and must not be confused with projections which use this first radio census as a base. Radio set figures for 1935 are based entirely upon sampling. Their accuracy is dependent only upon the ade, quacy of the survey upon which they are based and upon the degree of agreement in radio ownership in any size of community as compared with the state-wide average of all communities of that size throughout a given state."

the Market	Research Department,	, Columb	na broadd	asting bysi	.em, 40
		19 Total Familics	30 Radio Homes	1935 Radio Homes	% Owner
AT.ARAMA	Birmingham		17,154	60,150	ship 93.6
ALADAMA	Mobile	16,806	3,075	10,750	64.0
ADIZONA	Montgomery Phoenix		3,193 3.627	11,040 11,340	64.0 90.3
ARIZONA	Tuscon		1,934	7,410	90.3
ARKANSAS	- Hot Springs Little Rock	5,346 20,026	1,076 6,588	3,100 16,800	58.0 83.9
CALIFORNIA	_Long Beach	47,030	27,201	45,150	96.0
	Los Angeles Oakland	368,508 83,080	216.775 48,083	354,900 75,600	96.3 91.0
	San Diego	45,227	23,144	43,400	96.0
	San Francisco Bakersfield		87,033 2,750	162,000 6,400	. 90.7 90.0
	Berkeley	24,372	14,958	21,900	90.0
	Fresno Sacramento	24,687	5,602 13,257	13.000 22,200	90.0 90.0
	Santa Barbara Stockton		4,400 6,288	8,800 11.150	90.0 68.4
COLORADO	_ Denver		40,296	70,940	89.4
	Boulder	3,432	1,584	2,950	86.0
	Colorado Springs Pueblo		4,236 3,964	8,700 10,700	87.0 87.0
CONNECTICUT	_Bridgeport	35,807	20,938	32,580	91.0
	Hartford New Britain	40,646	20,897 6,758	37,000 14,100	91.0 90.7
	New Haven	39.554	21,428	36,000	91.0
	Stamford Waterbury	10,925 23,078	6,646 9,433	9,910 20,900	90.7 90.7
DELAWARE			13,679	24,100	94.4
DIST. of COL	. Washington, D. C	125,554	67,640	121,790	97.0
FLORIDA	. Gainesville	2.675	526	1,860	69.5
	Jacksonville Miami	32,393	8,009 7,537	28,800 27,370	89.0 89.0
	Orlando	7,780	1,604	5,840	75.0
	Pensacola St. Petersburg	8,061 12,688	1,261 3,038	6.050 9,500	75.0 75.0
	Tampa	25,017	3,686	22,000	89.0
GEORGIA	Atlanta Savannah	67,749 22,425	17,593 3,398	60,400 14,600	89.2 65.0
IDAHO	Boise Pocatello	5.887 4,139	2.382 1.500	5.230 3,670	88.8 88.8
LLINOIS	Chicago	842,578	532,729	806,300	95.7
NDIANA	Peoria		14,480	23,500	89.0
	Fort Wayne	29,145	8.692 17,842	22,060 25,000	85.8 85.8
	Gary Indianapolis	23,103 98,610	10,714 46,460	19,800 92,700	85.8 94.0
	South Bend	25,633	13,413	21,990	85.8
OWA	Cedar Rapids Council Bluffs	15,317	7,992	13,570	88.6
	Davenport	16,645	5,695 8,930	9,590 14,750	88.6 88.6
	Des Moines Sioux City	38,078 19,975	19,594 9,953	34,270 17,700	90.0 88.6
	Waterloo	11,936	6,382	10,580	88.6
KANSAS	Kansas City Topeka	31,618	13,206	29,400	93.0
	Wichita	17,424 29,938	8,483 11,282	16,050 27.840	92.1 93.0
KENTUCKY		17,242	7,930	13,800	80.0
	Lexington	12.026 80,079	3,286 26,805	9,620 75,030	80.0 93.7
OUISIANA	Baton Rouge		1.251	6,050	80.0
	New Orleans Shreveport	111.936	23,537	100,520	89.8
MAINE		6,859	6,018 2,988	16,000 6.260	80.0 91.2
	Portland	17,478	8,280	15,940	91.2
	Baltimore	193,991	94,965	187,780	96.8
MASS	Boston	179,200	100.783	162,890	90.9
	Cambridge Fall River	27.001	15,135 12,023	24,700 24,300	90.0 90.0
	Lowell	23,726	9,563 16,636	21,350 23,300	90.0
	New Bedford	27.920	10,378	25,130	90.0 90.0
	Somerville	25,531 38.066	16,369 23,257	22,980 34.260	90.0 90.0
MICHICAN	Worcester	45.853	27,464	41,270	90.0
atomoan	Detroit	370,293 37,683	214,710 19,705	339,560 35,500	91.7 94.2
UNNESSE	Grand Rapids	43,441	21,479	40,920	94.2
MINNESOTA	Duluth Minneapolis	23,828	11,896	21.210	89.0
	St. Paul	67.745	69,695 40,326	109,460 63.270	93.4 93.4
MISSISSIPPI		11,065	2,081	9,180	83.0
MISSOURI	Kansas City St. Louis		53,080 107,950	104.510 199,400	96.2 92.8
			101,000	100,700	

		1930		1985	
		Total	Radio -		% Owner-
MONTANA	Billings Butte		Homes 1,895 2,792	Homes 3,770 9,240	ship 85.0 90.6
NEBRASKA		20,161	10.218 28.709	19,150 50,230	95.0 92.0
NEVADA			2,250	4,390	87.5
	. Manchester		7,628	18,150	96.8
NEW JERSEY_	Atlantic City		8,935	16,180	96.0 96.8
	Camden Elizabeth	26,709	14,842 16,159	26,940 25,850	96.8
	Jersey City Newark	76,273	48,182 57,240	73,980 101,940	97.0 97.0
	Paterson Trenton	. 35,503	21,413 15,101	34,370 26,260	96.8 96.8
NEW MEXICO	. Albuquerque		1,994	6,110	90.1
	_ Albany	34,065	19,074	31,500	92.6
	Binghamton Buffalo	18,819	9,107 76,834	17,700 135,000	94.0 96.8
	New York City	1,722,954	1,019,791	1,695,000 77,900	98.4 95.0
	Rochester Schnectady	24,228	45,731 13,952	22,770	94.0
	Syracuse Utica	53,034 24,858	29,736 12,068	49,100 23,000	92.6 92.6
	Yonkers	32,514	21,082	30,100	92.6
N. C	Asheville		3,511 6,395	8,770 14,430	75.0 75.0
	Charlotte Durham	11,478	2,101	8,610	75.0
	Greensboro Raleigh	11,474 7,905	3,105 2,173	8,610 5,930	75.0 75.0
	Winston Salem	17.148	2,704	12,860	75.0
N. D	Bismarck Fargo		$1,155 \\ 3.092$	1,960 5,930	80.0 89.7
ОНІО	Akron	62.557 26,320	32.741 13,335	60,370 25,580	96.5 97.2
	Canton Cincinnati	122.511	59,633	118,220	96.5
	Cleveland Columbus	75.621	106,579 37,547	209,540 72,970	94.6 96.5
	Dayton	52,758	29,229	51,280	97.2
	Toledo Youngstown		45,338 17,878	71,390 37,950	96.5 97.2
OKLAHOMA	Oklahoma City Tulsa	47,133 36.970	17,218 14,655	41,480 32,530	88.0 88.0
OREGON	Portland	86,825	50,061	82,480	95.0
PA	Erie	28.197	14,480	25,100	89.1
	Harrisburg Philadelphia	458,627	12,026 258,273	19,870 419,200	91.9 91.4
	Pittsburgh Reading	155.079	81.053 15.532	149,600 24,600	96.5 89.1
	Scranton		12.920	29,300	89.1
R. I S. C	Providence	61,371 16,698	33,789 2,358	55,850 12,460	91.0 74.6
	Columbia	11,184	2,380	8,340	74.6
S. D		1.448	738	1,160	80.0 88.0
IENNESSEE	Chattanooga Knoxville	24,303	6,733 5,989	25,670 21,390	88.0
	Memphis Nashville	68,265 39,404	17,855 11,098	59,190 34,670	86.7 88.0
TEXAS	Amarillo	10,913	3,839	9,260	84.9
	Dallas El Paso	67,119 24,406	27,032 4,662	60,100 22,100	89.5 90.6
	Ft. Worth	43,040	14.844	39,000	90.6
	Houston San Antonio	75,408 55,703	24,061 14,527	67,500 50.500	89.5 90.6
	Waco Wichita Falls	$13,283 \\ 11,702$	3,903 4,179	11,200 9,900	84.9 84.9
UTAH	Salt Lake City Ogden	34,410 9,951	18.683 4.716	31,830 8,960	92.5 90.0
VERMONT	Burlington Rutland	6,004 4,356	2,584 2,292	5,200 3,780	86.7 86.7
VIRGINIA	Alexandria	5,863	2,728	5,510	94.0
	Charlottesville	3,715 9,333	944 1,962	3,050 8,400	82.0 90.0
	Norfolk Richmond	31,859 44,774	10,300 15,110	29,370 41,280	92.2 92.2
	Roanoke	15,898	4,973	14.300	90.0
WASHINGTON	Seattle Spokane	100,996 31,897	52,802 15,275	98,370 28,160	97.4 88.3
	Tacoma	30.563	14,829	27,000	88.3
W. VA	Charleston Wheeling	14,067 15,554	5.750 7,400	12,930 14,290	91.9 91.9
WISCONSIN	La Crosse	10,007	4,536	8,810	88.0
	Madison Milwaukee	15,053 143,369	9,345 90,082	13,250 131,900	88.0 92.0
WYOMING	Casper	4,637	1,937	3,950	85.2
1	Cheyenne	4,569	2,275	3,890	85.2

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#### North American Tries Wired Radio In Cleveland Area

#### Equips 200 Homes and Offers Choice of Three Programs

INSTALLATION of an experimental "wired radio" service in Cleveland has been completed, with 200 receivers placed in as many homes to pick up programs transmitted along electric power lines from the power company sub-station in the Lakewood section of that city. A choice of three programs is being offered, selected from some 40 playing hours of transcriptions made for Wired Radio Inc., by its sister company, Associated Music Publishers Inc., of New York, under contract with Electrical Research Products Inc.

The test installation of 200 sets is being afforded the Lakewood section residents gratis for the purpose of sounding out public reaction. After a three-week trial, the sets will be moved to another group of 200 homes on a similar basis, and this process will be continued for three months. Then, it is believed, the parent organization, the North American Co., will decide whether to expand the project nationally, taking one large city at a time.

#### Three Program Channel

ON THE THREE program channels, 17 hours of programming per day are being offered. One channel affords dance music from 7 a. m. to 11 p. m.; a second carries classical programs and the third request programs through the evening hours. Under regular operation the plan is to offer three diversified programs, with considerable time devoted to educational features.

The 200 sets installed were manufactured by Philco and are of two types. One is an attachment to the ordinary broadcast receiver which makes it possible to use the speaker for reproducing the wired radio programs. The second is a complete set picking up only the wired radio. It is the plan of Wired Radio Inc., upon permanent installation, to charge a rate of \$1.50 to \$7 per month, dependent upon the size of the set used. The charges would be added to the monthly electric power bills of subscribers.

The Cleveland experiment is being conducted by the Musak Corp. of Ohio, a subsidiary of Wired Radio Inc., which in turn is a subsidiary of North American, a giant holding company in the utility field. The plan is to organize local or intrastate companies, since the organizations then would not come under Federal jurisdiction. Headquarters of the Cleveland company are at 1300 Athens Ave., Lakewood. Frank Ryan, former manager of WTAM, Cleveland, before its acquisition by NBC, is the active head of the project, in his capacity of vice president of the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co. The recordings made for Wired

The recordings made for Wired Radio by AMP have been produced at the studios of ERPI at 2826 Decatur Ave., Bronx, N. Y. Some 600 titles already have been transcribed at a cost of about \$125,000. While 40 playing hours already have been transcribed,

#### FASHION PROGRAM THAT SELLS Cooperative Morning Broadcasts on Capital Station \_\_\_\_\_Effective for Stores Appealing to Women\_\_\_\_\_

FASHION copy over the air with a personality behind it—that's the story of the success of a 15-minute cooperative morning program, *Shopping with Betty Hudson*, heard over WJSV, Washington, four days weekly. Miss Hudson's success in selling specialty shop items, furniture, novelties, department store goods, etc., is traced to definite appeals to the feminine audience.

Once with Macy & Co., New York, Miss Hudson also has conducted a shopping bureau in Paris on the Rue de la Paix, providing ample merchandising background for her new work. In a little over a month she has proved to the somewhat skeptical commercial department of the station that her fashion summaries and shopping talks could pull for the advertisers participating on her 15-minute program.

#### How It is Done

THIS is how she does it. First she contacts a likely store, giving them an idea of what a varied audience will be reached by radio advertising. The possibilities of selling merchandise by appealing to her feminine audience from a fashion angle are stressed. After a program of this type is sold, she looks over the merchandise, and with the buyer or head of the department chooses several likely articles, and describes them in detail on the air.

Her program always starts off with a chat about the new trends in fashions, house decoration, or

within the next week it is likely that another 10 hours will have been completed.

#### Listener Count

ALTHOUGH Wired Radio thus far has thought only of three socalled "sustaining" channels, it is understood that consideration also has been given to the possibility of a fourth "commercial" channel, or for sponsored wired radio programs. The listener can tune any program at will, it is clained, and by means of a "counting" instrument it will be possible to show the precise number of sets tuned in to particular programs, so that charges for sponsorship conceivably could be made on the basis of number of sets tuned to a given program.

The North American Co. has been experimenting with wired radio since 1926. It originally acquired the patents of Maj. Gen. George O. Squier, former chief of the Army Signal Corps, to use frequencies adhering to power lines for transmission of voice and music, and afterward created the Associated Music Publishers to acquire copyrighted titles for performance over the proposed system. Economic conditions have been largely responsible for the delay in inauguration of service, it has been maintained.

Waddil Catchings, chairman of the board of the North American Co., is the moving spirit of the new national venture. He is also chairman of the board of the Musak Corp., with Tom J. Smith as general manager.



#### MISS HUDSON

whatever merchandise her advertiser has chosen, leading up to the actual description of the articles for sale and their price, if the advertiser desires it.

vertiser desires it. These preliminary chats may deal with color in clothes, table decoration, beauty hints, or what so-and-so was seen wearing at such-and-such a place. Then comes the meat of the program, approximately 300 words per advertiser. The whole program is carried out in a chatty fashion, and the feminine buyers have responded to this approach.

Miss Hudson now has many regular advertisers. M. Philipsborn & Co., one of Washington's better specialty shops, has used Miss Hudson's programs ever since she has been on the air, and its advertising manager in a letter to WJSV said: "We are very pleased with the results we have received from Betty Hudson's program. Her fashion copy is excellent, and we have heard comments complimentary to her style of delivery and personality on the air. We feel certain that her program has a great appeal to every woman."

#### **Out-of-town** Orders

GARRISON'S SHOP, which specializes in gift novelties, uses her program twice a week. Besides, she handles sales for department stores such as W. B. Moses & Son, who reported to the station that they received phone calls to the store and money orders from out of town in response to Miss Hudson's program. The Goldenberg Co. has been using Miss Hudson's program for fur coat sales, which received direct response. She has continued to handle their advertising for spring merchandise as a result of this response. In addition she has had many stores for seasonable merchandise. She has also handled direct advertising for merchandise being introduced through department stores. Also Emile Beauty Salon uses it from time to time.

Miss Hudson makes frequent trips to New York to keep abreast

#### Program for Two Items Works for Bristol-Myers

"YOU'RE CRAZY", or words to that effect, they told Bristol-Myers Co., New York, just a year ago when the company decided to advertise both Sal Hepatica and Ipana, unrelated products, on the Town Hall Tonight program on an NBC-WEAF network.

The answer was given March 20 by Tiny Ruffner, speaking for the sponsor on the first anniversary of the program, when he told the radio audience that the idea had worked—so well, in fact, that millions of new users have been acquired during the year for these products. Still more, the sponsor was so pleased with the first year of the program that it has renewed, Ruffner told the audience, and will continue to promote both products.

#### **Texas "Pepper-Uppers"**

SIGNING of Dr. Pepper Co., Dallas (Dr. Pepper soft drink) for a Texas Quality Network program, starting April 7, marks the booking of aimost 12 hours of commercials over that regional network comprising WFAA-WBAP, Dallas-Ft. Worth; WOAI, San Antonio, and KPRC, Houston. The program is a comedy by "Sugah" and "Peppy", a novelty trio and an orchestra led by Alex Keese, WFAA production manager. Titled the Pepper-Uppers it will be heard Sundays, 8-8:18 p. m. The sponsor also uses spot announcements on various stations. Tracy-Locke-Dawson, Inc., Dallas, handles the account.

#### New Railway Program

CHICAGO & NORTH WESTERN railway on March 13 started a series of 13 weekly broadcasts on WENR, Chicago, with half - hour variety programs featuring Frank Westphal's orchestra, Ruth Lyon, soprano, and Charles Sears, tenor. Harvey Hays, commentator, will give travel talks about vacation regions on the railway's lines. Officers and employes were notified of the series in a letter by R. Thompson, passenger traffic manager, and urged to tell their friends about it.

#### An Optician's Spots

ONE-MINUTE dramatizations on transcriptions will be spotted some time in April on stations in the Southwest for Harry Davis, operating the optical department of Walker's department store, Los Angeles. Newman & Wesley, Los Angeles radio agency, will place the account on 10 stations to be selected. Mayfield Kaylor, production head of KTM, will write the script with technical work at the Freeman Lang sound studios.

of the style trends, and subscribes to several style services as well as the smart fashion magazines of the style centers of the world.

The program was started when she returned from a trip around the world, and she adds colorful notes to her programs by telling occasional anecdotes about shopping in various countries. Her chatty style has had much to do with her success, as well as hard work and constant effort to introduce the new and usable to her audiences.

# Independent Station Independent Station

WMCA

New York's Leading

# join forces to cover 2 Great Markets!

THROUGH the joint facilities of these two leading Independent L Stations, advertisers desirous of broadcasting their programs to America's First and Third Markets can now do so - with network convenience-and with local station effectiveness and economy. • Permanent lines will connect the two stations in this new co-operative hook-up which supplies a need long expressed by advertisers and advertising agencies. • Rates are based on the combined rates of the individual stations-with all line charges eliminated! • Further details on the new hook-up will gladly be supplied by

### KNICKERBOCKER BROADCASTING CO.

WMCA BUILDING • 1697 Broadway • NEW YORK

#### PENNSYLVANIA BROADCASTING CO.

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Philadelphia's Leading

35 South Ninth Street

PHILADELPHIA

### JOHN BLAIR & COMPANY

CHICAGO: 520 North Michigan Avenue • DETROIT: New Center Building • SAN FRANCISCO: 485 California Street



"But pray. sir," quoth Sancho, "is it a good law of chivalry that says we shall wander up and down, over bushes and briars,"-p. 110.

## For Advertising Agencies Whose Clients Keep Changing Programs . . . We Suggest

## **MINUTE-DRAMAS\***

To bolster up sales in any territory . . . to reach every type of individual, in any and all languages . . . MINUTE-DRAMAS.\*

If there is some particular point you want to stress, leave it to MINUTE-DRAMAS.\* These sixty-second complete radio programs with music, sound effects, plots, drama. suspense, are tailor-made to suit any advertiser's need. They SELL . . . pound home sales messages . . . and are just the things to supplement a big show or act as a campaign by themselves.

Don't "wander up and down". Use MINUTE-DRAMAS. THEY SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES!

<sup>6</sup>MINUTE-DRAMAS (registered and copyrighted) are short, terse, meaty sales messages, electrically transcribed. They are of the finest quality wax recordings. Casts are all fea-tured players in network programs. The cost? Lower than you imagine! We will be very happy to present complete campaigns to reputable advertising agencies for their clients, when resent the complete information upon receipt of complete information.

#### Simply address

#### **KASPER-GORDON STUDIOS, Inc.**

141 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MASS.

One of the Country's Leading Program Producers

## **News Flashes Grow in Favor** -Sponsors Showing Interest

#### More Sponsors Turning | Press-Radio Bureau Gets **To Transradio Press**

INCREASING sponsorship of Transradio Press news reports over various stations, with more radio advertisers being attracted to news, was the major develop-ment in the radio-news situation during the last fortnight. Conti-nental Baking Co., New York (Wonder Bread) continued to take the lead in news sponsorship, extending its spots to three more sta-tions to bring them to a total of nine. Of these four of the stations are newspaper-owned.

In addition, General Mills Inc., Minneapolis, on behalf of its new Cal-Aspirin, started on March 19 to sponsor the 12-12:15 p. m. news periods Tuesdays to Saturdays in-clusive on WOR. Newark, plan-ning to shift to the 5-5:15 p. m. period as of April 27 for a 52-week contract.

#### Tobacco Sponsors

WAITT & BOND, Newark (Black-stone Yankee Cigars) also has purchased Transradio on WOR; and on WFBR, Baltimore, it is and on WFBR, Baltimore, it is participating in a sponsored news period similar to that using Trans-radio on the Yankee Network. WOR previously had signed the Fischer Baking Co., Newark, for news three times weekly at 8-8:15 a. m., starting March 12.

Congress Cigar Co., Newark, was reported to be entering the news sponsorship field also, through Gotham Advertising Co., New York, while the Mennen Co., Newark (toiletries), starting on Yankee Network, was also getting interested in Transradio news.

interested in Transradio news. The newest additions to the list of stations carrying Transradio News for Continental Baking Co. Pre KRNT, Des Moines: WMT, Cedar Rapids, and WKBF. Indian-abolis, which started March 25 through Batten. Barton, Durstine & Osborn. KRNT and WMT are owned by the Des Moines Register & Tribune whose nublisher. John P. Tribune whose publisher, John Cowles, is not only on the board of the Associated Press but is a memher of the Publishers National Radio Committee, sponsoring the Press-Radio Bureau.

The other stations carrying Transradio news for Continental, whose agency purchases the ser-vice direct from Transradio Press, are CKLW, Detroit - Winds or ; WSPD, Toledo; WADC, Akron; WBNS. Columbus; WHIO, Davton, WBNS. Columbus; WH10, Dayton, and WKBN, Youngstown. WBNS is controlled by the interests own-ing the Columbus Dispatch and the Ohio State Journal. and WH10 is owned by former Gov. James M. Cox of Ohio. publisher of the Dau-ton Daily News and Miami Daily Name News.

Among other stations scheduled cot Continental's news feature is KSD. St. Louis, owned by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. The con-tract was still in negotiation at the time BROADCASTING went to press.

CALL LETTERS of WHBD, Portsmouth, O., have been changed to WPAY.

## **Favorable Response**

"FAN MAIL" received by the Press-Radio Bureau in response to an announcement March 1, its first an announcement March 1, its inst birthday, contained only one letter of criticism or complaint which was regarded seriously. Of 14 other adverse pieces of mail, near-ly all a lleged discrimination against Huey Long, Father Cough-lin, or both, and the writers made no attempt to conceal their politi no attempt to conceal their political partisanship.

These 15 were among a total of 1,758 pieces which had been ana-lyzed at the time BROADCASTING went to press. Returns are still coming in, according to James W. Barrett, editor of the bureau.

The announcement, made only once in the evening broadcast March 1, asked listeners three questions: "Do you like this ser-vice?", "Do you listen regularly?" and "Will you write and tell us?" Most of the writers went out of their way to give additional infor-mation for which they had not been asked For example many who apasked. For example, many who ap-parently had no interest in radiopress relations other than that of readers and listeners, expressed the opinion that news broadcasting did not interfere with the sale of newspapers. They declared that in their own cases, such a service made them go out and buy news-papers to get more details.

#### **Rural Reaction**

SEVERAL newspapers dealers reported that the broadcasting of news increased their sales. The proprietor of a country store (rural writers accounted for approximately 55% of the mail) described how customers sat around in the store in the evening, listened to the Press-Radio report on his set, and then walked over to the counter to

order the next day's paper. Inhabitants of remote rural dis-tricts in all cases begged for con-tinuance of the service on the ground that it was the only me-

ground that it was the only me-dium through which they could keep up with outside events. Many blind listeners and invalids re-sponded in the same vein. In all this unanimity, however, the most striking feature was the universal desire for more news over the radio. Of those who ex-pressed a choice, the numbers are about equally divided between ad-vocates of a 10-minute news period and advocates of a full guarterand advocates of a full quarter-hour. None of the writers specifically said they thought five min-utes was enough. All who men-tioned the duration of the broadcasts wanted more.

#### **Change in Iowa Calls**

KSO, Des Moines, Ia., officially be-came KRNT March 17 under ac-tion of the FCC approving a change in call letters. Simultaneously KWCR, Cedar Rapids, adopted the call KSO. Both stations, along with WMT, Waterloo, are owned and operated by the Des Moines Register-Tribune, through subsidi-ary comporations. ary corporations.



Head of the Lakes Thrills to Stirring Tempo of Symphony

To Paul LeMay, brilliant young American conductor, WEBC extends congratulations for his achievement in building the Duluth Civic Symphony Orchestra into an organization that has won the acclaim—and the practical support—of music lovers of the Northwest.

WEBC hopes to have the privilege again this year, of presenting Paul LeMay and the Duluth Civic Symphony Orchestra in another series of network programs from coast to coast.



<sup>35</sup> *pril 1, 1935* • BROADCASTING

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## **••We Cover the** Waterfront<sup>"</sup>

. and it's a pretty big waterfront, too. The Niagara Frontier which stretches from this side of Erie, Pennsylvania, down to the outskirts of Rochester on Lake Ontario is one of the country's major markets.

1,312.551 people live here. Most of the workers are working. They're earning good pay. What's more important is the fact they're spending it.

They're buying new cars, radios, washing machines, furniture. rugs, step-ladders and house paint. Automobile registration is 157% over last year. Department stores and other retail outlets report a consistent gain in sales since January 1.

These million and a quarter people are prospering. They're definite prospects for what you have to sell them . . . and darn good prospects at that. You can reach every one of them through the Buffalo Broadcasting Corporation's stations . . . WGR and WKBW. We're not being conceited when we say that WGR-WKBW have the largest consistent listening audience in the entire Niagara Frontier. That's been proved again and again by unprejudiced surveys

Moreover, WKBW and WGR divide Columbia Broadcasting System and Buffalo Broadcasting Corporation productions between them. That means you can pick desirable time . . . put your message across in the way that's impossible when a single station carries network programs.

Yes. we cover the waterfront and we do a thorough job of it. How about letting us help you cover the Buffalo Area-the Niagara Frontier?



CORPORATION, RAND BUILDING, BUFFALO, N. Y. MEMBER **Transradio Press Service** Columbia Broadcasting System National Association of Broadcasters World Broadcasting System Program Service REPRESENTED BY FREE & SLEININGER, Inc. New York, Detroit, Chicago Denver, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle

#### **Iowa Radio Lineup Undergoes Change**

THE RADIO situation in Iowa underwent several major changes March 17. KRNT, owned and op-erated by the *Register & Tribune* through its subsidiary, Iowa Broadcasting Co., opened in Des Moines as a CBS outlet—the first in that city to carry CBS programs. Des Moines now has the services of all three major networks. KSO, the three major networks. KSO, the other *Register & Tribune* station, carries the NBC-Blue and WHO, owned by the Central Broadcast-ing Co., is the NBC-Red outlet. KRNT operates on 1320 kc., for-merly occupied by KSO. On March

17, KSO was moved up to 1430 kc. On the same day, WMT went on the air from Waterloo and Cedar Rapids, as a merger of the old WMT, Waterloo, and KWCR, Cedar Rapids, both of which were owned by the Iowa Broadcasting Co. WMT operates on 600 kilocycles. New WMT studios are operated at both Waterloo and Cedar Rapids, and it is a basic outlet for the NBC-Blue programs. A new transmitter is located midway between the two cities.

KRNT started as a basic CBS outlet with the equivalent of 48 15 - minute evening commercials from CBS, and with 17 15-minute day - time CBS commercials. The new WMT and KSO carry all com-mercials of the NBC-Blue network.

BY VOTE of the Orleans Parish Medical Society, physicians will be permitted to have their names used in radio talks in the future, provided copies of the talks to be del vered are first submitted to the society for its approval.

#### ITALIAN PROGRAMS On WMEX, Boston, Now Have Waiting List of Clients -

TWO DAILY news periods in Italian, over WMEX, Boston, now are being sponsored by four national accounts as well as a num ber of local accounts on a partici pating basis, according to Alfred J. Pote, general manager. The na-tional sponsors, who placed the accounts direct, are Old Dutch Coffee Co., Boston; Dominion Dis-tillers, Jersey City (Kahveh, cof-fee cordial); Floret Products Co. New York (Italina laxative salts) and Prince Macaroni Co., Boston. The program, designed for the 200,000 Italian population in the Boston area, is supervised by L. Di Fante. The commentator is Ubaldo Guidi; of the editorial staff of *El Progresso*, Boston Italian language newspaper. The program has been on the air since last No J. Pote, general manager. The na-

has been on the air since last No vember and has proved highly suc cessful, according to Mr. Pote, and now has a waiting list of sponsors Broadcasts are from 9:45 to 1( a. m. and 6:35 to 6:50 p. m.

#### **Soap Products Tests**

SOAP PRODUCTS Ltd., Long Is land City (Lathorizer s ha v i ng cream) is testing a new 15-minut transcription series twice weekly on WNAC, Boston, placed through Kelly, Nason & Roosevelt Inc. This concern, also using WJZ an WEAF for local shows, is plan ning to expand its radio placement. considerably. The transcription be ing tested in Boston features Dal-Wimbrow as the Mississippi Min strel.



## The NBC Blue Network Increases and Intensifies Its Circulation in IOWA

WISCONSIN

CEDAR RAPIDS WATERLOO

Cedar Rapids

Waterloo

By adding WMT to its famous chain of prestige stations, the NBC Blue Network has greatly increased and intensified its circulation in this important Eastern Iowa market.

Full time studios, operating in Cedar Rapids and in Waterloo, are producing more of the popular programs which have always made WMT a favorite station of Iowans.

Improved equipment and a new transmitter in an ideal location give WMT a stronger and clearer signal . . . thereby expanding its *airea* and further perfecting its program reception.

These features, plus the new preeminence enjoyed by WMT in providing its listeners with famous NBC Blue Network programs, opens a splendid opportunity to do a better selling job in this great market.

Here is *prestige selling* at its best. Here, in fact, is one of the most attractive advertising buys in Iowa.



#### Nassau Heads WIBG

JOSEPH M. NASSAU, technical supervisor of WFIL, Philadelphia and formerly general manager of WLIT of that city, has become general manager of WIBG, of Philadelphia and Glendale, according to announcement March 24 by Stephen V. Moffett, secretary of WIBG Inc. He has been in radio since 1922 and is well known as an executive, technician and an-nouncer. Margaret R. Collins, formerly of the program department of WLIT and staff artist of WFIL, has been named program director of WIBG, with Andrew T. Stanton as commercial manager, T. Cole Talmadge as technical director, and Elizabeth Golden Collins as publicity director.

WBNX MARKS THE SPOT **BROADCASTING CENTER** Whether it is English, Jewish, Italian, Polish, Spanish, Greek, Hungarian or Russian, WBNX "speaks the language of your prospect" by appealing to ALL the races that comprise the population of the metropolitan area.

WBNX 

New York

#### **New Copyright Bill**

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begin npon subsequent publication. In the new draft (p. 24, line 4), broadcasters have been included, as desired by you, in the exemption from temporary restraining orders.

The Committee considered carefully the request of your organization for a change in the bill which would rea change in the bill which would re-strict the owner of copyright to either damages or profits and not give him both, but it was doubted whether it would be wise to make this change from the present law. The notion of giving profits unconscionably made to the copyright owner in an infringethe copyright owner in an infringe-ment case is solidly embedded in copy-right law and has not hitherto, so far as the Conmittee is aware, met with any special criticism. The pro-portion of the profits to be awarded to the plaintiff is left to the discre-tion of the Court. While the Comnittee does not regard the question as entirely closed, it has not so far been convinced that the change proposed is desirable. As you know, effort has been made to avoid any changes going beyond what seemed necessary for the purposes of the draft.

You will be very much interested to observe that, on page 26 of the new draft, very material changes have been made amounting. briefly, to the removal of any stated minimum for removal of any stated minimum for statutory damages and the increase of the maximum in all cases to \$10,000. The Committee recognizes that there have been great changes in the conditions and forms of the use of copyright material since 1909, when the present Act, including the provision for minimum damages of \$250 was adopted. It seems reason-able and, all things considered, de-sirable to leave more to the discreable and, all things considered, de-sirable to leave more to the discre-tion of the Court, while damages should not be so low as to amount to a license to infringe. The Com-



#### **Oil Screamers**

TO INTRODUCE its new Record Breaker gasoline, Gilmore Oil Co., Los Angeles, pioneer radio user, returned to the air March 22 on 11 Don Lee-CBS stations after a promotion campaign which included house-to-house distribution of 1,800,000 four-color screamers, newspapersize. Outdoor, newspaper and other media are supplementing the program, which is titled Strange as It May Seem and dramatizes the John Hix cartoons. The network program consists of three evening quarter hours a week. Raymond R. Morgan Co. Inc., Hollywood, handles the sponsor's radio advertising.

mittee believes that the change is in the public interest. On pages 26-27 of the new draft,

the requirement has been inserted of both notice and registration in order both notice and registration in order to permit the copyright owner to ob-tain any remedy other than an in-junction or the value of a license. This is in accordance with the desire of the broadcasters. It will be fur-ther noted that the maximum value of a license under such circumstances has been reduced from \$2,500 (old draft) to \$1,000 (new draft). On pages 27-28 of the new draft, the suggestions of the broadcasters have been adopted in part. It is pro-vided that proof of fraud, or of good faith on the part of the infringer, shall be sufficient to exempt him from any liability except for the value of

shall be sufficient to exempt him from any liability except for the value of a license. The Committee, however, did not feel warranted in going so far as to strike out entirely the sav-ing value of some record in the Copy-right Office or of the notice on a pub-lished work. Here, as in some other instances, there is danger of incurring the criticism that this is an "infring-ers' hill". The reference to usefor the criticism that this is an "infring-ers' bill". The reference to perfor-mance of works in cities of over 100,000 population, however, has been omitted. It is hoped that with these changes the subsection will meet the

changes the subsection will meet the needs of those whom you represent. In the provisions relating to in-fringing advertising matter as to which the infringer was innocent, broadcasters have been included in the exemptions granted, as desired, and similar amendments have been made in other verticing of the infeirer. made in other portions of the infringe-

and similar amendments have been made in other portions of the infringe-ment section, placing broadcasters in general on the same footing as pub-lishers of periodicals (new draft at pp. 31-34). Another change not specially asked for by the broadcasters, but which seems fair to them, is in the provi-sions relating to possible impound-ment or destruction of infringing matter (p. 36). The harshness of impounding and particularly of de-struction is recognized and it has been provided that they shall not take place where the publisher of a peri-odical or the broadcaster has acted in good faith. Your proposed change in Section 25(0) by (mean brefer 20 (b) by

In good faith. Your proposed change in Section 25 (9) b (new draft, pp. 39-40) has been adopted by providing that there shall be no liability, in respect of "the ordinary occupation by a guest of a hotel or lodging-house room", for the vector of a radia broadwark the reception of a radio broadcast. You will be interested to note the amendment in paragraph (5) of the amendment in paragraph (5) of the same subsection which provides that the incidental reproduction of the copyrighted work in a broadcast re-lating to current events is not to raise any liability. The Committee recalls, in this connection, Mr. Bel-bury more to the situation critic lows' remarks as to the situation aris-ing at the time of the broadcast of President Roosevelt's inaugural. The same considerations apply, of course,

#### WREN PROMOTES Indian 'Pow Wow' and 50,000 Visitors Attend



WHEN Haskell Indian Institute decided to have a three-day "Pow Wow" for promotional purposes, WREN, Lawrence, Kan., offered to help build up interest. A number of programs were broadcast by the Indians and then a caravan of 60 cars and busses was organized to tour Western Missouri and East ern Kansas.

As the caravan left each city the fact was announced over WREN and in every case, big crowds were on hand when the next city was reached. In some cases schools were dismissed sc pupils could see the dancing and music provided by the entertain ers in native costume.

The Haskell students are shown in the photo during one of their broadcasts. In all, 50,000 visitors were received during the "Pow Wow".

to the broadcasts of sports events such as the big football games. Section 34 of the existing law (pp. 43-44 of the new draft) has been amended to accord the right of review of damages on appeal. Through an unfortunate inadver-

Through an unfortunate inadver-tence, the amendment desired by the broadcasters in Section 39, providing for no liability in civil cases more than three years after infringement, was omitted in mimeographing the revised draft. The Committee intend-ed to include this change and it will be added before the bill is presented be added before the bill is presented

to Congress. Section 41, dealing with the moral right of the author, has been the sub-ject of much comment on the part of ject of much comment on the part of various groups who have been repre-sented before the Committee and who desired to be adequately protected against any possible abuse that might arise from the inclusion of this right in the law. Accordingly, a somewhat elaborate series of provisions have been added in order to cover all rea-sonable requirements.

been added in order to cover all rea-sonable requirements. The Committee feels confident that the new provisions of the bill (re-vised draft. pp. 45-46) fully protect your position in respect of moral rights and that the advantages. if any, of making reservations have been greatly overemphasized. It is very doubtful whether the United States should make reservations in any event. should make reservations in any event. The forward looking course is to en-courage the complete elimination of reservations. The Committee feels assured that formal action by the Brus-sels Conference with reference to leg-islation in the United States is out of the question and that adverse criticism is extremely unlikely. On the other hand, the Conference will offer to the United States, if it has ratified the Convention. a welcome opportunity to obtain acceptance for some of its own policies and their inclusion in international law.

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## SMASHED is the theory that a chain" of stations ALONE "covers" Western America

55% of population here live outside the "35 mile" retail trading areas of cities having basic network stations. National advertisers, awakening to these facts, are now

buying KNX as a major medium to blanket the entire area.

#### KNX Audience Unlike Any Other on Coast

KNX has an audience all its own. It can be likened to the loyal circulation of a home town paper. Their radio is



now broadcast over KNX's 50,000 watts to 2,021,233 Western radio families.

Wheaties . . . Horlick's Malted Milk . . Fels-Naptha . . Ovaltine . . . Monarch Foods . . Washington Apples . . . Libby, McNeil & Libby . . . Sunsweet Prunes . . Congoin . . . Golden State Milk . . . Dill's Tobacco, e<sup>+</sup>c. etc.

part of the family. They like to write to "their" station (KNX) and patronize KNX advertisers because KNX has taken the pains to give them the particular kind of en-

tertainment and news that they want.

FLASH!

KNX SIGNAL STRENGTH DOUBLED KNX now broadcasts from its NEW 500-foot "vertical radiator" ultra-modern type antenna. Effective power DOUBLED, thus giving the same intensity as 100,000 watts of power would give using an antenna of conventional design.

You cannot buy this audience and its loyalty anywhere else. More and more national advertisers are realizing this situation and are using KNX on a major basis. Phone or write nearest KNX representative for data booklet "KNX Pleads Guilty", also for time and talent available.

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#### New Orleans Net Shift

NEW ORLEANS dispatches to BROADCASTING have confirmed the report that WWL, operated by Loyola University, will become the CBS outlet in that city Nov. 1, replacing WDSU. Wider coverage on the college station's 850 kc. clear channel, on which it recently secured full time when KWKH of Shreveport was switched to anoth-

er frequency, was given as the reason for the shift. Negotiations for the purchase of WDSU by Louisiana State College, with Senator Huey Long as the intermedi

ator Huey Long as the intermediary, are now understood to be at a standstill.

## Market With MONEY!

## Among the fifteen largest markets, Milwaukee rates—

Home Ownership.	3rd
Automobile Owne	rship . 5th
Radio Ownership.	2nd
Industrial Payrolls	6th

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THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL STATION EDWARD PETRY & CO. Spread of \$3 Fee on Dance Musicians For Remote Radio Programs Proposed

NEW YORK orchestras were nearing the end of their first month without radio outlets as BROAD-CASTING went to press, and the dance music situation, instead of being eased as the days passed, threatened to become more tangled than ever. The principal new element to disturb broadcasters was the suggestion that Chicago and other union locals might emulate the example of Local 802 in New York, impose a \$3 per man per broadcast charge, and (since this would never be paid) automatically take them off the air.

During the last two weeks, one or two more "name bands" have found their way back to the airwaves because their leaders have elected to pay the broadcasting charge themselves, or have persuaded the players to help. There are very few of these cases, however, and the New York Association of hotel men remains adamant in refusing to pay the men extra for radio work.

Studio programs, and entertainment of a non-orchestral type from night clubs, have been developed as a substitute for the entertainment formerly offered by stations without network affiliations. The chains have perfected their arrangements for bringing in music from other cities than New York, but now find themselves confronted with the possibility of losing many of these, if other locals of the union imitate Local 802.

BROADCASTING is informed that the national organization, the

#### WHAT GOOD IS DEMAND W X Y Z (KEY STATION) DETROIT W B C M BAY CITY

In other words-why spend money creating demand-IF you haven't the dealers to SUPPLY it? Obviously that kind of advertising expenditure is practically wasted-BUT-there's ONE solution for the manufacturer who WANTS MICHIGAN'S RICHEST MAR-KETS! The solution is the Michigan Radio Network -with its eight stations-AND-its MERCHANDIS-ING SERVICE. With this setup there is not only a demand created for your product-but also an outlet-DEALERS! The merchandising service GETS DIS-TRIBUTORS - CHECKS CREDITS - ACTUALLY TAKES ORDERS FOR MERCHANDISE-HANDLES DEMONSTRATIONS-PLACES DISPLAYS! Don't make the mistake of stopping at merely creating demand! Finish the job! Use the Michigan Radio Network MERCHANDISING SERVICE available to its advertisers without additional cost. Write or wire for details.

## KUNSKY-TRENDLE

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MEMBER MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM WOR, New York; WLW, Cincinnati; WGN, Chicago; WXYZ, Detroit American Federation of Musicians, has given no official consideration to the idea of extending the \$3 levy on a countrywide basis. It is known, however, that there have been informal conversations looking towards this, and Samuel Taback, a member of the executive board of Local 802, is confident the idea will spread.

When a meeting of Local 802 was held in Carnegie Hall March 22, the subject was not even discussed. A resolution proposing a 3% tax on the incomes of all musicians who are working, the proceeds to be used for unemployment relief, was approved, however. This may eventually render unnecessary the \$3 charge which the union is now trying to collect for relief purposes. Also, it may have the effect of shutting out the prospect of even more drastic levies which have been brought forward. One of those voted down at the meeting would have set up a maximum income of \$100 for all instrumentalists, any excess over this to go to the relief fund.

#### Sustaining Periods

SUGGESTION that some of the big "name bands" may decide to withdraw from the union and "go it alone" is not entertained seriously in well-informed circles. It is pointed out that the top-notchers, who are the only ones who could afford to risk such a course, are also the ones who benefit by the ruling which keeps them from having sustaining programs. Most of them have commercials already, for which they are well paid. When they have several sustaining periods also, these are often sponsored locally, or sandwiched between commercial announcements so they seem to be sponsored, and the results is to lessen their value in a sponsor's estimation.

For this reason, it is thought that the "name bands" who have sponsors will studiously refrain from upsetting the present arrangement. They like to have a scarcity value. Some of the broadcasters are wondering whether the scarcity will not become so pronounced they will lose value.

Public interest in the musicians' private squabble reached the point where the New York Daily News decided it had sufficient reader interest to fill the "Inquiring Photographer's" column. James Jema'l recorded, in answer to the question: "Do you think that orchestras playing steady engagements should be paid extra

James Jema'l recorded, in answer to the question: "Do you think that orchestras playing steady engagements should be paid extra for broadcasting, to aid jobless musicians?": Don Bestor, in favor of it, with a graduated scale; Jack Denny. favorable; Leon Belasco. favorable, but advocating hotel and orchestra men pay half; Abe Lyman, negative, believing players should pay \$3; Willard Robison, favorable, because hotels get valuable publicity; Noble Sissle. unfavorable, believing hotels cannot afford it.

W. M. ELLSWORTH Radio Talent and Entertainment Manager of many high class radio artists and acts available for employment. Scouts talent for stations and advertisers. Can fill any order-No charge for services Suite 1503, Mather Tower, Chicago, Ill. WOR LISTENERS Audience in Cities Is Checked With Premium Offers

COOPERATION with Loew's circult of theatres and with United Artists will enable WOR, Newark, to make a novel type of check on its program coverage since inauguration of the new 50,000 watt transmitter at Carteret, N. J. On March 25, WOR began a series of announcements, ten a week, at varying times of day, addressed to listeners in particular cities. Thirty in number, these cities are spread all along the Atlantic coast from Maine to Florida, and as far in-land as Chicago. On the first program, addressed to Harrisburg, Pa., the announcement advised listeners that they could receive free admission to the local Loew's Theatre, where a certain first-run film would be played during the next few days, by writing in to WOR on how well they received the broadcast. Writers of the ten best letters are awarded admissions for two.

Each announcement also contained a trailer advising what city would be the next on the list. On "Harrisburg Day" it was stated that the next day's announcements would be for residents of Reading. From Reading they swung to Springfield, Mass., and from there to Columbus.

#### FCC Schedules Hearing On 970 kc. Applications

A HEARING in Washington May 9 before the three members of the FCC Broadcast Division has been ordered in connection with the applications of Amon G. Carter, of Fort Worth, Tex., and Hearst Radio Inc. for new stations on the 970 kc. channel. At the same time the three commissioners will hear the application of KJR, Seattle, present occupant of the channel, for a power increase from 5,000 to 10,000 watts.

Mr. Carter, publisher of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and operator of WBAP, seeks a new 5,000 watt station in Fort Worth and the Hearst interests seek a new 1,000 watt station in Albany, N. Y. Since WCFL, Chicago, now operates on 970 kc., it is no longer in the clear channel category, and duplication of the channel with additional occupants is being urged as trennically and economically feasible.

#### **Spots for De Soto**

DE SOTO MOTOR Corp., Detroit, on March 18 launched a spot campaign on 51 coast-to-coast stations, w.th at least one 'station used in every key city. In all, 26 announcements will be broadcast—brief dramatic episodes, each with a different sales approach. Time between 6 and 10 p. m. is used, with two announcements on each of 12 nights and one on each of 12 nights. The campaign is handled by J. Stirling Getchell Inc., Detroit.

KIUO is the call signal assigned by the FCC on March 16 to the new local broadcasting station at Ardmore, Okla., licensed to the Ardmoreite Publishing Co. Inc.

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#### The Mexican Paradox

WHAT a curious anomaly that the Mexican Government should become sponsor of so splendid a network program to stimulate travel in Mexico and good will toward our southerly neighbor, yet at the same time give haven to American - owned broadcasting stations along the border that are operated by people who are *persona non grata* in a radio way with their own government!

Now comes the news that Dr. Brinkley, driven off the air in this country and later suffering his powerful border station at Villa Acuna to be dismantled by the Mexican government, has made his peace with the new communications powers at Mexico City and is back in radio over his own station. Dr. Brinkley is only one of a dozen or more who cannot secure or hold American radio licenses but somehow get them from Mexico for stations along the Rio Grande that throw their signals not into Mexico but northward into the States, often employing directional antennas for the purpose.

To these stations go many of the questionable and contingent accounts that U. S. stations won't accept or cannot accept under the code. The increasing interference they are causing U. S. and Canadian stations is a problem to which we believe our FCC could well devote itself; possibly the Mexican authorities themselves don't know its serious implications both technically and as a matter of good will toward Mexico.

#### When In Doubt-Don't

THESE are boom days for radio. Never before has the demand for time been so constant —a demand growing out of unquestioned results for the advertisers far exceeding the return for the dollar invested than he is able to derive from any other medium. Broadcasters are in a better position today to select their clients than ever before. Which brings us to our point.

The newly reorganized FCC is on the warpath. It is cracking down on stations that violate the regulations in the remotest degree. It has also started a campaign against stations which are accepting questionable medical and other commercials. It is going deeply into that old bugaboo — the educational-radio problem. In a word, it is aiming under its new regime to clean up broadcasting.

The lightning couldn't strike at a better time for the broadcasters. They can afford to drop improper commercials. For their own good, they can stand a little more stringent regulation, for when politics and "wire-pulling" go out the window, stability and self respect walk in the front door.

For the reputable advertiser and his agency, this New Deal in radio should prove beneficial in the long run. He will be assured of good company on the air, for the fellow who precedes and follows him on the air will have to measure up to rigid standards. That will make for even greater listener acceptance.

It is to be hoped that the FCC, in its desire to improve broadcasting and reform its own laxity of the past, will not run out of bounds. There is always danger in an excess of zeal, particularly when reform groups supply the agitation and ammunition with selfish aims in view and without regard for the good that has already been accomplished. We trust that Chairman Prall will not let his ambitions to put the broadcasting house in order, lead to a mailed-fist bureaucracy. Every bona fide element in radio will cooperate with him and his staff wholeheartedly so long as the rules and their enforcement remain reasonable. As a business man himself, Mr. Prall has given every assurance that they will be entirely reasonable.

To the broadcaster we have but one suggestion to make in acting on doubtful programs: When in doubt — don't.

#### **Educated Education**

PURSUANT to its pledge to Congress last January, the FCC has called a national conference on education by radio, beginning May 15. The only issue is that of developing a plan for mutual cooperation between broadcasters and non-profit organizations, combining the educational experience of the educators with the program technique of the broadcasters. It does not involve, in any way, the old issue of class allocations, for that was disposed of by the FCC in its report to Congress expressing unqualified opposition to proposals for allocations of "fixed percentages" of facilities to non-profit organizations.

As in the case of the hearing last fall, the broadcasters can be expected to come forward with concrete plans for solution of this problem. More than likely, the networks will advance proposals for the assignment of specific blocks of time for such purposes. All the broadcasters seek and have ever sought is sound cooperation from the educators. Unfortunately the educators on their part have never been in agreement among themselves as to the way to use radio, and even now we have the Morgan group, by no means representative

## The RADIO BOOK SHELF

LAVISHLY illustrated and full of coverage information is NBC Network Aireas, the product of two years' work in taking field strength measurements, tabulating audience mail and analyzing the results, just published in complete form. (See BROADCASTING Feb. 15.) NBC explains that agency executives and national advertisers "can take a survey rating based on an adequate cross section and, by applying it to the potential circulation figures of the NBC network, determine how many radio families are actually listening."

The volume contains large, colored maps and charts depicting the circulation data of the network, regional networks and individual stations. According to NBC, the book "doesn't spar with shadowy fancies—it shows where and how many radio families are reachable through NBC."

of education as a whole, stepping forward with another hare-brained scheme for a governmental radio system.

What appears to be a sound plan to solve the radio-education problem is advanced by Allen Miller, progressive young radio director of the University of Chicago. He proposes a pooling of interests of educators and broadcasters, with endowments to carry the primary financial burden. He views with scorn the idea of educational reformers that there be government operation of radio or class allocations of facilities.

Under Mr. Miller's plan, education by radio would be dispensed by people on and off the campus who are qualified to perform the service. They would work in collaboration with the broadcasters, who know studio technique and audience appeal. There could be coordinated operation, with the commercial stations that admittedly have the audience appeal, used as the medium.

The endowment proposal is particularly impressive. In what better way could philanthropic organizations assign their funds? How much better, for example, would it be for the Payne Fund, which has provided the wherewithal for the destructive and fruitless campaigning of the Morgan group, to endow a project such as Mr. Miller proposes? The Miller plan merits the mature consideration of the forthcoming conference.

#### But They Sell!

CRITICS of radio occasionally take keen delight in hopping the nearest band wagon and gleefully shouting that only a small percentage of listeners to some programs can name the advertiser who is sponsoring it. No embellishment is needed for the flat statement from an agency executive (on another page) that: "I do not believe there is much more reason for us to find that a radio listener has associated the advertising and the artist than for the reader of a shoe advertisement in a newspaper to remember the column of news material next to which appeared." And after all, many of the most successful programs, commercially, do not rate high from a sponsorrecognition standpoint - but they sell, and that's what advertisers want.

We Pay Our Respects To-



#### ANNE SCHUMACHER ASHENHURST

LEADING all agencies in network time placements during 1934 was Blackett - Sample - Hummert, Inc., which accounted for a gross of more than \$4,000,000 on the major chains and came up from third place in 1933. (See BROADCAST-ING, March 15.) Although no official figures are available, it is generally believed that B-S-H also tops the list in spot broadcasting.

Most of this agency's campaigns are for products sold to women. Hence it is not surprising that the moving spirit behind its productions is a woman—a petite blonde whose years in newspaper work were spent writing about women, for women, and who now produces more radio performances th an anyone else in the field, man or woman.

Anne Schumacher Ashenhurst, vice president of B-S-H in charge of its radio activities, is not very well known among the broadcast fraternity because she has preferred to remain in the background, so far as station contacts are concerned. Yet she is one of the most important leaders in broadcast advertising.

Born in Baltimore 30 years ago, the daughter of an engineer now retired, Anne Schumacher was graduated from Goucher College and there began the journalistic career that was later to fit her for her commanding position in radio. While an undergraduate she acted as college correspondent for the Baltimore Sun and during vacations served on the main office staff. At 17 she was conducting a column of personal advice for the *Balti-*more News. That the lovelorn might have confidence in the maturity of her judgment, the column pictured with an old-fashioned hat her which seemed to treble her actual age. She remained with the latter newspaper as a member of the city staff until 1925, specializing in assignments on women's topics.

This experience led her to obtain a position with the New York Herald, Paris version of the Herald Tribune, and in the French capital her duties consisted of interviewing the celebrities who provide boulvardiers with topics for their interminable conversations. Coupled with this was some work on women's fashions-describing coals in Newcastle.

It was in Paris too that Anne Schumacher became Mrs. Ashenhurst, and there her son John, now eight, was born.

Back in the United States, Mrs. Ashenhurst decided to enter advertising, and in 1929 she joined Blackett-Sample-Hummert, in Chicago, as a writer, assigned to assist Frank Hummert. Writing copy with him and giving him general assistance in his position as editorial head of the company, Mrs. Ashenhurst was at first concerned almost exclusively with publication advertising. In fact, the agency which is now the biggest buyer of network time entered the field of commercial broadcasting most unobtrusively, and without any fanfare.

Its first radio campaign was for the depilatory Neet, and it was conceived merely as an adjunct to printed advertising. Mrs. Ashenhurst, remembering her Baltimore technique, wrote 15-minute talks in the form of questions and answers on beauty and charm, and tucked away in this continuity was a commercial announcement for the product. The solid success which this program achieved paved the way for the many which have followed, including Louis Philippe Inc., (lipstick); Edna Wallace Hopper; Phillips Dental Magnesia (on which program Abe Lyman's orchestra is now in its third successive year); Kissproof, and Kolynos.

Underlying the agency's programs is the fundamental idea of appealing to the greatest possible number of people. Selected as the best way to reach these masses of people is the appeal to the fundamental emotions. All B-S-H script shows, in addition to this element, have behind them the fact that they are not just about people, but are about particular people with particular problems—and of course these problems have been chosen with a view to their wide emotional appeal.

In the case of *Just Plain Bill*, who is a small-town man with small - town philosophy running a

#### PERSONAL NOTES

BRUCE VAN CLEAVE has joined the NBC Chicago sales department, where he replaces Robert Hotz, who left March 1 to become head of the radio department of Blackett-Sample-Hummert Inc. A former partner in an investment firm, he sold out in 1930 to go into advertising, first with McFadden and later with the American Weekly, the Portland Cement Association, N. W. Ayer & Son, and Armour & Co.

J. FRED COLL. former director of publicity and special features for WMCA and the American Broadcasting Co., has joined Publicity Associates, public relations counsel for the Empire State Building, former Gov. Al Smith and numerous business enterprises. The firm specializes in public relations, advertising, radio programs and general publicity, with main offices in the Empire State Bldg.

LEO M. KENNETT, manager of WSBT and WFAM, South Bend, Ind., has resigned to take over the managership of WHBU. Anderson, Ind., which he recently purchased. He goes to Anderson April 1.

EDWIN S. REYNOLDS, formerly assistant publicity director for R. H. Macy & Co., New York, has joined the sales promotion staff of WOR, Newark.

MARK J. WOODS, assistant executive vice president of NBC in New York. arrived in Hollywood March 12 on a Western tour, accompanied by Don Gilman, NBC vice president and West Coast manager.

MYRON J. BENNETT, formerly with KFYR, Bismarck. N. D., has asumed management of KLPM, Minot, N. D.

J. F. JARMAN, Jr., former commercial manager of WDNC. Durham, N. C., was appointed acting manager of that station March 13 by the board of the Durham Radio Corp. He succeeds E. W. Carr, resigned.

DEAN C. JENKINS, secretary to Chairman Prall, of the FCC, and Mrs. Jenkins are the parents of a boy born March 11 in New York.

small - town barber shop, the unusual twist lies in the fact that his wife is supposed to have died when his baby was born. He has sent his daughter away to a fashionable school. Will she be "too good" for her father when she comes home? The radio public is intensely interested in the resulting problems that confront him. Marie, the *Little French Princess*, is depicted as having run away from her title and married a plain American (apparently sharing Mae Murray's views on the marrying Mdivanis), because she wanted to leave her wealth and social position behind her—to be just plain Marie.

her—to be just plain Marie. The Romance of Helen Trent brings the script in closer relationship with the commercial purposes of the program: she is a woman over 30, and the message conveyed by the series is that a woman of her years can still be beautiful and have charm.

Mrs. Ashenhurst originates ideas for these series, builds the shows, writes some of them herself, and supervises the writing of others. In the case of musical presentations, she carries out Frank Hummert's theory that melody has a wider appeal than rhythm—which explains the popularity of Bayer Aspirin's American Musical Revue, and the fact that Abe Lyman has not played a rhythm number in more than 400 broadcasts.

In commercial announcements

JOHN W. GUIDER, Washington radio attorney, and Mrs. Guider are the parents of a son, Frank Hogan Guider, born in Columbia Hospital, Washington, March 26.

WALTER NEFF, sales manager of WOR, Newark. was co-producer of a special vandeville show satirizing varions phases of advertising before the meeting of the Association of Advertising Men of New York March 14.

RALPH DUNCAN, of Pueblo, Colo., has joined the commercial station of WGCM, Gulfport, Miss., and will be in charge of the Biloxi, Miss. office of the station.

A. D. WILLARD, assistant manager of WJSV, Washington, addressed the Washington Advertising Club on March 11 on the subject of successful radio advertising.

MARION KYLE, formerly on the sales staff of KHJ and KMTR, Los Angeles, joined the commercial department of KFAC, Los Angeles, in March, as did David McCosker, formerly in the auto sales field.

WILLETT BROWN, son of J. E. Brown, general manager of Don Lee Inc., California Cadillac-LaSalle distributors. has joined the administrative staff of KHJ, Los Angeles.

RALPH STEWART, former member of the sales staff of KOIN and KALE, Portland, Ore., has joined the commercial department of KTAB, San Francisco.

JACK BENNETT, chief announcer of KRE, Berkeley, Cal., has been promoted to assistant manager. Don Hambly, program director, was elevated to the post of production manager. Ray Grant has come in as account executive and special announcer. Hambly's engagement to Miss Florence Tuttle, of San Francisco, has been announced.

H. J. GREIG, recently resigned from Greig, Blair & Spight, station representatives, and now commercial manager of the SBS Network in the Sonthwest, is touring the 13-station group.

GORDON S. AVERY has been placed in charge of the new specialized merchandising department instituted by KVOO, Tulsa.

also there is a fixed policy: Give people news about things that are important to them personally. If a man or woman has an ache or pain, it will be news to be told what to do about it; if a woman has a poor complexion, she will welcome news on how to improve it.

For three years Mrs. Ashenhurst commuted between Chicago and New York, since the latter office of the agency is almost entirely a creative department, while the main business activities are centered in Chicago. A routine of two weeks in one city, and two weeks in the other, has made her an expert on railroads and a favorite with Pullman porters.

Walking and the theatre are her chief recreations, the former being her chosen form of exercise as well. Three miles a day is the minimum, rain or shine, from the New York Central building, up Parl Avenue to her home. Betweer book-covers she likes to find detective mysteries or stories about elephants, and on the radio dial— Alexander Woollcott, because his unsolved murder mysteries are st chilling.

Perhaps it is because Woollcot has such a different effect on his audience from that emotional ap peal which sells cosmetics that he has such an enthusiastic listene in Anne Schumacher Ashenhurst



Already this interesting assembly has attracted thousands of people to Washington . . . Society, too, has taken on vivid color as guest lists read like a World's "Who's Who". You will enjoy Washington this winter.

Stop at this distinctive hotel. Quiet exclusiveness, downtown location, facing Lafayette Park.

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JAMES HANRAHAN, vice president of the Iowa Broadcasting Co., radio subsidiary of the Des Moines Register & Tribune, operating KRNT and KSO, Des Moines, and WMT, Cedar Rapids, has been transferred to Washington and New York permanently to represent the newspaper in radio and other interests.

J. B. CHANDLER, president of the company of the same name in Brisbane, Australia, which operates five commercial broadcasting stations in that Commonwealth, arrived in San Francisco March 27 on his first visit. He plans to investigate American broadcasting and merchandising methods, with the hope of introducing them in his home country.

JAMES W. CLARK has been appointed general manager of WGST, Atlanta, succeeding David Brinkmoeller.

J. L. STONE, formerly with WMBG, Richmond, has been named general manager of WPHR, Petersburg, Va. CHARLES G. BURKE, for the last six years sales manager of WDAY, Fargo, N. D., has joined W9XBY, new Kansas City high-fidelity station on 1530 kc., in the same capacity.

CARROLL E. KING, former amusement manager, press agent and newspaper advertising director, has joined the commercial staff of WMC, Memphis,

E. II. CALKINS, for nine years with WKRC. Cincinnati, resigned from the sales staff in March to free lance. Stanley Bateman, sales mauager, is back ou the job after an illness of three months.

GUESTS OF HONOR at the Broadway Cheese Club on March 18 included the following radio notables: David Sarnoff, RCA president; M. H. Aylesworth, NBC president; Alfred J. McCosker, WOR director, and Donald Flamm, WMCA director.

## An <u>INTERESTED</u> AUDIENCE Is A <u>PRODUCTIVE</u> AUDIENCE\*\*\*

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> Day and night — night and day — an endless parade of STARS of the stage, screen and radio —are brought to CKLW listeners. Listeners not by accident—but because they're *interested*! No wonder time on CKLW is so very productive!

> > CKLW, Member Columbia Basic Network. 5,000 Watts Windsor Studios: Guaranty Trust Bldg. Detroit Offices: Union Guardian Bldg.



RADIO PAINTER—Dr. Seth Maker, "The Philistine" to auditors of the Painless Parker dental program from San Francisco to coast NBC stations, is a painter of no small talent. He recently completed this portrait in oils of Don E. Gilman, vice president in charge of the network's western division.

#### BEHIND THE MICROPHONE

EDDIE CASEY, former Harvard athlete and coach, has signed with Yankee Network as football commentator and will be heard three times weekly during the gridiron season.

TRUE BOARDMAN, announcer of KIIJ. Los Angeles, ou March 20 anuounced his marriage last January in Mexico to Thelma Hubbard, radio actress.

SIDNEY TEN EYCK, WCKY announcer. is commuting from Cincinnati to Dayton. O., two nights a week to announce the Ex-Lax Amateur Show, which is broadcast by WSMK. After seven weeks the finalists will compete for an opportunity to take part in a CBS broadcast.

HAROLD SPARKS, formerly with KSO, Des Moines and Oklahoma City stations, has been transferred to the announcing staff of KRNT, Des Moiues.

THREE new announcers have joined the staff of KWK. St. Louis: Arthur Jones, formerly of WIND. Gary. Ind.; Bobby Griffin, formerly of WIND. and John Conrad, formerly of WIBW. Topeka. Jones was married March 14 to Miss Pauline Pierson.

GORDON "DON" KERR, formerly of WOR, Newark, and WTAR, Norfolk, Va., has joined the anuounciug staff of WMCA, New York.

KEN MILES, producer-anuouncer of KIIJ, Los Angeles, is the father of a son born March 10.

ARTHUR JONES, announcer of KWK. St. Louis, and Miss Polly Pearson were married March 14 in St. Louis.



GORDON HITTENMARK, formerly with KVOO, Tulsa; WBAP, Ft. Worth; KOMA, Oklahoma City, and WDAF, Kansas City, has joined the announcing staff of WRC, Washington, where he is now conducting the 7-9:15 a. m. Your Time Keeper period.

JACK KAY, former Chicago and Detroit showman, has joined the announcing staff of KHJ, Los Angeles, replacing Harold Horton, who resigned to manage a European variety tour.

DAVID NOWINSON, formerly with WIND, Gary, Ind., is now free-lancing his scripts, including some shows for Norman Alexandroff & Co., program producers, Chicago.

EARL H. KEATE, former booker for Fanchon & Marco stage shows, on March 15 joined Thomas Lee Artists Bureau at KHJ, Los Angeles.

ROBERT L. KENNETT, formerly program director at WSBT, South Bend, Ind., has joined the production department of WLW, Cincinnati.

BURTON BENNETT, program director of KFAC. Los Angeles, resigned in March to free lance as a writer-producer.

PAUL SULLIVAN, formerly with KMOX and KSD, St. Louis, has joined the announcing staff of WLW, Cincinnati.

GENE LOFFLER, formerly of the production staff of WIIO, Des Moines. has joined the Omaha studios of KFAB and KOIL. Loffler, who has had wide experience in conducting the *Lowa Barn Dance* show, is in charge of KFAB farm programs.

HERBERT MORRISON, formerly with WCBD, Waukegan, Ill. and NER. Villa Acuna, Mexico, has joined the announcing staff of WTMJ, M<sup>-1</sup>waukee.

VIRGINIA NISSEN, daughter of Cal Nissen, commercial manager of KNX, Hollywood, will write publicity under Arthur Kemp, new KNX sales promotion manager.

RAY RASMUSSEN, new to radio. has joined the announcing staff of WGAR. Cleveland.

PAULINE BUTLER, formerly of WFAA. Dallas, Texas, WOMT, Manitowoer Wis., and WBBZ, Ponca City. Okla., has joined the program staff of KTAB, San Francisco.

DON HAMBLY, production manager of KRE. Berkeley, CaI., and Miss Florence Tuttle, San Francisco, recently announced their engagement.

BOBBY BROWN, CBS productiou manager in Chicago, in response to a petition signed by 60S invalid veterans, wrote a special sketch of Myrt & Marge, William Wrigley Jr. Co. program, for Edward Hines Jr. veterans hospital in Maywood. Ill., March 23 and presented it at the hospital.

MITCHELL GERTZ and Sherman Grancell in March purchased the talent agency of William S. Gill, Hollywood. The firm will manage radio and screeu names.

T. MART REGAN, head of the Community Broadcasting Studios, Los Angeles, air check and instantaneous recording group, is a candidate for the City Board of Education.

DAVID SARNOFF, president of RCA, on March 26 received the Cross of the Legion of Honor of France from Consul General Charles de Fontnouvelle in recognition of his "pioneering and great accomplishments in the science of radio."

FEATURES On Transcriptions Available to Stations and Agencies <u>Samples on Request</u> STANDARD RADIO ADVERTISING CO. Hollywood, Calif.





IN THE CONTROL ROOM— Photographs show newly completed transmitter house and main transmitter room of WMAZ. Macon, Ga. George P. Rankin, Jr., chief engineer, is studiously perusing BROADCASTING Year Book.

#### IN THE CONTROL ROOM

VICTOR G. ROWE. inspector in the FCU Los Angeles field office. in April will inspect Arizona stations and hold operators' examinations in Phoenix later in the month.

DEE ROWSELL, formerly on the technical and announcing staff of KDYL, Salt Lake City, has taken a similar post at KJBS, San Francisco.

CHARLES SPRAGUE, chief engineer of WJIM, Lansing. Mich., is the father of a boy born Feb. 24. Henry Titherington, formerly of WELL. Battle Creek. and Lauren Bergeron, formerly of WOOD, Grand Rapids, have joined the WJIM engineering staff.

K. C. AMBLER and Addison Beidenan, technicians with KFWB, Hollywood, and the Southern California network, on March 28 left on the North Haren to become radio technicians for the new Pan-American Trans-Pacific Airplane Service. Ambler will be stationed at Wake and Beidenan at Midway Island.

JACK POPPELE, chief engineer of WOR, Newark, who completed the installation last month of its new 50,000 watt transmitter, sailed March 19 on the S. S. Brittanic with Mrs. Poppele for a three-week Caribbean and South American cruise.

FRED D. WILLIAMS, former president of the Radio Manufacturers Association and now its treasurer, has been appointed vice president and general manager of International Resistance Co., Philadelphia.

EDWARD R. JOHNSON, chief engineer of WIP, Philadelphia, has been named technical supervisor, with Cliff Harris promoted to chief engineer.

G. W. EARNHART. former U. S. radio inspector, has been named chief engineer of KWYO. Sheridan, Wyo.

DON C. MCCRAE, well-known radio engineer who has specialized in aeronautical radio in recent years, has been appointed chief communications engineer of Eastern Air Lines.

OLIN WILLIAMS and William Ratliff, of the WTOC, Savannah, engineering staff, on March 23 exchanged places when Williams returned to Georgia Institute of Technology and Ratliff resumes his transmitter duties at WTOC.

ROBERT H. DAVIS. formerly on the staff of WRC. Washington, has joined the technical staff of KYW, Philadelphia. L. McC. YOUNG, supervisor of synchronization at WBBM. Chicago, addressed the Chicago section of the Institute of Engineers. March 22 on "Present Practices of Synchronization of Broadcasting Stations".

LARRY FISKE. Chicago CBS remote supervisor, celebrated March 10 his tenth anniversary with WBBM.

CARRINGTON H. STONE. formerly sales manager of Jenkins & Adair Inc., Chicago, has opened offices at 1020 Engineering Bldg., Chicago, as Westinghouse dealer in broadcast station specialities for the North Central States.

GLENN D. GILLETT, Washington consulting engineer, was in Los Angeles in March to conduct a field strength survey for KECA.

#### **New Velocity Microphone**

ALTHOUGH 6 db. higher in output than formerly obtained in velocity microphones, the new 7-point microphones by Amperite Corp., New York, are more compact, this being in part made possible by use of the new nickel aluminum chrome magnets. The most powerful and expensive magnet available today —twice as powerful as 36% chrome steel— found its first American application in the new microphone. Operating with out background noise and a flat response over the entire audible range, the new velocities can be used for either speech or music. Acoustic feedback and hum pickup is eliminated entirely in public address or station installations. The flexibility of the microphone has been increased by the addition of a swivel bracket. It is thoroughly shielded and has an unusually rugged, mechanical construction in appearance.

UNIVERSAL FILM STUDIOS, near Hollywood, is building a radio studio to provide facilities for talent to broadcast direct from the lot.



#### Raymond Paige Resigns From Don Lee Position

RAYMOND PAIGE, music director of KHJ, Los Angeles, and the Don Lee-California chain the past five years, resigned March 20. Thomas S. Lee, son of the late Don Lee and head of the Don Lee Broadcasting System, in accepting the tendered resignation said:

the tendered resignation said: "We regret the resignation of Mr. Paige as musical director of the Don Lee network, which resignation he found necessary in his judgment because of his new undertaking with the CBS Hollywood Hotel program. The Don Lee System has the highest respect and regard for Mr. Paige and wishes him high success in all ventures he undertakes." No successor had been announced to the music post at the time BROADCASTING went to press.

#### New RCA Transmitter

RCA MFG. Co. Inc., RCA Victor Division, Camden, N. J., has announced a new high-fidelity broadcast transmitter for low-power stations of ultra-modern design for which it claims a variation of less than 2 db. over the 30-10,000 cycle range. It is designed for 100 to 250 watt operation. Quality and reliability are said to compare with the RCA de luxe transmitters, in which this new transmitter is used as the exciter unit.

SOCONY-VACUUM OIL Co., New York, starting a new CBS series on 12 stations with a revised program, will introduce a new line of Mobiloil products.

#### **Palmolive Contest**

A TRIP-TO-EUROPE contest has been started by Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., Jersey City, for Palmolive soap, 20 round trips on the Normandie to be offered for winners who tell "why I use and prefer Palmolive soap". The contest will close June 15 and winners will be announced July 2. Optional cash awards of \$1,000 are offered and dealers mentioned by winners will receive \$500. Entrants must include a dealer's name in submitting three wrappers, or copies, from the soap. The company, with Benton & Bowles Inc., New York, as agent, is using its various radio programs along with other media to promote the contest.



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#### FAMILY AMATEURS WFBL Picks Talent Each Show From Common Names

WFBL, Syracuse, N. Y., has a new idea in amateur shows. The idea, credited to Robert Soule, introduces the family angle into the weekly shows. The first week's program was given entirely by those whose names were Smith, or whose parents or grandparents were Smiths. The second week the Browns had their program. The 14 names with the longest listings in the directory have been chosen for the series.

With 1408 listings for Smiths in the directory, Mr. Soule figured that there should be ten times that number including all of Central New York besides the many who would be related to Smiths. The auditions conducted in this manner have proven of unusually high quality.

A tie-up with the *Journal* publicized the series with news stories and ads daily. The local Loews Theatre also divides the expense with the newspaper and the radio station. Judges are chosen among well-known citizens in all walks of life, including each week a person by the name used in the program. Prizes are furnished by merchants who receive a plug on the program. Eddie Leonard conducts the show, which is produced by Jack Shannon, program director.

CREATION of a state advertising fund for a national campaign to be handled by a State Advertising Commission of three is proposed in a bill before the Utah Legislature.

#### New York Stations Help Drive for Child Baseball

BROADCASTERS on rival New York stations are cooperating in a novel campaign for the organization of "Twilight Baseball Games" for boys in America's parks. The Voice of Experience, who is heard over WABC and a CBS network for Wasey Products Inc., (Kreml, Zemo, etc.), received a letter from a youngster complaining that Park Commissioner Robert Moses was going to plant Central Park baseball diamonds with grass, and leave the city children with nowhere to play. The Voice took up the matter with the city authorities, and the plan was dropped.

In cooperation with R obert Jones, who conducts children's club programs over WOR for R. H. Macy & Co., he approached the city's supervisor of recreation, and the plan for a city-wide series of twilight games was worked out. Through the Wasey Co.'s network broadcasts, wide publicity will be given to the idea, in the hope that other cities will adopt the scheme. New York merchants will award prizes to the best teams, and the Wasey Co. is donating silver cups.

Dog Food Campaign

ALASKA LIVESTOCK & PACK-ING Co., Seattle (White Rover dog food) has started a radio campaign in Pacific Coast cities through Boyd Co. Inc., Los Angeles agency. Transcribed spot programs are used, with production at the Hollywood branch of RCA-Victor Co.



**Progress of Radio** As News Medium THE GROWING importance broadcasting in the distribution of national and international major news events to the American public was depicted by Joseph Pierson, president and general manager of Press Wireless Inc., in his testi-mony March 18, in defense of low press telegraph rates, before the Telegraph Division of the FCC.

Mr. Pierson cited how his organization, which devotes itself exclusively to the transmission of news, had built up a wide use of its ra-diotelegraph facilities in news dispatching to broadcasting stations through an arrangement with Transradio Press Service. He told the Commission that Transradio "circulates many thousands of words of news daily to a large number of broadcasting stations over our system" and "not a line of this news, incidentally, ever goes through a printing press."

The big opportunity of press news transmission was in the multi-address or multi-destination service, he continued, which is the method utilized in the filing of news to radio broadcasting stations. Press Wireless, it was pointed out, had a lower level of press rates than the other communica-tions companies. Mr. Pierson stressed that radiotelegraph afforded a better and speedier means of news transmission than the wire systems, because of a lack of high equipment costs.

Herbert J. Moore, president of Transradio Press, another witness, described the growth of his news

#### **Radio and News**

BROADCASTING is the fastest medium of disseminating news and public information and thus is fully entitled to the reduced "press" telegraph rates. This view was expressed by J. C. Willever, first vice president of the Western Union Telegraph Co., and Col. A. H. Griswold, executive vice president of the Postal Telegraph Co., at an FCC hearing March 14 on telegraphic message classifications. Postal Telegraph has long realized the value of broadcasting in the news-dis-tributing field, Col. Griswold emphasized.

service to broadcasters during the years his agency has existed. He said his service now handles news 150 broadcasters and added for that his agency had been ahead on many major news events of the last year and as a result broad-casting stations had flashed the news first and accurately.

The multi-destination service of Press Wireless has been of great cost saving to Transradio. Press Wireless operates as a public ser-vice agency under its federal li-censes which require it to accept press traffic from any newspaper or news organization despite the fact that stock is owned by seven newspapers, the New York Times, New York Herald-Tribune, Christian Science Monitor, Chicago Tribune, Chicago Daily News, San Francisco Chronicle and Los Angeles Times.

#### Lucky Strike to Return With Hour Show on NBC After Absence of Year

AMERICAN TOBACCO Co., New York, will return to the air April 20 for Lucky Strike cigarettes just a year after the brand was last advertised by radio, through spon-sorship of Metropolitan Opera performances. During the intervening time, the sponsor and its agency, Lord & Thomas, New York, have been hearing many suggested programs in an effort to find some-thing that would sustain George Washington Hill's reputation for doing the unusual and unexpected.

It now appears that the coming series, which will be heard on the NBC - WEAF, totaling about 50 stations including Honolulu, will resemble programs broadcast Saturday nights for many months before the Opera sponsorship was undertaken. Lenny Hayton not only will be conductor of the orchestra, but also musical director of the program, which will be built around the 15 most popular songs of the week. It is emphasized that the solution of these 15 will not the selection of these 15 will not be made on the basis of any one publication's list, but will be determined by correlating data from several cities on frequency of radio performances, sheet music sales, and phonograph record sales. The program will be 8-9 p. m.

The company currently is broad-casting *Red Trails* on an NBC-WJZ network for Half and Half tobacco in addition to using 15second music and drama spots on several eastern stations for Herbert Tareyton cigarettes



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## COLUMBIA OUTLET

COVERS

Albany Troy Schenectady

Approximately ½ Million Coverage **Radio Clouds on Mexican Horizon** 

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ers mailing out tickets and handling the correspondence. The daily mail grew to \$1000 and \$1200.

It was grand for XED. The "Voice of Two Republics" could be heard in all states and orders poured in from all parts of the country. Being blissfully ignorant of any approaching disaster, XED paid scant attention to the fact that the new super-powered job up at Villa Acuna was about to come on the air.

#### No End of Money

ON OCT. 13, 1931, XER made its official bow as the second of the border stations. It had studios in Villa Acuna and also across the river in Del Rio, Tex. With an antenna power of 75,000 watts and a "clear" channel of 735 kc, "The Sunshine Station Between the Nations" cut a slice in the ether that was effective all the way from Mexico up into Canada—this fact being duly noted and disapproved by the U. S. and Canadian government—and as an indication of the service that XER was to offer to Mexico as a Mexican station, they had installed a directional antenna system to concentrate all of the energy into the U. S. and to keep it out of Mexico. The staff totaled 40 people and consisted of three small hillbilly bands, one M exic an string orchestra, one marimba band, engineers, announcers and office workers. XER's commercial accounts included the Willard Tablet Co., International Oil Heating Co., Supertone Radio, and Old Equity Insurance Co. Dr. Brinkley had his own medical programs advertising his hospital at Milford, Kan., and nightly the "Sunshine Station Between the Nations" invited the public to send 25 cents, in coin or stamps, for the "Blue Book" or "The Story of Pa and Ma", in which illuminating literature was given the reason just why people went to the Brinkley hospital.

The fortune-telling racket started with Mel Roy to be followed at a later date by Dr. Richards and Koran. Dr. Richards was the most successful at XER, his mail reaching \$3000 on peak days when XER later increased power to 200,000 watts. Another profitable program was the piano lessons by one "Major Kord", one dollar for the set of lessons would enable one to play the piano in a remarkably short space of time, and one year over XER netted the "Major" \$20,000.

Dr. Brinkley's next step was to rent land lines from the telephone company, and install a studio in his home at Milford, Kan., from which point he would broadcast by remote control over his station in Mexico—his broadcasts varying from the "Story of Pa and Ma" to his campaign for election to the office of governor of the state of Kansas. W. E. Branch was now busy

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Back at XED things were again looking cloudy. To be sure the lottery was still raking in the dollars, but the U. S. postal people were annoying the H o ust on theater man, saying that he musn't do it and that they would make it hoti for him if he didn't stop it. His attorneys in Washington, however, are said to have told him that hei was safe, so the lottery stayed on. Early in the spring of 1932 the U. S. postal authorities began stopping mail addressed to XED, and returning it to the sender, but still the hint wasn't noticed, or at least it wasn't heeded until the climax came in May. Early, very early—4: a. m. to be exact—one morning, as Horwitz was about to embark in: his private plane at Hidalgo, Texas, for parts unknown, Departmentr of Justice agents arrested him.

Later that same morning they: picked up the American announcer and when the Mexican announcer came across the bridge to answer a bogus phone call, they got him too. The Mexican engineer had the good sense to stay over in Reynosa and not to set foot on U. S. soil. The unfortunate employes were thrown in jail at Brownsville, Tex., until Horwitz bailed them out; XED meanwhile remaining off the air. The case came up, and all but Horwitz received a suspended sentence; he received a \$5,000 fine and a sentence of a year in Leavenworth for his bright idea.

He appealed, and a petition was started in Houston, Tex., where he had been very active in relief work, and signed by thousands of citizens, but all of no avail. The affair dragged out till at last the gates of the federal prison closed behind the man who had merely put his bright idea into practice. It was reported that the lottery had brought in over \$300,000, but the legal fight must have swallowed most of that, and it is doubtful if the overall result was on the positive side.

#### All Quiet at Reynosa

SINCE XED owed the State of Tamaulipas a considerable sum for unpaid taxes, the State slapped an embargo on everything in the building other than the actual technical equipment. The grand pianos and three-manual pipe organ that Horwitz had moved from one of his Houston picture houses, office furniture, safes, files, adding machines and typewriters, were all inventoried and locked up in the big studio, the 15 Mexican stenographers, and the remainder of the personnel not in jail were paid off. The Mexican engineer returned to Mexico City, a solitary watchman was placed in command, and "The Voice of Two Republics"—wedged in between Sam's Place and the Aztec Club—was stilled.

Along the border to the West, XER was going strong, XEPN was on with about 60,000 watts in the antenna and the usual medical,
mining stock and fortune telling programs. A couple of low-powered stations were going up across the border from somewhere in Cali-fornia, and the towers of a new forma, and the towers of a new 150,000-watter were already up in Nuevo Laredo, across from Laredo, Tex., between XED and XEPN. The call was to be XENT and the owner was Norman Baker, who owned a cancer hospital in Iowa, and whose broadcasting license in that state had been cancelled. He had built his home across in Mexico off built his home across in Mexico off the Nuevo Laredo highway, bought a high-power Deisel plant to gen-erate the power for his station, have studios in Mexico only, and would be independent of Uncle Sam. Construction permits had been issued from Mexico City for erection of a new monster of 500erection of a new monster of 500,-000 watts power to go up in Mata-moros across from Brownsville, Texas, and it seemed that there would soon be standing room only on the border. Poor XED had started the idea and had been a fairly high power station, but now she was being made to look like a portable unit.

In the fall of 1932 another eftort was made to get XED on a paying basis. The call was changed from XED to XEAW, the slogan from "The Voice of Two Republics" to "La Voz a Servico Internation-al--The Voice of International Service". The frequency was shift-ed from 965 to 960 kc., the idea heing to live down any unfavorable fort was made to get XED on a being to live down any unfavorable publicity that the station may have earned during the lottery days. Of course the percentage and fortune telling programs were there and a cancer doctor came down from Houston to start up a practice a la Brinkley, but when one or two patients started to arrive he got cold feet, quit the idea and returned to Houston, only to pick it up again later on by having continuity read by the station announcer while he remained in Houston. Such pro-grams were inevitable. The border stations cannot hope to compete with U. S. stations in the field of legitimate advertising, and in the case of XED-XEAW she didn't case of XED-XEAW she didn't have the super-power to offer her sponsors that the others did. It was a hand-to-mouth existence at best. The "Psychology" program was the mainstay, and it depended largely upon the daily dollar re-turns whether the staff was paid on time. on time.

#### Stuck in the Mud

LATER in the summer of 1933, XER increased its power to around 200,000 watts. This made a total of 280,000 watts of broadcast power being pumped nightly into the United States from across the border, an additional 150,000 watts nearing completion at XENT, and the 500,000-watter yet to be start-

ed at Matamoros. At this point the 1933 Radio Conference was held in Mexico City with representatives from the U. S. and Canada in attendance. The border was worried for they knew that, as far as the U.S. and Canada were concerned, it was Canada were concerned, it was aimed at them. They all obtained extra legal representation in Mex-ico City. Brinkley had 16 men looking after the interests of XER, included among them the former Vice President of the United States, Charles Curtis, the owners of XEAW started out for Mexico City themselves, but got stuck in the mud and marooned at a ranch

less than 100 miles from Reynosa

and missed the whole affair. It seemed that the border station representatives had done their work well for the conference washed up in about 10 days, and the delegates went back home. Brinkley phoned XEAW and said they could thank him for the victory and that he had spent a pile of money on the job. But it turned out that it wasn't

quite the victory that they had hoped, for in the fall of that year orders were received from Mexico City banning all medical talks on the air unless by special permission of the Mexican department of health, all percentage and fortunetelling programs, forbidding Mexican broadcasting stations to maintain studios in the U. S. and, finally, insisting that all programs be broadcast first in Spanish.

#### A Bit of Spanish

THIS was a blow! The backbone of the border stations consisted of of the border stations consisted of the prohibited programs, and as for reading all continuity first in Spanish that meant just about doubling the time on the air for a given amount of program time. They compromised. XEAW dropped the medical talks and closed the Taunce studie but known ar the for Texas studio, but kept on the for-tune-telling program. XER kept on both medical and fortune - telling programs and also continued broadcasting from its Del Rio studio, but it did cut out the Kansas pick-up. XEPN carried on much as usual and they all got around the Spanish problem by making a very brief summary of the program in Spanish, and then broadcasting it in full in English.

XENT at Nuevo Laredo had just come on the air, their fortune-telling program being conducted by one (Continued on page 46)





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# STATION ACCOUNTS sp—studio programs t—transcriptions sa—spot announcements —transcription announcements

#### WFAA, Dallas-Fort Worth

- Sterling Casualty Insurance Co., Chicago (Peuny-A-Day insurance), 6 weekly sa, thru First United Broad-casters, Chicago.
  Bokay Talcum Co., New York (cos-metics), 3 weekly sp, thru Small, Kleppner & Seiffer Inc., N. Y.
  I. T. S. Co., Elyria, N. Y. (rubber heels), 2 weekly sa, thru Carr Lig-gett Inc., Cleveland.
  McConnon & Co., Winona, Minn. (remedies), 3 weekly sa, thru Mc-Cord Co., Minneapolis.
  Gardner Nursery Co., Osage, Ia. (plants), weekly sp, thru North-west Radio Adv. Co., Seattle.
  Armand Co., Des Moines (cosmetics), 7 weekly t, sp, thru Heath-Seehof Inc., Chicago. Sterling Casualty Insurance Co., Chi-

- Armana Co., Des Momes (cosmetics),
  7 weekly t, sp. thru Heath-Seehof Inc., Chicago.
  Hoover Liniment Co., Carlisle, Ind. (Dr. Cox's liniment), 5 weekly sa, thru Wade Adv. Co., Chicago,
  Time Inc., New York (newsreel), 4 weekly ta. thru Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn Inc., N. Y.
  California Perfume Co., Suffern, N. Y.
  (cosmetics), 2 w e e k l y t, thru Luckey Bowman Inc., N. Y.
  Willard Tablet Co., Chicago (reme-dies), 2 weekly t, thru First United Broadcasters, Chicago.
  Walker Remedy Co., Waterloo, Ia., 6 weekly ta, thru Weston Barnett Inc., Waterloo.
  Wind Motor Electric Co., Ridgeway.
- Wind Motor Electric Co., Ridgeway, Mont. (motors), 3 weekly sa, di-
- Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chatta-
- Chattinooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga (remedies), 6 weekly sa. thru Nelson Chesman Co., Chattanooga,
  Dr. Pepper Co., Dallas (beverage syrup), weekly sp. thru Tracy-Locke-Dawson Inc., Dallas,
  Quaker Oats Co., Chicago (cereal), 5 weekly sp. thru Lord & Thomas, Chicago
- Chicago.

#### KFI, Los Angeles

- Chrysler Sales Corp., Detroit (Ply-mouth autos), 13 sa. thru J. Stir-ling Getchell Inc., Detroit.
  Crowell Publishing Co., New York (Woman's Home Companion), weekly sp. thru Geyer-Cornell Co. Inc., N. Y.
  American Home Products Co., New York (Anacin). 3 weekly t, thru Blackett Sample Hummert Inc., N. Y.

Federal Enameling & Stamping Co.,

- Pittsburgh (enamelware), 4 t, thru Albert P. Hill Co. Inc., Pittsburgh, Kolynos Co. Inc., New Haven, Com., (toothpaste), 5 weekly t, thru Blackett Sample Hummert Inc., N N
- N. Y. wrter Medicine Carter Co., New York
- after Medicine Co., New York (pills), 18 ta, thru H. H. Good Advertising Co., N. Y.
  Fougera & Co. Inc., New York (Vapex), 2 weekly ta, thru Small, Kleppner & Seiffer Inc., N. Y. E.

#### WMAQ, Chicago

- Fish & Sea Food Institute of the U. S., Chicago Office, 20 sa, thrn Sellers Service Inc., Chicago.
  Bunte Brothers, Chicago (candy bars), 365 sa, thrn Fred A, Rob-bins Inc., Chicago.
  D. Hill Nursery Co., Dundee, Ill. (seeds), 7 sp, thru Cramer-Krasselt Co., Milwaukee.
  Time, Inc., New York (newsreel), 6 ta, thrn Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn Inc., N. Y.

# WWJ, Detroit

- ('hrysler Sales Corp., Detroit (Chrysler autos), 10 weekly ta, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., N. Y.
  Proeter & Gamble Co., Cincinnati (Drene shampoo), weekly sp, thru II. W. Kastor & Sons Adv. Co. Inc.
  Graham-Paige Motors Corp., Detroit (autos) & weekly sg, thru United)
- (autos), 6 weekly sa, thru United States Advertising Corp., Toledo. General Baking Co., New York (Bond bread), 5 weekly t, thru Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn Inc.,
- N. Y. Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., Mansfield, O. (refrigerators), 6 weekly sa, thru Fuller & Smith & Ross Inc., (leveland, Durated Ref. Lan. (Durat
- Fancier Foods Inc., Chicago (Prest-O-Meat). 6 weekly sa, thru Stack-Goble Adv. Agency. Chicago. Buick Motor Co., Flint, Mich. (autos), 6 weekly sa, thru Campbell-Ewald Co., Detroit.
- Washington State Apple Bureau, Seattle, 6 weekly sa, thru Izzard Co., Seattle.
- Mazer Cressman Cigar Co., Detroit (Cremo, Dime Bank cigars), 6 weekly sa, thrn Harold Aarons Inc., Detroit.

#### WOR, Newark

- Larus & Bro. Co., Richmond, Va. (Edgeworth tobacco), weekly sp. thru Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn Inc., N. Y.
- Osboru Inc., N. Y. Mennen Co., Newark (shaving cream, etc.), 3 weekly sp. thru H. M. Kiesewetter Adv. Agency Inc., N. Y. New York Herald-Tribune, New York, I so then Datas
- Binney
- & Osborn Ineraul-Frindie, New York, 1 sp. thru Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn Inc., N. Y. inney & Smith Co., New York (Crayola, paints), 3 weekly sp. thru McLain Organization Inc., Disbuckelskie.
- Drug Melann Organization Ale., Philadelphia. General Mills Inc., Minneapolis (Cal-Aspirin). 5 weekly sp. thru McCord Co., Minneapolis,

# WENR, Chicago

- Chicago & North Western Railway, Chicago (vacation tours). 10 sp. thru Caples Co., Chicago.
- Electrolux Co., New York (refrigerators). 91 su, thru Batten, Barton, Durstine and Osborn Inc., N. Y.
  Ruud Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh (water heaters). 56 su, thru Ketchum, MacLeod & Grove Inc., Pittsburgh.

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## WGN, Chiczgo

- Self-Locking Carton Co., Chicago (egg cartons), 39 sp, thru Needham, Louis & Brorby Inc., Chicago.
  Sterling Products Co., New York (Bayer Aspirin), 5 sp, weekly, thru Blackett Sample Hummert Inc., N N
- ζ. Υ. Kellogg Co., Battle Creek, Mich. (corn flakes), 260 sp, thru N. W. Ayer & Son Inc., N. Y. Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville,
- Okla. (Phillips 66 gasoline), 39 sp, thru Lambert and Feasley Inc.,
- N. Y. Bell Bakeries Inc., Chicago (bread), 312 sp, thru D. T. Campbell Inc.,
- Chicago. W. F. McLaughlin & Co., Chicago W. F. McLaughlin & Co., Chicago W. F. McLaughlin & Co., Chicago (Manor House coffee), 52 sp. thru Cramer-Krasselt Co., Milwaukee. Ruud Manufacturing Co., Pittsburgh (water heaters), 12 sa. thru
- (water heaters), 12 sa. thru Ketchum, MacLeod & Grove Iuc., Pittsburgh.

#### KOL, Seattle

- Central Shoe Co., St. Louis (Robin Hood shoes), 26 t, thr Daugherty Inc., St. Louis, thru Jimm
- Daugnerty Inc., St. Louis.
  Pioneer Maple Products Co., Minne-apolis (Bucket syrup), 6 weekly t, thru McCord Co., Minneapolis.
  Ironized Yeast Co., Atlanta (proprie-tary), 26 t, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Luco Yeast Co.
- tary), 26 t, thru Ruthrauff & Ryan Inc., N. Y.
  Fruit Industries Ltd., New York (Guasti wine), 5 weekly ta, thru Fletcher & Ellis Inc., N. Y.
  Nourishine Mfg. Co., Los Angeles (hair tonic), 52 t, thru Hughes-Morton Adv. Agency, Los Angeles.
  Pennzoil Co., Los Angeles (petroleum products), 6 weekly ta, thru Mayers Co. Inc., Los Angeles.

# WCKY, Cincinnati

- Wheeling ('orrugating Co., Wheeling, W. Va. (Cop-R-Loy fence), 26 sa, thru A. T. Sears & Son Inc., Chi-
- red Fear & Co., Brooklyn (Chick Fred
- Chick egg coloring), 4 sa, thru Norman Craig, N. Y. Time Inc., New York (newsreel), 6 ta. thru Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn Inc., N. Y.

# KNX, Los Angeles

Northrup, King & Co., Minneapolis (seeds), 6 weekly sa, thrn Olm-stead-Hewitt Inc., Minneapolis.

STUDIO MURALS-These 7-foot photomontage decorations are part of the group that line the corridors of

the new studio quarters of WSM, Nashville, occupying the entire top floor of a new wing of the National Life & Accident Insurance Bldg., built specially to accommodate the expanding needs of the station. The station now boasts a staff of 225 artists and one studio that seats 500 spectators. In the right photo is Harry Stone, manager, under letter "t" in portion of the word "entertainment".

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KGO, San Francisco

- KGO, San Francisco
  Emerson Drug Co., Baltimore, Md. (Bromo Seltzer), 2 daily sa. thru J. M. Mathes Inc., N. Y.
  Richfield Oil Co., Los Angeles. 2 weekly t, thru II. C. Bernsten Adv. Agency, Los Angeles.
  Cubbison Cracker Co., Los Angeles (crackers), weekly sp. thru Roy Campbell Co., Los Angeles.
  General Mills Inc., Minneapolis (Wheaties), 5 weekly t, Westco Adv. Agency. San Francisco.
  Calodine Distributors, San Francisco
- (alodine Distributors, San Francisco (mineral water), 6 weekly sp. thru Marc Bowman Agency, San Francísco.
- (hair tonic), weekly sp. thru Hughes & Morton, Los Angeles.

#### WMCA, New York

- Dogglow Products Co., New York (dog cleansing powder), weekly sp, thru Loewy Adv, Agency, N. Y. Duffy-Mott Co. Inc., New York (cit-

- Duffy-Mott Co. Inc., New York (citrus products), 3 weekly sp. thru (Grady & Wagner, N. Y.
  (Graham-Paige Motors Corp., Detroit (autos), 7 weekly sa, thru United States Adv. Corp., N. Y.
  William P. Goldman & Bros., New York (clothing), weekly sp, thru Bess & Schillin Inc., N. Y.

#### WBAL, Baltimore

Globe Brewery, Baltimore (Arrow Special beer), 78 sa, thru Joseph Katz Co., Baltimore.
Bernard Perfumers, St. Louis (cosmetics), 6 weekly sp, direct.
Fred Fear & Co., Brooklyn (Chick Chick egg dye), 4 weekly sa. direct.
Crazy Water Hotel Co., Mineral Wells, Tex. (mineral salts), 6 weekly sp, thru Abernathy Adv. Agency, Washington.

#### WHAM, Rochester, N. Y.

- Numismatic Co., Fort Worth (rare coins), 6 weekly ta, thru Guenther-Bradford & Co., Chicago. Sterling Drug Co., Des Moines (tooth-
- pas(e), weekly sp. thru Heath-Seehof Inc., Chicago.
  Pathfinder Magazine, Washington, D. C., 3 sp. thru First United Broad-casters, Chicago.

#### WKRC, Cincinnati

- Rival Packing Co., Chicago (dog food), 13 t, thrn Chas. Silver & food), 13 t, Co., Chicago,
- Co., Chicago, Seminole Paper Co., Chicago (toilet tissue), 3 weekly *sp*, thrn Paris & Peart, N. Y. Crazy Water Co., Ashland. O. (min-

eral crystals), 624 sp. direct.

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#### WMEX, Boston

Old Dutch Coffee Co., New York, sp

in Italian, direct. Dominion Distillers, Jersey City (Kaveh, coffee cordial), sp in Italian, thru Ralph Rossiter Inc.,

N.Y. Floret Products Co., New York (Italina laxative salts), sp in

Italian, direct. Prince Macaroni Co., Boston, sp in Italian, thru Badger & Browniug Inc., Boston.

#### KWK, St. Louis

. I. Du Pont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, Del. (Duco paint), 6 weekly sp, thru Batten. Bartou, Durstine & Osborn Inc., N. Y. E.

Seminole Paper Co., Chicago (tissue), sa, thru Paris & Peart, N. Y. A-C Spark Plug Co., Flint, Mich., 52 sa, thru D. P. Brother & Associates, Detroit.

#### WIP, Philadelphia

Henry Tetlow Co., Philadelphia (Blue Moon cosmetics), 3 weekly sa, thru George Moll Advertising, Philadelnhia.

(Dakland Chemical Co., New York (Dioxogen cream), 3 weekly \*a, thru\_Suall, Kleppner & Seiffer Inc., N. Y.

# KDKA, Pittsburgh

American Home Products Corp., New York (Anacin), 3 weekly t, thru Blackett - Sample - Hummert Inc.

Net Co., Philadelphia (Fels Naptha sonp), 2 weekly sp. thru Young & Rubicam Inc., N. Y.

#### WCAU, Philadelphia

Household Finance Corp. of New York. Chicago (loans), 2 weekly York, Chicago (loans), 2 weekly sp. thru Charles Daniel Frey Co., Chicago.

# **Stevens Receives Award**

CARLYLE STEVENS, CBS announcer, received a check and en-graved stop watch March 17 after the Ye Olde Tea Shoppe program for winning the first "BBDO A ward for Good Announcing". "The winner has all the qualities which we believe make a good an-nouncer," said Roy S. Durstine, vice president and general manager of Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn Inc., New York, in making the award. "He has definitely not been a member of the stilted school of broadcasting that has come to be resented alike by the public and the sponsors of programs."

# **Ready-Cut Homes Drive**

PACIFIC READY-CUT HOMES Inc. (Pacific System Homes), Los Angeles, makers of ready-built homes, newcomer to radio, has launched a test campaign on KNX, Hollywood, through the Campbell-Kellogg Co., Los Ange-les. The campaign takes the form of five-minute Freeman Lang tran-carintics. Other stations will be scriptions. Other stations will be added if the test is successful,

WAITT & BOND Co., Newark (Blackstone Yankee cigars) is using one-minute spot announcements six evenings weekly for 52 weeks on WCSH, Portland, Me.; WDRC, Hartford; WGY, Schenectady, and WWJ, Detroit. Account is handled by Batten, Barton, Durstine & Os--born, Inc., New York.

JELL - WELL DESSERT Co., Los Angeles (molten dessert), through the Mayers Co., Los Angeles agency, is conducting a Pacific Coast radio campaign over KFI, KFSD, KPO, KGW, KOMO and KHO.

# TRANSCRIPTIONS

CONQUEST ALLIANCE Co. Inc., New York, announces sale of the fol-lowing transcriptions: 100 Belle & lowing transcriptions: 100 Belle & Martha discs to 3DB, Anstralia, and KFEL, Denver; 50 You Be the Judge to 3DB; 13 Hawaiian music records to 3DB and KFEL; 13 Kay Kayser records to WAAT, Jersey City, and WFAS, White Plains, N. Y. Daily spots for Bost Tooth Paste, New York, on KCMR Handback Engine on KGMB. Honolulu. thru Erwin Wasey & Co. Inc., N. Y. and renewal of *Musical Legends of Lentheric* for Lentheric Inc., N. Y. (perfume) on WKAQ. San Juan, Pnerto Rico, also are announced.

COMPLETE merchandising plans have been announced by WBS for have been announced by WBS for Bridge Club on the Air, featuring the "Four Aces" of contract bridge. In-cluded are a sales campaign for the station in selling to sponsors; mer-chandising and exploitation campaign for the sponsor; copy for sales pro-motion, and a mail response stimulant.

NEW SERIES of aviation transcription programs, Flying Time, pro-duced by National Broadcasting Inc., includes a promotional program based on the influence exerted by children in getting parents to buy advertised brands.

JOSEPH PERRY, Pacific coast manager for Decca Records, in March moved headquarters from San Francisco to the Los Angelcs office.

TIIIRTEEN one-minute WBS tran-scription announcements have been spotted by Pennick & Ford Ltd., New York (My - T - Fine dessert) on the following stations: WBZ, Boston; WTAG, Worcester; WJAR, Provi-dence; WDRC, Hartford, and WICC, Bridgeport. Account was placed by Batten. Barton, Durstine & Osborn.

talks on WBS transcriptions has been started on WEEI, Bostou, and CKLW, Detroit-Windsor by P (KLW. Detroit-Windsor, by R. H. Laird & Co., New York (Rose Laird cosmetics), featuring beauty talks and placed direct.

HOLLYWOOD RECORDING STU-DIOS, 4803 Hollywood Blvd., Holly-wood, in the business of air checks wood, in the business of air checks and instantancous recording for the last year, announced in March it would hereafter also record on wax with the Hollywood studios of the RCA-Victor Co. The group is man-aged by H. Dixon McCoy with Lilias Duane as program director. The in-itial would find savies as anyounged itial production series, as announced, includes Lone Star Rangers, Hender-sons of Clay Hill, Camelon Mystery and Famous Tragedies.

CELLUTONE RECORD MFG. Co., 1135 W. 42d St., Los Angeles, has started to produce instantaneous discs for recording purposes with Sam W. Hawver as contact man with stations and transcription firms.

KASPER-GORDON STUDIOS Inc., Boston, have been appointed exclu-sive New England representatives for sive New England representatives for the handling of transcriptious pro-duced by Standard Radio Advertising, Hollywood, which include Honor the Law series for the gasoline industry; Armchair Radio Romances for fur-niture dealers, and Belle and Martha for the backing industry. Kasper-Gordon reports signing WAAB and WNAC, Boston; WEAN, Providence; WICC, Bridgeport, and WDRC, Hart-ford, for the new Standard service.

A FOLDER containing full descrip-tions and a catalogue of NBC record-ed programs, including terms and details as to the recording of custom-built, agency-produced, network and its own transcriptions, has just been issued by the NBC Transcription Dept., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New Dept., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, N York. It is available upon request.

B. KUPPENHEIMER & Co., (men's clothes) has transcribed a series of 13 one-minute WBS announcements, which have been placed on the follow-ing stations: WIAC, WATR, KIEM, WBCN, KTUL, WDAG, KGKO, WKRC, WBOW, KGBX, WMBG, KXRO and KDYL.

RADIO RELEASE Ltd., Hollywood, has named Walter Biddick Co., Los Angeles, as Pacific Coast representative for stock transcription programs. NATIONAL STARCASTS Inc., Hollywood transcription producers, dis-continued business in March. Famous Features, program producers, also have gone out of business and the stock of discs was taken over by Re-cordings Inc., doing its technical work. RCA-VICTOR Co., Hollywood stu-dios, has recorded *The Adventures of Sonny & Buddy*, spousored for a year over KFSD, San Diego, by Cramer Bakery. The 65 15-minute episodes are being placed for local sponsorship by Norman W. Tolle & Associates, San Diego. San Diego.

NOURISHINE SALES Co., Los An-geles (hair oil, etc.), used a scries of 5-minute RCA-Victor transcrip-tions in March on West Coast sta-tions in a 60-day campaign through Hughes-Morton Adv. Agency, Los Angeles.

WESTERN WHOLESALE DRUG Co., Los Angeles (Currier's tablets) in March recorded a series of 1-minute RCA-Victor transcription anuounce-ments for Pacific Coast stations through Logan & Stebbins, Los Angeles.

JOHNSTON CANDY Co., Milwau-kee, is using WBS World Library programs three times weekly for 13 weeks on the following stations, placed through N. W. Ayer & Son, Chicago: WKBF, KMBC, KWK, WHK, KOIL, KOIN, WCAU and WCAE.

PRICE FLAVORING EXTRACT Co., Chicago, has taken 27 five-minutc World Program Service programs on KRLD, Dallas. through N. W. Ayer & Son, Chicago.

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# **NETWORK ACCOUNTS**

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE-PEET Co., Jersey City (Super Suds) on April 17 starts House of Glass, dramatic, on 55 NBC - WJZ stations, Wednes-days, 8:30-9 p. m. with repeat at 11:30. Agency: Benton & Bowles Inc., N. Y.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS ASS'N, New York, on March 24 started Clark M. Eichelberger. lecturer, on 2 Mu-tual stations (WOR, WXYZ), Sundays, 8-8:15 p. m.

STERLING PRODUCTS Inc. Wheeling (Bayer's Aspirin) on April 2 renews Lavender & Old Lace on 22 2 renews Lavender & Old Lace on 22 CBS stations, Tuesdays 8-8:30 p. m.; (Phillips Dental Magnesia) Melodi-ana on 25 CBS stations, Tuesdays, 8:30-9 p. m. Agency: Blackett-Sample-Hummert Inc., N. Y.

CAMPANA SALES Co., Batavia. Ill. (Dreskin) on March 24 renewed Grand Hotel on 27 NBC-WJZ sta-tions, Sundays. 6:30-7 p. m. Agency: Aubrey, Moore & Wallace Inc., Chicago.

WASEY PRODUCTS Inc., New York (Primrose House Cosmetics, Dr. Edward's Olive Tablets) on March 24 renewed The Lamplighter on 3 Mutual stations, Sundays, 2-2:30 p. m. Agency : Erwin Wasey & Co. Inc., N. Y.

WASEY PRODUCTS Inc., New York (Barbasol) on March 24 renewed Singin' Sam on 3 Mutual stations, Fridays. 9:45-10 p. m. Agency: Er-win Wasey & Co. Inc., N. Y.

KLEENEX Co., Chicago (Kleenex tissue and Quest deodorant) on April 2 starts Mary Marlin dramatic sketch on 27 CBS stations. Mondays thru stations. Mondays thru Fridays, 11:15-11:30 a. m. (repeat at 11:45 a. m. until June 3). Agency: Lord & Thomas, Chicago.



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Fisher's Blend Stations, Inc., operating KOMO-KJR, Seattle,

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ACME WHITE LEAD & COLOR WORKS, Detroit (Lin-X) on March 14 started Smiling Ed McConnell ou 39 CBS stations, keyed from WKRC, Cincinnati. Thursdays, 1:45-2 p. m. Agency: Henri, Hurst & McDonald Inc., Chicago.

STANDARD BRANDS INC., New York (Tender Leaf Tea, Royal des-serts) on March 31 started One Man's Family on NBC-KPO network, Sun-days, 12:30-1 a. m. (PST). Agency: J. Walter Thompson Co., New York.

CRAZY WATER HOTEL Co., Min-eral Wells, Tex. (mineral crystals) on March 13 started Jack Savage and His Hillbillies on WEAF-WGY, Tues-days thru Saturdays. 4:30-5 p. m. Agency: Luckey Bowman Inc., N. Y. GILMORE OIL Co., Los Angeles GILMORE OIL Co., Los Angeles (Red Lion, Record Breaker gasoline), ou March 22 started Strange as It May Seem on 11 Don Lee-CBS sta-tions, thrice weekly, 7:45-8 p. m. Agency: Raymond R. Morgan Co. Inc., Hollywood.

HORLICK'S MALTED MILK Corp., Racine, Wis. (malted milk) on April 1 renews Lum and Abner over Mu-tual Network, daily except Saturday and Sunday, 7:15 to 7:30 p. m. Agency: Lord & Thomas, Chicago.

A. CARLISE & Co., San Francisco (stationery supplies) on March 17 started Blue Moonlight with Paul Carson, organist. and Alvino Rey, guitarist. on NBC-KPO network. Sundays. 4-4:15 p. m. (PST). Agency: Charles R. Stuart Inc., San Francisco.

GOLDEN STATE Co., Inc., San Francisco (dairy products) on March 25 renewed Golden State Menu Flashes with Joan Andrews, home economic expert, on NBC-KPO net-work, Mondays, Fridays, 10-10:15 a. m. (PST). Agency: N. W. Ayer & Son Inc., San Francisco.

KAY JEWELRY Co., Oakland, Cal. (jewelry) on March 20 started The Kay Troubadour with Tom Mitchell, tenor. on NBC-KFO-KFI network, Wednesdays, 5:45-6 p. m. (PST). Agency: Sidney Garfinkel Adv. Agency, San Francisco.

AMERICAN TOBACCO Co.. New York (Lucky Strike cigarettes) on April 20 starts Lenny Hayton in The Hit Parade on 64 NBC-WEAF sta-tions, Saturdays, 8-9 p. m. Agency: Lord & Thomas, N. Y.

GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO on March 21 started musical and trave-logue program on 14 NBC-WJZ sta-tions, Thursdays, 9:30-9:45 p. m. Agency: De Garmo-Kilborn Corp., N. Y.

HYRAL DISTRIBUTING Co., Fort Worth (dentrifrice) on March 16 started Monro Manning, philosopher, thrice weekly on 4 SBS stations. Agency: Luckey-Bowman Inc., N. Y. NACOR MEDICINE Co., Indianapo-

lis (proprietary) on March 22 start-ed in Southwest Barn Dance on 7 SBS stations. Fridays. 10:30-10:45 p. m. Agency: Neisser-Meyerhoff Inc. Chicago.

STERLING CASUALTY INSUR-ANCE Co., Chicago (Penny-a-Day insurance) on March 22 started in Southwest Barn Dance on 7 SBS sta-tions, Fridays, 10:45-11 p. m. Agen-cy: Neisser-Meyerhoff Inc., Chicago.

EMERSON DRUG Co., Baltimore (Bromo Seltzer) on April 8 starts Pathe News of the Air on 4 Mutual stations, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 7-7:15 p. m. Agency: J. Walter Thompson Co., N. Y.



GENERAL FOODS Corp., New York, on April 29 starts Tony & Gus on coast-to-coast NBC-WJZ network, Mondays thru Fridays, 7:15-7:30 p. m. Agency: Benton & Bowles Inc., N. Y.

LYONS VAN & STORAGE Co., Los Angeles on April 2 starts Moving Stories of Life on Don Lee net-work. Agency: Charles Mayne Co., Los Angeles.

GUARANTY BUILDING & LOAN DEPOSITORS' INVESTORS' PRO-TECTIVE ASS'N of Southern Calibroadcast one-time political talk on Don Lee network. Agency: Mayfield Naylor, Los Angeles.

NBC CHANGES—Crazy Water Ho-tel Co., Mineral Wells, Tex., con-cludes Carefree Carnival on WJZ net-work April 8 and moves to Sundays. work April 8 and moves to Sundays. 2:30-3 p. m. April 28 on 21 WEAF stations; Household Finance Co., Chi-cago on March 26 changes Musical Memories to Welcome Valley with Edgar A. Guest and shifts to Tues-days, 8:30-9 p. m., on 17 WJZ sta-tions; American Tobacco Co., New York (Half-and-Half tobacco) on April 2 shifts Red Trails to Tuesdays. 9-9:30 p. m. changing from 17 to 39 WJZ stations, coast-to-coast; John Morrel & Co., Ottumwa, Ia. (Red Heart dog food) on March 31 shifted Bob Becker to Sundays, 5:45-6 p. m. on 19 WJZ stations; Forhan Co. Inc., New York on March 18 added 7 KPO stations to Black Chamber Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 7:15-7:30 p. m. Wednesdays, Fridays, 7:15-7:30 p. m.

# **U. S. Treasury Gratified** As Radio Aids Campaign For Refunding of Bonds

U. S. TREASURY officials obtained a prompt response from the radio audience during the last half of March when radio stations and net-works aided the Treasury in in-forming the public about details of converting the called Fourth Liberty Loan bonds.

Stations and networks were asked by Secretary Henry Morgenthau Jr., to announce the conversion plans and more than 10,000 responses were received within four days. Nearly every station broadcast announcements of the plan.

Secretary Morgenthau obtained the aid of radio by sending this telegram to stations and networks: "The Treasury appreciates your cooperation on other similar occasions and will be grateful if you will broadcast the following an-nouncement at convenient times up to and including Wednesday March 27:

"'The Secretary of the Treasury has requested an announcement for has requested an announcement for the benefit of those individuals who hold Fourth Liberty Loan bonds which have been called for pay-ment on April 15. The Treasury is now offering other securities in exchange for these bonds but this offer will terminate at midnight of Wednesday March 27 and after that date holders of these called bonds will be unable to gain the advantages of the exchange. If you hold any Fourth Liberty Loan Bonds you should inspect them carefully. In the upper right hand corner is a serial number. If the last digit of this number is a five or a six or a seven it is one of the called bonds. Your banker can give you the details of the exchange offering. If you wish to exchange of-your called bonds for other inter-est-bearing securities you should act promptly."

# AGENCIES AND REPRESENTATIVES

IAL E. PEARCE, formerly Northrest repersentative for Walter Bidick Co., San Francisco, is now oprating as a direct station represenative, with offices in the White-Ienry-Stuart Bldg., Seattle.

IRS. M. D. CORBETT, formerly ead of the M. D. Corbett Adv. gency. St. Louis, has been named irector of the radio department of he Ridgway Co., St. Louis agency. IABERLIN (Bud) MORIARTY, who handled the Chevrolet radio acount in San Francisco for Campbellwald Co., has been transferred to be Detroit office.

IARSHALL HURT, formerly with VJDX, Jackson, Mich., and with adertising firms, has started an agency ith offices in the Daniel Bldg., ackson.

WYNN FIELDING, space buyer nd active in radio accounts of Lord Thomas, San Francisco, was maried recently to Miss Bess Carleton n San Francisco. Lewis H. Yeomans, San Francisco manager of J. Stirling Betchell, Inc., was best man at the premony which was performed by Judge George Steiger.

BOB ROBERTS & ASSOCIATES. San Francisco, have been appointed o handle Pacific Coast radio for rrazy Water Co., Mineral Wells, Tex. ONQUEST ALLIANCE Co. Inc., New York, has been named exclusive C. S. representative for CMW and MX, Havana, and CPX, La Paz, Bolivia.

HHK, government radio station at Port au Prince, Haiti, has decided to accept advertising, and has appointed Conquest Alliance Co., New York as ts U. S. representative.

RADIO LUXEMBURG, the powerful commercial broadcasting station in the Duchy of Luxemburg, has appointed the Conquest Alliance Co., New York, as its official American representative, according to an announcement March 25 by Conquest.

FORD SIBLEY, for the last eight months with Lord & Thomas, San Francisco, has been appointed publicity director for the agency in that city. He is publicizing radio as well as other accounts.

STANLEY PLUMB, former account executive of Lord & Thomas, Sau Francisco, has become traffic manager for the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., lirecting sales and advertising.

MAURICE HYDE, for the last year manager of the Retail Advertising Bureau of the San Francisco News, has opened his own agency at 26 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, and will handle radio along with other advertising.

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# Twin City Agency Recognition

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J. THOMAS LYONS, executive vice president of WCAO, Baltimore, announces appointment of Free & Sleininger Inc., as national sales representative effective May 1.

STANLEY SWANBERG, vice president of Botsford. Constantine & Gardner, San Francisco, has been selected as guest lecturer for the University of California extension course in advertising for a second term.

FREDERICK SEID Adv. Agency, San Francisco, has established offices in the First National Bank Bldg., San Jose, with Dick Jorgensen in charge as manager.

SIDNEY GARFINKLE, president of the Sidney Garfinkle Advertising Agency, San Francisco, and Mrs. Garfinkle, are the parents of a girl, Ann Louise, born Feb. 21.

MURREL CRUMP Co., Kansas City, has gone out of business.

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# **Morgan Forms Agency**

RAYMOND R. MORGAN Co. Inc. has been formed with its offices at 6362 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, by Raymond Morgan, former vice president of Earnshaw-Young Inc. and later vice president and radio executive in the Los Angeles office of Bowman, Deute & Cummings Inc. The new group will handle general advertising, but specialize in radio accounts. Felix Mills, of the KHJ musical staff, will be music director; Cyril Ambruster, former casting director for the *Chandu* series, will be drama director; Kathryn Tjerney, late of the M-G-M studios, will head continuity activities and Tuck Edwards, onetime city editor for the *Los Angeles Record*, will be publicity director.

## **Bacher to Armstrong**

WILLIAM A. BACHER has been selected by F. Wallis Armstrong Co., Philadelphia agency, to head the radio department and now is in Hollywood directing the Hollywood Hotel series on CBS for Campbell Soup Co., Camden, N. J. With Bacher on the coast is Ward Wheelock, Jr., executive vice-president of the agency. Formerly a free-lance producer, Bacher has been closely identified with Benton & Bowles Inc., New York, being responsible for their presentations of Maxwell House Showboat, Palmolive Beauty Box Theatre, Lanny Ross's Log Cabin, and Maria's Certo Matinee. He also directed The O'Flynns for the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.

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Philadelphia	1,950,000	Detroit	1,568,662
Baltimore	804,874	St. Louis	821,960
Washington	486,869	San Francisco	634,394
Buffalo	573,249	Los Angeles	1,238,048
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Tourist influx brings big busi-ness gains for Asheville and Western North Carolina in and spring and summer. Concen-trate sales efforts here — over WWNC, sole blanket Radio cov-erage! And begin NOW!

Full Time NBC Affiliate 1.000 Watts

# **RADIO ADVERTISERS**

OVAL-ACQUIN Co., St. Louis (pro-prietary) has placed its account with Kelly-Stuhlman Adv. Co., St. Louis, A campaign including radio has been started in the Midwest.

VESTAL CHEMICAL LABORA-TORIES Inc., St. Louis (Wax - All floor polish), planning a campaign to include radio, has placed its account with Shaffer - Brennan Adv. Co., St. Louis.

SELF - LOCKING CARTON Co., Chicago, starting a test radio cam-paign, has placed its account with Needham, Louis & Brorby Inc., Chicago.

VIMAY lnc., Los Angeles, using ra-dio and other media to introduce its Amphoteric face cream, has placed its account with Chet Crank Inc., Los Angeles.

# **Speaking of Areas** . .

570 Kilocycles



# **Get These Facts on SBS**

# **Coverage of the Responsive Southwest!**

There are 17 cities in the Southwest-Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana-with a population of more than 40,000 each.

SBS stations are located in 12 of these. (And Port Arthur is completely covered by Beaumont's KFDM, just as Galveston is in the Houston primary area.) That leaves only 3 cities-El Paso, Tulsa and New Orleansand each is to be found in SBS secondary areas.

Further, there are 68 cities of more than 10,000 population in the Southwest. Of these, 51 are in the SBS primary area (total population 2,307,887), while seventeen (total population 926,232) are in the secondary area.

Finally, the total population of the SBS primary area is 8,542,978 and the secondary area total is 3,633,852. Figure it out yourself-SBS has the real Southwestern coverage!

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# SOUTHWEST BROADCASTING SYSTEM

LEE H. ARMER, President, Fort Worth, Texas GREIG, BLAIR & SPIGHT, Inc., Representatives NEW YORK CHICAGO DETROIT SAN FRANCISCO LOS ANGELES

FERRY - MORSE SEED Co., San Francisco, has appointed Gerth-Knol-lin Adv. Agency, San Francisco, to handle advertising in nine western states. The 1935 campaign includes a weekly 15-minute feature, *The Gar-den Guide*, over KFRC, San Fran-cisco, in collaboration with the Cali-fornia Spray-Chemical Corp., Berke-ley, Cal. (Long Advertising Service, San Jose) and Pacific Guano & Fer-tilizer Co., Sam Fancisco (Tomaschke-Elliott Inc., Oakland). N. W. Ayer & Son Inc., continues to handle the national account for the Ferry-Morse FERRY - MORSE SEED Co., national account for the Ferry-Morse Gerth - Knollin agency seed Co. added John Logan to its staff. He is assisting in radio as well as other media.

STRONG. CARLISLE & HAM-MOND Co., Cleveland (Sib cleaner) has placed its account with Fuller & Smith & Ross Inc., Cleveland.

GEM PRODUCTS SALES Co., Camden, N. J. (Soaps), is advertising through Robert M. Clutch Co., Philadelphia.

ELGIN AMERICAN Co., Elgin, III, is advertising direct its Elgin razor through spot broadcasting and other media.

MIRACUL WAN Co., St. Louis, is advertising through Gardner Adver-tising Co., St. Louis.

SEAGRAM DISTILLERS Corp., New York, has been elected to mem-bership in the ANA.

NUL - EX PRODUCTS MFG. Co.. Philadelphia (skin lotion), using ra-dio, has appointed Jerome B. Gray & Co. to handle its account.

F. W. FITCH Co., Des Moines (shampoo) has placed its account with J. Roland Kay Inc., Chicago.

LOUIS K. LIGGETT & Co.. New York (stores) is advertising through Street & Finney Inc., New York.

J. A. FOLGER & Co., San Francisco (food) has transferred its account to Raymond R. Morgan Co. Inc., Hollywood.

PAUL SCHULZE BISCUIT Co., Chicago, radio user, has placed its advertising with H. W. Kastor & Sons Adv. Co. Inc., Chicago,

TASTYEAST Inc., Trenton, N. J. (Tastyeast candy, Mt. Rose Gin) has placed its account with Clements Co., Philadelphia.

HAAS, BARUCH & Co., Los Angeles (Iris coffee), using radio, has appointed Charles II. Mayne Co., Los Angeles, to handle its account.

CRACKER JACK Co., Chicago (confection) has placed its account with John R. Dunham Co., Chicago.

BOWEY'S Inc., Chicago (flavors) has placed its account with Russel C. Comer Adv. Co., Chicago.

# **All-Florida Network**

THE FIRST commercial over the newly formed All-Florida Network was piped March 15 over Class D lines connecting WDAE, Tampa; WDBO, Orlando; WMBR, Jacksonville, and WQAM, Miami. Seybold Baking Co., Miami, sponsored the first program, and in addition two sustaining programs were carried. According to Norman McKay, According to Norman McRay, WQAM program director, and Fred Mizer, WQAM commercial mana-ger, who are in charge of originat-ing the All-Florida Network pro-grams from Miami, three more commercials for Friday nights are to be added.

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# STUDIO NOTES

THE NEW \$100,000 studios of WIP. THE NEW \$100,000 studios of WIP, Philadelphia, were officially opened March 16 by Benedict Gimbel Jr., president of WIP. They are located in the Gimbel Bros. store, where the station has broadcast since 1922. The new studios were dedicated by Gov. George II. Earle, of Pennsylvania, and Mayor J. Hampton Moore, of Philadelphia, who dedicated the origi-nal station 13 years are nal station 13 years ago.

WINDOW cards calling attention to WINDOW cards caring attention to the twice-weekly programs of Fels & ('o, Philadelphia (Fels Naptha soap) over KNX. Hollywood have been dis-tributed by the station to some 500 Southern California stores. While the cards are directed at consumers, leaflets accompanying them explain the program to grocers so they can pass the information on to customers. Young & Rubicam Inc., New York, handles the Fels account.

A 13 - WEEK contest Curious Ques-tions sponsored on KMON, St. Louis by the David G. Evans Co. (Old Judge coffee) provides prizes ranging from 50 to merchandise. Prizes are tripled if a coupon from a can of the sponsor's coffee accompanies en-tries. Questions and answers are pre-conted by a cast of five, with a musisented by a cast of five, with a musical background.

A SERIES of 13 Sunday half-hour programs over WCKY, Cincinnut, has been started by Morris Plan Bank of Cincinnati. A bank official gives a three-minute talk in each pro-gram, with a male quartet, vocal trio and dramatic episode rounding out the half-hour. Key Adv. Co., Cincinnati, bandles the account. handles the account.

BROADCAST three times weekly over WAAF, Chicago, A Dog's Life has an all-canine cast of characters, who depict the adventures of a Scot-tie and her friends from a dog's point of view. The sketches are written and produced by Dick Morenus.

TACOMA'S "big three" department TAUOMAS "ong three" department stores are big radio users and Fisher Co. has just signed for daily studio, programs on KVI in addition to time used by several departments of the store. Peoples Store and Rhodes Bros, also are liberal users of time Bros. als on KVI.

SOME 700 meat dealers assembled in the studios of KMOX. St. Louis, for a beef-cutting demonstration staged American Packing Co., spousoring Views on News.

A JOURNAL titled Goose Creek Bugle Inc. has been incorporated by 5 the Country Church of Hollywood, heard on KIIJ, Los Angeles, Don Lee Network and KFAC, Los Angeles, Capital stock of \$3 is subscribed by William B. Hogg, pastor of the church, Virginia Hogg and William 5 A. Barr. A. Barr.

RELICS in the museum at Mission Village, California, are featured in a a new program Indian Theatre on KFAC, Los Angeles. The dramas are built around pioneer days on the Santa Fe trail, and Robert Callahan, author of Indian stories, is narrator. WJIM. Lansing. Mich., has started a nightly Lost & Found Column sponsored by the local Frigidaire dealer. Announcements are made free of charge.

FAMOUS criminal trials are being dramatized in the Wheels of Justice series on WBNN, New York. Actual transcripts of testimony are present-ed, with five-minute addresses on Crime prevention by leading prosecutors, lawyers and police officials included in the program.



O BRING to its audience's atten-ton the fact that its radio advertis-ing copy is carefully investigated be-pre being broadcast. KSD. St. Louis, having its announcer go on the air at periods not occupied by commer-als to explain the methods it em-loys in handling copy. KSD main-ains a censorship committee to pass in products and claims.

TRIPLE turntable, specially uilt for playing sound effects re-brds directly into the studio micro-hone, has been installed by WTMJ, Iilwaukee. It was designed by Har-rs Saevke, production chief, and con-tructed by the Wirtz Co., Milwaukee.

GPC, Albany, Ga., has returned to be air after being silent for two reeks. During this period studios rere redecorated and new mechani-al equipment was installed.

TISIBLE sound and audible light rill be demonstrated by General Electric research engineers when they cramble a radio program of WBNX. Few York, into light waves and then where the audience, supplied with mir-iors, an opportunity of reflecting the ight into an instrument which will mange it back again to sound waves. This demonstration will be made durng the week of April 6-13 as a fea-ure of the Bronx Prosperity and Beter Housing Exposition with Gover-or Lehman, Mayor LaGuardia, Jousing Administrator Moffett and ther public officials participating.

V9XBY, new Kansas City station in he new 1500-1600 kc band, operating in 1530 kc, has made its *Dot & Dash Tlub* a daily feature. as a result of videspread interest. The program, for-nerly once a week. gives lessons in adio code. with Friday as "Exami-ation Night".

4N A BASKETBALL game with an-douncers of KWK. St. Louis, the MOX team ended on top of a 31-24 core. The KWK team is coached by flarence G. Crosby, general manager. former college athlete former college athlete.

MERICAN PACKING Co., St. touis (Sunrise Brand meats) and 'ponsors of the daily weekday news 'roadcast Views on News featuring 'Harry W. Flannery, newspaper riter, on March 18 added a lettersriting contest. A subject of national nterest is taken each week, and the ive best daily letters of 250 words r less win a carring knife. A grand reekly cash prize is given the best f the 30 weekly winners.

THE SUNDAY morning Breakfast Nub on KHJ. Los Angeles, with 'ponsorship by Autobank, loan organi-lation. in March added eight more 'tations of the Don Lee-CBS Net-'rork. While the KHJ broadcast will continue under local sponsorship. the brogram elsewhere will be on a sus-mining basis. nining basis.

BEGINNING April 1, WSMB, New Orleans, again cooperates with the Yew Orleans School Board in presenthew Orleans School Board in present-ing the annual spelling bee of the 'ublic schools. Conducted by Nicho-as Bauer. superintendent of schools. the contest will be heard each after-.oon, with the outstanding spelling stars competing.

SERIES of broadcasts from stu-A SERIES of broadcasts from stu-ios on the campus of the University of Notre Dame has been started by VSBT-WFAM. South Bend, Ind. Lducational discussions are presented in the form of interviews. Students of a s announcers and production nen. as well as providing band, or-bestra, glee club and choir talent.

A NEW SERIES of Wednesday Eve-ing Edgeworth Concerts has been tarted by Larus & Bros. Co. Inc., lichmond, Va. (Edgeworth tobacco), n WRVA, owned and operated by he tobacco company. Advertising con-inuity is confined to a short commer-ial announcement in the middle of he program. he program.

# **Rodent Interferes**

THE silent adventures of a wandering rat deprived lis-teners of KHJ, Los Angeles, of several minutes of the Jamboree program over the Don Lee-CBS network. The roving rodent wandered into the KHJ transmitter and was electrocuted, throwing the transmitter out of commission.

KJBS, San Francisco, which has no orchestra. could make up one from members of its regular production. sales and engineering staff. several of whom have been professional musi-cians. Here's a fair orchestra: Pian-ist, salesmanager Carleton Coveny; saxophonists, traffic manager Ronald Smith. and announcer Frank Cope; violinists, production manager Harry Wickersham, announcers Gene Clark Wickersham, announcers Gene Clark and Ted Morde; trumpets, chief engi-neer Jack Burrell and newscaster Hugh Gagos; tuba, operator Gene Goldrup; drums, announcer Ed Franklin.

CYNTHIA KING. 21, of Boston. new to radio, was chosen by WNEW, New York, in a contest for the selection of a woman announcer. The sta-tion set up a microphone in the lobby of the Strand theatre and for 45 min-utes patrons who had seen the show were invited to criticize it on the air. Miss King was selected as the one giving the best criticism in the best ra-dio voice. The feature was conducted by Martin Block.

COLLEGE debating teams are being heard over Southwest Broadcasting System. the competing teams often speaking from different stations.

WCKY. Cincinnati, is cooperating with *Radio Dial*. Cincinnati radio program and news weekly, to decide which of the station's ace announcers which of the station's ace announcers is the most popular. James S. Alder-man, Arthur Ainsworth. Lee Gold-smith or Sidney Ten Eyck. The win-ner will get a free trip to Radio City. ACCORDING to W. A. Stanton, manager of CHML, the Hamilton station recently purchased by Senator A. C. Hardy of Ottawa. approximately \$30,000 has been appropriated for building a new station. A new 100-watt crystal controlled transmitter is already installed and in operation, and is to be moved outside the city in the near future. Enlarged studios and equipment capable of handling three programs simultaneously are now being built.

A NEW feature on KOIN. Portland, Ore., Northwestern Neighbors, spon-sored by Northwestern Electric Co., pays respects to outstanding Northwest citizens in many fields. The first of the series was broadcast March 12 and featured Amos Burg, explorer.

## Maj. Bowes Leaves WHN

MAJOR EDWARD BOWES, whose Amateur Hour has now become a Sunday night feature on the NBC-WEAF network has resigned from WEAF network has resigned from his vice-presidency of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and from the man-agership of WHN, New York, which MGM controls. He remains managing director of the Capitol Theatre. In his place, temporarily in charge of WHN, is Louis K. Sidney, who in addition retains his present duties with the theatre circuit and its New York house. Chase & Sanborn sponsors Maj. Bowes and his Amateur Hour on the network, while Jay C. Flippen will take Bowe's place at the head of WHN's amateur production. of WHN's amateur production.







ounce; and gold for \$20.67 — in Utah, the nation's leading non - ferrous mining state.



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Hudson Motor Gulf Oil Alka-Seltzer General Motors Kleenex Bisodol Standard Oil Chrysler Camel Woodbury Soap Frigidaire

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California Perfume Proctor & Gamble

WSPD is on the Columbia Basic Network-has a potential market of over 1,000,000 people-and will produce results at an unusually low cost.



# Food and Drug Bill in Doubt

(Continued from page 10)

in the House, where Chairman Ewin L. Davis of the Federal Trade Commission a former House leader is certain to exert influence against its passage in its present form because of the provision for transfer of advertising control.

# Not to Be Pushed

SENATOR Copeland, in offering the measure to the Senate, declar-ed that it has been accorded no special place on the calendar, and that "several weeks" might elapse before it comes up for consideration. He said he would not try to push it unduly so far as to inter-fere with the regular order of busifere with the regular order of business. He defended the advertising provisions, notably that placing control in the Food & Drug Administration rather than the Trade Commission. He said that advertising of these commodities is not a "commercial function", but as an extension of the label, comes under the heading of public health. The Committee vote on report-The Committee vote on report-ing the measure was: Senators in favor—Fletcher, Shepard, Malo-ney, Radcliffe, Copeland, Demo-crats; McNary, Vandenberg, White, Gibson, Republicans: a g a in st, Bailey, Clark, Murphy, Bachman, Donahey, Guffey, all Democrats. The president's message was sent to Congress a day after Sen-ator Copeland, Undersecretary of Agriculture Revford G Tugwell

Agriculture Rexford G. Tugwell who sponsored the original mea-sure last session, and W. G. sure last session, and W. G. Campbell, chief of the Food & Drug Administration, conferred with Mr. Roosevelt at the White House. It was the first time this session that Mr. Tugwell has identified himself with the legislation, since his arbitrary stand last year, when five separate revisions of the bill failed of enactment, was held largely responsible for the deluge of opposition to it.

In his majority report, made public March 26, Senator Copeland discussed the new bill section by section. He said that provisions which had aroused the apprehension of honest manufacturers have been rejected or altered. He added that the bill, if enacted in its pres-ent form, "will be of incalculable benefit to the consumers. It will place no undue burden on any hon-est manufacturing or advertising practice.'

Discussing the advertising defi-nition, he said it was to be noted that the words "to the public" have been inserted after the word "disseminated", to meet the fears of some that the breadth of the definition was such that the manufacturer of a product could be made liable to action through purely so-cial conversations of satisfied cial conversations of satisfied users of that product who might mistakenly misrepresent it.

Regarding false advertisements,

the report, said: Section 601 defines false advertise-ments. Paragraph (a) covers all the commodity groups encompassed in the bill and defines the advertisement of a food, drug, or cosmetic as false if it is false or misleading in any particular relevant to the the purposes of the bill regarding such food. drug, or cos-metic. The language is similar in its import to that of the general mis-

# We don't claim to be the Nation's Greatest Station

 $B_{\rm to\ note\ that\ advertisers\ keep\ coming\ back}^{\rm UT\ IT\ IS\ interesting\ and\ rather\ gratifying}$ for time on WHAS . . . The only way that we can account for this is that they must be getting results . . . reaching and selling a valuable market through this station . . .

It stands to reason that 50,000 watts is going to cover a lot of territory . . . especially when the broadcast is made from near the center of population and on a nationally cleared channel (820 kilocycles) which insures good reception, day or night . . .



NEW YORK CHICAGO DETROIT SAN FRANCISCO

branding provisions in sections 30: (a), 402 (a), and 502 (a). It im-poses the same standard of truth. The words "relevant to the purpos-of this act regarding such food, drug or cosmetic" have been added for th-reason that it is not intended to apply to what is simply goodwill adver tising and not an advertisement of the merits of the article, even indi-rectly. Such language is deemed un-necessary in the provision with re-spect to labeling, which does not lend itself to such representations.

their to such representations. This paragraph, as will be noted from the definition of advertising in section 201, paragraph (j), deals with representations of opinion as well as fact. This is to prevent the unscrupu-lous from expressing false representa tions by the simple expedient of couching their advertisements in the form of expressions of opinion. Clever copy of expressions of opinion. Ulever copy writers would have no difficulty in conveying false representations in opinion terms. But the law has long recognized the privilege of "trade puf-fing", or the right of the advertiser to "put his best foot forward" in the sale of his wares. Section 601 is not in of his wares. Section 601 is not in tended to restrain the legitimate exer-cise of this privilege where it is in no particular misleading. Good advertis-ing is not incompatable with truth in advertising, and there is nothing in this paragraph or in any other sec-tion of the bill to prevent the vivid and attractive advertisement of any and all meritorious properties of goods. The language of this paragraph dealing with representations of effect dealing with representations of effect

dealing with representations of effect of drugs is identical with the proviso under paragraph (a) of section 402, which was discussed in connection with that section. Paragraph (b) proscribes the ad-vertisement of drugs for a short list of extremely dangerous diseases that cannot be effectively treated by self-medication with any drug. The pur-pose of the paragraph is to afford a means of summarily stopping such admeans of summarily stopping such ad-vertisements before victims of the disvertisements before victims of the dis-eases have been encouraged to waste valuable time in temporizing with in-effective treatment, during which the malady may progress to stages where the most skilled treatment will not avail. It is recognized that most ad-variance for dwige for these dia vertisements of drugs for these dis-eases could be stopped under the preceding paragraph proscribing false adceding paragraph proscribing faise ad-vertising. It is nevertheless true that vendors of these outrageous "fakes" through resort to technicalities and legal delays, could continue to foist the nostrums on the public for con-siderable time if paragraph (a) were the sole instrument under which the Government could operate. The toll of suffering and death taken by such of suffering and death taken by such fraudulent preparations is so serious that authority should be provided for immediate and unquestionable action. An exception is made in the paragraph for advertisements appearing in medi-cal and pharmaceutical journals if such advertisements meet the stand-ard of truth imposed by paragraph (a) of the section.

Media Exemptions DISCUSSING that provision ex-empting media from the penalities of the act, Senator Copeland said: Publishers, radio broadcast licensees, and other media for the dissemi-nation of advertising are not in many instances in a position to know the nature of the goods they advertise nor can they be expected to maintain the necessary laboratory equipment and staff of technicians to determine the facts. Accordingly, paragraph (c) will exempt such persons from liabil-ity under the law and place the re-upervisiting michaes in righting be sponsibility where it rightly be-longs, on the manufacturer or dealer of the advertised product who is in a position to know, and should know, whether the representations concerning his goods are true or false. How-ever, if a publisher or other advertis-ing medium should willfully refuse to furnish the name and post office ad-dress of an advertiser, he would be held guilty of a misdemeanor and sub-ject to penalty.

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# BENJAMIN SOBY AND ASSOCIATES

1023 Wallace Avenue Wilkinsburg, Pittsburgh, Pa.

# **Mexican Radio Clouds**

(Continued from page 37) "Prof. Rood". It was broadcasting on 1115 kc. adding 150,000 watts to the nightly din, but no work had yet been started on the 500,000watt job at Matamoros. Things continued in this manner until February, 1934, when XEAW received notice from Mexico City that it was fined 5,000 pesos for violating the Mexican radio department law by continuing to broadcast fortune-telling programs after having been instructed to stop it. This was bad news, but up at XER they were staggered to learn that their fines amounted to over 350,000 pesos for ignoring the newly issued laws as much as they did.

XEAW managed to pay her fine, but since XER was tardy in mailing her payment, the Mexican government forced open the doors of the station one night while it was still on the air, closed the place down, and placed an embargo on the whole works until the fines should be paid. "The Sunshine Station Between the Nations" was silent, and as far as XER is concerned, it still is.

That was that! The style of the border stations was undoubtedly cramped, Brinkley has tried to have the fines removed, but so far has not been succesful. The other stations continued to broadcast, but in a half-hearted fashion, XENT got special permission for her cancer talks, and XEAW got permission for a modified fortune-telling program, but the spirit of the thing was different.



# **Calling All Citizens**

COLUMBUS (Ga.) police find that broadcasting of police radio announcements over WRBL is helping in crime prevention in that section. WRBL breaks into programs with police flashes and listener response is favorable. The feature has been on the air three months. Police explain that supplementing of their short-wave flashes with the WRBL broadcasts puts the public on the lookout when robberies and other crimes are announced. The feature was developed by David Parmer vice-president and director of the station.

Brinkley's name was linked with various radio projects. He bought a yacht in Florida and was supposed to be building a high powered job aboard her from which he could pour his lectures into the U. S. while remaining outside the border limit. He was reported to be connected with the 500,000-watt station going up in Cuba, and he was shifting XER to Haiti. Actually, he bought time on XEPN, which had also managed to get the special permission of the Mexican department of health, and put on a modified medical program there. In January of this year he bought out XEAW, lock, stock and barrel.

XER's old slogan was used over XEAW and the station is now on the air from 7 p. m. to 6 a. m., and he is reported to be increasing the power. Whether he will build it up to another super-power job, is a question.

XER still stands idle at Villa Acuna. The 500,000-watter at Matamoros never materialized. XEPN and XENT are still on—but only just—and it appears that Dr. John R. Brinkley is again No. 1 broadcaster on the border, and old XED may again be No. 1 station there. He has recently completed a \$200,000 mansion at Del Rio, Texas, fitted with organ room, swimming pool, etc., and organ programs are sent by remote control to a Kansas station each morning. Under his management XEAW is trying hard to get the good will of the U. S. public, both local and distant, by broadcasting interesting programs of varied nature, and the old programs are now so toned down that they appear almost "ethical".

The border situation may carry on like this for years, but its back was broken with the closing of the 200,000 - watt XER. The stations down there are no longer a novelty. Artists of note do not perform there any more, and even the backwoods folk no longer sit up all night listening to them. But as long as the border stations continue to cater to the country people, they will probably always make a living from the daily dollars.

MANDEVILLE & KING Co., Rochester, N. Y. (nursery) on April 4, starts a Thursday morning test campaign on WFBL, Syracuse, with advice on gardening given by Holmer Bloomer of the sponsoring company.

# News Reel of Air For Bromo Seltzer Pathe Films Will Be Sponsored

On Four Mutual Stations

UNDER the title Pathe News of the Air, Emerson Drug Co., Baltimore (Bromo Seltzer) on April 8 will start two weekly quarter-hour programs on 4 Mutual stations using the sound tracks of movie newreels.

Presentation of the Pathe newsreel will mark the first time any transcription, whether on discs, film, or thread, has been used for a regular network program. However, the campaign is experimental in nature, and the station has in the contract a provision permitting it to reject the program after thirteen weeks. It is also emphasized that the station is not committed to accept other business offered for transcribed programs, but will consider each on its merits, and the same applies to the mutual chain as a whole.

J. Walter Thompson Co., New York, now handling the Emerson account, states that the newsreels will broadcast from WGN and WXYZ at 7 p. m. Mondays and Wednesdays, with repeats from WOR and WLW Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Legal opinion has been rendered that notables interviewed on the gangplank by newsreel men, or winners of championships in tennis or ping pong have no basis for suit against Pathe, stations or sponsors. The situation 1s believed to be analagous with that of the press, where advertising matter appears side-by-side with interviews.

The Bromo-Seltzer continuity is to be kept separate from the newsreel itself and the program will be presented as Pathe's newsreel—not Bromo Seltzer's.

General Mills Sponsors Base Ball in Cleveland GENERAL MILLS, Minneapolis (Wheaties) will broadcast on WGAR, Cleveland, play - by - play accounts of out - of - town baseball games played by the Cleveland team of the American League. Ellis Vanderpyl, WGAR sports announcer and commercial manager, will handle the broadcast starting with the opening game April 16.

Through an arrangement with Western Union, WGAR will get descriptions of the games except when the team is in New York or Philadelphia and these cities probably will be included before the season starts. Graves Taylor, of the WGAR staff, will relieve Vanderpyl and announce commercials. This is the first time such a program has been made in Cleveland. Blackett - Sample - Hummert Inc., Chicago, h and les the contract, which is around the \$10,000 mark.

# Willard Battery Spots

WILLARD STORAGE BATTERY Co., Cleveland, has enlarged its 1935 advertising campaign and spot announcements will be used in addition to other media. Meldrum & Fewsmith Inc., Cleveland, handles Willard advertising.

# Idillion Radio Sets Used in Dominion

# ain of 15% Over 1933 Shown; icense Fees Come Due

By JAMES MONTAGNES

ASED on the number of radio ceiving licenses issued during the ast year, there was approximateone radio receiving set to every 3.6 persons in Canada, according a report just issued by the De-artment of Trade and Commerce Ottawa. There were 798,761 reeiving licenses issued during the rst 11 months of the fiscal year nded March 31, making an in-rease of 105,932 licenses or 15.3% ver the preceding year. Add to nis the number of receivers in omes of people not having licenss and an estimated million radio eceivers are in use in Canada. A ertain percentage of the popula-on still holds out against the \$2 nnual license, chancing the fine if aught. Unemployed unable to pay he fee are allowed to use receivers rithout a license.

## Patronage System

TARTING April 1 radio listeners nust buy new licenses, and plans t present indicate that the sale of hese licenses will be pressed more his year than ever before. Within he past few years the sale of lienses has been used as political atronage, in that unemployed pary workers or members are au-horized to sell licenses on a door d door system, retaining 15% of he sale price.

With an election to be held for he federal government this sumner this lucrative patronage sysem is understood to be well oiled o sell as many licenses as possible, lespite the fact that listeners are ndignant about this method of ale, since it means opening the loor and hauling out the license or any number of men who are ending the compulsory license, as vell as for the inspector who is iable to come on complaint from iny vendor to whom the listener vould not buy or show his license.

BERT PHILLIPS, sales manager of KHJ, Los Angeles, suffered ractures of both heels in March in a fall from a transom when he ried to get in his office at night without a key. Both feet are in asts and he expects to be back at his desk in April with the aid of rutches.

# WROL REBROADCASTS Schedule of Knoxville Station Has 24 Pickups Daily .

**REBROADCASTING** on an extensive scale has proved effective over a three-year period for WROL, 100-watt station at Knoxville, Tenn., on 1310 kc, and the station is picking up as many as 24 pro-grams a day from WLW, Cincin-nati; WHAS, Louisville, and WSM, Nashville.

Located within an area which re-ceives these stations satisfactorily, WROL uses special receiving equipment located 10 miles out of Knoxville where noise of power lines and interference are at a Rebroadcasts are by minimum. special arrangement with the orig-inating stations and the FCC.

Station breaks are sold to local sponsors for the rebroadcasts, only one of which is a network commercial-the American Rolling Mills Co.'s Armco program. A typical WROL schedule shows three eve-A typical ning rebroadcasts, the rest originating in the station. Reception difficulties are rare.

The receiving equipment requires no operators, although weekly in-spections are made. Programs from other stations are picked up by the control room with a tele-phone dial system which operates the automatic receiver 10 miles away. Among popular programs is the Ohio School of the Air which Knoxville schools make available each day in the school auditoriums.

# California Libel Bill

CALIFORNIA Assembly Bill 188, now before the Legislature in Sac-ramento, would hold individual radio stations responsible for all statements made over the air by an advertiser. Coast broadcasters will fight the measure as discriminatory, and a measure that would put a penalty on radio advertising whereas there is none on the press. The Los Angeles Broadcasters' Association, in collaboration with the Northern California Broadcasters' Association, late in March was preparing to oppose the bill.

WASHINGTON State wrote a radio libel law on its statutes March 21 when the bill extending the application of the newspaper libel laws to stations and speakers was signed by the governor. The mea-sure had passed the Legislature earlier this session.





It saves time. No need to retype messages for different persons or departments. Machine makes any number of This modern communication service is being widely used by stations and networks. Your local Bell Telephone office will gladly show you how it can best be applied

to your own requirements.



# ACTIONS OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

(Broadcast Division)

# MARCH 13 TO MARCH 28, INCLUSIVE

## Decisions . . . MARCH 19

WELL, Battle Creek. Mich —Granted CP move transmitter, studio locally; change equip., increase from 50 to 100 w. WBOW, Terre Haute, Ind.—Granted CP change equip., change power to 100 w N 250 w D unitd. KGMB, Honolulu —Granted CP move studio, transmitter locally, increase from 250 w to 1 kw

to 1 kw. DL. Columbus. 250 w to WCOL. WCOL, Columbus, O. — Granted CP change equip., move transmitter locally. WAWZ, Zarepath. N. J.—Granted auth. install freq. control.
 WAIM, Anderson, S. C.—Granted modif. CP move studio, transmitter locally, change equip.
 KPLC, Lake Charles, La. — Granted modif. CP change equip., move 'studio, transmitter locally.
 KLO, Ogden. Utah—Granted license for CP change equip.
 WTAX, Springfield, Ill.—Granted modif. license to change hours from shares-WCBS to unitd. 0. — Granted CP

to unltd.

to unltd. KFH, Wichita—Granted modif. license move studio locally. KGIW, Alamosa, Co.—Granted modif. license change hours from shares-KIDW

KIDW, Lamar. Col.—Granted modif. license change hours from shares-KGIW to spec.

to spec. NEW, Florida Capitol Broadcasters Inc., Tallahassee, Fla.—Granted CP 1310 kc 100

Tallanassee, Fla.—Granted CF 1310 Kc 100 w unltd. WCBA, WSAN, Allentown, Pa.—Grant-ed extension exp. auth. use 250 watts ad-ditional for 90 days. SET FOR HEARING—NEW, Lafayette

WCBA. WSAN, Allentown. Pa.—Granted extension exp. auth. use 250 watts additional for 90 days.
SET FOR HEARING—NEW, Lafayette Advertiser Gazette Co. Inc., Lafayette, Advertiser Gazette Co. Inc., Lafayette, La, applic. CP 1310 kc 100 w unltd.; NEW. Oscar C. Hirsch, Cape Girardeau, Mo., applic. CP 930 kc 1 kw D; NEW, H. K. Glass & M. C. Kirkland, Eustis, Fla, applic. CP 930 kc 1 kw D; NEW, H. K. Glass & M. C. Kirkland, Eustis, Fla, applic, CP 930 kc 100 w D; WGCM, Mississippi City, Miss., applic. CP change equip., change from 1210 to 1120 kc, 100 w N 250 w D to 500 w, spec. to unltd.; NEW, Hammond-Calumet Brdestg. Corp., Hammond, Ind., applic. CP 1420 kc 100 w unltd.; NEW, Robert Louis Sanders, Palm Beach, Fla., applic. CP 1420 kc 100 w unltd.; NEW, LeRoy Haley, Durango, Col.; applic. CP 1370 kc 100 w unltd.; NEW, Card C. Struble. The Dalles. Ore.. applic. CP 1200 kc 100 w unltd.; NEW, Hamme G. Carter. Fort Worth, applic. CP 970 kc 1 kw unltd., directional antena; W10D, Miami, Fla., applic. CP change studio site locally, change equip., freq. from 1300 to 970 kc, increase from 1 to 5 kw.; NEW, Amon G. Carter. Fort Worth, applic. CP 970 kc 5 kw. unltd.; NEW, Robert Louis Sanders, San Pedro, Cal., applic. CP 1410 kc 1 kw unltd.; NEW, Robert Louis Sanders, San Pedro, Cal., applic. CP 1410 kc 1 kw unltd.; NEW. Robert Sonders, San Pedro, Cal., applic. CP 1410 kc 1 kw unltd.; NEW. Haven, applic. modif. Ileense from 50 to 100 w; WMDW, Augusta Brdestg. Co., Augusta, Ga., applic. cre studio, transmitter site or WNBO; KPPC, Pasadena, Cal., applic. modif. Ileense from 50 to 100 w; WDW, Augusta Brdestg. Co., Augusta, Ga., applic. CP ita0 kc 250 w p. WMFI, New Haven, applic. modif. Ileense from 50 to 100 w; WDW, Augusta Brdestg. Co., Augusta, Ga., applic. cre studio, transmitter site. NEW, Haw, Agaplic. amend CP (in hearing docket) re studio, transmitter site. NEW, NEW, Eugene DeBogory, d'b Dallas Radio Research Engineers, Dallas, Tex, applic. CP extend completion.
MISCELLANEOUS—Joplin Brdestg. Co. Mi

tion action setting applic. for hearing 1370 kc 100 w unltd.; WBNO, New Orleans, denied reconsideration applic. change from 1200 to 1500 kc and increase operating time from share-WJBW to unltd.; Pitts-burg Pub. Co., St. Joseph, Mo., granted permission intervene hearing of J. L. Scroggin and KGBX Inc., St. Louis; WTAQ, Eau Claire, Wis., denied recon-sideration applic. move station to DePere, Wis., modify license, approval of sale to WHBY, Ind.; NEW, Dudley J. Connolly, Chattanooga, applic. CP 1420 kc 100 w unltd., heretofore set for hearing, dis-missed because superseded by applic. Dud-ley J. Connolly & Co RATIFICATIONS: RATIFICATIONS:

WAFN, Clarksdale, Miss., granted auth. extend equip. tests 10 days.

#### MARCH 26

WGAR, Cleveland—Granted auth. deter-

WGAR, Cleveland—Granted auth. deter-mine operating power. KTRH, Houston — Granted CP change equip., change from 1330 to 1290 kc, in-crease from 1 kw N 2½ kw D to 1 kw N 5 kw D. KTSA, San Antonio—Granted modif. li-cense from 1290 to 550 kc and 1 kw N 5 kw D. NEW, Monocacy Brdcstg. Co., Frederick, Md. — Granted CP new station 900 kc 500 w D.

10 500 D.

MG. — Granted CF new station 900 kc
S00 w D.
KHSL, Chico, Cal.—Granted modif. CP
re transmitter site.
WMFD, Wilmington. N. C. — Granted
modif. CP extend completion to 8-11-35.
WSPA, Spartanburg. S. C. — Granted
modif. CP extend completion to 4-21-35.
WMAQ, Chicago — Granted modif. CP
extend completion to 7-4-35.
KRE, Berkeley, Cal. — Granted modif. CP
extend completion to 7-11-35.
WMAZ, Macon, Ga.—Granted license for
CP extend completion to 7-11-35.
WMAZ, Macon, Ga.—Granted license for
CP change equip., move transmitter. increase from 500 w to 1 kw N & D 1d. time on 1180 kc.
KWK, St. Louis—Granted license for CP

on 1180 kc. KWK, St. Louis—Granted license for CP authorizing equip. changes, increase to 5 kw D 1350 kc. 1 kw N unltd. KIT. Yakima, Wash.—Granted license for CP change equip., increase from 100 to 250 w 1310 kc 100 w N unltd.

KGIR. Butte, Mont.—Granted license for CP change equip., increase from 1 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  kw D 1 kw N 1360 kc unitd., subject to court and commission order pending ap-

WAWZ, Zarepath, N. J.—Granted modif. license from 250 w N 500 w D to 500 w N 1 kw D. WHBI, Newark—Granted modif. license

WHBJ, Newark—Granted modif. license use transmitter as auxiliary.
WJBO, Baton Rouge, La. — Granted modif. license from 100 w D to 100 w N & D unitd.
KMJ, Fresno, Cal.—Granted modif. li-cense from 500 w to 1 kw D.
WKAQ. San Juan, P. R.—Granted re-newal license 60 days pending study by legal dept. 1240 kc 1 kw N & D half time.
KSTP, St. Paul—Granted extension exp. auth. 25 kw 6 a. m. to LS on permanent basis for regular license period.
WCAD, Canton, N. Y.—Granted renewal license 1220 kc 500 w spec. D.
KOTN, Pine Bluff, Ark.—Granted con-sent vol. assign. license to Universal Brdcstg. Corp.

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KOTN, Pine Bluff, Ark.—Granted consent vol. assign. license to Universal Brdestg. Corp.
RENEWAL OF LICENSES — KFYR, Bismarck, N. D., granted renewal of license on temp. basis and renewal set for hearing before Division en banc 5-21-35; WMCA, New York, granted renewal set for hearing before Division en banc 6-6-35.
SET FOR HEARING — WAZL. Hazleton, Pa., applic. for CP change equip., increase to 250 w D: NEW. Cache Valley Brdestg. Serv. Co., Logan, Utah, applic. CP 1370 kc 100 w unitd.; NEW, C. M. Electric Serv. Co., Stevensvile. Mont.. applic. CP 1500 kc 100 w unitd.; NEW. D. A. Wark & H. H. Hedstrom. Twin Falls, id., applic. CP 1500 kc 100 w unitd.; NEW, Wyoming Radio Educational Assn., Cheyenne. Wyo., applic. CP 760 kc 500 w N1 1 kw D unitd., facilities of KGHL: NEW, Harry Prezant, Los Angeles, applic. CP 1210 kc 100 w unitd.; MEW, C. Pittsburg, Co.; NEW, Pittsburg, Kan., applic. CP 1500 kc 100 w unitd.; KGCX, Wolf Point. Mont., applic. CP 1210 kc 100 w unitd.; KGCX, Wolf Point. Mont., applic. CP 1310 to 610 kc, increase from

IOU w N 250 w D to 1 kw, and from SH to unitd.; WOKO. Albany, N. Y., applic. modif. license from 1430 to 970 kc; WALA. Mobile, Ala., applic. modif. license to increase from 500 w N 1 kw D to 1 kw N & D 1380 kc; KFRO. Longview, Tex., applic. modif. license from 100 w N 1 kw D to 1 kw N & D 1380 kc; KFRO. Longview, Tex., applic. modif. license from 100 to unitd., and increase power; KFWB, Hollywood. applic. spec. auth. install new equip. use 5 kw N. APPLICATIONS DISMISSED — KFJB, Marshalltown, I.a., CP 1220 kc 500 w unitd.; WMVI, New Haven, modif. CP 1200 kc 100 w N 250 w D unitd.; KSCJ, Sioux City, Ia., modif. license 1290 kc 1 kw N 24½ kw D unitd.; NEW, William L. Waltman, Muskogee. Okla., CP 1500 kc 100 w unitd.; IKEW, D unitd.; WTAR, Norfolk, modif. license 780 kc 1 kw N 500 w D unitd.; WMFH, Boston, CP 1120 kc 250 w N 500 w D unitd.; WFM, Do unitd.; WFW, CP 1370 kc 100 w unitd.; WPA, Clarion. Pa., modif. CP extend commencement date.
 ACTION ON EXAMINERS' REPORTS — NEW, Ohio Valley Brothers, CP 1370 kc 100 w unitd.; WWPA, Clarion. Pa., modif. CP extend commencement date.
 MISCELLANEOUS — WISN, Milwaukee, deside texenaiter in of the paring order on the applic. night hours. sustaining Examiner Will;

MISCELLANEOUS - WISN, Milwaukee, MISCELLANEOUS — WISN, Milwaukee, denied reconsideration of hearing order on applic. to move locally, directional an-tenna, increase from 250 w to 1 kw N; Pittsburg Pub. Co., Pittsburg, Kan.; de-nied petition intervene applic. Joplin Brdcstg. Co.; WMT. Waterloo, Ia., granted applic. change equip., move transmitter recor Celes Besider, KPMT, Der Meinee Brdcstg. Co.; WMT. Waterloo, Ia., granted applic. change equip., move transmitter near Cedar Rapids; KRNT, Des Moines, granted applic. CP move transmitter, new equip.; WEBC, Superior. Wis., denied grant without hearing of applic. change equip., increase from 2½ to 5 kw D; WDNC, Durham, N. C., hearing on applic. CP 1 kw 590 kc postponed; Palestine Brdcstg. Assn., Palestine, Tex., granted permission take depositions applic. new station; Dallas Brdcstg. Co., Dallas, denied permission amed applic. new station; WBNX, New York, denied petition im-mediate consideration applic. for modif. of license. of license

of license. AUTHORIZATIONS—WNOX, Knoxville, granted extension temp. auth. 560 kc to 10-1-35; KQV, Pittsburgh, granted exten-sion temp. auth. operate simul.-WSMK in April; WSMK, Dayton. O., same as KQV; WTCN, Minneapolis, granted extension temp. auth. use WLB transmitter in April; WILL, Urbana, Ill., granted temp. auth. 890 kc 250 w 1 kw LS, sharing KUSD & KFNF to 4-5-35; WISN, Mil-waukee granted extension temp auth use KUSD & KFNF to 4-5-35; WISN, Mil-waukee, granted extension temp. auth. use former WHAD transmitter as auxiliary; WDBO, Orlando, Fla., granted extension temp. auth. operate with added 750 w N in April: KGKO, Wichita Falls. Tex., granted extension temp. auth. operate with added 250 w N in April.

# Applications . . .

# MARCH 13

WSAN, Allentown, Pa.—Extension exp. auth. use added 250 w 90 days. WMAZ, Macon, Ga.—License for CP move transmitter, change equip., increase

WMAZ, Macon. Ga.—License for CP move transmitter, change equip., increase power.
KGVO, Missoula, Mont.—CP move transmitter locally, 1200 kc 100 w unitd., pending construction new transmitter.
APPLICATIONS RETURNED: NEW, E. L. Clifford, Pottsville, Pa., CP 580 kc 250 w D; NEW, Clark Standiford, Fresno. Cal., CP 1500 kc 100 w unitd.; KHQ, Spokane. modif. license from 1 kw 2 kw D to 5 kw; KOL, Seattle, CP change from 1270 to 810 kc, increase from 1 kw 2½ kw D to 5 kw; change equip., move transmitter locally.
WDEL, Wilmington, Del. — CP new equip., increase from 250 w 500 w D to 500 w 1 kw D.
WATR, Waterbury, Conn. — Modif. license from 1100 to 1200 kc, 100 w D to 100 w D & N, hours from D to unitd.. amended to omit change in frequency, change hours from D to LS San Antonio.
WAWZ, Zerepath. N. J.—CP change antenna, increase from 250 w 500 w D to 500 w 1 kw D; modif. license; install automatic freq. control.
WAZL, Hazleton. Pa.—CP new equip., increase from 100 to 250 w D.

WCBA, Allentown, Pa.—Extension exp. auth. added 250 w for 90 days. WFIL, Philadelphia—Modif. license from 500 w to 1 kw, amended to change name to WFIL Brdestg. Co.

WAIM, Anderson, S. C.—Modif. CP new station 1200 kc 100 w unltd., amended to change equip., transmitter and studio at Anderson College.

Anderson College. WMFD. Wilmington, N. C.—Modif. CP new station 1370 kc 100 w D, extend com-pletion to 6-11-35. WSPA, Spartanburg, S. C.—Modif. CP change equip.. change from 1420 to 920 kc, hours from unitd. to D, power from 100 w 250 w D to 1 kw D & N, move transmitter locally, extend completion to 4-21-35 4-21 35.

Wichita-CP change equip., in-KFH.

KFH, Wichita—CP change equip., in-crease from 1 kw to 1 kw 5 kw D. KMBC, Kansas City—Exp. auth. 5 kw N. KWK. St. Louis—License for CP change equip., increase D power. KHQ, Spokane, Wash.—CP increase from 1 kw 2 kw D to 1 kw 5 kw D, move trans-mitter locally, amended to 5 kw D & N. KHSL, Chico, Cal.—Modif. CP new sta-tion 950 kc 250 w D, amended re trans-mitter site

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WSYB, Rutland, Vt.—CP change equip., increase from 100 to 250 w D.
WFIL, Philadelphia—Exp. auth increase to 1 kw, amended to change name to WFIL Brdestg. Co.
NEW, Big Spring Herald Inc., Big Spring, Tex.—CP 1500 kc 100 w unltd.
NEW, Wm. O. Ansley Jr., d/b Guilford Brdestg. Co., Abilene, Tex.—CP 1420 kc 100 w unltd.
NEW, Reporter Publishing Co. Inc., Abilene, Tex.—CP 1420 kc 100 w unltd.
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WFL, St. Joseph, Mo.—CP new equip., increase from 2½ to 5 kw D, amended re transmitter site.
WOC, Davenport, Ia.—CP change equip., increase from 100 to 250 w.
WMAQ, Chicago—Modif. CP move transmitter, increase from 5 to 50 kw, extend completion to 7-4-35.
KLO, Ogden. Utah—License for CP change equip.
KGIR, Butte, Mont.—License for CP cas modified for new equip., increase power.
APPLICATION RETURNED — Eugene DeBogory & Mildred English, d/b Dallas Brdestg. Co., Dallas—CP 1500 kc 100 w

#### MARCH 15

WRC, Washington-CP new equip., in-crease from 500 w N 1 kw D to 5 kw D & N, move transmitter, amended re power. WICC, Bridgeport, Conn.-CP change

WICC, Bridgeport, Conn.-CP change equip. KABC, San Antonio-CP change equip., increase from 100 to 250 w D, amended to omit freq. change. NEW, Plainview Brdcstg. Co., Plain-view, Tex.-CP 1500 kc 100 w D & Itd., amended to omit ltd. time. NEW, Milton Kaufman & Jonas Wei-land, Kinston, N. C.-CP 620 kc 1 kw un-ltd.

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WNAX, Yankton, S. D.—Modif. CP as modified change equip., transmitter site. KIT. Yakima, Wash.—License for CP as modified to change equip., move transmit-ter & studio, increase power. KMJ. Fresno, Cal.—Modif. license in-crease from 500 w to 500 w 1 kw D. KGCX, Wolf Point. Mont.—CP change equip. increase from 100 w 250 w D to 1 kw, change from 1310 to 610 kc, change hours from spec. to unltd., move trans-mitter locally. NEW, A. Corenson, Ventura. Cal.—CP 1210 kc 100 w unltd. KRE, Berkeley, Cal.—Modif. CP extend completion to 7-11-35. APPLICATIONS RETURNED — NEW. Charles Edwin Enrich, Mobile, Ala... CP

APPLICATIONS RETURNED — NEW, Charles Edwin Enrich, Mobile, Ala.. CP 1200 kc 100 w 250 w D unitd.; NEW, J. B. Pepper, J. H. Scarborough, d/b Coastal States Brdcstg. Co., Savannah, CP 1420 kc 100 w unitd.; NEW, Farmers & Bank-ers Life Ins. Co., Wichita, CP 1210 kc 100 w N; NEW, Alaska Radio & Service Co. Inc., Juneau, Alaska, CP 1220 kc 100 w unitd.

#### MARCH 19

NEW, Robert E. Cole, Washington, Pa. —CP 1200 kc 100 w spec., asks facilities of WNBO. WWJ, Detroit—CP move transmitter to Oak Park, Mich. NEW, Reporter Publishing Co. Inc., Abilene, Tex.—CP 1420 kc 100 w unltd., amended re transmitter site

Abilene, Tex.—CP 1420 kc 100 ... amended re transmitter site. NEW, North Texas Fublishing Co., A. G. Mayse, president. Paris, Tex.—CP 1500 kc 100 w D, amended re transmitter site.

NEW, J. W. Birdwell & S. R. Jennings. hnson City, Tenn.—CP 1210 kc 100 w nended to 1200 kc unltd. NEW, Big Spring Herald Inc.. Big pring. Tex.—CP 1500 kc 100 w unltd., nended re transmitter site. KTUL, Tulsa, Okla.—Extension exp. th. 500 w N to 4-30-35.

th. 500 w N to 4-30-35. KGW, Portland, Ore.—License for CP modified to increase D power. KFKA, Greenley, Col.—Modif. license om 880 to 630 kc. NEW, W. H. Kindig, Hollywood—CP 60 kc 1 kw unltd. KGW

NEW, W. H. Kindig, Hollywood—CP 60 kc 1 kw unltd. APPLICATIONS RETURNED — WMC, emphis, auth. measure antenna power; EW, Ray J. Arend. Rochester. Minn.. P 1200 kc 100 w unltd.; KXA. Seattle. vol. assignment license to Ward Walker; XL. Portland. Ore.. CP change from 20 to 1410 kc, change equip.. increase om 100 w 250 w D to 500 w.

### MARCH 20

WMFH. Boston-Modif. CP new station 20 kc 500 w D, seeking extension of com-letion to 6-13-35. NEW. Pampa Daily News Inc., Pampa, ex.-CP 630 kc 100 w unltd., amended to on he

ex.-CF 630 kc 100 w unltd., amended to 200 kc D. KTSA, San Antonio — Modif. license rom 1290 to 550 kc and 1 kw to 1 kw 5

KGFG. Oklahoma City — CP change guip., increase from 100 w to 100 w 250 D. change hours from share-KCRC to mltd., facilities of KCRC; modif. license. NEW, Vernon Taylor Anderson. ABC rdcstg. Co., Big Spring, Tex.—CP 1500 to W D. KMBC, Kansas City—Modif. CP install aw apuin increase from 1 km 214 km D

c 100 w D. KMBC, Kansas City—Modif. CP install ew equip., increase from 1 kw 2½ kw D D 1 kw 5 kw D, further changes in equip. NEW, A. Staneart Graham, E. V. Bax-Br, Lester E. Cox, d/b Pittsburg Brdcstg. O., Pittsburg, Kan.—CP 1310 kc 100 w wild

mltd. KFJB, Marshalltown, Ia.—Modif. license rom spec. hours to unltd. KXL, Portland. Ore.—Modif. license rom share-KBPS to spec., freq. from 1420 o 780 kc, increase from 100 w 250 w D to 50 w.

#### MARCH 21

NEW, Fountain of Youth Properties nc., St. Augustine, Fla.—CP 1210 kc 100 unltd.

nc., St. Augustine, Fla.—CP 1210 kc 100 unitd. WIBA. Madison—Extension exp. auth. dditional 500 w N to 5-31-35. WTMV, East St. Louis—Modif. CP new tation 1500 kc 100 w unltd., requesting pproval transmitter and studio site 5th Broadway, antenna changes. NEW. Clark Standiford. San Jose, Cal. -CP 1150 kc 100 w unltd. NEW, Clark Standiford. Oakland—CP 490 kc 100 w unltd. NEW, A. Corenson, Pasadena—CP 1480 to 100 w D. APPLICATIONS RETURNED—WAWZ. Barepeth, N. J., CP change equip., in-rease from 250 w 500 w D to 500 w 1 kw ); WBZA. Boston. CP change equip. KOIL, Council Bluffs, Ia., CP new equip., ncrease from 2½ to 3 kw D; WICC. Bridgeport, Conn., CP change equip.

#### MARCH 22

NEW, Quincy A. Brackett, Lewis B. 3reed, Edmund A. Laport, d/b as Conn. 3rdestg. Co., Springfield, Mass.—CP 1140 c 500 w ltd.

WPRP, Ponce, Puerto Rico-Modif. CP

WFRP, Ponce, Puerto Rico-Modif. CF strend completion to 8-18-35. NEW. E. L. Clifford, Pottsville, Pa.— 2P 580 kc 250 w D. NEW, Wm. O. Ansley Jr., d/b Guilford 3rdestg. Co., Abilene, Tex.—CP 1420 kc 00 w D. WED. Berg Co. Malif. (B. change

100 w D. WRGA, Rome, Ga.—Modif. CP change squip., increase from 100 w to 100 w 250 v D., extend completion to 7-18-35. APPLICATIONS RETURNED—WCBD. Waukegan, Ill., modif. license from 1080 o 1020 kc, change hours from 16d. & hare—WMBI to ltd. D; KGDM, Stockton, 2al., modif. CP new equip., move trans-nitter. increase to 1 kw D, change equip.

## MARCH 27

WARCON 21 WJAR, Providence — Extension exp. auth. use added 250 watts N to 9-1-35. NEW, Brown Radio Service & Labora-ory, Gordon P. Brown, Rochester, N. Y. -CP 630 ke 250 w D. CBS & WBBM, Chicago—Auth. transmit ustaining programs to CKLW, CFRB. CKAC.

AC. VKJC. Lancaster, Pa.—Transfer of con-to Mason Dixon Radio Group Inc.; assign. license to Associated Broad-ters Inc.; CP move transmitter & stutrol to lio to Easton, Pa.

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WPAY, Portsmouth, O.—Modif. CP new equip., move transmitter & studio from Mt. Orab. O. to Portsmouth, O. NEW, Champaign, Ill.—CP 1370 kc 100 w unltd. WIL, St. Louis—Exp. auth. change equip., freq. from 1200 to 1250 kc, in-crease from 100 w 250 w D to 250 w 500 w D.

KFH, Wichita-CP change equip., in-crease from 1 kw to 1 kw 5 kw D, amend-

l re equip. NEW, Joplin Brdestg. Co., Pittsburg. an.—CP 1200 kc 100 w D amended re

Kan.—CP 1200 kc 100 w D amended re equip. NEW, W. R. Cramer & G. A. Ander-son, d/b Omaha Brdcstg. Co., Omaha—CP 1500 kc 100 w unltd., amended to 1200 kc. KOOS. Marshfield, Ore.—License for CP as modified to change equip., increase power, change freq. KGVO, Missoula. Mont.—CP move trans-mitter locally, operate on 1200 kc 100 w unltd. during construction. KGA. Spokane—Extension exp. auth. 900 kc 1 kw 2<sup>14</sup> kw D unltd. NEW. Clark Standiford. Visalia, Cal.— CP 850 kc 100 w D amended re transmit-ter site.

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# Examiners' Reports . . .

DELBERT E. REPLOGLE, Boston-Exminer Hyde recommended (1-29) that ap-plication for CP experimental station 1570 kc 1 kw unltd. be denied. NEW. Smith Brdcstg. Co., Chattanooga —Examiner Dalbert recommended (1-32) that applic. for CP 1420 kc 100 w unltd. be denied for default

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# **Code Fees Approved**

AMENDMENT of the code of fair competition for the broadcasting industry, to provide for mandatory assessment of dues among stations, was approved March 23 by NRA. The amendment provides that each station shall pay its equitable contribution to the expenses of maintenance of the Code Authority, and that only members complying with the code and contributing to the expenses, unless specifically ex-empted, will be entitled to participate in the selection of Code Authority members or to the benefits of any of its provisions, or to make use of any emblem or insignia of NRA.

# Good Taste Guide Meeting of 100-Watters **In Child Programs**

A DEFENSE of programs for children, recently criticized as possess-.ng too much of the "horror" ele-Ment, was presented March 21 by M. H. Aylesworth, president of NBC, in an address before the New York Federation of Women's Clubs.

The problem of child programs is a difficult one, he explained. "Take, for instance, the children's programs," he said. "How would you appeal to the interest of little children, let us say from five to eight years of age, in a radio program? Would you sing them a song, tell them a story, recite a poem or enact a little play? Yes, you would perhaps do all of these but you would not crowd them all into one program unless they all appeared to fit together."

But then there is the older brother, aged 10, who will have none of little sister's program, Mr. Aylesworth added. "He wants his own programs. And here is where he comes in conflict, often for the first time, with the ideas of us parents. What is wrong when we insist that his entertainment be made educational. Nothing — if it can be accomplished by not letting him know it."

As to mystery programs, Mr. Aylesworth told the Federation: "It is well for us to remember what the boy and girl want—and let them develop for themselves standards of judgment and taste, which the market affords. If you consider a program harmful for your child it is a simple enough thing to turn the dial. I can assure you, if it be a sponsored program, the advertising sponsor will not be slow to notice the disap-pearance of his audience. He will correct himself or we will, ourselves, as quickly as we realize public disapproval. But, on the other hand, he will not wait for this criticism and action to so mount, but will correct it as soon as there is the slightest basis for legitimate criticism.

He reminded the Federation that "cleanliness and good taste have been constant attributes of American radio programs. Constant vigi-lance on our part is another indication of how public opinion controls broadcasting. Radio is clean. It will remain clean. In the final analysis, the control by public opinion, reflected in our actions, will keep it so."

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in February on a proposal to form an association of 100-watt stations to procure national business, Edward A. Allen, manager of WLVA, Lynchburg, Va., is planning an April meeting in Pittsburgh to work out organization plans. No decision has yet been reached.

The letter was sent Feb. 19 by Mr. Allen, and the replies came largely from stations within 500 miles of Pittsburgh. He has written LeRoy Mark, president of WOL, Washington, for suggestions, and presumably has written other stations. Such a meeting, he said, could decide to send a committee to the NAB convention in Colorado Springs in July, and discuss the plans with owners of 100-watters in the West.

Mr. Allen wrote Mr. Mark that local stations are not getting their share of national business. Should only 15 locals be present at the contemplated Pittsburgh session, he said, it might be possible to hire a traveling representative to solicit national and regional busimembers. One thought is that lo-cals might be sold under a "group" rate. Mr. Mark said he thought something tangible could be done for the progressive locals, but that he would not favor any organiza-tion which would conflict with the NAB as a trade association.



be denied for default. WBIG. Greensboro N. C. — Examiner Hyde recommended (1-31) that applic. for modif. license to 1 kw be denied.

# Seth Parker Quits

PHILLIPS LORD'S plans to cruise around the world in the schooner Seth Parker, possibly securing a sponsor for his relay broadcasts, apparently have gone glimmering, for the noted radio star sailed from Samoa March 15 for Honolulu with the announced intention of selling the schooner. His vessel was towed to Tutuila, American Samoa, after its recent distress calls which brought a British warship to its rescue and won it front page notice throughout the world.

## **New Detroit Agency**

GRACE & BEMENT Inc., advertising agency, has been organized in Detroit with headquarters in the New Center Bldg., by Edward R. Grace, president of Grace & Holiday, of the same city and Austin F. Bement, president of an agency which bore his name and recently with Erwin Wasey & Co., Chicago. Mr. Grace is president and treasurer of the new firm.

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# Federal Data Show World Radio Sets

Total of 53,587,474 Operating Commerce Department Finds

A NEWLY REVISED world census of radios compiled by the electrical equipment division of the Department of Commerce reveals that 53,582,474 radios are now in use throughout the world, with 1,537 medium-wave broadcasting stations in operation. In addition there are 136 short-wave broadcasting stations and 58 operating in the long-wave bands.

The report, compiled under the direction of Andrew W. Cruse, chief of the division, accepts the 25,551,569 total as the number of radios in use in the United States which is shown in the 1935 radio census of the United States by states, fully reported in the March 15 issue of BROADCASTING. Thus the United States is shown to have nearly half the radios of the whole world.

The government report shows 548,249 radios in use in Canada, though Canada claims 1,000,000, 350,000 in Mexico and 100,000 in Cuba, with the rest of the North American countries having far smaller numbers. All of South America has 1,169,417 sets, with Argentina accounting for 600,000. Brazil and Chile 200,000 each, and Uruguay 100,000. All of Europe has 20,788,363 sets, with the United Kingdom accounting for 6,780,570, Germany 6,142,921 and France 1,662,402.

The report is available without cost from the division's offices in Washington, and it shows the number of radios and broadcasting stations in each class in every country in the world. It recapitulates the counts of radios by continental divisions as follows: North America, 26.592.613; South America, 1,169,417; Europe, 20,788,363; Europe-Asia, 2,005.500; Asia, 2.050,-339; Oceania, 800,163; Africa, 176,079. World total, 53,582,474.

# **Craig Opens Office**

NORMAN CRAIG, former vice president of Scott Howe Bowen, Inc., on March 20 announced the establishment of a station representation organization in New York, to carry his own name. A number of stations, he said, already have been aligned, and temporary offices have been established at 230 East 50th St.



BROADCAST of a dust storm from Salina, Kan., by KMBC, Kansas City, March 20, was released to the CBS network. It was dust from start to finish for Ted Malone, program director, and Paul Fonda, remote control man, who got their fill of dust in the train and stayed dusty all night in a hotel lobby. Highlights of the program included assertion by a Chamber of Commerce secretary that the dust came from Oklahoma and Nebraska, and changing of a menu item in a Greek restaurant from "beef bullion" to ''c r e a m soup".

# Dr. J. C. H. Macbeth

D R. JAMES CRUICKSHANK HENDERSON MACBETH, 58, noted cryptographer and intimate of the Marchese Guglielmo Marconi, died March 21 in New York as a result of complications from a broken kneecap suffered last fall. Scottish-born and an expert in code telegraphy, Dr. Macbeth was formerly head of the code department of the Marconi company of London. He devised and edited the Marconi International Code Book, still used internationally.

# Theme Song Contest

A CALL to songwriters in the radio studios has been issued by the fifth annual Memphis Cotton Carnival, which takes place May 6 to 11, asking for entries into competition for a carnival theme song to be used over the radio and on the street. Details can be secured by writing to Saul Bluestein, chairman of the Cotton Carnival Music Committee, 80 Madison Ave., Memnhis.

#### Yankee Artists Bureau

THE ARTISTS BUREAU of Yankee Network has been organized under supervision of Linus Travers, director of commercial productions, with Van D. Sheldon as director. The Bureau now is equipped to produce any sort of entertainment from a musical comedy to a singer or from a symphony orchestra to dance band. Public address systems are to be made available if clients desire.



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# Associated Oil Obtains Exclusive Radio Rights In Pacific College Games

ASSOCIATED OIL Co., Los Angeles, for the tenth consecutive year will broadcast principal Pacific Coast college football games, having signed a contract in March with William Monahan, chairman of the radio committee of the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Conference. The contract gives Associated exclusive sponsorship of all college athletic events. While the contract figure has not been made public, the company paid \$75,000 to the conference and independent schools last year for broadcast privileges. Already this year the company has broadcast basketball games, track meets and rugby.

"Decision to broadcast Pacific Coast football games in 1935 is due to the tremendous interest shown not only by western motorists, but also by football fans, former students of western schools and parents of students in all parts of the United States," P. E. Allan, domestic sales manager for Associated declared. "More letters of appreciation for the broadcasts were received in 1934 than any previous year, coming from nearly every state in the Union, from Hawaii, Manila and even Europe. Associated in 1935 will again urge western motorists to 'Go to the Games', providing the broadcasts for those unable to attend."

# **Krometan Spots**

KROMETAN Co., Omaha (home tanning outfits) plans to add several more stations to its spot campaign, conducted in March on KNX, Hollywood; WHO, Des Moines; WAIU, Columbus, O.; WMBD, Peoria. The schedule of three-minute spots will be continued. Additional stations are to be added in May. Campbell, Kellogg Co., Los Angeles, now is handling the account.

# CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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