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98% of Iowa homes have radios, 41.8% have two or more sets, and 11.8% have three or more, according to the 1948 Iowa Radio Audience Survey.\*

This extra-set ownership means more *listening* throughout the day. In the morning, for instance, it means 6.9% more women and 5.9% more men listeners.

The Survey's authoritative figures about multiple-set homes in Iowa constitute one of the several new and extremely important findings of the 1948 Edition. In addition to this "new information not previously gathered" the Survey gives up-to-date facts on almost every possible phase of Iowa listenership.

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\* The 1948 Iowa Radio Audience Survey is a "must" for every advertising, sales, or marketing man who is interested in the Iowa sales-potential.

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The 1948 Edition is the eleventh annual study of radio listening habits in Iowa. It was conducted by Dr. F. L. Whan of Wichita University and his staff, is based on personal interviews of 9.224 Iowa families, scientifically selected from the city, town, village and farm audience.

As a service to the sales, advertising, and research professions, WHO will gladly send a copy of the 1948 Survey to anyone interested in the subjects covered.



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FREE & PETERS, INC., National Representatives

N THIS ISSUE MONTHLY TELECASTING SECTION SHOWSHER

Like Jack's beanstalk . . .

Television towers can grow sky-high overnight, but it takes more than just a tower to make a television station foremost in its community. WWJ-TV, now in its third year of operation, is a firmly established leader in the Detroit market. It has taken full advantage of its two-year "headstart" to stake its claim on the lion's share of desirable local television features. And, through its NBC Television Network facilities, WWJ-TV has stretched its "seeing power" beyond the horizons to bring Detroiters an even greater diversity of entertainment features. Unquestionably, WWJ-TV is the one best television "buy" TODAY, in the multi-billion dollar Detroit market.

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For complete coverage, Yankee offers 24

home-town stations. Each station has local acceptance with merchants and with consumers. Together they form New England's largest regional network — delivering a vast ready-made audience.

You can really draw a crowd with Yankee --every local station pulling in its area, earning the co-operation of your dealers for maximum results everywhere.

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**Closed Circuit** 

WITH decision on long-pending clear-channel case in offing, both pro and anti clear-channel groups are becoming active again. Clear Channel Group, at call of Chairman Edwin W. Graig, met in Nashville Dec. 16. Ed Craney, head, of Pacific Northwest Broadcasters and spearhead of anti-clear channel group, has dispatched call for meeting in midwest sometime in January (see story, page 31).

FCC WILL muster its full strength for first time since summer with unheralded return last week of Comr. George E. Sterling, alternate chairman of High-Frequency Broadcasting Conference which has held sway in Mexico City since Oct. 22. Comr. Sterling plans to remain in Washington until Jan. 6 or 7 before returning to conference for windup expected by Feb. 1.

INSIDERS won't be surprised if 20th Century Fox and ABC resume huddles, though nobody wants to talk because of effect past publicity had on market value of stock.

WILLIAM ESTY Agency, New York, will produce dramatic show, Colgate Theatre, for Colgate-Palmolive-Peet, Mondays 9-9:30 p.m. on NBC-TV beginning Jan. 3. Sponsor bought time some weeks ago. Although Esty producing show, commercials for Lustre Creme being prepared and filmed by Lennen and Mitchell and commercials for Vel to be handled by Esty.

IF ON-again-off-again deal of Billy Banks (owner of WHAT Phila.) for acquisition of WINX Washington doesn't jell quickly American Federation of Labor is prepared to make bid. While Washington Post has agreed on WINX sale to Banks (\$125,000 for WINX-AM and about \$200,000 for WINX-FM and real estate which would be sold to new Post-CBS corporation), difficulties regarding dual operation of AM and FM transmitter from same location but under different ownership have complicated negotiations.

WANTED: Two top-flight broadcast advertising executives to fill vacancies at NAB.

FM ASSN. committee met Friday morning to look over candidate for executive directorship. Contract of incumbent J. N. (Bill) Bailey, expires end of next month. FMA expected to clip ante on job as part of revanped operation.

AUTOMOBILE manufacturers expected to be biggest source of new radio and television business in 1949, according to many New York radio station representatives. They point to increased competition among car makers as one reason for expansion of timebuying.

INCREASINGLY frequent reports that newspapers are hitting radio below belt in selling (Continued on page 70)

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Upcoming

- Dec. 27-29: American Marketing Assn. annual convention, Cleveland.
- Dec. 28: All-Radio Presentation Executive Committee, BMB board room, New York.
- Dec. 30: Executive Session of House Select Committee to Investigate the FCC, 10:30 a.m., Old House Office Bldg., Washington.
- Jan. 3: FCC Hearing on Station Representation resumes, FCC Hdgrs., Washington.

(Other Upcomings page 46)

## **Bulletins**

GENERAL FOODS to continue active use of radio and television in 1949, "seeking more economical use of both," Howard Chapin, director of advertising, said Thursday. Change from sellers to buyers market next year and increasing competitive pressure "will require harder selling and more effective use of all advertising media," he said.

DECISION by Seattle AFRA local not to reopen station contracts in area does not indicate trend but merely applies on local level, George Heller, AFRA national executive secretary, said Thursday (early story, page 43). No policy on contract extensions issued by national headquarters, he said. "Where pay scales and local contracts warrant, locals may well extend an old contract," he explained, "but it would be a local decision based on local conditions."

#### TEXACO SHOW TOPS N. Y. TV

TOP TEN Hooper New York teleratings for December are: Texaco Star Theatre, WNBT, 78.9; Arthur Godfrey Talent Scouts WCBS-TV, 55.2; Toast of the Town WCBS-TV, 50.6; We the People WCBS-TV, 47.8; Amateur Hour WABD, 33.9; Chevrolet Tele-theatre WNBT, 28.1; Kraft Television Theatre WNBT, 28.0; Biyelow Show WNBT, 27.5; Break the Bank WJZ-TV, 24.6; Small Fry Club (Thurs.) WABD, 24.3.

#### FCC TO ASK STATIONS FOR DATA ON COSTS

RECOGNIZING "rapid upward movement of broadcast expenses during recent years," FCC proposed Thursday to ask stations to indicate their "total broadcast expenses" in annual preliminary financial estimates. No expense data has been sought heretofore in this survey, which is conducted by questionnaire each January to cover preceding year. Another proposed change: Eliminate requests for revenue details except "total broadcast revenues."

FCC said upswing in expenses makes it necessary to have expense information "for an accurate appraisal of the industry's financial experience." Comment on proposed changes will be accepted until Jan. 17, after which oral argument will be held if comments warrant.

### **Business Briefly**

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PILLSBURY CHANGES • Pillsbury Mills Minneapolis, Jan. 3 moves ABC Kay Kyser' College of Musical Fun and Knowledge from 11-11:30 a. m. to 4-4:30 p. m. EST, an Galen Drake from 3:30-45 p. m. to 11:45-1: noon, both Mon-Fri. Agencies, McCann Erickson, Minneapolis, and Leo Burnett Chicago.

OLD GOLDS ON WJZ • P. Lorillard Cc (Old Gold cigarettes), New York, cancelling Brooklyn Dodger baseball broadcasts of WMGM New York and telecasts on CBS-TV Firm will sponsor year-round show, Old Gold Party Time, Mon.-Fri., 1-1:15 p.m., on WJZ New York starting in mid-January.

SHOE FIRM SPONSORS • Brown Shoe Co (Roblee and Buster Brown shoes), St. Louis will sponsor Sport Magazine awards presenta tion from Hotel Astor, New York, on full MBs network Jan. 19, 10-10:30 p.m. Agency, Le Burnett, New York.

RAILROAD SPOTS • Long Island Railroad N. Y., Dec. 30 begins for three weeks one minute film spots on WJZ-TV New York to explain reasons it is seeking fare increase Agency, Paul Lefton Co., New York.

TV NEWSREEL • Joske's, Houston (depart ment store) to sponsor daily *Telenews INS Newsreel* on KLEE-TV Houston beginning Jan. 2 coincident with station opening.

#### ABC CO-OP BUSINESS REACHES ALL-TIME PEAK

NUMBER of advertisers sponsoring ABC co operative programs is at all-time peak, say: Murray Grabhorn, network vice president ABC's 16 co-op shows now total 852 advertisers increase of 19% over 719 sponsors of a yea: ago.

National Dairy Products, New York (Seal test) will sponsor Dorothy Dix on the Air ABC's newest five-weekly co-op, over 49 stations effective Jan. 3, 1:45-2 P. M., through N. W. Ayer & Son, New York.

Newest co-op program sale is *Ethel & Albert*, five-weekly over six ABC affiliates to Swift & Co., Chicago, for Swift's cleanser under 26-week contract effective Jan. 3. Needham, Louis & Brorby, Chicago, is agency.

#### CBS STILL HOPEFUL OF ACQUIRING BERGEN

REPORTS that CBS was still hopeful of obtaining Edgar Bergen, despite his recently announced intentions to retire from radio revived last week when ventriloquist admitted he was negotiating with CBS, according to press association reports.

Mr. Bergen, who will quit NBC this week is said to have been offered a capital gains deal by CBS. It was believed, however, that even if he reached agreement with network, he would probably not resume active broadcasting immediately.

#### GENERAL ELECTRIC STATIONS

WGFM FREQUENCY MODULATION 99.5 MEGACYCLES



WRGB TELEVISION

Scheneetady 5, New York December, 1948

Miss Regina Schuebel Duane Jones Agency 570 Lexington Avenue New York, N. Y.

ANTA FALFERTY

Dear Reggie:

I am incensed. A guy -- just a plain guy -- said to me yesterday why don't I take the "bollarkey" out of my letters to you time buyers. "Bollarkey", he explained was a combination of boloney and mullarkey. Time buyers want only facts he says; be more businesslike.

You never were given anything but facts by us, but perhaps I could be more terse: For example

- WGY costs less by nearly 50% than any combination of stations which cover the same territory.
- 2 WGY is the only major (50, 000 watt) station in the area it serves.
- 3 WGY has consistently increased its mail pull through the years. In the year just passed, it received more mail than in any previous year in its history -- over 200,000 pieces!
- 4 WGY produces results. For example, eight announcements on a program before 7:00 AM produced orders for 38,400 strawberry plants ... 1,483 orders were received by another sponsor for an item costing \$3.98! That's a cost per sale of only 15 cents!
- 5 Eighty-six percent of WGY's current advertisers are on a renewal basis. More than 18 have been on the air regularly for 10 consecutive years!

Do you really like this way of laying it on the line, Reggie? There are dozens of other facts on WGY we could send to justify your confidence in us and help you explain to your clients why you recommend WGY in this area.

Or maybe it's easier just to get the full story from NBC Spot Sales. Regards.

Sincerely, STATIONS MANAGER G. Emerson Markham:acs

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Following through on our interest in promoting farm safety, I attended the annual meeting of the Indiana Farn Safety Committee at the Severin Hotel. Having served during 1948 as chairman of the Public Information sub-committee of this group, I was named chairman of the nominating committee, to select officers for this state-wide safety organization in 1949.

FARM EDITOR'S WEEKLY REPORT Week of 11/29/48

The next meeting of the Indiana Farm Safety Committee was set for December 28, 1948 at Purdue University. At that time I am expected to present the ten U. S. Savings Bonds offered to high ranking winners in our state-wide 4-H Dairy Safety Contest. The 5 heifer-calves which were the top awards in the contest were presented at the various breed association meetings over the state.

Material for Springer's Farm Column of the Air for Monday was transcribed in advance, and Sam Sims filled in with current items on both regular farm broadcasts while I was in Chicago for the International Live Stock Exposition. Joe Pierson did "Flyin' Weather", arrangements having been cleared with the sponsor beforehand.

A tape-recorded interview was made at Chicago, featuring most of the central Indiana boys and girls who attended as delegates to the National 4-H Club Congress. The tape was delivered to WFEM by air-mail special in time for Monday's Hoosier Farm Circle program. told the boys and girls we would keep the recording on file at our studios so that they might stop in with their parents to hear it.

Judge Justin A. Miller, NAB President, was the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the National Association of Fadio Farm Directors, of which I am a member. He emphasized the importance of farm programming, both as a special service to rural listeners and in addition, as a means of bringing about a better understanding between farm and city people. Copies of his address are to be distributed soon.

One of the discussion panels at our farm directors' convention was devoted to the topic of helping farm broadcasters to carry out the aims of management in the presentation of farm programs. Another dealt with the need for closer cooperation between farm departments and commercial departments.

I distributed brochures on the International Dairy Exposition, to be held in Indianapolis next October for the first time. The plan of the new dairy show was explained briefly to the farm directors attending, as requested by the Indiana organizations which are behind the non-profit exposition.

Hoosier Farm Circle features during the week, in addition to the 4-4 interview from Chicago, included a talk on grain marketing, a discussion of Indiana's natural resources by Bill Hougland of the State Department of Conservation, and an interview with two girls who are members of the Indiana Rural Youth Club.



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George Gow, KFH News Commentator, is THE radio news authority in Kansas. He is on the air three times daily; noon, early evening, and at 10.00 P.M., six times weekly. His terrific popularity is borne out by his phenomenal Hooper ratings and as you can see above KFH and George Gow have almost as many listeners as the other three Wichita radio stations combined. By any standard, KFH is TOPS!



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Local likes and dislikes are as regional as dialects. You get the best results when you talk the native tongue. And you can do so-effectively-in twelve of your most important markets. In these territories, according to the most recent analysis, the local live talent programs on the Radio Sales represented stations command twice the average audience gathered by the local talent on all competing stations! No wonder national spot advertisers are now sponsoring close to 600 local live talent broadcasts each week on the Radio Sales stations. To get a home-town favorite to do your selling, see your Radio Sales Account Executive.

Radio Sales

RADIO AND TELEVISION STATIONS REPRESENTATIVE...CBS





From all of us at KOMAour sincere wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

And feel free to call upon us to help carry out those wishesfor KOMA alone, with its 50,-000 watt primary coverage, attracts 60% of all the rich Oklahoma market.

Just contact us, or an Avery-Knodel representative for complete details.

J. J. Bernard General Manager

KOMA



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OBERT R. BURTON appointed a vice president of Young & Rubicam, **?**' Chicago, after working as account supervisor in that office.

A. W. SPENCE Jr., account executive with Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample, New York, for six years on Sterling Drug Account, appointed a vice president of agency.

ERNEST W. GROSS appointed assistant to president of John C. Dowd Inc., Boston. Mr. Gross joined agency six months ago as account executive.

ROBERT WOLCOTT DAY joins New York office of H. B. Humphrey Co. as director of television and radio account executive. Mr. Day formerly was radio director for John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co.,



E. W. CONNER, president of The Conner Co., San Francisco, announces addition of JOSEPH HAYES JACKSON and BARNEY McCLURE to firm. Effective Jan. 1, 1949, agency name will be changed to Conner, Jackson, Walker, McClure, with Mr. Conner continuing as president.

RICHARD IDE, art director of Brisacher, Wheeler & Staff Inc., New York, becomes account executive of firm, effec-

tive Jan. 1. GEORGE F. FINLEY, production manager; FRANK HERMES, media director, and GILMAN SULLIVAN, account

Mr. Day executive, elected to vice presidencies of Federal Adv., New York.

MILTON DECKER, formerly with Fuller & Smith & Ross, New York, joins Biow Co., New York, as account executive on the Lava (Procter & Gamble) account.

FRANK M. LEONARD, who formerly handled publicity for Republican National Committee, joins publicity staff of Benton & Bowles, New York, where he will handle radio publicity and promotion. FREDERIC PAPERT, formerly with Cecil & Presbrey, New York, joins B & B as copywriter.

NORINE FREEMAN appointed radio and television director at W. B. Doner & Co., Chicago, replacing PHIL EDWARDS, resigned. Miss Freeman joined Doner in June as public relations director after working as radio supervisor at Carl Byoir & Assoc., New York. She will continue to handle publicity in addition to her new position.

**ROBERT ANDERSON** promoted to space buyer at John W. Shaw Agency, Chicago. He will work with **PAUL OLAFSSON**, media director, and **MILDRED DUDLEY**, radio and TV timebuyer.

R. DONALD HAWKINS and HOWARD A. CRUM join copy staff of Henri, Hurst & McDonald, Chicago.

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**C** ALIFORNIA ELECTRIC SUPPLY Co., Sacramento (Crosley products dis-tributor), in cooperation with local dealers, sponsoring Bob Wills and his western music group show originating at KXOA Sacramento. Show is 13-week test in Sacramento Valley area, and if successful, plans are to expand to other Northern California area on a market-by-market basis.

JACOB SCHMIDT BREWING Co., St. Paul, appoints Olmsted & Foley, Minneapolis, to handle advertising, effective Jan. 1, 1949.

THE PERFEX Co. Shenandoah, Iowa (cleaners and starch), extends its spon-sorship of five weekly *Kitchen Club* program to 17 stations. Newest additions are WTCN Minneapolis and KOTA Rapid City, S. D. Agency: Buchanan-Thomas Adv., Omaha, Neb.

DELTA AIR LINES, Chicago, sponsoring 13 film spots on WBKB (TV) Chicago, announcing its DC-6 route from Chicago to Miami and other southern cities. This is company's first use of TV. Agency: Burke Dowling Adams, New York.

FORTNIGHT MAGAZINE, Los Angeles, Dec. 20, started half-hour weekly television program, *Headline Charades*, on KLAC-TV Los Angeles. Contract is for 13 weeks. Agency: West-Marquis, same city.

G. H. S. Corp. (Division of Glemby Co., New York), appoints Harry B. Cohen-Adv. Co., New York, to handle advertising for Whirl-A-Wave, new hair beauty aid.

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throughout the fabulous Panhandle...



When "Uncle Jay" of KGNC and Bernie Howell dramatize the funnies on Sunday Morning, youngsters and adults alike drop everything and join in the fun. This is a matter of record. "Uncle Jay's" fans even come from 100 to 150 miles away to help pack the studio every Sunday Morning.

So popular and so effective is the program that Lanes Ice Cream Company, the sponsor, will continue throughout the winter months when normally they would not advertise.



This is just another example of KGNC's tremendous impact on the fabulous Panhandle.



AMARILLO,

MEMBER OF THE LONE STAR CHAIN

#### Service Unlimited

#### EDITOR. BROADCASTING:

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> Ralph L. Hooks Terry Farris Stores Inc. McAllen, Tex.

#### Page From the Past

#### EDITOR, BROADCASTING:

... I have been following the current struggles of American broadcasting to achieve a form of self-regulation. All that I read and hear confirms the fact that radio is so busy going ahead it takes no time to look back to see where its been.

It has been through these same troubled waters before; . . . the

Patroon of the week

FRED STOUTLAND

Mike

(Letters are welcomed. The editors reserve the right to use only the most pertinent portions.)

NAB Code Committee can find the answers to most of our problems by simply referring to the files of the industry and unfolding the experience of the NAB Code Compliance Committee, in implement-ing the second NAB Code formally adopted at the Atlantic City Convention in 1938. It has long since been forgotten that there was a first NAB Code adopted away back when Bill Hedges was NAB's first president.

Today . there is no Father Coughlin, Elliot Roosevelt, Dr. Townsend, birth-control, and the hotly debated repeal of the armsembargo . . .

I think one requirement should be made of every new member named to an NAB committee; namely, that he should read the past files on the subject to which his committee is addressing its attention!

There is only one answer to selfregulation in a democracy: To have a code so honest and sincere in content and purpose, that it automatically wins the support of organized public opinion . . . Under the chairmanship of Edgar Bill, the 1938-40 Code Committee working with fellow broadcasters and fellow-Americans, achieved voluntary self-regulation . . .

That Code had the formal, and active support of every significan public group from the American Civil Liberties Union, to the American Legion. It tackled religion controversial subjects, children's programs, education and news commentators. It engaged in a program of self education both with the public as well as the industry. . . . It sent out round-ups of program practices, answered hot ones by wire or long distance phone, giving to each individual station. the best collective opinion of the whole industry . . . It kept away, as far as possible, from exercising any control or penalty over the length of commercials . . .

... Any student of broadcasting regards the adoption and utilization of a Code as perhaps the number one problem facing radio and television in 1949. In the current deliberations, let the industry not forget what it has already accomplished. Let us remember that the past is but precedent to the future.

> Edward M. Kirby RFD 4, Box 200 Sarasota, Fla.

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#### Wants Details

#### EDITOR, BROADCASTING:

... many of us ... would greatly appreciate more details in the "Ac-tions of the FCC" section of BROAD-CASTING.

Most of us have our pending application files set up by frequencies. When, for example, we see in BROADCASTING that on Nov. 30 the application by Lowell Sun Publishing Company at Lowell, Mass., has been dismissed, we have considerable difficulty finding listing of that application in our files. It is necessary to start with 550 kilocycles and check each channel until we find the one this particular party has filed for and is now withdrawing from.

... I presume all of us who keep a pending applications file [would] appreciate it if you would attach a frequency to all listings in the "Actions of the FCC" section.

> C. B. Persons Director of Engineering Arrowhead Network, Duluth

### ANNUAL DINNER

#### **Correspondents Set Feb. 5**

THE ANNUAL Radio Correspondents Assn. dinner will be held Feb. 5 at the Hotel Statler in Washington, Francis W. Tully, chairman of the planning committee, announced last Monday.

Entertainment for the event is being arranged this year by MBS. Details are being handled in New York by Phillips Carlin, MBS vice president in charge of programs, and in Washington by Art Feldman, WOL Washington news director.

PATROON BROADCASTING CO., ALBANY, N. Y. • • Represented by RAMBEAU

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Time Buyer, BBD&O Fred buys over a million dollars worth of time annually. And, he swears that he uses all the products for which he buys time. This should entitle Fred to special status among the Patroons — fellow time buyers all. Fred received today his certificate of membership in the HOP from the William G. Rambeau rep along with the deed to a tract of land in the heart of the Patroon country.

\*PATROON - Aristocratic Landholder of the Hudson Valley

Over a million buyers in the great Albany-Schenectady-Troy Market fall within WPTR's primary coverage area. Their per capita income, home ownership, radio ownership living standard and buying power are

among the highest in the nation.

10,000 Watts of POWER Night and Day

# We're really loaded!

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times more area than any other medium in this market). If you're out after big game in this \$557,206,000 retail sales area, pop-gun coverage just won't do. Better use the 630 calibre station that has the *power and* the *programs* 

to hit the market you want to sell!



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# ... complete field equipment,

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• That exciting finish you see is being covered by television field equipment, all-RCA from camera to microwave relay antenna.

Thoroughly practical for quick, on-the-spot pick-ups, this highly compact and portable equipment is designed to handle outdoor telecasting under all sorts of conditions. Complete pick-up and relay equipment includes: two image orthicon cameras (with telephoto lens); camera tripods; camera control units; on-theair master monitor; camera switching system; synchronizing generator; microwave relay equipment; associated power supplies; reels of cable—all carried in one special truck.

Why this preference for RCA field equipment among the majority of TV stations now in operation?

Because RCA TV Field Equipment has been worked out by television experts who know the business. All gear, for example, is completely portable and subdivided into small units for easy handling. All field cameras are equipped with 4-position turret lens and electronic view finders. There are complete switching facilities that help the operators deliver faster-moving shows. And there is a special truck that carries the equipment to location . . . with all the facilities required to run most of the equipment *right from the vehicle itself.* No wires needed to get the picture signals back to the station. High-efficiency microwave radio relay does it—airline!

Overlook none of the technical and economical advantages of correct initial station planning. Your RCA Television Specialist can help. Call him. Or write Dept. 19LD, RCA Engineering Products, Camden, New Jersey.

The One Equipment Source for Everything in TV-is RCA



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RCA Microwave Relay Transmitter TTR-1A. Transmits the picture signals from field to studio (or from studio to transmitter). It includes a parabolic antenna with hook-shaped wave guide, built-in transmitter, and remote control unit. Matching receiver unit at the station picks up the microwave relay signal.



RCA Field Camera Control TK-30A. For monitoring the picture and controlling its quality. Unit No. 1 includes one 7" picture monitor tube and one 3" oscilloscope (to observe video signal waveform). Unit No. 2 is the power supply.



RCA Field-Switching System TS-30A. Nerve center of TV field pick-up operations. Switches intercom circuits and picture signals between cameras and monitor. Unit No. 1 provides for video switching, sync signal insertion, and master monitor switching. Unit No. 2 is the power supply.



RCA Field Synchronizing Generator TG-10A. Produces timing pulses for TV field equipment. Unit No. 1 includes pulse-forming circuits, frequency-control circuits, and power supply. Unit No. 2 includes the pulseshaping and output circuits.



# DIVERSIFIED **RESOURCES**...

Only a few of Utah's basic resources are pictured above. In addition, there are such things as lead, zinc, silver; oil; non-metallic minerals in great variety; light metals; plastics-and they all add up to a sound, solid base for Utah's growing economy.

Utah people, producing, processing and transporting these materials, constitute a sizeable, able-to-buy market for your goods. Are you telling them your story adequately?

KDYL - Utah's popular station-and KDYL-W6XIS, telecasting to the Salt Lake City area - offer you two-fold opportunity. UTAH'S NBC STATION

AM-FM-TELEVISION

National Representative: John Blair & Co.

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### **TELEVISION VOCABULARY**

#### NBC Publishes Its Glossary

IT'S no longer necessary to wrack your brain in search of a name for television equipment or production. procedures.

NBC has published a glossary of television expressions which should substantially reduce the number of "things," "gadgets," "whatnots," and misnomers heard in television discussions.

A booklet, Television Talk, published by the network, defines working-day vocabularies of NBC television technical and production personnel.

The correct label for a television broadcast has been the subject of much discussion. It is termed a "telecast" in the NBC glossary. (This journal on Nov. 26, 1945 adopted the name BROADCASTING-TELECASTING.)

Other samples from the glossary are:

Abstract set-A setting without definite locale; purely decorative. Animations-Mechanical devices

which in various ways impart seeming movement to inanimate subjects.

Antenna-A radiator used in the transmission of radio frequencies.

Aspect ratio-Proportional relationship of the width of the picture to the height of the picture; in motion pictures and television 4 to 3.

Audio (adjective)-pertaining to the electronic transmission of sound.

Audio (noun)-Sound portion of television.

Background-Any material, set, drape, drop, etc. used behind actors or other foreground subjects.

Background projection - The projection of a scene on a translucent screen to be used as a background for a studio set.

Blizzard head-Any blonde.

Boom-A mechanical contrivance for suspending a microphone. Brightness—The average over-all brilliance of the television

image.

Broads-Units or batteries of incandescent or fluorescent lamps.

Business - Incidental action or devices used to add atmosphere and interest to the main theme of a program.

Busy-Term used to describe a setting or background that is too elaborate or which contains excessively detailed ornamentation which obscures the movement of actors or detracts from the logical center of interest on a scene.

Camera or Cue light-Light on camera which is on when camera is on the air, otherwise off.

Cans - Telephone receivers or head-phones worn by personnel in the studio.

Carrier wave-The radio wave over which television impulses are sent. In television two waves are utilized, one for sight and one for sound.

Cartoon set-A drop or other background treated as a large line drawing suitable as a setting for some types of variety or educational programs or to create mood as in a fantasy.

Channel-A specific wave length; a band of frequencies for transmission

Circulation - Potential audience in terms of families owning receivers; one family, regardless of the number of sets it owns, equals one unit of circulation.

Crowfoot - Three-legged device placed under tripod to prevent television cameras from slipping.

Dissolve-The momentary overlapping of an image produced by one camera with that of another and the gradual elimination of the first image.

Dolly-A perambulator or fourwheeled carriage for a camera.

Dolly in-To move in from far for close-up by means of a camera mounted on a perambulator. Dolly out—Reverse process of

dolly in.

Electron beam - A stream of electrons constrained and focused into the shape of a beam by external electro-static or magnetic fields (also called cathode-ray beam).

Electron gun-A system of metallic cylinders arranged in the narrow ends of both the camera and receiver tubes in which is formed the electron beam used for scanning the image before the television camera, and for reproducing it in the television receiver.

Fade in-To bring up the television image electronically so that it appears gradually.

Fade out-To black out television image electronically so that it disappears gradually.

Flag-A large sheet used to screen off light from cameras.

Frame frequency-The number of times per second the complete frame is scanned.

Free perspective-The deliberate falsification of normal perspective in the painting and/or construction of television (or stage) settings in order to achieve a (seemingly) greater depth or distance.

Freeze it-Term used to indicate that set designs and arrangements, or positions of furnishings, dressings, etc., or other production facilities are approved and should be executed as planned.

Getaway-An offstage means of descent from raised flooring areas within a set. Also a passageway behind settings provided as a means of unobserved access to other settings or locations within the television studio.

Ghost-An unwanted secondary image of the transmitted picture appearing on the receiver kinescope caused by a reflection or sev-(Continued on page 45)

50,000 watts

"Umbrella Coverage"—in all directions

Nation's third largest market

First in every Philadelphia listeners' survey ever made

#### **CBS** affiliate

Represented by WCAU Sales Staff in Philadelphia and New York... eisewhere by RADIO SALES

On WCAU you're in Philadelphia ΔΜ

#### THE PHILADELPHIA BULLETIN STATIONS

### Feature of the Week



BANK personnel taking part in WHAM sponsor surprise include (I to r standing): William F. Drees, President Raymond N. Ball, Martha Mae McKane, Raymond E. Pierce, Herbert E. Spiegel, Roger F. Ebert. Seated: L. Graham Antis and Mr. Sisson.

EVERY morning for four and a half years WHAM Rochester's radio columnist, Al Sisson, has been booming his cheery "good morning" at listeners Monday through Friday at 7:30, and

"dropping by, to pass the time of day, chat about the folks in the next block or down the road a piece."

One recent morning, however, (Continued on page 55)

# On All Accounts

N A DAY in April of 1947, when the dread small-pox fight was at its climax in New York City, a crowd of 2,219 persons curled out of a building in Manhattan awaiting free vaccinations. The building wasn't a hospital, nor was it a clinic. It was a radio station!

Acting almost the instant the need for mass vaccinations became apparent, Fortune Pope, 30-year-old head of WHOM threw the en-

tire facilities of the station behind an urgent plea to his listeners to appear at the studios for innoculation without charge. Thousands of persons heeded the public - spirited summons.

Though an isolated act in his twovear tenure as WHOM executive general manager and vice president, that incident is typical of the intelligence and enterprise that Mr. Pope has brought to his job.

WHOM has risen to the status of one of the foremost foreign language outlets in the country.

on Nov. 6, 1946, one of Mr. Pope's first executive decisions was to alter the indecisive program ratio of the station from 55% foreign and 45% English to 86% foreign

He infused a stream of new program ideas including a daily shortwave newscast direct from Rome, and special event coverage of holiday services and special parades.

He changed the overall style of programming from the usual uninspired program emphasis on recorded music to one featuring foreign facsimiles of successful English productions. Today the program content of the station ranges from a Mr. and Mrs.

show (Casimir and Dolly Jarzebowski), to an Italian "Lone Ranger" series (Cavaliere della Giustizia).

Yet for all his proinitiative, gram probably the most significant of Mr. Pope's accomplishments was in the field of administration where he was able to break the strangling grip which the time brokers had held on the station almost since its inception. Within 60 days after as-

suming management Mr. Pope had succeeded in cancelling every time brokerage contract on the ledger.

Born in West New York, New Jersey, on Jan. 6, 1918, the youthful Mr. Pope was educated at Columbia U., where he received his BA degree in 1939. During his school years he joined Il Progresso, an Italian (Continued on page 62)



"WOC had the FIRST multiple microphone fader panel."



National Representatives Free & Peters, Inc.

**Represented** by

ROBERT

MEEKER

ASSOCIATES

SAN FRANCISCO . LOS ANGELES

**A STEINMAN STATION** 

YORK

5000 WATTS-DAY & NIGHT

Consistently

rofitably



Mr. POPE Under his egis,

Taking over the reigns of WHOM

with a minimal 15% English.



# SPEAKING of GOOD LISTENERS ...

The homes reached by WGN\* averaged more than 5 hours a week listening to WGN programs.

That is more listening than Nielsen Radio Index reported for the same period the year before. We can't put our finger on the exact reason—perhaps WGN programs are better—maybe midwesterners found more programs to their liking on WGN—or perhaps our audience just loves WGN more this year.

Whatever the reason, only one thing is important to our advertisers:

#### WGN LISTENERS ARE LISTENING MORE!

\*Nielsen 1948 Coverage Report

A Clear Channel Station... Serving the Middle West

MBS





Eastern Sales Office: 220 East 42nd Street, New York 17, N. Y. West Coast Representatives: Keenan and Eickelberg 235 Montgomery St., San Francisco 4 • 2978 Wilshire Blyd., Los Angel 710 Lewis Bilda. 333 SW Oak St., Portland 4

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# MORE

**People In This Billion Dollar Retail Sales Area** Listen To WPTF Than To **Any Other Station!** 

TIMES MORE

listeners than

next station

in evening

TIMES MORE listeners than

next station in daytime

CAROLIN NORTH

RGINIA

**\*WPTF** 

SOUTH CAROLINA

NORE

listeners than

next station

for entire week

WPTF dominates all competition at all times. That's the report of the 1948 LISTENER DIARY STUDY. Conducted by Audience Surveys, Inc. in WPTF's 62 counties with 50% or better, day and night, BMB coverage. TIMES

The LISTENER DIARY STUDY shows detailed radio habits of this billion dollar plus retail sales market, including: Sets-in-use. Station ratings. Share of audience flow. Audience composition by quarter hours. Get your copy from WPTF or Free & Peters.

More proof that WPTF is the Num ber One Salesman In North Caro lina, The South's Number One State

RALEIGH, N. C.



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# 1949?

THE YEAR 1949 promises to be the best in the history of broadcasting, maintaining the industry's 28-year upward trend.

This forecast represents the majority opinion of leading figures, including spokesmen for the main segments of the industry—stations, networks, agencies, advertisers, trade associations, representatives, service companies, manufacturers, attorneys and engineers.

Boiling down their observations and predictions, 1949 looms as a record year despite persistent fears that business and industry in general may run into trouble before another 12-month period has passed into history.

At the same time 1949 will be perhaps the most critical in the history of sound and visual broadcasting. Many key decisions by the FCC will chart in large part the course AM, FM and TV will take.

Similarity in Predictions

Though each industry segment was separately surveyed by BROAD-CASTING during the last fortnight, the predications show an amazing similarity. The pessimists are in a distinct minority. On the other hand, many of those who assumed the role of seer supplemented their



predictions with warnings.

These warnings cover such subjects as the advance in station operating costs; the need of better competitive selling by sound radio; possibility that TV will be built out of revenues that once belonged to AM; danger of a business slump, based on trouble signs in most of the business indices; fear that the third NARBA treaty conference next summer will cripple the broadcast band; concern over AM program standards.

Offsetting these ominous portents are the unexpected agreements among advertisers and agencies that they will spend more money in radio than ever before. The increases, aside from special cases, are not large but they are increases just the same.

In a nutshell, industry segments feel this way about 1949:

ADVERTISERS—Present radio budgets will be maintained with some planning increases; none to cut AM budgets; many to enter TV, with half of present TV users planning increases. (See this page.)

AGENCIES—Three-fourths may increase radio budgets at least slightly, with some planning cuts; three-fourths plan to buy TV; a few plan to use FM; half of those increasing radio funds not to increase FCC-C

**Biggest** in Radio's History, Say Experts

(See

page 23.) BROADCASTERS — Optimistic over sales prospects but deeply concerned over operating costs; see need for aggressive selling job; many worried about effect of TV

other media accordingly.

on AM sales. (See page 22.) ASSOCIATIONS—Expect better business for AM, FM and TV, with meteoric TV expansion; fear retarding effect of freeze on stations and manufacturers. (See page 26.)

LAWYERS AND ENGINEERS —Believe year will be most critical in industry's history because of pending FCC decisions; many see AM as basic broadcast medium for some time, supporting FM and TV; fear NARBA may deplete U. S. broadcast band. (Complete cross section and analysis will appear in BROADCASTING, Jan. 3)

TRANSCRIPTIONS—Nearly all executives optimistic over radio time sales as well as own business operations despite soaring costs. (See page 28.)

REPRESENTATIVES—Generally foresee increase in time sales on all levels; feel AM offers greatest promise, with no change in FM; all expect increased costs. (See page 27.) FCC—Chairman Coy says extremely important policy questions will be decided in 1949, making heavy demands on Commission judgment as well as vision and courage of broadcasters. (See page 25.)

CONGRESS — Some sentiment expressed for examination of Communications Act to see if it should be amended. (See page 25.)

UNIONS—Relations with management relatively tranquil; drives foreseen for TV employes, organization of station workers, shorter hours, higher scales and better working conditions. (See page 24.)

The one note of uncertainty that persists throughout the forecasts of station, network, association and service groups centers around rising operating costs. AM stations, for example, hope for increased time sales during the year but are haunted by the cost figures shown on their 1948 books. For some time costs have been increasing faster than sales, a situation that finds management scanning every item in an effort to avoid the anomaly of red ink despite record time sales.

Summed up, the year looks like a good one at this point but management will face severe operating problems.

# ADVERTISERS (Foundary)

MAJOR national advertisers in most cases will maintain their present level of radio expenditures in 1949, judging by results of a crosssection study.

In nearly a fourth of the cases analyzed by BROADCASTING, radio expenditures will be increased next year.

On the other hand nearly half of the advertisers using television plan to increase their expenditures in the visual medium. The other half will use at least the same amount of TV in 1949. In none of the cases reviewed will there be any slicing of TV budgets. Many non-TV users are investigating the medium and can be expected to make their video debuts during the coming year.

Oft-expressed fears that television's allure would win advertiser converts who would finance TV costs out of AM budgets are not borne out by this survey of broadcast users. In no case did a sponsor report that TV funds would be extracted from AM campaigns. On the other hand, the study does not affirmatively show that AM will not suffer as a result of TV advertising, since most sponsors did not discuss the matter.

#### **Optimistic for Year**

Most radio advertisers are optimistic on business prospects during the coming year. Not a single sponsor indicated intent to cut total advertising budgets in 1949, nor did any company say it would reduce its radio expenditures.

The hopeful business outlook by these advertisers, all of whom are important elements in the business and advertising world, does not support occasional fears that 1949 will see a tightening of consumer belts and a lessened demand for consumer goods. This difference was ascribed by some observers to a feeling of confidence in the ability of advertising products to resist any slackening of consumer demand better than most non-advertised goods.

Bristol-Myers Co., heavy user of media in promoting its widely

sold line of pharmaceuticals and cosmetics, will continue 1 9 4 8 programming, according to Robert B. Brown, vice president. The company will continue its television campaign, built around the

Mr. Brown built around the simultaneous

AM-TV Break the Bank activity.

General Mills likely will make some "modest" TV expenditures in 1949, according to Lowry H. Crites,



Present Levels to Hold, Some to Go Up

director of media. "At present we do not foresee any change, up or down, in our radio advertising plans. General Mills will unquestionably make some modest television expenditures which in all probability will

be charged to an experimental fund maintained for this purpose. Therefore in all probability TV expenditures will not result in a curtailment of other media."

Pillsbury Mills, on the other hand, is planning to double its (Continued on page 44)

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# STATION OUTLOOK

THE GENERAL outlook of station executives for radio in 1949 is good. It is not a rose-coloredglasses "good," however, and most of the'replies to BROADCASTING'S questionnaire on prospects for the new year indicate a more aggressive selling job is going to be needed for stations to increase their revenue.

In expressing his views for 1949, J. E. Van Ness, sales manager of



ecutives: "Most advertisers will be particular in 1949 as to how their advertising dollars

are spent. Radio

must tell a strong

the Wisconsin

Network, reflect-

ed the mood of

many radio ex-

Mr. Van Ness

story and offer good radio ideas that are designed to fit the special needs of advertisers.

"Advertisers will buy advertising on radio to support their sales organizations and their distributive patterns. If radio can offer a good program idea and deliver an audence in the area where the advertiser sells his product or service, radio will get its share of the advertising dollar."

#### AM to Hold Its Own

Examination of replies to BROAD-CASTING'S questionnaire revealed that 55% of the broadcasters think AM revenue will



be up next year. But a substantial percentage, 31.66, believe AM will show a decline in 1949. The remainder, 13.33%, expect no change. One of those

optimistic about

A M's future is

Mai. Ridge

Maj. Edney Ridge, WBIG Greensboro, N. C. The future looks very bright, he says, "despite propaganda of TV and FM." And he adds: "No radio station with an established clientcle that continues to improve its audiences need have any fears for '49 or the years to come. Nothing can ever take the place of our present radio system."

In almost every instance, comment on  $A\,M^{\dot{s}}s$  future was coupled

with remarks on the effects TV and FM will have on it. William Fay, vice president in charge of broadcasting for the Stromberg - Carlson Co., which operates AM and FM stations in Rochester, N. Y. (WHAM and

WHFM), and plans to launch its TV outlet, WHTM, in June, says he is not one of those who believes

Mr. Fay

TV will eliminate AM in the near future. He explains this view as follows:

"There is a vast audience established, especially on the larger coverage stations, which will continue to want aural service 18 hours per and which in many localities cannot receive TV signals. Advertisers know this and will continue to use AM stations even after TV stations are established in metropolitan areas."

TV Philadelphia,

indicates he ex-

pects smaller

overall AM reve-

nue in 1949 but

says that "in spite of the inroads of televi-

sion, AM business

will be good."

Leon Levy, head of another triple operation, WCAU, WCAU-FM and WCAU-



Mr. Levy



Aggressive Selling Needed

Walter J. Damm, general manager of the Milwaukee Journal's AM-FM-TV com-



bination in Milwaukee, WTMJ, WTMJ-FM and WTMJ-TV, similarly is not worried about AM's future. He predicts a bigger revenue year overall for AM. He says "every indication points

Mr. Damm

to general business prospects in the Milwaukee area as being substantially better than 1948, and we expect to feel the benefits in both AM and TV."

Speaking for the Westinghouse Radio Stations, the group's general manager, J. B. Conley, said: "All signs indicate that 1949 will



be a critical year for broadcasting. Television will continue its phenomenal growth although its pace will not be much accelerated during the year. Audiences will become increasingly critical ... a n d advertisers.

Mr. Conley

taking their cues from more selective consumer buying, will place accounts with even greater care than usual.

"I am confident that sound planning and aggressive management will pay off again in 1949..."

#### West Coast Outlook

On the West Coast, Ward D. Ingrim, director of advertising for Don Lee Broadcasting System, feels that a "continued increase in the population of the Pacific Coast should be reflected in increased broadcasting time sales for Don Lee in 1949... Although national retail business is and may continue

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### New Year, New Problems, New Business . . . AN EDITORIAL

THOUGH signs are apparent, especially in the retail field, that the peak days of easy selling may be nearing an end, there is no immediate indication that advertisers, agencies or broad-caster's are afraid of the approaching new year.

Quite to the contrary, most of them break out into confident optimism as they contemplate the coming 12 months, according to an extensive roundup of key industry facets by BROADCASTING.

A minor note of fear and caution is apparent in many forecasts of 1949 broadcasting business, but it is subordinate to the general feeling that total broadcast revenues will reach a new all-time high.

Contrary to the frequently voiced opinion in broadcasting and advertising circles alike, there are few who now predict that money spent on the zooming television medium will be extracted from AM or even from printed media. Even so, many broadcasters are fearful that TV will cut deeply into AM time sales though agencies and advertisers show no intention of reducing overall AM campaigns.

Whether fears of a general dip in business and industry levels are justified or merely based on the caution inherent in conservative management, there is a definite indication that the battle of media will become even more intense during the coming year if corporate costs and media rates continue to mount.

Sound radio in its relatively brief history has consistently garnered a larger slice of the advertising dollar each year. At this point, however, the competition of media enters a transition as virtually all media find advertisers enthralled by the appeal of television.

To hold its own, sound radio must tell its

story effectively and often. It must heed the oft-voiced suggestion of time-buyers that the presentations of radio salesmen frequently are pathetic alongside those of other media.

The All-Radio Presentation promises to be an effective weapon on the national level and its local possibilities are even more promising. But the presentation must be supported by spirited and logical selling all 365 days of the year.

So there's a year of shirt-sleeve selling ahead for all of radio. We have no doubt that the radio media—sound radio, plus TV—will break all revenue records. But each segment, in its own sphere, must see to it that the sales figures continue onward and upward. That has been the direction radio has taken from the beginning.

# AGENCIES

949 as a year of continuing and pelevision department of Lenrowth in time sales.

That was the forecast of an imressive majority of advertising gency officials surveyed by BROAD-ASTING last week.

Probably the second most notable eature of the survey was the preonderant belief in the growth of elevision as an advertising medium uring the new year.

Approximately 78% of the reponding agencies said they will pend more on radio advertising ext year than they have in 1948; bout 121/2 % expected to spend less, nd 91/2% anticipated no material hange.

Estimates of increased radio apropriations ranged up to 60% ains in individual cases, averaging bout 21% over 1948 expenditures. among agencies expecting to cut heir radio budgets, the estimated eduction ranged from 5 to 25% nd averaged about 15% below heir 1948 total.

Agencies which anticipated inreased radio use were divided bout half between those who exected to increase all other media roportionately and those who did ot, with some saying all increases rould be in approximately the same roportion.

Enthusiasm for television was lmost unanimous in areas having stablished stations, particularly Vew York, Chicago and Philadel-Throughout the country, hia. round 80% of the responding igencies expected to use video—in imounts ranging from "experinental" up to 25% of total radio udgets, and averaging about 10% of the radio budget.

Relatively few, on the other hand, expected to use FM extensively exept, as one official put it, as a 'bonus measure."

Typical comments included the ollowing, on an area basis:

#### New York

J. H. S. Ellis, president of Kudher Agency, felt that "as we move into an area



 

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 Carlson, Welter, Capitol Tra are satisfied, it is reasonable to expect that good advertising and honest manufacturing will pay off. That is another way of saying that when

Mr. Ellis

people have a choice, they will buy the best made and best known

products. Many of our clients are operating on this basis, and for this reason the outlook for our own business in 1949 is excellent."



ROADCASTERS may look to Nick Keesely, manager of radio

nen & Mitchell, considered general business prospects "very en-couraging" and said his agency anticipates "great increase in activity" both in spot and national network business.\*

"Interest in tele-Mr. Keesely vision is particularly high," he declared.

Leonard Erikson, vice president and radio director of Kenyon & Eckhardt, felt "all indications" point to "an excellent year" in 1949. "Although video activity will be up," he said, "undoubtedly our greatest effort will be expended in

network radio. It is entirely possible that better radio shows will do much to eoun-

teract the defeatest attitude prevalent in so many quarters." President William H. Weintraub of the William H. Weintraub Co. regarded it as "difficult

EXECUTIVES LOOKING INTO 1949'S PROSPECTS

always and usu-Mr. Erikson ally" unwise" to

attempt to predict business conditions, but felt that "confidence is a most important factor." His agency, he said, "has full confidence in the future" and "faces the new year with confidence and with hope that we can succeed in ever increasing our services to American

### 78% Will Spend More in 49

business."

Willson M. Tuttle, vice president and co-director of radio of Ruthrauff & Ryan, felt that "all indica tions are that 1949 will continue on the present high level for advertising expenditures."

James E. Hanna, vice president of N. W. Ayer & Son, said the agency expects "no general business recession" but anticipates "inpreased business competition and further development of a buyer's market." This, he said, "should " mean increased advertising activity all along the line," and "radio should get its share in both network and spot. If you want our guess," he added, "television will develop faster than indicated by any figures published so far."

Guy Richards, vice president and director of media of Compton Adv., said that "so far as I can see, and we can't see very far, '49 should be nearly as good a year as '48. What may be done in-matters of taxation and what Federal policies affecting business may obtain next year," he added, "can have a substantial bearing on business prosperity."

### Chicago

Almost without exception, agencies reporting from Chicago pre-

dicted increased

radio billings, and

all emphasized

the growth of

Roche, Williams

& Cleary, said his

"optimism is

predicated on the

feeling there will

be a strong re-

television. Phil Stewart, radio · director of



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#### Mr. Stewart

turn in 1949 to the need for advertising." He predicted "from 2 to 5% of our total advertising will be television, and it will become heavier toward the end of the year."

Hal Rorke, radio director of J. Walter Thompson, expected his firm to have "a



Mr. Rorke

little more radio advertising" in 1949, probably an increase in national spot, continued use of network billings by most clients, and local business on approximately the 1948 scale. "We will expand into video, because television makes a much more complete sale," he said.

H. F. Dieter, manager of the Foote, Cone & Belding radio and television department, said some clients plan to increase their radio

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 Wre BROADCASTING-Telecasting Jan. 3 issue will include a roundup of 1949 forecasts by members of the FCC Bar Association and leading Washington radio engineers.







Mr. TRAMMELL

Mr. KOBAK

NETWORK BILLINGS

Mr. STANTON

'48 Highest in History

Mr. WOODS

DESPITE the sudden burgeoning of television and its attendant interjection of confusion into broadcasting operations, the four major networks stand to reach gross billings of nearly \$200 million in 1948, it was estimated last week.

The billings will be the highest in network history—and, unanimously the four network presidents expect them to be even higher next year.

A comparison of 1948 and 1947 gross billings of the four nation chains:

		1948	1947
BC	3	\$44,301,700*	\$43,548,057*
BS	3	\$61,550,000	\$59,250,964
BS	1	\$23,400,000	\$22,372,711
BC		\$69,270,000	\$65,756,517
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ABC figures for 1948 and 1947 gross billings are the network's own calculations. The 1947 figures for other networks are supplied by Publishers Information Bureau. The 1948 estimates for CBS, MBS and NBC are projected by BuohocASTING from figures supplied by Publishers Information Bureau covering the first 11 months of 1948. The 1948 projections for CBS, MBS and NBC may be lower than the true gross billings recorded at the end of the year. owing to the fact that December is commonly a month of high billings. network chiefs prove out, total network billings will surpass \$200 million in 1949.

Said Mark Woods, ABC president: "This general upward trend in radio business will undoubtedly be continued in 1949, for, despite the significant advances of television in 1948 and scheduled for the year ahead, radio will remain in the new year as the leading mass circulation medium."

Frank Stanton, CBS president, said of the outlook: "So far as CBS is concerned, the past year has been one of significant advance and 1949 promises to better that record."

Edgar Kobak, MBS president, was hopeful: "The Mutual Broadcasting System views the approaching year with optimism."

Said Niles Trammell, NBC president: "The National Broadcasting Co., having concluded its most successful year in 1948, looks forward with confidence to the exciting challenge which 1949 will bring to it and the industry at large."

So far as billings are concerned, the record for 1948 and promises of 1949 indicated on the surface a peaceful, orderly progression.

The figures, however, did not tell the more dramatic story of internetwork rivalries which reached unprecedented intensity by the end of 1948.

#### **Program Competition**

In the last quarter of the year, a program competition — sparked not only by the development of network radio but also by the imminent demand of television—resulted in the capture by CBS of two top NBC programs and portended a general revitalization of radio and television show business.

In the first utilization of capital gains outright purchases of talent, CBS bought Amos 'n' Andy and Jack Benny at outlays of a reported \$2 million each, and took them with their sponsors into its fold. At year's end CBS was still making furious passes at other NBC comedy stars like Fibber Mc-Gee & Molly and Red Skelton.

Meanwhile, Edgar Bergen articulated what many another radio luminary had felt but hesitated to say when he announced he would retire from broadcasting until the effects of television development became more clear. Fred Allen, ar NBC standby, also reported he would quit radio at the end of his present season, and there was reason to believe he meant what he said.

The assured departure of three of its top shows and the possible decampment of others encourage. NBC to an unusual activity in it: program department. NBC executives, mindful that there were programming holes to fill, intended to fill them with what it hope would be shows that could easily make the adaptation from radio to television.

The first talent to be hired by NBC was the comedy team o Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis veterans of the night club circuit. but comparatively untried in radior television.

As a logical outgrowth of the talent tug-of-war, the network were expected to invigorate their facilities development.

At year's end, CBS announced it had acquired KFRE Fresnc which goes to 50 kw in Februar: (see earlier story page 31) and i (Continued on page 46)



A YEAR-END roundup of unions in the radio field indicated that labor will have many problems to settle in 1949 and that station operators will be intimately concerned with some of them.

Management, a check of unions in the radio field showed, can expect:

• A jockeying among unions for television employes.

 New organizational drives by most unions.

• A drive in at least one union for a 35-hour week.

• Efforts to obtain higher scales and "improve working conditions."



Despite these problems, the labor situation in radio appeared more tranquil than for some time.

In the closing days of 1948, the American Federation of Musicians ban on recordings and transcriptions, which went into effect Dec. 31, 1947, was lifted [BROADCASTING, Dec. 27, 20]. As for networks, the last AFM pact with them was dated March 18 and will run for three years.

The AFM vis-a-vis television was the thorniest music problem of most immediate concern, but James C. Petrillo, AFM president, publicly had expressed eagerness to reach

# Video May Be '49 Problem Chilc

a settlement in this field. It seemed likely that 1949 would be the year when pay scales for AFM musicians would be settled for both telecasts and for films intended for telecasting.

Of less immediate concern in the music picture, but a disquieting note, was the avowed, long-range intention of AFM to seek revision of copyright laws so that revenue might somehow go to musicians from the playing of records by disc jockeys. It was thought likely 1949 will see some efforts made in this direction by the AFM.

From radio labor's standpoint,

perhaps the biggest problem in 194 would be television. It is probabl that the main outlines of th bounds among unions in this fielwill be more than roughly marke off in the coming year.

Talent, one of the segments o labor in television, was already a year's end hotly concerned witi video jurisdiction. The lead in this direction was taken by Ameri can Federation of Radio Artists a its convention last summer, when i resolved to effect a merger witi other talent unions in this field.

At year's end, a merger between (Continued on page 40)



FCC 'POLICY' Y



### Many Issues Wait Action

THE NEW YEAR looms as major "policy" year for the FCC.

The Commission enters it facing some of the toughest policy decisions it has ever confronted, as FCC Chairman Wayne Coy noted



in a yearend summary and new year prospectus prepared for BROADCAST-ING.

Among the greatest of these policy issues is the Hydra-headed problem involving television. A change in

Mr. Cov

the nature of the Commission's workload-resulting from a slackening of the pace of new-station applications, leaving more time to be devoted to overall policy matters - became evident during 1948.

Dip in Authorizations

The closing year saw a sharp dip in new authorizations. Deletions attributed for the most part to tightening economic conditions left FM with a net loss-fewer total authorizations now than a year ago-and AM's net gain was less than half the 1947 figure.

But TV grants were up, the number of operating stations in all three classes increased almost 40%, and there are 150 more AM, FM, and TV applications pending now than there were at the start of the year.

In his statement Chairman Coy declared:

"Most notable fact in American broadcasting during the past year was the continued expansion of facilities. More than 300 AM sta-tions, more than 300 FM stations, and more than 30 TV stations went .on the air, so that at the year's end, the nation is equipped with approximately 1,850 AM, 700 FM, and 50 TV stations. With some 275 AM, 300 FM, and 75 TV stations under construction, and with some 500 AM, 90 FM, and 300 TV applications pending, another banner year in radio station construction lies ahead.

#### **Controversial Questions**

"Looming large on the new year's agenda are some of the most important, most controversial policy questions that the Commission has ever been called upon to resolve. These include the television allocations, Mayflower, lottery. clear channel, and network spot representation questions.

"There is no doubt that the dynamics of broadcasting will continue to make unsparing demands upon the energy and the judgment of the Commission during 1949. It is equally apparent that the evolution of broadcasting during the coming year will make heavy de-

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mands upon the vision, the alertness, and the courage of the broadcasting fraternity.

"Let us hope that all of us will somehow find the resources within ourselves to meet the known and the unknown responsibilities that the next 12 months will bring. Let us hope that we will have the capacity to make our broadcasting system progressively responsive to the changing social, economic, and cultural needs of the American people."

Unofficial figures prepared from FCC records showed these January - December comparisons on grants, operating stations, and applications in each of the three broadcast classes (figures on oper-

#### Growth of Stations in 1948



ating stations include those licensed and those on the air under special temporary authority):

#### AM

Jan. 1, 1948-1,518 licensed and operating; 450 construction permits outstanding; 637 applications pending, of which 374 were in hearing.

Dec. 16, 1948-1,908 operating; 1,850 licensed; 273 CPs; 524 applications, of which 283 were in hearing.

#### FM

Jan. 1, 1948-370 operating; 84 licensed; 222 conditional grants outstanding; 745 CPs; 58 applications, of which 54 were in hearing. Dec. 16, 1948-694 operating;

199 licensed; 723 CPs and 50 CGs: 86 applications, of which 31 were in hearing.

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Jan. 1, 1948-17 operating; 6 licensed; 66 CPs; 67 applications, of which 33 were in hearing.

Dec. 16, 1948-48 operating; 7 licensed: 116 CPs; 311 applications, of which 182 were in hearing.

Stiffening economic conditions took an unprecedented toll, with approximately 175 permit holders and in a few cases licenseesturning in their authorizations. FM was hardest hit; there the total approximated 125, compared to 36 in 1947. In AM there were about 50, while in TV there were 2. The totals included 5 AM stations that were on the air, and 2 operating FM stations.

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#### **Ownership** Changes

More than 100 transfers of control and assignments of license. all involving changes in the ownership lineup, were approved during the year.

In addition, approximately 100 applications are now pending, but no breakdown was available distinguishing those involving ownership changes or realignments from those in which the ownership remains unchanged. Ownership changes in about 80 stations were approved in 1947.

On the policy front, the most formidable problem facing the Commission in 1949 is the television situation.

At a time when the demand already was far out-running the supply of channels, questions of tropospheric interference and cor-

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### **Revise or Overhaul Act?**

and communications," Mr. Bow insisted.

"I think," Mr. Bow continued, "Congress should spell out what controls, if any, the Commission should have over program content. There should be immediate legislation to prevent the further encroachment of government into competition with private broadcasters and other communications industries.'

Sen. J. Howard McGrath (D-R.I.), chairman of the Democratic National Committee, takes the position that the present Commission is doing a good job in the supervi-

"The growth of television and its impact on the industry and the public," he said, "is the most important present and future development in the radio-television field.

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THE ADVISABILITY of revising the 15-year-old Communications Act to bring it apace with modern trends and dissolve controversies over interpretations will undoubtedly be weighed by the 81st Congress after it convenes Jan. 3.

At year's end there was considerable sentiment for such action. Some legislators favored improving the statute; others were for a complete overhaul.

Rep. Forest A. Harness, a Republican defeated for reelection in Indiana's fifth district, called for a complete overhaul.

#### Necessary to Revise

Congressman Harness, who was a member of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee and chairman of the House Select Committee to Investigate the FCC. maintains it is "absolutely necessary that we revise the entire communications act in light of our experience and the Commission's experience since the act's inception."

of the House Select Committee, which held hearings on the FCC's Port Huron and Scott Decisions, thinks Congress should specify Commission



**Rep.** Harness Mr. Bow

should have over program content. There should be a continuation of the investigation with a view to rewriting the Communications Act to meet the modern trends of radio

sion of radio and television.

"Furthermore, the relation of



Frank T. Bow, general counsel



# TRADE ASSOCIATIONS

ALL THREE major broadcast media-AM, FM and TV-will find business better in 1949 than in 1948 in the opinion of key trade association executives who keep their fingers on the industry pulse.

AM, foundation of the industry, will benefit from intensive nationwide selling via the All-Radio Presentation along with steppedup local selling, they predict, reaching a new all-time high. AM's main source of growth is foreseen in local advertising, where space rates are skyrocketing, and in naional spot.

Television's meteoric expansion will center in improved programming and networking following the mid-January connection of eastern and midwestern TV station groups. The FCC freeze, of course, will retard station expansion should it continue into the summer. Bright TV spots are lower costs and more sponsors. These will be offset by public demand for more station ope ating hours just as stations approach the break-even point.

#### Willard Reports

NAB enters the new year equipped to service the industry's new problems, according to A. D. Willard Jr., executive vice president. The Standards of Practice, with



their evolution-ary effect on program and advertising standards, will come under a new committee. These will serve not only to elevate programs and advertising standards but also to counteract any tendency

Mr. Willard

to resort to selling abuses as the competition for business becomes more intense, he said.

Already the Employe-Employer Relations Dept. has developed a tel vision contract service for the membership. A system of direct servicing of individual stations as contract expiration dates approach is being put into operation, Mr. Willard said.

NAB's campaign to preserve freedom of expression will move forward, he predicted, noting that in the last year other major media have joined the effort to protect this basic American right.

Much will be done in 1949 to maintain radio revenues and develop new sources of business as well as to control costs, he predicted, with the All-Radio Presentation being readied as the first of a series of effective competitive weapons. NAB already is participating in the advance planning for the third NARBA and for the first time will take an active part in protecting American broadcast frequencies.

"The radio manufacturing industry is completing one of its best

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years and is anticipating an even better year in 1949," according to Bond Geddes, executive vice president of Radio Mfrs. Assn. While the trend is definitely toward a steadily increasing production of television receivers, radio set manufacturing is holding up remarkably well and is actually increasing in

the FM category. "The year 1948 probably will end with an output of 850,000 or more TV sets, close to 16,000,000 radios -of which 1,500,-000 will be FM or FM-AM-and a record number of TV and FM

transmitters. RMA through its 'Radio-In-Every-

Mr. Geddes



ACCELERATED progress of TV has lifted radio and television, in combination as an industry, to a  $$2\frac{1}{2}$  billion-a-year enterprise which may rank as one of the ten foremost industries by 1953, Brig. Gen. David Sarnoff, RCA president and board chairman said in a year-end statement.

TV's public appeal has carried it two years ahead of the most optimistic war-end forecasts, he said, though shortage of manufacturing machinery is

holding down set and tube production. Even so, he forecast 2 million sets will be built in 1949 by the industry and reach almost 5 million by 1953 when 18 million sets will

be in operation and a coast-tocoast network will be functioning.

Radio and TV employ hundreds of thousands, he said, and American dependence on radio entertainment, acquired over the past 28 years, "is being more deeply ingrained by television, which enables people in ever-increasing number to eyewitness events as they happen."

Gen. Sarnoff

Telecasting of President Truman's Inauguration Jan. 20 as far west as St. Louis will mark a historic milestone in civics as well as in broadcasting, he said, estimating 10 million people will eyewitness the event-"more than all who saw the 31 Presidents from Washington to Roosevelt take the oath of office."

#### **TV** Network

Expansion of TV networks will open new markets for sets and constantly increase its circulation as an advertising medium of powerful sales appeal, according to Mr. Sarnoff. He reminded that FCC has authorized 122 TV stations, with 47 now on the air, 75 CPs and 312 applications pending.



Room' program has done much to broaden the potential listening audience by encouraging multiple set ownership.

"The outlook for 1949 is excellent. The industry expects to manufacture 2,000,000 or more TV sets and a greater number of FM-AM and FM receivers than it did in 1948. AM set production, except for portables and auto radios, probably will decline but it may well equal the industry's prewar level. All set sales doubtless will push manufacturer dollar volume in 1949 to a new peak."

#### **Bright** Outlook

Dr. Kenneth H. Baker, NAB research director, predicts a new record in time sales. "As I see it," he told BROADCASTING, "1949 will bring another all-time high in

> Video Way Ahead **Of Predictions**

Four of NBC's five stations are on the air in New York, Washington. Cleveland and Chicago, with the fifth in Hollywood soon to start regular service. Eighteen others have NBC affiliations, Gen. Sarnoff added. The TV network will grow, starting with linking of NBC's eastern and midwestern hookups Jan. 12. Initially it will consist of 14 stations, with others to be added as links become available. This will add to program sources.

#### **TV** Operations

The TV operations of RCA-research, engineering, manufacturing and broadcasting-have in great measure enabled this country to maintain television pre-eminence, according to Gen. Sarnoff, and the new science has been fitted into the nation's security program. TV's present and future are charted by actual experience rather than by hopeful promises, he pointed out.

Importance of RCA Ultrafax. which can handle a million words a minute, was stressed by Gen. Sarnoff, along with other developments in electronics. These include studies in the upper frequencies and further development of "transistors," non-vacuum substitutes for electron tubes. RCA Labs are working on nuclear physics as related to electronics, he said, as well as radio-active tracers for tube research and radiation detecting devices for personnel protection. He cited the "transducer," which

converts mechanical vibrations into electrical pulses, and peacetime radar applications in reviewing RCA research progress.

Sound broadcasting continued to advance in its 28th year, said Gen.

#### '4 Improvements in

broadcasting revenue. The slum which is already beginning to b felt in the dollar volume as well a the unit sales in retail business will direct more and more attention to advertising and will keep advertis ing appropriations at their pres ent level or send them higher.

"Of course, whether broadcast ing will receive more or less than



its usual share of the total advertising appropriation will be de termined by the extent to which radio can demonstrate that it has delivered on the basis of present advertising allo cations. In any event, and espe-

Dr. Baker

cially if advertising budgets are not increased, we can expect advertisers to be more and more critical of the results produced by each of the media they use. It is, there fore, essential that the industry produce the facts which are needed by the advertiser to determine coverage, cost-per-thousand, results.

"It is especially important that the facts of AM broadcasting be continuously brought to the attention of the user of AM facilities. During this transition to televisior it is very easy to forget that AM broadcasting is still delivering enormous audiences; that it is still the effective medium that it has always been; and that, unless revenue to the industry from AM broadcasting is maintained at a high level, television may never develop into its proper place in the advertising picture.

"With regard to expenses, the industry will do well to expect them to continue to mount and profits to continue to decrease. Television, FM, increased labor costs and other (Continued on page 34)

Sarnoff, with NBC completing its 22d year showing largest volume of business since its formation. The network has 170 affiliates.

Broadcasting provided the foundation of experience and public service on which TV is being built, he explained. "Sound and sight combined are weaving a pattern that is more appealing to the mind than sound alone, so a gradual fusion of these two great services is to be expected."

FM continues to advance, he said, with 700 stations on the air and 300 CPs issued. Number of FM sets exceeds 3 million, he added.

Gen. Sarnoff predicts further advance of radio, TV and electronics in 1949 as new discoveries are applied and improved. "Some developments will overshadow in significance many of the achievements of the past," he concluded.



# REPRESENTATIVES

STATION representatives, with a few exceptions, feel that 1949 holds every promise of affording greater revenue for the radio industry. This is reflected not only on overall but also local, national and regional levels. A small minority see a possible drop in local sales. larger minority apparently think radio will merely retain its status quo in all fields.

With respect to types of stations they represent, AM (and, where concerned, TV) appears to offer them the biggest individual increases in revenue. Percentagewise, 76% say AM business will increase; about 24% believe it will remain the same.

Of the firms surveyed who deal with video clients, all feel that growing industry will provide ad-ditional revenue. FM did not fare rosily in their prophesies. A goodly percent foresaw "no change." Overall, the outlook for FM revenue appears no better to them than it did for 1948, it would seem.

#### Increases Seen

Percentages of increases anticipated in operational expenses ranged from 3% to 20%, with 5% and 10% figures most widely quoted. A small number of representatives see no boosts---"they are as high as they can go now.'

Consensus was that general business conditions would remain about the same, "steady," or that a slight recession would be experienced.

Types of sponsors who are expected to contribute to 1949's highwater revenue figure, according to representatives, are: Automotive, foods, household appliances, drugs and soaps and cleansers-in that order.

Those geographically nearest the financial and advertising pulse of the nation-the New York City representatives-were, in the majority, expecting either a slight general business recession or status quo during 1949. But there were only a few dissenters to the prediction that radio business would be bigger overall.

Paul H. Raymer, manager of Paul H. Raymer Co., expects bigger overall revenue for the industry, with an increase in AM business and no change in FM revenue. Operational expenses during 1949 will not change much, according to Mr. Ravmer.

"I believe business generally," Mr. Raymer said, "will undergo a slight recession. I expect radio business, however, to be better in 1949."

Greater overall revenue during 1949, both locally and nationally, was the forecast of Wythe Walker, president of Walker Co., N. Y. He sees an increase in business for both AM and TV stations, but no change for FM stations. The largest increase in time purchases can be expected in the automotive sponsor category, in the estimation of

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Mr. Walker. Although he anticipates no drastic fluctuations in the nation's economy, a 15% increase in operational expenses is indicated, according to Mr. Walker.

"I see no reason to anticipate any material change in the overall picture," Mr. Walker said.

Lewis H. Avery, president of Lewis H. Avery Inc., N. Y., forecasts a business decline of such slight proportions that it could not be properly labeled a recession. On prospects for radio revenue in 1949. Mr. Avery comments he had "never seen so many uncertainties as to-day." He anticipated no change in FM business.

Local revenue will decline some but the overall revenue picture for radio's new year will remain about the same, in the opinion of Robert D. C. Meeker, president of Robert Meeker Assoc. Inc., N. Y.

No variation in AM business is foreseen by Mr. Meeker, who believes that operational expenses may level off in 1949. He agreed with Mr. Walker that an increase in expenditures by automotive sponsors is indicated.

The first half of the year, he feels, will be "very busy," then level off and be followed at the end of '49 with a slight decline.

"I think radio will do very well in this area," Mr. Meeker says, "but I believe by the end of the year general business will decline 10 to 15%."

Joseph F. Timlin, manager of The Branham Co., N. Y., expects the nation's economy and radio's



### 1949 Revenue Rise Seen

overall revenue to remain about the same, but envisions an increase in video business.

The general business prospects in the New York area, he believes, "should be about the same as 1948."

A bigger national radio revenue in 1949 is anticipated by Hines H. Hatchett, manager of John E. Pearson Co., New York. Business increases for AM, FM and TV is his prediction.

"It is too early," Mr. Pearson believes, "to make a prediction at

this time but general indications point to an increase in national spot business.

"We pok forward to some new accounts switching to spot radio, plus present acacounts holding their own."

Mr. Hatchett A business boom with overall profits to the radio industry, locally and nation-

ally, is forecast by F. E. Spencer Jr., manager of George P. Hollingbery Co., New York. No change in FM business was

seen by Mr. Spencer but he did expect business increases for AM and television.

"If labor pursues a conservative policy and strikes are held to a minimum, 1949 will be a good year," Mr. Spencer declared.

"The occurrence of widespread strikes could result in decreased buying power of labor. A worker



THE STORECAST forecast for 1949 looks good. This is the prediction of Stanley Joseloff, president of Storecast, who believes the new year will see Storecast's recent development, the new AM-FM home-and-supermarket network, inaugurated in many new metropolitan areas.

"This AM-FM Storecast operation," says Mr. Joseloff, "offers grocery advertisers a 'package' comprising AM home coverage along with Storecast FM homeand-supermarket services of pointof-sale announcements, assured shelf supplies, displays, inventory-

ing, etc." The Storecast AM service, already under way in Philadelphia with WIBG and in Hartford, Conn., with WTHT, will start "right after the first of the year" in Chicago with an AM station to be announced shortly, according to Mr. Joseloff.

The Storecast head makes this further comment on prospects for 1949:

"With food manufacturers heading into tougher competitive situations in a tightening buyers' market, more and more grocery manufacturers will exploit the advantages of tying up their efforts in other media with a 'firing line' volley at the point of sale. The past several months have indicated this trend and Storecast's steppedup expansion in the second half of '48 has been the direct result of it.

"Since June our supermarket point-of-sale networks have been extended beyond our original operation in First National Stores to two more of the country's largest grocery chains-American Stores Co., Philadelphia, and National Tea Co., Chicago-bringing our point-of-sale customer audiences up to more than 2,000,000 per week in supermarkets, over and above AM and FM home coverage.

"Yes, with a wide representation of major food advertisers on our lists (General Foods, Libby, Swift, Wilson, Heinz, Coca Cola - and several dozen other national and regional accounts), with an excellent record of sales achievement, and with ever increasing public demand for 'music to buy by' in modern supermarkets, the Storecast forecast for '49 looks very good."

on strike not only has no money to buy new things but also no money to keep up the payments on high-priced things he has already bought."

The views of Frank M. Headley, Headley-Reed Co., New York, coincided with Mr. Spencer's prediction of a bigger revenue year for the overall radio industry, both locally and nationally.

He also believes video and standard business will pick up, while FM sales will remain the same.

There will be no general business recession or a boom in 1949, but radio's operational costs will rise 5% to 10%, according to Mr. Headley.

"It is difficult to predict the trend of national spot business for 1949," he declared.

"I feel that the first quarter of 1949 will be as good as the 4th quarter of 1948 with some indication that larger budgets will show a slight increase making 1949, on an overall basis, better than 1948."



Mr. Young

Mr. Weed

In New York Adam J. Young Jr., Adam J. Young Jr. Inc., looks for an influx of TV advertisers previously not on AM. "Business will be very great" in this area, which will absorb "more and more" of the advertising dollar, according to Mr. Young. A "boom in broadcasting" there is foreseen by Joseph J. Weed, partner, Weed & Co., because of TV. "New York is the one place an advertiser can get assur-ance of big circulation," he maintains

Max M. Everett, president, Everett-McKinney Inc., looks for greater spot busi-

ness in 1949, with

general business

the largest reve-



Mr. Everett

pects business to be "better."

Radio prospects in Philadelphia for 1949 are most promising, especially with anticipated greater TV expenditures. According to Fred Bernstein, manager, Forjoe & Co., TV will supplement AM more and more in the immediate future with a slight resultant increase in general business. Robert Hitchings, manager, John H. Perry (Continued on page \$0)

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continuing at thesame level. According to Joseph Bloom, general manager. Forjoe & Co., national advertisers will contribute

### nue boost. He ex-

# TRANSCRIPTIONS

VIRTUALLY all transcription and production firms, surveyed by BEOADCASTING in its year end report, are optimistic about radio revenue prospects for 1949. A small minority foresaw prospects of radio decreases at all levels. But not one surveyed envisioned a drop in its own business revenues.

Dollar-wise, they estimated boosts in revenue ranging from \$20,000 to \$100,000; percentage-wise, from 10% to 40%. The 10% and 20% figures were most commonly quoted.

Most of the transcribers and transcription producers seemed to be worried about rising operational expenses for the coming year. The majority professed belief in potential increases-anywhere from 10% to as high as 50%. A rew predicted little change in cost of the operational structure; an equal thought expenses would remain practically the same. But in any event, prospects of 1949 revenue looked rosy-hued, notwithstanding costs.

Many firms declined to express their views on general business prospects in terms of "boom or -or recession. Those who bust did comment felt, for the most part, that there would be neither-possibly a slight recession or just plain tightening up or leveling-off. Area prospects are generally good and even highly promisingwith reservations, of course.

Lifting of the AFM ban gave tran cribers a lift but the need for harder selling in 1949 was stressed by several.

Richard S. Testut, manager of Associated Program Service, New



York, said his firm's business had tripled in 21/2. years and he expects the rate of increase to continue. The increase will come from new business, he feels.

Mr. Testut

Robert J. Clarkson, general manager of Columbia Transcriptions.

foresees a 1949 gain, with a lot of spot husiness booked for firms advertising new items and conducting new campaigns. The new longplaying records will be a big help, he feels, and predicts the LP record will revolutionize the transcription business.

Joseph W. Bailey, manager of Lewis G. Cowan Inc., New York, says prospects are good, especially in TV, He does not foresee any substantial big cuts in radio budgets. Expansion will come from network shows through enlargement of present programs and through new business, he predicts. C. 0. Langlois, president of

Lang-Worth Feature Programs, New York, expects a good year, with increases coming mainly from local s ations and localized adver-

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tising campaigns.

Robert W. Friedheim, director of NBC Radio Recording Division, expects wider use of syndicated material, especially dramatic features. He also expects increased use of library services and believes return of AFM musicians will bring in advertisers who held off during the ban.



Mr. Sinn





"TRANSIT RADIO (FM radio in buses and street cars) looms bright on the 1949 radio horizon as a beacon light to guide many an FM station into a new, sound, profitable operation offering an added and welcome service to American listeners." That was the forecast of Frank E. Pellegrin, Transit Radio national already recorded for many sponsales manager.

"The transit-riding public expresses overwhelming approval;

station owners find it an interesting and sound operation; local and national advertisers are accepting it warmlv as an unusually effective medium.

ready on the air discovered that this new application of radio appealed to many advertisers who hitherto had used no radio, thus attracting new sponsors and new revenue to the radio industry.

"Among these were small advertisers who believed their modest appropriations could not make a sufficient impression or who could not use the broad coverage of AM; the low rates for a guaranteed, concentrated transit audience, actually on its way to buy, has shown these new users of radio that even a modest budget can be effectively impressive.

#### Sales Appeal

"Department stores and other large advertisers who have previously used radio sparingly are increasing their radio budgets because of the sales appeal offered by low rates and the same guaranteed, counted audience, whose composition is quite accurately known at all times and who can be reached, on their way to shop, with advertising messages 'beamed' especially to each group. Success stories



John Sinn, executive vice president of Frederic W. Ziv Co., finds local radio still on the upswing after a record 1948. He looks for more national sponsors to continue use of open-end programs fon a spot basis.

In Hollywood and Los Angeles, companies temper optimism with allusions to retention of the selling spirit of 1930 and 1940. Bob Reickenback, sales manager Mayfair Transcription Co., finds a "growing reluctance on the part of sponsors to make long-term commitments," but adds that business is very good.

James Parks, vice-president of Broadcasters' Guild, foresees "more business on a local level with co-op

sors confirm their judgment.

terest to enthusiasm.

"Acceptance of the new Transit

Radio story by national agencies

and advertisers has been uniformly

good and ranges from sincere in-

"With the rapid development of

additional Transit Radio markets

from coast to coast in 1949, the

almost perfect reception of good

programming based on music,

news, service announcements and a

variety of special features.

Pellegrin Sees It

As Aid to FM

### Firms See Good Profits

money being supplied by the manu-facturer." The problem is one of filled supply lines with the result, he feels, that retailers are finding sales more difficult to make.

Bruce Eells, president of Bruce Eells & Assoc., throws in the reservation that "business in general will enjoy a health commensurate with the courage and effort applied by business leaders. . . . They can either 'hit for the brush'-or get out and sell hard." he reasons. And there is evidence that radio operators are aware that there is little wrong with business that "hard selling" cannot cure, he concludes.



Mr. Eells

Mr. King

The "sell-hard" spirit was also choed by Gerald King, president, Standard R a d i o Transcription Services. "... Sales forces will have to increase their selling pressure in view of the declining retail market . . . and programming departments will have to . . . supply better, tighter schedules," he contends.

Seasoned broadcasters who experienced the "fluctuations of the



1930's can approach 1949 with confidence," Walter Davison, manager, Capitol Transcriptions, asserts. Emphasizing program content and close scrutiny of program budgets, Mr. Davison

Mr. Davison

looks for greater purchase of time "as the so-called buyers' market develops furtherbut there will be greater care in what is purchased." He anticipates experimentation in "limited budget programming."

Walter White Jr., president Commodore Productions & Artists, is enthusiastic about West Coast radio which he labels a "bigger and bigger industry" and which, with television, "offers every prospect of becoming a gigantic one."

#### **Business Increase**

Mr. Davison's allusion to the selling spirit of previous years is similarly voiced by Joseph F. Mc-Caughty, president of The Cardinal Co. He predicts a business increase for "those in radio who realize the wartime honeymoon is over and put on their 1940 fighting spirit." Mr. McCaughty maintains that a buyers' market inevitably brings out the "selling stars in any (Continued on page 45)

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Mr. Pellegrin

emergence of this as an important national medium seems assured. "FM station operators are also "During the finding this to be an excellent methclosing months of od of promoting FM. Literally

1948 the Transit millions of people who ride buses Radio stations aland street cars daily are hearing FM for the first time and enjoying

> "They are receiving a practical and dramatic demonstration of static-free FM performance 'right under the gun' of high-power lines, downtown noises, bridges and towering buildings, etc.

"A major problem facing all business in 1949 is the ever-rising spiral of costs-and this includes advertising costs. Local and national advertisers and their agencies are seriously concerned.

"That is one of the principal reasons for the excellent reception being given the Transit Radio story-because it offers one of the rare opportunities today actually to reduce advertising costs, by virtue of its low guaranteed-perthousand rate.

"The bright record of American radio has been built on growth, progress, new developments. Transit Radio will add to this record in 1949."

# ET RESUMPTION

AFM Pact Buoys Firms' Optimism

TRANSCRIPTION companies foresaw a big year ahead as they signed five-year agreements last Monday, ending the American Federation of Musicians ban on use of union instrumentalists in the making of canned commercials and programs.

Some companies had scheduled studio time in advance of the signing for music cutting and were ready to produce within hours after the signing. It was said that many advertising plans necessarily held in abeyance would now become possible.

Actual signing took place only six days after similar agreements with record companies [BROAD-CASTING, Dec. 20] had ended a similar ban. Union boycotts of both the record and transcription studios began Dec. 31, 1947 because the Taft-Hartley Law outlawed payment of royalties by employes for union-administered welfare funds.

Similar to Other Settlement

The settlement formula for the transcription companies was similar to that for the record companies [BROADCASTING, Dec. 20] --establishment of an impartial trustee to whom the transcription companies would pay royalties.

The trustee for both agreements is Samuel Rawlins Rosenbaum, a Philadelphia lawyer and former president of WFIL Philadelphia. He will administer the fund, created by the payments, to provide union musicians with employment by organizing concerts. Admission to the concerts will be free.

Transcription companies will pay into the fund 3% of their gross revenue from music transcriptions. Altogether, they are expected to contribute at least \$100,000 annually. Adding the record companies' contributions, the fund is expected to amount to over \$2 million annually. Later signers may swell the final totals.

Recording fees for musicians remain about the same under labor agreements signed at the same time between the union and the companies, with the basic rate \$27 per man for each period up to 15 minutes of recorded music.

Signing of the agreements with the transcription companies was an anti-climax after the hectic scene Dec. 14, which attended the signby recording ing companies [BROADCASTING, Dec. 20].

Both the recording and transcription signing ceremonies took place in the office of James C. Petrillo, president of the AFM, on the 34th floor of the GE building, New York City.

#### Few There

But whereas the recording signing saw reporters, still cameramen, newsreel men and remote radio crews all jammed into the Petrillo office to cover the affair, the signing with the transcription companies was attended by no similar press enterprise. Only BROADCAST-ING was on hand-with a reporter and photographer.

Mr. Petrillo himself was not present at the signing nor was his general counsel, Milton Diamond, who is credited with having devised the formula which resulted in the final settlement.

Instead, Mr. Petrillo was represented by his chief deputy in recording and transcription matters, Rex Riccardi, and Mr. Diamond was represented by attorneys from his office, headed by Jerome Adler. Chief industry spokesman present was A. Walter Socolow.

Around a council table, representatives of ten transcription companies passed the trust agreements and labor agreements for proper signatures. Most of the signing was done by Mr. Rosenbaum, as trustee, and by Mr. Riccardi, who sat at opposite ends of the table as the papers were passed





Placid expressions are worn by both Gen. Sarnoff (1) and Mr. Petrillo as record making is resumed.

. . .





Transcription agreement is reached by (1 to r) Messrs. Socolow, Rosenbaum, Adler and Riccardi.

around in a shuffle which would have become confusing were it not for the steering of Mr. Adler and Mr. Socolow.

Representatives of the various companies stood near the table chatting until their own particular agreements came up for execution. They would then sign and resume chatting. The whole affair was most informal.

However, after the signing,

### LOVE AND KISSES

All Was Not Strife in Record Negotiations

PUBLIC attention was fastened so closely on battlefield clashes along the road to recording peace that chivalry and cooperation between rival principals passed unobserved.

After the ban on record making was lifted by the AFM, Brig. Gen. David S. Sarnoff, chairman of the RCA board, got together Dec. 14 with AFM President James C. Petrillo at the RCA Victor Div. recording studio, to watch the firm , cut a record which marked resumption of record making.

That record is historic. But it takes a back page in history books to the written transcript of comments by Gen. Sarnoff and Mr. Petrillo on that occasion.

The classical bouquets, ex-changed by two gladiators renowned for their courage and stamina in the labor-industry arena, were as follows:

Were as Iollows: JAMES C. PETRILLO: I feel that something should be said about a great man who brought this about, for this is another victory for all of us. And feeling that one man in the industry was a fair man, I went to see General Sarnoff, some five-six Months ago and I said "General, what are we going to do about this thing? Are we going to do about this thing? Are we going to fight it out like we did before, or are we gonna settle this matter in a nice manner like Americans should?" And he said: "Jimmy, there should?" he any fights; we ought to get together on this thing." And we did get to-gether. gether.

. . . . . .

He grabbed hold of the bull by the horn HIMSELF, called in the industry —did a swell job—advised me as to what he thought was right and wrong. I mean when I say advised me, he said: "This is the thing we can do, and this is what we WILL do, and no mor than this," and so on, and I believed every word that man said. And, Ladies and Gentlemen, believe me that every-thing he said was God's honest truth. Night and day, when he says this is the truth, this is what's gonna happen —that's exactly what happened. I can't say too much for that man in this in-dustry, and I think that labor has a friend in General Sarnoff. GENERAL SARNOFF: This is almost

many of the executives hustled

back to their offices to get right to

work. NBC radio-recording re-

sumed the same evening and, ac-

cording to Robert W. Friedheim,

director, transcription companies

will now bring many advertisers

to radio who have been holding off.

Lang - Worth Feature Programs,

found it too late in the day to go

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C. O. Langlois, president of

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#### Representatives

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Assoc., foresees more radio advertising because of new classifications opening up "which have not before been on radio."

E. R. Tanz, Cox and Tanz, Philadelphia, stressed "a greater need for advertising to sell products,' which are in more abundance now than immediately after the war. Business will be good if prices are maintained, he contends. The firm engages in AM, FM and TV, with national spot contributing about 75% of the business. More radio advertising is indicated for 1949.

Radio is growing with the West, which itself shows signs of becoming depression-proof, in the eyes of West Coast representative firms. Benton Paschall, Los Angeles manager, Western Radio Advertising, asserts that stations are "merchandise-minded, promotion-proud and result-conscious" and realize they must produce for the competitive dollar. 1949 will be radio's biggest year yet, because "regional and national advertisers are taking cognizance of the growing West.

#### Southern California Industries

"Southern California . . . by virtue of its newly diversified industries ... is no longer solely dependent on citrus, motion picture and petroleum industries," Lawrence B. Krasner, general manager, West Coast office, Forjoe & Co., points Whether radio gets a "fair out.

share" of expected increases in billings next year will depend on how well it sells itself, he believes, competition in with printed media. He strongly urges radio-NARSR cooperation.

Mr. Coveny

Aural radio will be around for a long time, notwithstanding TV, because it carries to the "hinterlands," according to Carleton Coveny, vice president, John Blair & Co., Los Angeles. He predicts "good" business on AM and consistent increases on video. City's prospects look better than ever, he adds.

Harry H. Wise Jr., West Coast manager, Geo. P. Hollingbery, believes general business will regain some of its stability lost during 1948, partly because of elections. "The hesitancy and false starts by advertisers" will give away to an "intelligent approach to accomplishment of 1949's objectives," he feels.

Possible pass-

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penditures, a c -cording to Frank

G. Moreland, Los

Angeles manag-er, W. S. Grant



Mr. Wise

Business' gain in 1949 will entail a coincidental gain for both radio and TV, according to Robert W. Walker, manager, Robert W. Walker Co., Los Angeles. He looks for greater production and competition. A similar view is expressed by Harold Lindley, Los Angeles manager, Headley-Reed Co., with the comment that while there is a "normal mortality to a number of advertising accounts each year, the growth of the area and new businesses will more than offset this."

Inc.

#### Status Quo

John D. Gale, Los Angeles manager, Paul H. Raymer Co., foresees a status quo for 1949 business

-there will be more money "but it will have to be more cleverly spent . . . consumers are becoming more careful." He sees "top stations holding their own and poorer stations (falling) by Mr. Gale the wayside.

The Dallas-Fort Worth situation is encouraging, with radio pros-

The elder Mr. Shepard also was

owner of the Shepard store in Bos-

ton until 1936. The store had been

founded by his father. In 1880 he

founded a similar store in Provi-

dence of which he was chairman of

the board up until his death. He

also owned the Crown Hotel in that

A former president of the Rhode

Mr. Shepard married Flora E.

Island Golfers Assn., he had been

active in sports enterprises as well.

Martin in 1884, and they had two

sons, John III and Robert F. After.

his first wife's death he married

A. Maude Miller, who also survives.

city from 1931 until last year.

#### 1857 John Shepard Jr. 1948

JOHN SHEPARD Jr., 91, founder of the Yankee Network and department store magnate, died last Tuesday at his winter home in Palm Beach, Fla. He was also former Mayor of Palm Beach and engaged in many philanthropic works.

Mr. Shepard founded WNAC Boston and WEAN Providence, R. I., which were to serve as the nucleus of the future Yankee Network. His son, John Shepard III, was active head of the chain until it was sold in 1943 to General Tire & Rubber Co., and is still its consultant.

pects looking good. Joe Evans, manager, Free & Peters, feels a great deal depends on Congress. But he points to expansion of agency radio departments and believes advertisers will use more radio as their distribution expands.

A substantial increase for radio is predicted by Frank D. Brimm, southwest man-

ager, The Katz

lush



Agency, who points to regional accounts and potential development of national network business. With two TV stations now operating and five in pros-

pect next year, new advertisers will come into the southern and southwestern field, he thinks.

Chicago representatives look with optimism on the 1949 general and radio picture, especially for the Midwest. John North, vice president, Radio Representatives Inc., notes indications of price declines and greater competition. He also cites possibility of an excess profits tax as a boon to radio advertising. National business in Chicago will



Mr. North Mr. Hollingbery

be better because smaller agencies are soliciting it, according to George P. Hollingbery, president, George P. Hollingbery Co.

A local video boom is in the making, says John Pearson, president, John E. Pearson Co., with TV absorbing advertising previously allocated to printed media. As a result, he believes, spot radio will prosper.

Says Mr. Pearson: National advertising will bypass the networks

for spots . . . TV will claim the major portion of budgets, with spot taking the rest. There will be practically no competition with TV evening shows." But he admonishes that "radio needs a

Mr. Pearson

good, smart, straight-selling pitch . . . it should promote, rather than crucify, itself."

In the opinion of Clark Barnes, West Coast manager, Burn-Smith Co., however, general business should be not only good but will "reach an apex" in 1949, with TV having the effect of a hypodermic on AM radio.

Hal Holman, president, Hal Holman Co., looks for greater overall and national business, but "locally, per station, it will be smaller by about 10%." He notes that many advertisers are buying time now

in 13-week rather than 52-week cycles.

tine of selling

John Toothill, general manager, Burn-Smith Co., contends radio business will be good next year, in view of several new products to be sold. The "rou-

Mr. Holman

time to a mass market itself needs to be sold," he declares.

In Toronto Jack Slatter, president of Radio Representatives Ltd., feels that business will be as good for 1949 as 1948-with probably a slight increase.

"Radio stations throughout Canada have been enjoying unprecedented prosperity . . . local sales have doubled and trebled in the small community stations," A. A.

McDermott, sales manager, Horace N. Stovin & Co., observes. He adds that, as a result. national business has not commanded as much attention and that "many old-timers and repeaters (advertisers) have changed



Mr. McDermott

their schedules or dropped out altogether." He strongly advises stations to "get the oldies back into the picture."

Any increased volume in Toronto is possible only if selling becomes more intensified, in the opinion of Willam Wright, owner of the William Wright firm, that city.

#### COMPTON VPs

#### Agency Board Elects Four

FOUR NEW vice presidents were elected to Compton Advertising, New York, at a board meeting last week. They are Merrell Boyce, C. James Fleming Jr., L. O. Holmberg and Jack Rees.

Mr. Boyce, former head of Compton's Kansas City branch, has been in the New York office for two years as account executive on Socony-Vacuum, New York. Mr. Fleming, account executive for Procter & Gamble's Crisco, has been with the agency for four years.

Mr. Holmberg, now manager of the Chicago office and account executive on several accounts in that area, has been with the firm five years. He will remain in Chicago. Mr. Rees, who joined Compton four years ago, is account executive for Kelly-Springfield and Goodyear.



# **OCTOBER BILLINGS**

OCTOBER gross billings for the four nation-wide networks totaled \$18,325,006, more than \$2.5 million ahead of the September gross, according to data compiled by Publishers Information Bureau and released to BROADCASTING last week.

For the ten-month period, January-through-October, the combined network gross totaled \$163,654,849. With October the top month for the year up to that time and the fall running well ahead of springtime billings, the network gross for the year may well top the \$200 million mark.

Foods and food products made

### NARSR HEAD

#### **Headley Succeeds Raymer**

FRANK M. HEADLEY, of Headley-Reed Co., was elected president of the National Assn. of Radio Station Representatives at the organization's second annual meeting Dec. 15 in the Hotel Lexington, New York (see Respects Sketch this issue, page 38). Mr. Headley succeeds Paul H. Raymer of Paul H. Raymer Inc.

Others elected: Vice President, Adam Young Jr., of Adam Young Jr. Inc., succeeding H. Preston Peters, president of Free & Peters Inc.; secretary, Frank Edward Spenser Jr., of George P. Hollingbery Co., succeeding Joseph J. Weed, Weed & Co.; treasurer, Lewis H. Avery of Avery-Knodel. who was reelected.

Mr. Peters was elected a director for one year to succeed Mr. Young. George Brett, of the Katz Agency, was appointed the association's representative on the NAB Standards of Practices Committee.

Also approved at the meeting was a proposal that the accounting firm of Price, Waterhouse & Co. make a statistical analysis for the association of the volume of spot radio business.

#### KFRE TO CBS **Dropping ABC Affiliation**

CBS last week announced that the 50-kw KFRE Fresno, Calif., present affiliate of ABC, would join the CBS network next June 15.

The addition of KFRE will give CBS a total of 24 stations in the 50 kw category according to CBS.

At the acquisition of KFRE, CBS will drop its present affiliation with KARM Fresno, a 5 kw outlet. KFRE, which at present operates with 250 w, expects to begin operating with its new high power by next Feb. 1.

Although no official word was available, it was understood that ABC was negotiating with KARM for an affiliation to replace KFRE.

KFRE will operate on 950 kc. It is owned by the California Inland Broadcasting Co.

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up the leading category of products advertised on the AM networks, both for the month and for the year to date. In October this class of business added \$4,036,542 to the network total; for the ten months it accounted for \$38,884,798.

Toiletries and toilet goods were second in October, with total network billings of \$2,831,020, and for the ten-month period, with \$26,-693,367. Soaps and cleansers were third for the month, with gross expenditures of \$1,922,763 for network time during October. For the ten months, however, this class of advertising ranked fourth, its total of \$16,877,450 falling behind the ten-month gross of \$18,846,308 chalked up by network advertising of drugs and remedies. This group ranked fourth for October, with gross network time purchases of \$1,849,800.

Smoking materials, largely cigarettes, ranked fifth for both October and the ten months. October billings for this class were \$1,731,-

# CRANEY PLAN

CALL for immediate formation of an organization strong enough to wage an effective fight against clear channels was sounded in a circular letter mailed last week to 2,000 independent and non-clear channel stations.

Author of the letter is Ed Craney, general manager of Pacific Northwest Broadcasters, comprising nine stations in Montana, Oregon and Washington.

NAB cannot handle the matter, Mr. Craney's letter asserts, "because most of the 24 clears are members." Simultaneously it was learned Mr. Cranev has withdrawn all but one of his stations as members of NAB. Stations in PNB, but not all controlled by Mr. Craney, are: KXL Portland, Ore., KXLY Spokane, Wash., KXLF Butte, Mont., KXLJ Helena, Mont., KXLQ Bozeman, Mont., KXLE Ellensburg, Wash., KING Seattle, KXLK Great Falls, Mont., and KXLL Missoula, Mont.

Mr. Craney, long an exponent of abolishing clear channels, proposes that the operators of independent and non-clear channel outlets hold a meeting in Chicago or St. Louis next month to set up the anti-clear channel group. He is asking that interested station executives notify him at once of their choice of city.

Among Mr. Craney's suggestions as to how the organization should function are these:

• A board of directors, composed of men "who will work and whom the members have confidence in," should be selected at a national meeting. "This board should be given broad powers so frequent membership meetings will not be necessary."

The organization should have a Washington office with a paid director who would "keep its mem-

### Four Networks Over \$18 Million

6. Building mate-

293; for the ten months, its total was \$16,672,693.

Political broadcasting reached its peak in October, month preceding the Presidential election date. when the political parties and other groups buying time to win votes for candidates or platforms spent \$829,978 for network time, the major part of the ten-month total of \$1,073,282 expended for political network broadcasts.

Network advertising is analyzed by product groups both for October and for the first ten months of 1948 in the following table:

1 4	Oct. Gross Value	JanOct. Gross Value
1. Agriculture & Farming	117,845	1,255,631
2. Apparel, f o o t- wear & acces- sories	155,512	1,182,482
3. Automotive, au- tomotive acces- sories & equip- ment	659,261	5,887,888
4. Aviation, avia- tion accessories & equipment		
5. Beer, wine & liquor	84,669	959,854

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bers posted on vital happenings, would advise members what they should personally do for the furtherance of the objectives of the organization, and would appear before Congress, the FCC or any government official or department when occasion demanded.'

• Enough stations should be members so that their combined highest hourly rate is well over \$10,000. If possible dues should not be more than four times the highest hourly rate per year.

Mr. Craney urges that "the problem" (of clear channels) be attacked "with an organized plan under constant direction of a paid head" and says "it is useless to try to fight the powerful well paid clear channel lobby individually-by a few letters to Congressmen or Senators or to the FCC or even by occasional personal visits to all three." He points out that Louis Caldwell, attorney for the clear channel group, "is registered as a lobbyist at \$1,200 a month."

Unless the membership should direct otherwise, says Mr. Craney, the proposed new organization "should work on no other problem than clear channels in AM and possibly Stratovision in TV." He says: "The problem of centralized national coverage from one point under single control is a danger to the freedom of expression by radio in the U.S. and would tend to a tremendous monopoly in the hands of a few; this is as true of TV (by Stratovision) as it is of AM (by super-power)."

0,	Building mate-		
	rials, equipment	91,538	781,444
7	& fixtures Confectionery &	51,330	101,444
•••	soft drinks	745,765	6,357,955
8	Consumers'	110,100	0,301,500
<b>.</b>	services	309,941	2,109,373
9.	Drugs & rem-	000,011	200,010
	edies	1.849.800	18,846,308
10.	Entertainment &		,,
	amusements		5,215
11.	Food & food		
10	products	4,036,562	38,884,798
12.	Gasoline, lubri-		
	cants & other fuels	513,894	4,845,148
13.	Horticulture	J13,034	98.946
	Household equip-		20,210
	ment & sup-		
	plies	756,791	7,167,012
15.	Household fur- nishings		
16	Industrial mate-	136,957	1,112,398
10.	rials	208,411	1,371,735
17.	Insurance	363,820	3.564.132
18.	Jewelry, optical	000,000	0,001,100
	goods & cameras	172,404	833,376
19.	Office equip-		-
	ment, stationery & writing sup-		
	plies	147,234	2,038,171
20.	Political	829,978	1,073,282
21.	Publishing &		-,,
	media	106,842	1,320,256
22.	Radios, phono-		
	graphs, musical instruments &		
	accessories	131,099	1,270,842
23.	Retail stores &	131,000	1,210,012
	Shops		
24.	Smoking mate- rials		
~~	rials	1,731,293	16,672,693
25.	Soaps, cleansers & polishes	1 000 762	10 000 400
26.	Sporting goods	1,322,103	16,877,450
200	& toys		59,089
27.	Toiletries &		,
	tollet goods	2,831,020	26,693,367
28.	Transportation,		
20	travel & resorts Miscellaneous	98,528	98,528
43.	miscenaneous _	363,079	2,287,476
	Total	18,325,006	163,654,849

#### FCC PAY RAISE Proposal Revised Upward

THE PAY RAISE proposed for FCC members in the Flanders-O'Conor-Baldwin bill [BROADCAST-ING, Nov. 15, Dec. 20] was revised upward by the Senate Civil Service Subcommittee last Wednesday to provide for \$17,500 a year instead of \$16,500. The Commissioners now get \$10.000.

The revision was made following hearings on the bill, which would increase the pay of the President. the Vice President, and some 222 top Federal executives. The \$17,-500 figure for FCC Commissioners and comparable officials had been advocated by President Truman.

The Civil Service Subcommittee agreed that the bill should be given an emergency label and enacted into law before Jan. 20. Unless passed by that time-the date of President Truman's inaugural-the \$25,000 a year pay raise provided for the President could not under law become effective during his new term. The subcommittee is composed of Sens. Herbert R. O'Conor (D-Md.), Ralph E. Flanders (R-Vt.), and Raymond E. Baldwin (R-Conn.).

#### Jones to Hutchins

MAITLAND JONES, former vice president of J. Walter Thompson Co., New York, has resigned from the firm to join the New York office of Hutchins Advertising Co., in a similar capacity.



POSSIBLY video's most renowned Santa this year is Arthur Godfrey, shown with Newell-Emmett's Fred Siemsen as they pause during filming of Chesterfield commercials.





Radiorama



YEAREND transition for WJHP Jacksonville, Fla., is made by Chaz Harris (1) as he passes the mike to "Baby 1949" Claude Taylor.



JUDY ANN GRAHAM tells what she wants for Christmas via a special WSYR Syracuse Santa telephone headquarters. Over 20,000 children reportedly have talked to Santa or his helpers through WSYR service. CELEBRATING its first Christmas is KTLN Denver, represented by Joe Flood, KTLN'S "Upsee Daisey" man who expresses the best wishes for a happy holiday season and a bright new year to come.

TO HELP promote Salvation Army's "Christmas Cheer" campaign at their "Kettle House," WBT Charlotte's Kurt Webster joins in a special program with Brig. Stephan.



JOHN WILCOX, WIP Philadelphia announcer, interviews a few of the 10,000 customers at Gimbel Bros.' sale of \$1 Christmas trees at its Philadelphia warehouse.

IT will be a Merry Christmas for these physically - handicapped youngsters with the video set donated by GE to the TV Bedside Circuit promoted by Shirley Dinsdale, KTLA (TV) Los Angeles, and Art Linkletter

WITH the aid of WISR Butler, Pa., Santa arrived in town in grand style. Participating in the parade of greeting are (1 to r) Paul Martin, WISR commercial manager, and Bob Landers, announcer.

NORTHEASTERN Wisconsin children knew there was a Santa Claus when he distributed over 20,000 bags of candy from this float to promote his program on WTAQ Green Bay.



# On the way up!

The baby giraffe, just born in the Washington Zoo, has a long way to go before it catches up with its mother. But while it's growing it will get plenty of attention from the visitors at the zoo.

Attention is what radio advertisers want for their radio announcements. And attention is what they get from W·I·T·H, the BIG independent with the BIG audience.

At such low cost, too! W.I.T.H is the big bargain buy in Baltimore, the nation's sixth largest market. For W.I.T.H delivers more listeners-per-dollar than any station in town. It covers 92.3% of all the radio homes in the Baltimore trading area. So if you want lowcost sales in Baltimore, call in your Headley-Reed man and get the full W.I.T.H story today.



**Baltimore**, Maryland

Tom Tinsley, President Represented by Headley-Reed BROADCASTING • Telecasting



#### **ET** Resumption

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through with his planned schedule of the day but set Thursday for his first transcription under the agreement.

WOR program service used a seven-piece orchestra on a series of one-minute spots for Piel's beer. The companies and their representatives signing with the AFM and the trustees were:

#### Those Signing

Capitol Recording, W. K. Petigrue; Empire Broadcasting Corp., Helen D. Kelleher; Lang-Worth Feature Programs, C. O. Langlois; Muzak Corp., Richard Testut; NBC, Mr. Friedheim and William Hedges; WOR program service, H. B Lockwood; World Broadcasting and Frederic W. Ziv Co., John Sinn; Radio Features of America and Towers of London, Oliver W. Nichol.

Under the trust agreement, the transcription companies immediately paid to Mr. Rosenbaum, as trustee, an amount which each company estimated would be 33 % % of the payment which will become due Feb. 14, 1949. Mr. Rosenbaum told BROADCASTING that this total amount was \$2,500. This sum, however, can not be used as any basis for reckoning the total to be paid during the coming year because, it was pointed out, gross sales figures in many cases will not begin reflecting production under the new agreements for some time.

The companies bound themselves to pay the trustee for all electrical transcriptions whether on wire, tape or discs at the rate of 3% of gross revenues, if such ETs contain performances by union musicians and were made between Sept. 20, 1943 and Dec. 31, 1947 and between Oct. 1, 1948 and Dec. 31, 1953. Thus the agreement, like that of the record agreement, binds the companies to a five-year schedule of payments.

Like the agreement with the record companies, the ET outfits are to make payments to the trustee within 45 days after the end of each calendar half-year. Payments must be accompanied by a statement showing the gross revenues subject to the percentage payment.

#### Must Keep Full Records

All the parties are required to keep full records of all transactions and the trustee has the right to inspect the companies' records. Under the labor agreement, the union also has the right to such records.

The trustee is required within 60 days after the end of each calendar half-year to furnish statements of operations to each of the parties and to the union. The trustee is to be compensated at the rate of \$25,000 a year for his work in behalf of both agreements.

The method of appointing a trustee and selecting his successor is not repeated in the transcription agreement, but is set forth in the

### **Trade Associations**

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hikes in the items of expense will probably bring profits to a low that will frighten some of the old timers in the business. These developments will lead management to a very close scrutiny of operating budgets and many of the excessive expenditures in labor, promotion and programming will be whittled down.

"If FM receiver distribution develops as expected, we may see some FM stations going into the black because of their ability to deliver more sizeable audiences. Television stations also can be expected to come nearer to breaking even as the increase in set ownership justifies the rate increases which must occur before television broadcasters can hope to come out of the red. We cannot long persist in a situation such as now exists in television where everyone in television makes money except the broadcaster."

"Television is in harmony with the times and the same 'sweet' tune' will be sung in 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952 ad infinitum," says J. R. Poppele, president of Television Broadcasters Assn.

"The 'sweet tune' is tinged with the glow of prosperity, and prosper-

record manufacturers agreement [BROADCASTING, Dec. 20]. The recording agreement is referred to in the ET document and is annexed to it.

In the wage agreement signed at the same time as the trust agreement, the transcription rates were set forth as follows:

For each 15 minutes or less of recorded music, with or without commercial continuity or announcements, the rehearsing and recording of which does not exceed one hour-\$27 per man.

If 15 minutes of recording is finished and additional recording is made, then for each five minutes or less of extra recorded music-\$9 per man. For each such extra five minutes, 20 minutes may be used for recording and rehearsal.

Overtime for rehearsals is to be at the rate of \$4.50 per man for each 15 minutes or less.

All the rates are doubled in the case of band leaders.

Following the signing of the agreement, Mr. Rosenbaum told BROADCASTING he already has begun work on his tasks as trustee. He is making an intensive study of the manner in which the AFM administered the royalty fund in 1947 and 1948. From April 1 to Dec. 31, he said, the union gave 10,000 individual performances and paid out \$1.5 million in fees to musicians.

"From a cursory examination of their records," he said, "it would seem that their fund has been extremely well and carefully administered."

In compliance with the trust agreement, Mr. Rosenbaum is expected to establish a New York office shortly to administer the fund.

ity makes for a happy industry. "Projecting

one's view on tele-

vision into the

foreseeable fu-

ture is very easy:

Weather clear,

ceiling unlimited!

year though?

the picture shapes

Watch 1949!

"Wasn't 1948 a

"Here's how

Mr. Poppele

up - and it's brighter, clearer, sharper and more penetrating-for the next 12 months. With the end of the winter will come the end of the 'freeze.' The thaw may hang on during a good part of the spring, but the summer's 'heat' will certainly do the trick. When the defrosting process ends, the sorely-tried 'outsiders' will have their applications assuaged with the liniment of freedom to proceed.

"New stations will blossom over the country, freeze or no freeze. At the year's end there were over 70 under construction and better than two-thirds of this number will be wafting electronic pulses from bat-wing to dipole before the aroma of the 1949 Tournament of Roses fills the air. That will make for at least 100 stations by the year's end.

"Receivers? The more the merrier! Some say 2 million will be grabbed off dealers' shelves during the coming 12 months. The manufacturers guarantee at least that many. Some of the more optimistic producers claim 200,000 additional sets will be tagged on to the 2 million due to come off the production lines.

"Networks? The first big date for 1949 is Jan. 11 when east meets west, as AT&T literally drives another 'golden spike.' After that the sponsors should come running--the circulation is charging ever higher and so is the value of the video-medium. Spurs from this great regional network will make possible even more extensive service in the area covered by coax and microwave links.

"Coast to coast by 1950?

"It's not in the cards right now--but who can foresee what may come to pass?

"The sum and substance of this forecast is that television has hitched its potentials to a meteorand whizzzzz!"

#### **Mitchell Sees Progress**

Maurice B. Mitchell, NAB director of broadcast advertising,

forsees important industry progress as the All-Radio **Presentation** is completed by NAB convention time and then presented at showings all over the country. He calls it the "most important step in commercial radio

during 1948." This major industrywide selling

Mr. Mitchell

effort will be a heavy weapon in the 1949 battle for the advertising dollar, he said, marking the beginning of "a new era in radio sell-This era, he contends, "will ing.' be one in which in markets large and small throughout the nation, in the offices and board rooms of the country's key manufacturers, retailers and agencies, radio is planning to make a pitch that will start with the powerful All Radio Presentation and go on from there.

"A key to radio's outlook for '49 can be found in the growing strength this medium is developing in two vital business classifications-local and national spot. This recognition of radio's ability to deliver the goods more effectively and less expensively for the retailer as well as the national advertiser who needs strong support in spot markets is snowballing so rapidly that newspapers have hurriedly shifted their selling approach.

"They are now worriedly telling each other what broadcasters have long known: 'All Business Is Local.' More local advertising volume for radio in 1949 in the face of skyrocketing space rates is a foregone conclusion, and the continuation of this trend for another few years will firmly establish radio's dominance in every phase of consumer advertising."

#### FM Set Production Soaring

Rapid expansion of FM's audience in 1949 is foreseen by Bill Bailey, FMA executive director, aided by soaring FM set produc-



the offing. Transit Radio

will be important developments, he believes, bring increased revenue to FM stations. As the year ends. 700 commercial

Mr. Bailey

stations are on the air compared to half that number a year ago. Many of them report operations out of the red, according to Mr. Bailey. He says all indications point to continued growth of FM and its acceptance by advertisers as an established medium.

### McKinney in**c**. Firm to Represent Radio

EVERETT-McKINNEY Inc., former radio department of J. P. Mc-Kinney & Son, newspaper representative, has splintered from the parent group and is forming a new corporation to represent radio stations exclusively.

The new organization has taken offices at 40 E. 49 St., New York. Other offices are at 400 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago; 6912 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, and 681 Market St. San Francisco.



### SERVING A TREMENDOUS, EXPANDING 3-CITY MARKET

KFDM announces increased power to better serve one of the most thriving and prosperous areas in our country, and a new home in a fine old mansion which contrasts vivdly with the vast, bustling oil industry . . . the new and growing chemical empire . . . agriculture . . . lumbering . . . shipbuilding! Remember, KFDM delivers BEAUMONT, PORT ARTHUR, and ORANGE – the three KEY CITIES of this important Gulf Coast Market.



"Delivering A 3-City Market" 5000 WATTS • 560 KILOCYCLES Affiliated with ABC and LONE STAR CHAIN



A NEW HOME - NEW 5000 WATTS POWER

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Oil

Agriculture

# the way to make the grade

in Baltimore...

The attention of smart broadcast advertisers is cordially invited to the following facts:

- 1. The best way to haul a fast-freight *fast* is to put two of your finest engines up in front. Do this...and you never need worry about the hindmost. The caboose will take care of itself.
- 2. The best way to haul your advertising message with speed and efficiency to Baltimore's heavily-moneyed market is to hitch on to the selling power that WBAL, and only WBAL, can give you.


## two are always better than one...

WBAL is the only broadcaster in Baltimore offering both AM and Television. This combination...as we don't have to tell you...presents enormous selling possibilities. Your television show reinforces and strengthens your radio offering, and vice-versa. The talent you present in one medium receives wide recognition and publicity from its appearances in the other. And the products or services which you sell can be double-merchandized, in both audio and video mediums, so effectively that each separate commercial has an extra selling power that will make your strongest competitor blush. No need to take our word alone for this. In our Baltimore offices we have a long list<sup>\*</sup>. It contains names you'll have no trouble recognizing. All advertise over WBAL and WBAL-TV...all appreciate the fact that...

in Baltimore, only WBAL offers both ...

\*You can get the same information, and a lot more that's just as interesting, from our national representatives, Edward Petry & Co.



UBAL-TV Channel 11 36.2 KW

NBC Affiliate

2610 North Charles Street Baltimore 18, Md.

WBAL and WBAL-TV Mean Business in Baltimore!

Editorial

## Seattle Straw

THERE'S BIG news from the West Coast.

In Seattle, the AFRA local has notified stations that it is willing to forego negotiations for a new contract in 1949, and let the present deal stand.

Such a step would not have been taken without the acquiescence of national headquarters. It indicates that labor has recognized that it is scraping the bottom of the radio barrel on wages and conditions.

The West Coast for some months has been feeling the economic pinch. While conditions generally are good, there are plentiful signs that the cost spiral has reached its peak and that living costs gradually should recede.

We hope the Seattle labor straw-in-the-wind is a harbinger of a national trend. It's the first hopeful sign of a possible return to stability and something approaching normalcy.

WHEN the late FDR asked the late Anning S Prall to become FCC chairman in 1934, he told him the job ranked second only to the Presidency in importance. A Senate subcommittee recommending salary increases, puts the FCC at the bottom of the list, with boosts for chairman and members from \$10,000 to \$17,500. Many other agency heads would get \$22,500, and another flock, \$20,000. If what FDR told Mr. Prall is corrept (and we believe it is) why the step-child attitude to the FCC?

### Grotesque Radio Law

MUCH TO-DO may be made in the months ahead about the opinion last week of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia in the so-called Brockton case wherein the FCC selected one applicant over two others for the same local facility in the same general area in Massachusetts.

One of the unsuccessful applicants appealed, largely on the ground that the FCC based its action upon the so-called "quantitative analysis" of commercial versus sustaining programs proposed by the applicants. That would be in the fashion of invoking the Blue Book formula.

While the appellate court, in an opinion by District Judge Matthew McGuire, who was "on loan" from the court below, used strong language in holding that the FCC may inquire into the sustaining time a prospective licensee purports to reserve, it nevertheless concluded that this was not the "controlling" reason for the Commission's action. The test applied was that of "public interest, convenience or necessity." But the court does not attempt to define that ephemeral phrase. Not has any other court. Nor has Congress.

The unsuccessful applicant offered about 95% commercial time and contended this was none of the FCC's business, since to interfere with programs constituted censorship. The successful applicant proposed a 40% commercial schedule.

This opinion is another in the line of confused and befuddled interpretations of a law written 21 years ago.

We hope this case finds its way to the Supreme Court. Without a high court review more loose dicta will be added to an almost grotesque body of radio legal precedent.

## Whither 1949?

FROM NOW until after New Year's, open season reigns for predictions on 1949. Captains of industry, tycoons of Wall Street, oracles of government, men of science, and the pundits and commentators will give vent to their views. Inevitably, a majority of them will see ahead the "Year of Decision."

Will there be war or peace? Will the inflationary spiral be curbed? Will excess profits taxes be reimposed? Will Taft-Hartley go all the way out, or just part way? Will President Truman veer right or left, or steer a center course?

Many industries and pursuits have undergone more or less drastic change since the war's end. But none has experienced the scientific, economic and man-made developments that portend a metamorphosis in the mass radio arts, and in the mass advertising media.

Will 1949 be the "Year of Decision" for radio?

Our guess is that there will be many decisions, but that none will be "summary" ones. Television, and to a lesser extent FM, have introduced factors that are destined to bring economic changes. These changes, however, are likely to be evolutionary—readjustments rather than dislocations.

In this issue there is an analysis of our year-end business round-up. It isn't a gloomy picture, either for *sound* radio or for television. It isn't a depressing one for business generally.

There are other "decisions" which, during the next year, may be of greater significance. Television has an allocations problem that is far from solved. Legislation at the next session is a question mark. If there's to be a rigid limitation on the number of TV stations, there will be a concurrent legislative effort to cloak that almost fabulous medium with greater regulatory controls.

Economically, the big job of radio is to sell radio for what it is—the most comprehensive and all-inclusive advertising medium ever devised. Whether it's AM or FM, it's sound radio and for the most part, both are broadcasting identical programs.

The big job, economically, for television is to sell itself as more than an advertising medium. It is a sales and demonstrating medium. It should be considered as part and parcel of the advertiser's sales budget, and not alone its advertising budget. Advertisers and agencies must be indoctrinated with the knowledge that radio and television are *different* media, and that the budget used for the visual medium should not be subtracted from the aural, or vice versa.

If 1949 is that "Year of Decision," it is a decision as to wisdom in sales approach and in prudent management. Television has the glamour and the momentum, as well as an amazing success story. Sound radio has the coverage and the impact and the programs and the story of a hundred thousand sales successes. It needs only the resourcefulness and the means of cushioning the transition, however slight or drastic, so that there will be a minimum of dislocations. The printed media and the movies have far more to concern them —and the wiser heads know it.

In all this tumult among the media, FM's pace has been the least spectacular these past few months. FM has the quality voice. It has the advantage of uniform day and night coverage. FM has not taken advantage of its advantages. If it doesn't shout them from its antenna-tops in a well-greased campaign, 1949 could well be its "Year of Decision."



Our Respects To \_

FRANK MILTON HEADLEY

THE RELENTLESS determination of the recently organized National Assn. of Radio Station Representatives to track down every possible customer for spot radio time was indisputably revealed in its selection of a president. The man picked to head the NARSR is a former agent of the FBI.

Frank M. Headley, 40-year-old president of Headley-Reed Co. and the new president of NARSR, spent two years pursuing, and often overtaking, gunmen, extorters, kidnappers and assorted thieves before he entered radio, which presumably is a milder business.

In radio sales the chase for business is as breathless, if not as perilous, as the G-man's pursuit of crooks. It is a tribute to Mr. Headley's vigor that at the end of more than 12 years of radio station representing he is so slightly winded that he is willing to take on the additional duties as head of a trade organization.

Mr. Headley's first job in radio was general manager of the radio division of Kelly-Smith Co., a seasoned newspaper representative firm. The radio division, formed a couple of months before he joined it, started with a list of three stations—WSGN Birmingham, WSJS Winston-Salem and WROK Rockford, Ill.—which Mr. Headley's company still represents.

Three years after he joined Kelly-Smith Co., the radio division was separated from the newspaper representative firm and incorporated as the Headley-Reed Co., although still.owned by Frank Miller, owner of Kelly-Smith. Mr. Headley was made president.

Mr. Miller currently retains the principal ownership of Headley-Reed, but Mr. Headley and Dwight Reed, who heads the Chicago office, are part owners.

Since Mr. Headley's tenure, the Kelly-Smith radio division and the subsequent Headley-Reed Co. have increased the client list to 30 stations.

The president of Headley-Reed is an Iowa boy, born in Webster City Feb. 20, 1908. His father, a Standard Oil Co. executive, was often transferred from city to city within the state, a fact accounting for young Frank's attendance at public schools in Carroll, Council Bluffs, Des Moines and Marshalltown, Iowa.

Mr. Headley's first professional inclination was to law. He graduated with an LL.B. degree from Creighton U., Omaha, in 1930. The year of his graduation was not a propitious one for fledgling lawyers, and when Mr. Headley was offered a job as a salesman for Standard Oil, he leaped for it with the acumen (Continued on page 54)

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# So you're looking for a Top Market!

Then look at OREGON...with its phenomenal postwar growth...second in the nation! From 412,000 families in 1946 to 477,900 families in 1948, that's the record!

### **IN PORTLAND ALONE...**

there are 140,290 families...and 98 percent of them own radios.

### KOIN CONTINUES TO DOMINATE...

in this great and growing market. KOIN is a leader in community affairs, with three of its executive personnel alone affiliated directly with 29 community activities. It is a station with experience . . . a station with (you'll pardon the expression) know-how. (Anyone with KOIN less than ten years is a newcomer. Its junior announcer has been with the station for seven.)

### KOIN WILL CONTINUE TO LEAD...

because of its sound program structure and its aggressive, effective management policies.

OREGON . . . a growing population — a most important market!

KOIN . . . THE station to reach that market.



#### Labor

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venerable Actors Equity, Chorus Equity, American Guild of Musical Artists, and AFRA—all members of the AFL Associated Actors & Artists of America—had progressed to the point where it soon would be necessary to submit the plans to the various union memberships involved for final action.

Meanwhile, an agreement was tentatively reached, conditioned upon merger of the four going through, that there be a partnership in television between the merged group and the Screen Actors Guild in Hollywood. The merged group and SAG each agreed to contribute \$100,000 for use in television organization and that all TV bargaining contracts would be approved by both partners.

Merger, however, seemed likely to have its own headaches before it completed its gestation period. One such disorder was threatened from outside the four unions involved--from American Guild of Variety Artists. AGVA was being invited to join the merger by the members of the two partnership groups, but AGVA officials had already gone on record against any merger that did not include it and all other 4A unions. Dewey Barton, national administrative secretary of AGVA, said the constitutional basis of the proposed merger might be challenged by his organization.

#### No Major Problems

For its part, AFRA foresaw no other major problems in the coming year. Its master contract for networks runs until November 1950. It expects to extend organizational activities to new stations and, legislatively, to work for repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law.

Not only talent unions, but also technical workers were beginning to scrap over television jurisdiction. Four unions at least would be increasingly concerned with engineers and technicians in television —IATSE, NABET, IBEW and ACA, all AFL unions except for the ACA, which is CIO.

Richard F. Walsh, president of International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employes, called TV one of the chief problems concerning IATSE at its August convention. He indicated IATSE would move into television strenuously. The union took advantage of the T-H Law to seize jurisdiction over TV engineers at WFIL-TV Philadelphia from American Communications Assn. The latter's members were barred from an NLRB election because ACA top officers had not taken non-Communist affidavits required by the T-H Law.

ACA, whose broadcast department is a vertical union covering some 700 employes in 30 stations along the eastern seaboard, was planning an aggressive organizational drive in 1949. It plans to

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use stations presently under contract as a base for organization of nearby outlets.

All ACA contracts come up for renegotiation during 1949, but, according to William Bender, vice president of the broadcast department, since 90% of them do not expire until the end of the year, it is too early to plot wage demands. He said, however, that such demands will be in accordance with patterns established by industry generally by that time.

#### **IBEW** Contracts

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers' major contract is the two-year pact with CBS, expiring in May. It is expected that in this agreement and in others negotiated around the country, the IBEW will plug for reinstatement of preferential hiring (union gets first crack at sending the employer a man to fill the job).

National Assn. of Broadcast Engineers and Technicians two-year contracts, covering 600 technical workers at NBC and ABC and 100 at WOR-Mutual, will expire in May and it is expected renewal negotiations will begin in March. Its negotiation plans have not yet been developed by the executive board. The union, however, is expanding in New York and plans, as part of its 1949 expansion, to open a fulltime office in Hollywood.

Radio and Television Directors Guild, operating often among highlevel employes, was at the year's end striving for its first contract between freelance radio directors and sponsors, agencies and networks.

Parleys were still in the preliminary stages, but reports drifting out indicated that if a contract did not immediately result, a code governing fees and working conditions might be a concrete development.

Sixty days before the end of 1949, the RTDG will commence renegotiating all its AM network contracts for directors and associate directors. One of its big problems for the coming year is whether it can become the bargaining agent for such supervisory employes as television directors. Currently, it is in deadlock over this point with WJZ-TV New York.

Radio Writers Guild's contracts with the networks for freelance writers and the agreement it hopes soon to reach with agencies, sponsors and package producers will both be openable in November for adjustment of minimum fees. Its network contracts for staff writers will also be renegotiated during the year.

The Radio Guild, Local 50, United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, has just renewed a one-year agreement with CBS covering 650 white collar workers, providing for wage increases averaging about \$4 weekly. During the coming year, it has several other smaller contracts which will be up for renegotiation. An effort will be made to obtain further wage increases and a 35hour week.

## TRANSFERS

ACQUISITION of control of WTHI and WTHI-FM Terre Haute, Ind. by Anton Hulman Jr., already a 39.6% stockholder, was one of four transfers and assignments approved by FCC last week. Mr. Hulman acquires control through the purchase of 42.05% held

Mr. Hulman acquires control to by Frank E. McKinney, identified with several stations in that area, ABC Vice President Robert H. Hinckley, and three associates: Frank M. McHale, Chester L. Robinson, and David Lewis. Total purchase price is \$52,563 [BROAD-CASTING, July 26]. WTHI is on 1480 kc with 1 kw and is affiliated with ABC.

Other assignments given FCC approval:

KBMY Billings, Mont. (1240 kc, 250 w)--Robert E. and Willard Mulvaney sell their respective 16-2/3% interests for \$10,000 each, to the remaining partners: Don C. and John W. Foote, Horace S. Davis, and Rockwood B rown [BROADCASTING, Sept. 27].

[BROADCASTING, Sept. 27]. WGNS Murfreesboro, Tenn. (1450 kc, 250 w)-S. D. Wooten sells his onethird interest to the two remaining partners, Cecil N. Elrod and Cecil N. Elrod Jr., for \$11,250, with Mrs. Elrod Br. becoming a one-third owner. The license transfers from Murfreesboro Broadcasting Service to WGNS Inc., a new corporation of which Mr. Elrod Jr. is president, Mr. Elrod Sr. is secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Elrod Sr. is vice president [EROADCASTING, NOV. 8]. WUSY, Hattlechurg Misc (1220 kc

vice president [BROADCASTING, NOV. 8]. WHSY Hattiesburg, Miss. (1220 kc, 250 w, day)—Transfer from Charles W. Holt, Marvin Ruben and Vernon J. Cheek doing business as Hub City Broadcasting Co., to corporation of same name. Original owners hold 25% each, and William W. Hunt, part owner of WTOK Meridian, Miss., and Howard E. Pill of WSFA Montgomery, Ala.,



#### Leaves Pearson for P&R

JOHN H. McSWEENEY, who has been with the John E. Pearson Co., station representative, New York, for five years, joins Pedlar & Ryan,

New York, as a timebuyer, effective Jan. 3. Mr. McSweeney succeeds Mary Dunlavey, who resigned from the a g en c y a fortnight ago [BROAD-CASTING, Dec. 20]. John S. Stewart, who has been

Mr. McSweeney art, w

with the William G. Rambeau Co., station representative, for the past two and a half years, will take over Mr. Mc-Sweeney's position with the Pearson Co. in New York effective the same day.

Prior to his association with the Pearson Co., Mr. McSweeney was with Compton Adv. for two years and with Paris & Peart for one year. Before that he was with the *Chicago Tribune* for seven and a half years.

Mr. Stewart was with Ruthrauff & Ryan for four years as a timebuyer. In 1943 he entered the Air Corps and served as radio operator and gunner on a B-17 in the 8th Air Force. He rejoined R&R upon his return and later went with Rambeau.

#### Hulman Given Control Of WTHI, WTHI-FM

d \* a, WDAK Columbus, Ga. and WTOK acquire 12½% each for \$4,000 [BROAD-CASTING, Sept. 20].

## HAL ROACH TV

#### **New Firm Producing Films**

START of production on six new films for television got under way in Hollywood last Wednesday (Dec. 22) with announcement of the formation of Hal Roach Television Corp.

Simultaneously it was disclosed that a contract was being drafted between the new corporation and William Morris Agency, under which latter will handle distribution exclusively. George Gruskin, West Coast radio-television head of William Morris, said that final papers would be signed between Abe Lastfogel, 'Morris head, and Hal Roach Sr., for the producing company.

Although the actual corporation was organized in California for considerably less, Mr. Roach said that \$6 million was available. Claiming control of the company with slightly less than 50% of the stock, Mr. Roach said that others associated with him financially were: Tom Bragg, New York financier; Irving Florsheim, shoe manufacturing executive; Charles Lick, executive of the Los Angeles Brewing Co.; Earl Gilmore, Los Angeles oilman and sportsman; Clare Bronson, Los Angeles real estate man.

Production on all six of the films is to be completed by Jan. 6, with agencies able to have a look-see by February.

Among the audition files of the projected six series Mr. Roach said all were half-hours. He broke them down as follows: Sadie & Sallycomedy; Brown Family -family comedy situation; Botsford's Beanery-slapstick featuring waitress and barber; Puddle Patch Clubkid format; Foo Yung-comedy mystery; Our Main Street-drama.

Coincident with announcement of his television plans, Mr. Roach said that his studio would turn out only films for television and that he was through producing for theatre consumption.

#### Kellogg on ABC TV

KELLOGG Co., Battle Creek, Mich., on behalf of its cereal products, will sponsor *The Singing Lady* over ABC's entire eastern and midwestern television networks. The 52-week contract, effective Sunday, Feb. 13, 6:30-7 p.m. EST, was signed through N. W. Ayer & Son, New York.

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Delaware's Home Owned and Operated Radio Station

# WAMS

1000 Watts • 1380 Kc's • Day and Night

## Wilmington Delaware

Announces Its Affiliation for Delaware With the

## MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

And the Appointment of

# WEED & CO.

As National Representatives

Wilmington Tri-State Broadcasting Company, Inc.

George L. Sutherland

Vice President and General Manager

**WAMS** 1000 WATTS MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM WAMS-FM 20,000 WATTS

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ollary problems developed to prompt FCC to freeze licensing while the answers are being sought.

It seems unlikely that licensing will be resumed before spring, and pessimistic observers put the probable date much later.

Inevitably interwoven with this exclusively VHF question is that of the UHF—that band between 475.890 mc which for years has been hailed as the ultimate home of television and its only hope of adequate space for a nation-wide, competitive system.

#### Is UHF Usable Now?

The question is whether the UHF is usable now, from a practical standpoint. The problem is further complicated by the prospects for color television, a factor which concededly must be considered in any UHF allocation if there is to be assurance that color won't be effectively precluded.

Other facets of the television problem include such major questions as Stratovision and the use of directional antennas, and, in another field, whether the Supreme Court's anti-trust decision against the major film producers will affect those firms' qualifications as licensees not only in TV but also in AM and FM.

A final decision on the Paramount-DuMont question also is on



Because it's the CENTRAL SELLING FORCE of the vast geographical, trading, financial, industrial, commercial, and educational center located at Lubbock. BECAUSE it can open the door to this multimillian dollar market it's a KEY station—KEYO—the station with the consistent clear signal. 1340 on the dial.

affiliated with AMER CAN BROADCASTING CO., Inc. LONE STAR CHAIN

Represented by # TAYLOR-BORROFF & CO., INC. the Commission's 1949 agenda. In a proposed decision earlier this month FCC held that Paramount controls DuMont, which would mean denial of five pending TV applications of the two companies since the firms between them already have five television stations, the maximum permitted by FCC rules. If made final, the decision may be taken into the courts.

FCC has completed lengthy hearings on the American Telephone & Telegraph Co.'s policy against interconnection of its network television facilities with those of private companies which duplicate AT&T routes. The decision on the validity of this policy, followed by an exhaustive investigation of the lawfulness and reasonableness of the network TV rates of both AT&T and Western Union, is scheduled for 1949.

#### **Clear-Channel Question**

Another major question to be decided in 1949 is the perennial clear-channel case. The case was closed last January after almost three years of studies and hearings. But issuance of a decision was held up while the Senate Interstate & Foreign Commerce Committee pondered a bill in which the issues were basically the same: Whether to break down the clears and whether to keep the power ceiling at 50 kw.

Subsequently freed of the Congressional committee's injunction to hold up, FCC reinstituted its work on a decision a few months ago and has been expected to complete its study and release its findings early in 1949.

Lately, however, there have been recurring reports that further consultations with key Congressional figures will precede actual issuance of the decision.

Closely linked with the clearchannel decision is U. S. preparation for the international conference to be held in Canada next September to negotiate a new North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement (NARBA).

The NARBA conference was scheduled last September but was postponed, at least partially because of FCC's inability to get out its clear-channel decision.

Another policy question with international considerations is the use to be made of 540 kc, which was added to the broadcast band by the Atlantic City Conference subject to agreement among the NARBA nations. FCC may institute a proposed rule-making proceeding on this subject in the near future.

#### Other Problems

High-policy questions on which hearings or oral argument have been held, but on which no decisions have been announced, are those involving (1) the Mayflower edict against editorializing by stations; (2) a definition of giveaway programs which FCC would consider to be in violation of the lottery laws, and (3) the right of networks to serve as national spot



advertising representatives for affiliated stations, on which the closing session of hearings is slated to start Jan. 3.

The Commission also has announced, but not yet heard argument on, a proposal to set up numerical tables governing common ownership of stations and putting a limit on the number of minority radio interests one person or company may have. Oral argument is scheduled Jan. 17.

Another pending proposal, designed to speed FCC's work, would permit the use of examiners' recommended decisions as the Commission's proposed decisions.

In the investigatory field, FCC has called a hearing on the news policies of G. A. (Dick) Richards, involving his KMPC Los Angeles, WGAR Cleveland, and WJR Detroit. The FCC staff also has completed an investigation of the Arde Bulova radio operations (WOV and WNEW New York), but the Commission has not acted on the staff report.

Heard but still pending are the competitive renewal application of WBAL Baltimore and the application of columnists Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen for WBAL's clear-channel facilities (1090 kc, 50 kw).

#### **Commission Policy**

Early in the past year the Commission enunciated a policy which has been the keynote of succeeding decisions—a policy of judging stations' operations on the basis of their "fairness" in dealing with divergent or opposing groups. The policy was laid down in the Néw York FM decision and was the keystone of the approved, but not yet issued, decision on the "Mayflower" question.

One of the principal policy decisions of the Commission in 1948 was the "Port Huron case," which held that political broadcasts may not be "censored" even for libel or slander. For this FCC was slapped by a federal court in Houston and by the House Select Committee to Investigate the FCC. But the decision is still on the books, although officials clarified it orally by assuring that it is not an "order" and that cases will continue to be judged on their respective, individual merits.

Other policy questions with which the Commission dealt in 1948 included: Establishment of standards for commercial facsimile; issuance of a decision holding that programs supplying horserace information are not against the public interest so long as they are part of balanced overall programming; abolition of special temporary authorizations in AM, effective Aug. 16.

The Commission lost its most outspoken, left-wing member during 1948 and got its first woman member when Clifford J. Durr retired to private practice at the end of his term on June 30 and was succeeded by Miss Frieda B. Hennock, New York attorney. The term of Comr. E. M. Web-

The term of Comr. E. M. Webster, engineer and specialist in safety and special service matters, expires June 30, 1949. He has not indicated whether he would accept reappointment.

#### For the Record

IN BROADCASTING'S report of the settlement of the recording ban in its Dec. 20 issue, an error was made in one comparison of the old and new schedules of royalty fees. The old royalty rate on records retailing at \$1 to \$1.50 was  $2\frac{1}{2}$ % per record. The new royalty rate is  $1\frac{1}{2}$ % of the retail price of records selling for from \$1 to \$1.25 and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  cents per record on those selling from \$1.25 to \$1.50.



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## NEW FTC HEAD Freer Successor Unnamed

WITH Robert E. Freer preparing to submit to President Truman his formal resignation from the Federal Trade Commission sometime this week (see separate story), speculation as to his successor is rampant. Two defeated Congressmen—Sen. John S. Cooper (R-Ky.) and Rep. John W. Gwynne (R-Iowa)—head the list of likely prospects.

Mr. Freer said he did not know whether he would tender his resignation to the President in person or in writing. Any Presidential consideration of a candidate awaits his official resignation. The FTC chairman is retiring Dec. 31 to enter private law practice because of financial reasons, and his successor to a Commission post will be chosen from Republican ranks [BROAD-CASTING, Nov. 22, 1]. No appointment was expected to be forthcoming until after the Inaugural.

Other possibilities for a Commissionership include Rep. Frank Keefe (R-Wis.); Harry Babcock, FTC member in charge of the Bureau of Legal Investigation; Lyn Paulson and Austin Forkner, FTC attorneys; Cyrus B. Austin, New York attorney and formerly with FTC; Douglas Hartman, adminis-trative aid to Sen. Owen Brewster (R-Me.); S. Chesterfield Oppenheim, professor, George Washington U.; H. J. Kenner, former head of N. Y. Better Business Bureau; Hugo Prucha, an Ohio attorney; George Meredith, Senate Small Business Committee director, and Willis Ballinger, House Small Business Committee advisor and former FTC economist.

Sen. Cooper, who was elected to the Senate in 1946, was active on the Senate Judiciary Committee in behalf of export controls for the government.

Rep. Gwynne was active in Congress for 20 years, serving on the House Judiciary Committee, during which time he urged passage of a bill extending FTC power over corporate mergers. Author of the bill was Estes Kefauver (D-



Tenn.), a Senator-elect and former Congressman himself, who has initiated the push behind support for the defeated Congressman. The Senator-elect reportedly was responsible for the appointment of D. C. Daniel as FTC secretary.

#### MBS ATLANTA Godwin Heads New Office

CREATION of a new southern office, and appointment of Charles W. Godwin, MBS director of station relations, as its manager, was announced last week by Edgar Kobak, network president. The southern office, with headquarters in Atlanta, will handle station relations, sales and programming in conjunction with those departments of the national organization, Mr. Kobak said. Mr. Godwin will assume his new duties shortly after the New Year.

"The growth of the southern section as an important advertisers' market, and the expansion and improvement of Mutual's station facilities in the entire southern sector makes this closer-to-the-scene activity necessary. The establishment of an office in Atlanta is also part of the corresponding expansion and realignment of the Mutual organization which is now in progress," Mr. Kobak added.

## AD COUNCIL

RADIO support for Advertising Council public service campaigns during the first 45 weeks of 1948 produced an estimated total of 12,409,135,000 listener impressions, the Council reported last week. A summary of the traceable advertising support given by advertisers

A summary of the traceable adv and media to Council campaigns during 1948 predicts that the number of listener impressions—each being one message heard once by one listener—would reach a total of 14½ billion by the end of the year.

The five Council campaigns receiving the greatest radio support this year were, in order of circulation received: The 1948 Red Cross fund, American Heritage, U. S. Savings Bonds, Stop Accidents (home, traffic, farm), Hospital Careers (student nurse recruitment).

Others of the 14 major council projects which received major radio support were: United America, Community Chests, Fight Tuberculosis, CARE, Improve Our Schools, Prevent Forest Fires, Our New Army (later became Joint Armed Services), Conserve Fuel Oil, Crusade for Children (UNAC).

"Public service material was broadcast on practically every network commercial program and on sustaining and cooperative programs of the four national networks, ABC, CBS, Mutual and NBC," the Council said. "Dozens of regional advertisers likewise carried public service messages on their radio programs on a regular schedule."

The 28 miscellaneous projects receiving minor radio support during 1948 were: Navy Recruiting, G. I. Insurance, National Guard, Foster Parents Plan for War Children, Christmas Seals, Employ the Physically Handicapped, Marine Corps, March of Dimes, World Trade, Cancer Society, National Heart Week. Four-H Clubs, Easter Seals, Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls, Freedom Gardens, National Boys Club Week, United Negro College Fund, Home Demonstration Week, Rat Control, Food Conservation, Army Nurse Recruiting, U. S. Coast Guard, Youth Month, Fire Prevention Week, United Nations Day, Navy Day, Junior Red Cross.

These programs were listed in the radio bulletin, which the Advertising Council issues every two months to radio advertisers, advertising agencies, networks and program producers.

Each week the NAB lists the Council's top-priority campaigns in the NAB report to stations.



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### AFRA RENEWS? Notifies Seattle Stations

(See Editorial, Page 38)

AFRA'S Seattle local is willing to continue the present contract with area stations, the union has notified broadcasters following a membership meeting. Notice of the attitude was expressed by Gordon Tuell, chapter president, in a letter to Seattle stations.

The AFRA negotiating committee has weighed the "wearisome and time-consuming aspects" of contract negotiations, Mr. Tuell wrote, and recommended that AFRA not instigate opening of the present contract effective to Feb. 15, 1950. The recommendation was adopted by the membership when stations had not indicated intent to reopen the contracts.

Mr. Tuell added, "AFRA does not intend to give the impression that we are entirely satisfied with all phases of our present contract. However, it is our feeling that many of the difficulties encountered in working under our 1948 agreement can be worked out in discussions rather than over the negotiating table.

"We would like to take this opportunity to restate the principle that fees and schedules as stated in our contracts are intended only as minimums, and in no way restrict the stations from recognizing and rewarding superior ability or unusual responsibility in their AFRA employes."

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#### TV PRODUCERS

#### **Plan 4-Way Joint Action**

JOINT action in four realms of television production is being taken by Independent Television Producers Assn., New York, and Television Producers Assn., Hollywood. Action follows recent meeting betweeen heads of these two groups and Television Film Producers Assn., Hollywood, to work out cooperative arrangement among the three organizations.

The four areas of cooperative action for which contracts now being drawn up include: Specialization of credits to establish independent producer's individual trademark; uniformity of code of practices regarding teletranscriptions of live programs; comprehensive launching of negotiations with four A's television committee on behalf of both organizations; setting up trade practices for retaining ownership for independents in sale of programs in conjunction with network sales staffs.

Television Producers Assn., he ded by Mal Boyd, is considering a complete merge with ITPA in future.

Third group, TFPA, will hold a membership meeting after the first of the year to determine the extent of coordination with other groups.



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#### Advertisers

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1949 radio expenditure to approximately \$2 million, but the company would not comment on its specific media plans.

#### Kraft Hopeful

Kraft Foods Co. looks for a good year in the food business, according to John H. Platt, advertising manager in charge of advertising and public relations. "We plan to



continue our two network shows, Kraft Music Hall and The Great Gildersleeve, and to expand television coverage by a d d in g a midwestern leg to our present NBC eastern network and continuing the Kraft The-

atre of the Air as a full-hour television dramatic show presenting leading productions each Wednesday."

Campbell Soup Co.'s 1949 advertising budget calls for maintenance of current radio expenditures, according to R. M. Budd, advertising manager. Campbell has no TV plans at present.

Likewise Procter & Gamble Co. plans no marked change in its radio advertising operation or expenditures during the coming year, according to a high P&G executive.

Chrysler Corp. expects continued good business in 1949 unless the automobile market is reduced because of impaired national economic vigor. Radio and other advertising plans of the several sales divisions have not been settled.

Ralston Purina Co. will continue with approximately same radio advertising schedule it used in 1948, according to G. M. Philpott, vice president in charge of advertising.

Lehn & Fink Products Corp. will continue participation programs for Hinds cream with the same intensity, said William Hausberg, advertising manager.

#### Coca Cola Plans

Coca Cola Co.'s 1949 advertising plans will be basically the same as 1948, said Robert T. Kesner, with no startling media shifts planned. Coca Cola television activity is in the "formative stages."

Anticipating a "moderate increase in sales," Miles Labs plans call for an increase in radio advertising, according to H. S. Thompson, advertising manager. The rapidly changing situation prevents accurate estimating of the total budget, he said.

Plough Inc., Memphis, looks upon 1949 business prospects "very optimistically," according to Abe Plough, president. The company's advertising budget has not been allocated.

Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. looks forward "with confidence and optimism" to 1949. W. S. Cutchins, advertising vice president, said the network budget will be maintained as at present and the spot budget increased 20%. The company has no definite TV plans but is studying the medium closely and is expected to continue its policy of contracting "for good availabilities in selected markets."

Kaiser-Frazer Corp. sees 1949 as one of the automotive industry's big years, with raw materials playing an important part in production, said H. M. Swartwood, there being no indication of lowered national income or lessened demand for autos. The company's radio budget will continue to be "a healthy percentage" of its total advertising. Mr. Swartwood added, "Our sponsorship of Walter Winchell on ABC in addition to our local radio spot coverage indicates our respect for radio as one of our basic advertising approaches. We have no announceable plans for television."

#### Emerson Increasing Ads

Emerson Radio & Phonograph Corp. plans to increase its adver-

tising expenditure in television as well as newspapers and magazines, said Stanley M. Abrams, sales promotion manager.

R. J. Piggot, advertising manager, Grove Labs, St. Louis, said,

"Prospects for 1949 are very good. Business is up. We will increase our radio advertising budget and are very interested in television."

Mr. Abrams

Nate Perestein, vice president, Pabst Sales Co., Chicago, said the company is making plans for "one of the biggest years in our history. Our radio budget will be higher, but only because costs are higher. We are most interested in television as evidenced by our sponsorship of the Bear-Cardinal football game, which we gambled on long before we knew the teams would be leading the league. Of course, we had faith in television as early as 1946 when we sponsored the New York Giants football games."

C. J. Hibbard, advertising manager, Pet Milk Sales Corp., St. Louis, asserted, "We will increase our radio budget. At the present we are not in television, but we are reading everything that comes our way concerning this new medium with a view toward participating in it at some future time."

D. B. Hause, advertising manager, Armour & Co., Chicago, finds prospects "look good with no recession in sight in 1949. We have lately added Stars Over Hollywood to our Hint Hunt program, and are planning to build still further. However, during the new year we hope to get better use out of present advertising, rather than add to our budget. We will give closer attention to each promotion and coordinate advertising with sales. In 1949 we will be more aggressive in selling soap. Regarding television, if the cost of this medium keeps in line with the benefits derived, it will be more widely accepted."

Emerson Drug Co., Baltimore (Bromo-Seltzer), is optimistic over 1949 business products and has increased its radio advertising appropriation 20%, said John H. Kelly, vice president. TV is contemplated but plans are still in the formative stage.

### WESTERN UNION

#### Marshall Named President

WALTER P. MARSHALL, vice president and assistant to the president of Western Union Telegraph Co., New York, was elected president of the company last week. Mr. Marshall had been acting in that capacity since the death on Dec. 6 of Joseph L. Egan.

Formerly executive vice president of Postal Telegraph Co., Mr. Marshall became assistant to Western Union's president in October 1943, following the merger of the two companies. Previously he was with Commercial Cable Co., All America Cables and Radio Inc., Mackay Radio & Telegraph Co. and the Mexican Telegraph Co.



#### Transcribers

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field and therefore, the strong aggressive radio men will welcome a competitive market."

Carl F. Krantz, president of Teleways Radio Productions, says his company expects a "tightening-up of retail business in 1949" but that specifically Teleways looks for its "greatest year to date in both sales and profits," because it is in the "five-and-dime" end of radio business.

Speaking for the transcription field as a whole, Mr. Krantz feels local radio sales should be "excellent" next year. Inasmuch as general business is going to be "tougher," manufacturers will not only have to get out and sell their merchandise once again, but they'll have to make every advertising dollar count," he reasons.

F. J. Rudolph, sales manager, C. P. MacGregor, feels that a "small recession, if it comes, will be of a short duration" and that "radio and general business will reach greater heights."

In Chicago and the Midwest transcription firms all anticipate revenue increases. Wayne Williams, director, Universal Recording Corp., expressed hope that AM will "hold its own despite indications TV will cut into set budgets." He foresees a leveling off in general business.

According to William Klein, president, United Broadcasting Co., overall and local revenues will rise in 1949. Lifting of the record ban will have its favorable effect. Increased billings for spots and TV are expected by Mr. Klein.

"The day of automatic receipt of orders is over and business is

now on a normal, salesmanship basis," Milt Blink, vice president, Standard R adio Transcription Services, asserts. Stations are finding library services more valuable because they are being "redesigned along more commercial



Mr. Blink

more commercial lines"; hence Standard's business will "definitely increase in 1949," he believes.

Dann Carr, general manager of Guild Radio Features, Toronto, believes it's becoming "tougher



and tougher to get time on Canadian stations, which means plenty of radio advertising volume," while Spence Caldwell, manager, program division, All-Canadian Radio Facilities, that

Mr. Caldwell

city, observed that, in Canada, "business should be good in all staple lines."

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television to AM radio, and the effect of the growth of television on AM radio will be the most important single factor in the com-

Sen. McGrath

sion on AM radio will be the most important single factor in the communications and news dissemination field in the future."

Sen. McGrath points out that the FCC faces a

difficult job in supervising these media and in granting licenses and allocating frequencies, but believes that "the present FCC is doing a thoughtful, conscientious and effective job in this field." "The air," Sen. McGrath said,

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"The air," Sen. McGrath said, "belongs to the people. The spectrum is jammed and frequency allocations always must be made in the public interest."

Democratic Congressman J. Percy Priest of Tennessee agreed the Communications Act should be subjected to

more intensive scrutiny. However, he opposed perpetuation of the House Select Committee, of which he is ranking Democratic member. The authority for further investigation



on Rep. Priest

should be vested in a communications subcommittee of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, he argues.

The Southern legislator, who is also a member of the House Commerce Committee, believes that "everybody recognizes that we should look into the basic Communications Act.

"I believe the 81st Congress should go into a revision of the Communications Act."

Rep. Priest also acknowledges there is still a need to look into controversial Commission decisions, such as the Port Huron and Scott cases.

He has deplored the language of the Select Committee's interim report to Congress, which he feels is too severely critical of the FCC.

Rep. Harris Ellsworth (R-Ore.) is of the opinion that the FCC should follow the lead of the ICC and other agencies. The Commission, he believes, should ask Congress to examine any of their practices which they are doubtful about and request they be written into law, if Congress approves them.

"There are a number of practices, in the form of Commission regulations or policy, which might be questioned," Congressman Ellsworth declared.

Sen. Owen Brewster (R-Me.), a member of the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, sees an "opportunity for improvement in the Communications Act."

# MAY 1949 *be prosperous* FOR YOU

.... and for your clients.

For wise timebuyers realize that the client must profit from wise choice of spots and programs if the account is to grow.

That's why we're happy to see the volume of 1949 business already contracted for over WHHM—the station that

#### DELIVERS

### **MORE LISTENERS**

#### PER DOLLAR

## **IN MEMPHIS**

Follow the merry, merry ring of cash registers that show WHHM advertising brings results.

May 1949 be happy. Make 1949 a happy sales year for your customers by buying time on WHHM—the station with those healthy Hoopers.



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#### **Network Billings**

(Continued from page 24) commonly predicted that

was KFRE would not be the last bigpower outlet to change networks. KFRE was formerly an ABC affiliate.

As of Dec. 22, the station count of the networks was: ABC 272 AM, 21 TV: CBS 167 AM 21 TV: MBS 519 AM (Mutual has not begun television networking); NBC 168 AM and 25 TV. Many of the television stations were affiliated under working agreements with more than one network.

Statements from the four network presidents follow:

#### ABC Sees Prosperity

Mr. Woods: "I believe 1949 will be a most important year in the growth of television and the expunsion of radio broadcasting in the United States.

"The past three years have seen this country enjoying an era of unprecedented prosperity, certainly a period of national and individual prosperity far surpassing the condi ions elsewhere in the world.

"On the basis of market research figures available to the American B oadcasting Co., I see no indication of any marked reduction in prosperity during the new year.

"Radio and television, admittedly the two greatest mass audienre media, undoubtedly will share



in the nation's expanded advertising dollar in 1949.

"Because television adds sight to radio's sound, and movement to display on the printed page, leading national advertisers are adding television to their budgets to supplement other advertising.

"1948 was a peak radio year for the American Broadcasting Co. Gross billings from the sale of radio time amounted to an estimated \$44,301,700, compared with \$43,548,057 in 1947, the previous top year. "This general upward trend in

radio business will undoubtedly be continued in 1949, for, despite the significant advances of television in 1948 and scheduled for the year ahead, radio will remain in the new year as the leading mass circulation medium.

"No, 1949 will not sound the death knell for radio, nor will 1950 or the years to follow, because radio is not a rigid medium. Radio is flexible and can be moulded and tailored to fit the needs of local as well as national advertisers.

"A case in point is the spectacular gains reported by ABC's cooperative program department in recent years reflecting the outstandingly successful merchandising efforts of the network's affiliated stations.

#### Peak Years for Co-ops

"Cooperative programs - those national network shows featuring outstanding performers in all fields from news through discussion and entertainment-made available by ABC to its affiliates also reached an all-time peak in 1948. One or more of the network's 17 cooperative programs are sponsored on 216 of the 272 ABC stations.

"ABC's affiliated stations report a total of 850 advertisers, a record number, who are sponsoring network cooperative programs on a local basis.

"Of increasing significance to the radio picture is the expanded program activity of the American Broadcasting Co., which, in the past year has added top entertainment features to its well established daytime programming.

"The distinguished news commentaries by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and her daughter Anna Roosevelt, on one hand, and the top showman of Stop the Music and Kay Kyser in the field of variety entertainment, are outstanding examples of this phase of ABC activity in 1948.

"Underlining my belief in radio's essential strength is the host of distinguished leaders in American industry who have joined with many of the country's most gifted entertainers to present outstanding program features on ABC this year. The addition of such great names in American industry as American Oil Co., the Assn. of American Railroads, Eversharp, Freuhauf Trailer Co., General Foods Corp., General Motors Corp., Kelvinator, P. Lorillard Co., Pillsbury Mills, Revere Camera Co., Smith Bros., Speidel Co. and Swerl Products, certainly indicates their

belief in radio as a prime medium to reach a national audience.

"Still other leading advertisers will use radio-and specifically, ABC radio facilities-in 1949. As 1948 drew to a close, General Electric Co. and National Dairyproducts both will sponsor five times weekly ABC programs, and Chesebrough Mfg. Co. will present a weekly program over ABC in 1949. Other leading advertisers planning their advertising budgets for 1949 indicate continued extensive use of radio as well as expanded experimentation to adapt television to their needs.

"These are the basic facts emphasizing my firm belief that both radio and television will move on to new heights in 1949 and the years ahead."

'Significant Advance' for CBS Mr. Stanton:

What does the new year hold for broadcasters - in aural and television broadcasting? So far as CBS is concerned, the past year has been one of significant advance, and 1949 promises to better that record.

"1948 net sales of the CBS AM network were larger than the 1947, and our most careful calculations indicate to us that 1949 will show a substantial increase over this year.

"In addition to the growth in our AM network revenues anticipated for the coming year, we estimate that revenues from television operations in 1949 will be more than four times what they were in 1948.

"These results are due in large measure to Columbia's highly successful program developments. CBS today has the largest creative program operation in the entire broadcasting industry. The success of Columbia-built programs -CBS on 'package' shows—has been outstanding, and with the swift emergence of television as a major programming medium, our creative program operations are steadily assuming larger scope and, I believe, will be increasingly reflected in our operating revenues." Mr. Kobak:

"The Mutual Broadcasting System views the approaching year with optimism. Station additions

### Upcoming

Jan. 6-7: NAB Sales Managers Execu-tive Committee, NAB Hdgrs., Wash-

tive Committee, NAB Hdqrs., Wash-ington. an. 10: Chicago Advertising Execu-tives Club dinner, Electric Club, Chi-Jan.

Jan. 10. Contract Club dinner, Electric Club, Chi-cago.
 Jan. 10-11: NAB Engineering Executive Committee, NAB Hdgrs., Washington.
 Jan. 15: All-Radio Presentation Com-mittee, New York.
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 Jan. 17: Multiple Ownership, oral argu-ment, FCC Hdgrs., Washington.
 Jan. 23: CBS Television Clinic, Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York.
 Jan. 24: Wander Co. Hearing before FTC continued, Washington.
 Jan. 25: Academy of Television and Sciences annual award banquet and seminar, Athletic Club, Hollywood.
 Feb. 5: Radio Correspondents Assn. an-nual dinner, Hotel Statler, Washing-ton.

nual dinner, Hotel Statler, Washing-ton. Feb. 8: Hearing on Motions of Ameri-can Tobacco Co., Washington. Feb. 14-16: NAB Board of Directors meeting, Roosevelt Hotel, New Or-leans. March 7-10: IRE national convention. Hotel Commodore and Grand Central Palace. New York. March 10-12: Assn. of Women Broad-casters Convention, Drake Hotel, Chi-cago.

April 7-13: NAB Convention Week, Stevens Hotel, Chicago. May 5-8: Institute of Education by Ra-dio, Ohio State U., Columbus, Ohio.

and facilities improvements of the past three years make Mutual a better buy than ever-covering as it does all but one of the metropolitan markets and having the only station in about 320 mediumsized and small markets.

"Gross billings from the sale of network radio time during 1948 will show a gain of 5% over 1947. Fundamental changes in nighttime programming will make Mutual better for listening and better for advertisers.

"We look forward to a successful 1949. We hope to continue to record our progress and our ideas for the improvement of the business in which we are engaged in our periodic reports."

#### NBC Confident

Mr. Trammell:

"The coming year, 1949, will be one of the most exciting in the history of radio. Broadcasters will be called upon to exercise all the ingenuity at their command to meet the new challenges and opportunities which the year will bring in both sound radio and in television.

"We at NBC turn the corner



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into the new year full of confidence and expectation that sound broadcasting will attain new heights and that television will give abundant proof that it is the greatest means of communication that has ever been devised.

"It was 22 years ago that NBC was first recognized as 'America's Number 1 Network' in radio. Next year, as more and more television stations go on the air, set owners in ever-widening circles throughout the United States will come to look on NBC for their television fare as the previous generation did 22 years ago in radio.

"NBC will continue in 1949, as we have vigorously since 1926, to expand our service so that this network will be looked upon with confidence and respect by the listening public and by the American advertiser."

Donald W. Thornburgh, CBS Western Division vice president and KNX Hollywood general manager, expects radio business for western stations and regional networks to rise in the spring of 1949 and maintain its same high rate throughout the entire year. "This section," Mr. Thornburgh predicts, "will undoubtedly take its place as the second largest television market in the United States."

Crediting ABC with one of its best years on the Pacific Coast, Frank Samuels, ABC West Coast Sales Manager, believes "business conditions in general for 1949 look good."

A business let-down which should not hurt radio, is anticipated by Sidney N. Strotz, NBC administrative vice president in charge of TV and Western Division. On the theory that the smart businessman advertises to get his share of the falling market, Mr. Strotz advances the contention that "if we can continue to show that radio and television offer the most for the advertiser's dollar our business should continue to be as good in 1949 as it was in 1948." He feels greater strides by television may be felt in sound broadcasting.

A cutback in AM business resulting from television's biting deeper into the advertising pie is



the prediction of Clyde Scott of KECA Los Angeles. He believes that 1949 will be a bigger revenue year than 1948, with more advertising expected from retail merchants in metropolitan areas.

John H. Norton, Jr., vice president in charge of ABC's Central Division, is looking forward to 1949 as a year of accelerated progress in both radio and television. "There are more advertisers today with budgets exceeding a million dollars annually than ever before in the history of this country," he points out. Their plans, he believes, already call for the assignment of an even larger share of the advertising dollar for the coming year to radio and television.

I. E. Showerman, NBC vice president in charge of Central Division, does not believe the industry can "contemplate in 1949 the same great volume of business with as relatively little difficulty in securing it as we have had in the past few years." He sees heavy investments in broadcast advertising in 1949 but believes indications of more careful buying are unmistakable from late '48 curtailments. Mr. Showerman forecasts the sale of two million more TV receivers and a "tremendously increased" volume of TV business.

## NORAN KERSTA

Named Weintraub TV Head NORAN E. KERSTA, executive

NORAN E. RERSTA, electric assistant to NBC's vice president in charge of television, will join William H. Weintraub Advertising Agency, New York, on Jan. 10 as head of the agency's television department.

Announcing the appointment, Harry Trenner, vice president of the agency in



Mr. Kersta

A T & T's East Coast and Midwest video network facilities, which will permit for the first time the simultaneous broadcast of a

charge of radio, pointed out that

it coincides with the connection of

television program across the country from Boston to St. Louis.

#### NAB REPORTS Committee To Study Content

NAB President Justin Miller last Wednesday named a three-man committee to study NAB's official publication, NAB Reports, and recommend changes in format and content. Action was taken following board recommendation.

Committee members are Campbell Arnoux, WTAR Norfolk, Va.; Willard Egolf, WBCC Bethesda, Md., and Howard Lane, WJJD Chicago. The publication is now edited by the NAB Public Relations & Publications Dept. Nowhere on Earth do you find a more Responsive Audience than in historic Y O R K Pennsylvania

... hub of the fabled, fertile "Pennsylvania Dutch Country"... where York's PERSONAL Station<sup>\*</sup> commands a PROSPEROUS audience



\* You are cordially invited to visit us, see WNOW in operation, and see for yourself what we say about YORK.

#### Agencies

(Continued from page 23) advertising "to provide increased coverage in special markets," and that he knew of no client who planned to curtail radio expenditures. He said "many" clientssome radio users and a few who have relied on printed media in the past-plan to expand into television, and for the most part will do so without cutting appropriations for other media.

A. S. Gourfain Jr., partner in Gourfain-Cobb, and Ben Green, ra-dio director of Arthur Meyerhoff, stressed that 1949 will be a highly competitive year in which aggressiveness will be vital. Both plan extensive television operations, with Mr. Gourfain estimating his agency's TV volume will approximately triple that of 1948. Mr. Green said Meyerhoff is "going heavily" into tele-

vision, even

though the cover-

age is still lim-ited. "One more

year of television

will alter the

[general indus-

try] picture broadly," he de-

George Bolas.



Mr. Bolas

supervisor of radio for Tatham-Laird, forecast increased radio billings but more careful appraisal of time and talent costs. He looked forward to 1949

clared.

as "the year in which television advertising will make the successful transition from a test-tube operation, for most clients, to a full-scale productive medium." But, he cautioned, television "will reach a pay-cut basis much quicker for some types of products than for others."

Malcolm - Howard's President Art Holland expected to spend more on radio in 1949, "and a large amount of this will be for television." The agency now has five TV accounts and plans to "expand

this activity greatly," he said. Radio Director Ken Craig of Mc-Cann-Erickson felt that "television seems to be cluttering instead of clearing the picture," although he

thought that 'probably all of the broadcasting media will hold their own'' in 1949. He said a continuation of present business trends would mean about a 27% increase in radio expenditures by McCann-

Mr. Craig

Erickson clients in 1949. He expected television billings to double, reaching about 20% of the firm's



total radio budget, but noted that selling becomes necessary in vir-major advertisers thus far "are tually all lines." Bill Hunter, owner sitting back and watching the video fight . . . awaiting results, and not buying now."

#### Los Angeles

On the West Coast approximately two-thirds of the

about 25%. Ap-

locations averag-

ing about 15%

Mr. Holzer

David R. Fen-

"unquestionably



Mr. Belding

below 1948's. Don Belding, chairman of the Foote, Cone & Belding executive committee, said the general business problem now is not to cure inflation but "how to meet the deflation which is already under way.'

Several who envisioned increased

radio use felt that Congressional developments and the world situation may be dominant influences. These included Radio Director Lou Holzer of Lockwood-Shackelford, Vice Pres-

ident and Manager George A.

Whitney of Harrington, Whitney & Hurst, and General Manager Bill Welsh of Allied Adv. Agencies. R. H. Alber, president of R. H. Alber Co., added that "all factors point to advertis-



Mr. Alber

. . will give American business another hypo," but cautioned advertisers not to overestimate TV's present pull and start buying aural radio on a dayto-day basis.

Mark L. Mulligan, media director of BBDO, estimated his own office's radio expenditures would be up 60%. He felt gradually declining prices will permit advertisers to adjust inventories and price policies "without undue haste," perhaps lessening profits somewhat but maintaining overall sales volume "at a fairly satisfactory level."

Milton Carlson, vice president and radio director of Western Adv., thought "a slower first quarter of the year ought to improve the advertising picture when competitive

of Hunter Adv., was confident that both 1949 and 1950 "will be big years for us all,"

while President David S. Hillman of David S. Hillman Inc. reported a general note of "optimism tempered with caution and flexible, short-range planning." Many saw 1949

Mr. Temple

as a hard-selling year demanding increased foresight, ingenuity and hard work. "Pent-up demand has become spent-up demand," said John H. Weiser, Pacific Coast vice presi-dent of Ruthrauff & Ryan. But he was confident of radio's ability to sell. Robert C. Temple, executive vice president of Raymond R. Morgan Co., thought "1949 will be good-for outfits that work harder than they ever worked before."

A dimmer view was taken by James C. McCormick, radio and television director of The Mayers Co.; Edward B. Ross, co-owner of Ross, Gardner & White, and Earle

J. Dumont Jr., executive assistant to the owners of Smith, Bull & McCreery. A11 three thought they probably would spend less on radio in 1949, although Mr. Mc-Cormick qualified his reply. C. H. Cotting-



Mr. Cottington

ton, vice president and radio director of Erwin, Wasey & Co., saw 1949 as "a year of struggle between optimism and fear," with advertising probably continuing "at about the same level as 1948." R. E. (Joe) Messer, executive vice president of Robert F. Dennis Inc., regarded general business prospects as "not altogether clear" but thought his own firm's use of radio would increase. Charles E. Coleman, senior account executive and creative director of





Mr. Holland

Buchanan & Co., thought the over-



all business outlook was "generally strong" but with some adjustments to be expected. Robert M. Hix-

son, president of Hixson & Jorgensen, emphasized television's value to retailers and predicted that vi-



Mr. Mann

business conditions, he felt, "should hold up pretty well during the first half" of 1949 but "beyond that it is guesswork." He said he plans to use television but was unable to estimate the extent.

Monty Mann,

vice president in

charge of media

for Tracy - Locke

Co., Dallas, and

president of the

Southwest Assn.

of Adv. Agencies, thought his firm's

expenditures on

radio would be

"about the same"

in 1949. General

Howard N. Smith, executive vice president of Rogers & Smith and manager of the Dallas office, summarized 1949 general business "Look good." prospects tersely: He estimated the firm would spend around 10% more on radio advertising in 1949 and probably would expand into video.

R. B. Moreland, vice president in charge of radio, Grant Adv., Dallas, also anticipated about 10% increase in radio budgets in his agency but felt that the overall outlook for the Southwest was for approximately 15% decline. The office will continue its recently started use of television.

Rowland Broiles, president of Rowland Broiles Co., Fort Worth, said he was unable to cite figures to support estimates of gain or decline in radio use in 1949, but stressed that his firm is "now using, and will continue to use, television."

#### Canada

Forecasts from Canadian agencies ranged from "about the same" to "better" concerning appropriations for radio advertising.

W. D. Byles of Young & Rubicam Ltd., Toronto, said his office expected a 10% increase in radio expenditures in 1949, with gains in both national spot and network time. "Present business conditions indicate a healthy year for radio with little or no curtailment of radio budgets by our clients."

M. Rosenfeld of MacLaren Adv., Toronto, expected 1949 to be "a good buying year" in retail sales generally and also anticipated a gain in radio expenditures by his agency, though he did not estimate its extent. The increase in radio's appropriation, he said, would be greater than that for other media.

A spokesman for J. Walter Thompson Co. Ltd., Toronto, appraised general prospects as good.



# WE CAN'T GET LYRICAL ABOUT MIRACLE (Ky.)!

No, Sir, there's no magic in Miracle (Ky.). Despite its mystic name, this little rural town can't heal the lame or blind --- or even a sales-curvature! For supernatural results in Kentucky, you've got to rely on the Louisville Trading Area. With Retail Sales over \$640,000,000, this Area is far and away the most important market in our State. WAVE works wonders in this Area because practically the entire shooting match is on our 50%

Yes, you'd better skip the Miracles, and just use

WAVE! Ask us — or Free & Peters — today!



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Mr. Hixson

deo advertising consequently will hurt newspapers more than aural radio.

George H. Stellman, director of radio and television for William Kester & Co., anticipated a 50% increase in his firm's radio expenditures and attributed much of the gain to clients' interest in TV as an addition to their aural radio advertising.

#### Philadelphia

Philadelphia agencies reported encouraging prospects for radio in 1949.

Philip Klein, president of Philip Klein Adv., thought the outlook is "encouraging for all media, especially television." He said production costs will decrease as television progresses, making TV available to smaller advertisers.

Frank C. Murphy, vice president and director of media, Geare-Marston Inc., anticipated "a, generally good year in advertising" but said "one of the problems still will be rising rate costs in the face of inflexible budgets." He felt that "general business conditions should be good in essential items, with spotty conditions prevailing in clothing and luxury articles.

Franklin Jones, publicity director of Gray & Rogers, expected radio advertising to "hold up well," although he thought businss and industry generally would be "very cautious" during at least the early part of the year, until trends in the national economy can be detected. He held "little doubt" that television "will assume greater importance and attract larger advertising budgets."







Watts 19 Hours Daily 5000 and WFBC-FM 93,7 Channel + 60,000 Watts

GREENVILLE, S.C. THE NEWS-PIEDMONT STATION

REPRESENTED BY AVERY-KNODEL, INC.

#### **Station Outlook**

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to be off, the Pacific Coast is still the country's bright spot in the business picture. Barring a severe recession, we look forward to a continued upward trend in our volume during 1949."

Predicting a decline in AM busi-

ness in 1949, Arthur F. Harre, general manager of the Marshall Field station in Chicago, WJJD, says "additional audience is needed to compensate for the AM audience diversion caused by TV and FM." Headds

that "if AM radio is content to only 'trade' performers instead of orig-inating ideas, the outlook is black."

G. Richard Shafto, general manager of WIS and WIS-FM Columbia, S. C., is cau-

tiously optimistic about AM. He believes "the effect of TV will not be felt in this area for several years. . . Proper planning of effective programs, followed by aggressive

Mr. Harre

sales presenta-Mr. Shafto

tion," he says, "will reward stable AM broadcasting operations with a helpful diversion of accounts which should maintain current overall sales volume in the face of slight national decline."

From Texas, where only one TV station is in operation (WBAP-TV Fort Worth),



Mr. Brown

AM in 1949.

ment from an AM-FM executive, Kenyon Brown, president of KWFT and KWFT-FM Wichita Falls: "TV will not affect this area for vears to come.

Our service is primarily to the rural areas and small communities." He predicts a bigger revenue year overall for

#### FM Future Mixed

In FM the future is viewed with mixed emotions. Slightly over 50% of the replies indicate a belief that FM revenue will increase in 1949. but very few express a feeling that it will be a big jump.

Approximately 45% of the station managers reporting feel that no change is indicated, while the remaining few consider a decrease as likely.

The practice of duplicating AM programs on FM continues, however, with 42% reporting this practice. In a few of the cases FM programming is separate with special time charges. A large majority of those who duplicate the services give FM as a bonus . . . "No income. All duplication."

Although not contemplating an increase in income from his FM station next year.



John M. Rivers, owner of WSCS and WSCS-FM Charleston, S. C., expressed the

view that "FM will, in 1949, begin to be a factor in the selection of stations. A dead expense

now, perhaps it will be a volume stabilizer in years to come."

Leonard Asch of WBCA-FM Schenectady and WPTR Albany sees an immediately brighter future for FM service. "The continued for FM service. degradation of AM station coverage will surely benefit FM. Also, the set manufacturers, stuck with a stagnant AM set market and TV tube shortages, as well as limited markets, must surely turn to FM set production and promotion in 1949 for volume."

Where FM is not a sister operation to AM, the indications for the future are good. No one thinks that business will come looking for a taker, but men in the FM field do feel they have a highly salable commodity.

It's the same story expressed by so many AM representatives, "the business is there for those willing, to do a little work for it."

Everett Dillard, WASH (FM) Washington, D. C., feels that "FM

is already of definite interest to local sponsors. FM will make its first serious impression on national business in 1949. It is just beginning through local-national coop business."

Another group which holds a

bright future for FM are those station managers already working with Transit Radio or doing storecasting. At several stations where these forms of FM revenue are being tapped, an increase of up to 50% for 1949 is indicated. Several station managers who are at present negotiating for these specialized forms of services also indicated an

increase in revenue for the coming year.

Edward A. Wheeler, presi-dent of WEAW (FM) Evanston, Ill., has this to say about the prospects for FM in 1949:

". . . We are

Mr. Wheeler

quite enthusiastic and encouraged about the prospects of FM in the coming year.

"The ever increasing number of FM sets in all price classes is at long last providing the FM station with a substantial audience. Expansion of transit and storecasting FM will enable a great many FM stations to operate well in the black.

"It's been a long pull, but the industry can stop feeling sorry for FM station operators now."

#### Television Prospects Bright

In television a bright 1949 is seen by almost everyone. Those in the field expect an increase in business-those not participating do not see any dire effect on their present revenue.

Replies from 62% of the stations indicate TV will be operating some time in 1949 in their market. Over 52%, however, say there will be no change in their AM business. An increase in AM business due to the advent of TV is seen by 18% of those replying. The remainder feel there may be a decrease in AM business but none of them felt it would be very great in 1949.

A few of the station managers who indicated "no change" in AM business due to TV said that video was new in their market or just coming in and therefore they could not tell what the effect would be.

High power stations covering a large area do not, in general, feel there will be a cut in advertising dollars spent with them. Some of the smaller stations in metro-

for a better-than-ever BUY IN OHIO'S THIRD MARKET NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION 5,000 w AM 50,000 w FM BASIC ABC FOR YOUNGSTOWN ASK HEADLEY REED







Mr. Dillard

politan areas covered by TV were not quite so optimistic, indicating that some of their

income might go to video. In the New

York area, Robert L. Coe, vice president and mana-ger of WPIX (TV), feels that "we may reasonably expect increases from both local and national

advertisers. My own guess is that in this market at least, radio appropriations will be reduced in order to provide for TV."

Contemplating a "healthy upward trend in business gener-



ally . . . through-out 1949," J. L. Van Volkenburg, vice president of WCBS-TV New York, feels "television will begin to be a major item in the consideration of advertising budgets."

Mr. Coe

Mr. Van Volkenburg

An increase in station income is expected by 66% of those answering the BROADCAST-ING poll. In 23% of the cases a decrease is seen for the new year while 11% see no change.

The stations are almost evenly divided on where they expect the increased revenue to come from. In approximately 55% of the cases an increase is seen in the local business picture.

In the opinion of Simon Goldman, general manager of WJTN

and WJTN-FM Jamestown, N. Y., "The retailer especially will use more radio time as an effective tool to increase his sales volume. The retailers who have learned to use radio will lean on it more



Mr. Goldman heavily in 1949. and those who have not tasted its power in recent years, will realize that here . . . is a medium which will expand their market . . . and provide a means of increasing their volume."

Another believer in increased business in 1949 on the local level is William B. Smullin, president and general manager of KIEM Eureka, Calif. He feels that "there will be more ag-

gressive and competitive selling on the part of retail business in 1949. This means local advertising . . .'

In support of the station executives expressing their belief that national advertising will increase in the com-

ing year, John F. Patt, WGAR Cleveland, points out that "production lines are starting to catch up with unfilled orders, manufacturers will have to commence more aggressive selling cam-

Mr. Smullin

paigns." Of the replies indicating a decrease in business for 1949, almost two-thirds feel that the cut will be made at the level of national advertising. Few indicated, however, whether they felt the cut would come in network or spot business.

On the question of what businesses might be expected to increase their advertising appropriation in the coming year, station executives differ widely.

Nationally, items which have and hard goods.

#### Local Level

On the local level station managers indicated an expected increase of the volume of their business from department stores and



food stores. A few replies also expressed the feeling that national advertising on the local level would increase through the expansion of co-op advertising with dealers and wholesalers.

Two-thirds of the broadcasters replying to a question on whether they expect a general business recession or a boom in 1949 replied "neither." Only 11.6% of those replying think there will be a boom, and 21.6% expect a recession. Among the



sales manager of WIRE Indianapolis. He said: "I believe there will be a definite business recession which will come soon, although business in this

Mr. Gray

read," said Jack

Harris, KPRC

Houston general manager. "Hous-

ton will continue

as an exceptional

market, with phe-

nomenal growth

accentuated in '49 and local busi-

ness offsetting

any fluctuations

Mr Woodruff

least optimistic was Daniel C.

Park, general

market has been very good all year radio-wise."

Replying "neither" to the recession-or-b o o m question, Gordon Gray, WIP Philadelphia commercial manager, said: "It has been necessary to sell harder in 1948 than in 1947. The war babies and the boom babies

are 'gone with the wind.' Advertisers confronted by increased costs handle their advertising dollar much more carefully, and while we expect our volume in 1949 to equal or surpass that of 1948 we expect our selling efforts to be harder than they were in 1948. This applies to both local and national.'

"There may be a flurry or two, but there is no real basis to expect a depression, according to the set of 'experts' I

Mr. Harris

we may encounter nationally." Less optimistic is J. W. Woodruff Jr., executive manager of WRBL Columbus, Ga., who said: "Radio in our area will command a

greater percent of the advertising budgets but will be distributed among all outlets and create a condition which might be termed 'survival of the fittest.' Retailers in our area are now buckling

down to greater competition in recognition of the

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budget-wise time buyers



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NATIONAL REP. FORJOE & CO. Dave Morris, Gen. Mgr.





# Mr. Patt

been hard to get during the last few years received the majority of votes. This is especially true in fields where supply is catching up with demand . . . such fields as automotive, household appliances



(Continued from page 51) swing from a seller's market to a buyer's market." Mr. Woodruff anticipates neither a recession nor a boom in '49.



Clair R. McCullough, president of WGAL Lancaster, Pa., sees 1949 as a year much like 1948 business - wise. His comment: "A transition is presently underway from 'easy'

Mr. McCullough selling to 'planned and concentrated'

It is within this sales efforts. sphere that business must prospect for ways and means of 'keeping up with the parade.' . . . Individual enterprise and initiative will begin to pay off more than ever in 1949." Similarly, James E. Gordon, WNOE New Orleans general manager, believes "business will be there for those who go out and get it. The trend is to

level off. In 1949 business will be stable but there will be no peaks or low spots . . . Evervone will have to fight hard for . . . business no matter what the line might be.

Service, price and results will keep

advertisers using radio in spite of added competition from media." other

Increase in operational expenses in 1949 appears to be accepted as almost certain by most broadcast-Replies to BROADCASTING'S ers. questionnaire indicated 5 to 10% as the most likely figure, but some station operators and managers said they expected costs to go up as much as 50 to 60% where TV operation is underway or contemplated.



so many stations are "tussling for the advertiser's dollar that some of them are going to get hurt."

#### Craven Leaves NAB

T. A. M. CRAVEN, who has resigned effective Jan. 1 as vice president of Cowles Broadcasting Co. [BROADCASTING, Dec. 6], has tendered his resignation as a member of the NAB board representing medium stations. Mr. Craven will become a partner in the Washington consulting engineering firm of Lohnes & Culver, which will change its name to Craven, Lohnes & Culver.

## WHAT, WTEL

IN A MOVE to settle two long-standing share-time arrangements, FCC proposed last week to award fulltime 250 w use of 1340 kc to WHAT Philadelphia and to put WTEL Philadelphia, seeking the same facili-ties, on 860 kc with 250 w daytime only.

The decision was based exclusively on program considerations. FCC held that WHAT retains control over its operations while WTEL, through contracts with foreignlanguage time brokers, does not have control over substantial portions; and that WHAT's fulltime program proposals are to be pre-ferred to WTEL's.

The case arose after FCC ruled that elimination of time-sharing by

## **FM GRANTS**

#### New CP to Cleburne, Tex.

ONE NEW class A FM station was authorized last week by FCC. Four Class B stations presently holding conditional grants received construction permits and CPs also were issued to six other outlets in lieu of previous conditions.

New CP went to Marti Inc., Cleburne, Tex., licensee of AM station KCLE there. Facilities granted were Channel 232 (94.3 mc) with effective radiated power of 330 w. Antenna height above average terrain is 190 ft. Estimated cost of construction was given at \$3,100 exclusive of land and buildings.

WKAP-FM Allentown, Pa., was granted modification of permit to specify Class A assignment in lieu of presently held Class B authorization which is granted to WFMZ WKAP-FM receives Allentown. Channel 292 (106.3 mc) with ERP of 780 w and antenna 120 ft. WFMZ, formerly Class A outlet, takes WKAP-FM relinquished Channel 264 (100.7 mc) with ERP of 6.9 kw and antenna 745 ft.

Haverford Township Senior High School, Havertown, Pa., received CP for new noncommercial, educational, low power FM station to use Channel 207 (89.3 mc) with power of 2.5 w. Estimated cost is \$2,057.

The following stations, which previously held conditional grants, received CPs:

KBTM-FM Jonesboro, Ark.—Granted CP for Class B station; Channel 270 (101.9 mc). ERP 8 kw, antenna 200 ft. WREA Anderson, Ind.—Granted CP for Class B station; Channel 254 (98.7 mc), 20 kw, 325 ft. KSWW Ft. Worth, Tex.—Granted CP for Class B station; Channel 227 (93.3 mc), 2.9 kw, 330 ft. KHBL Plainview, Tex.—Granted CP for Class B station; Channel 297 (107.3 mc), 2.9 kw, 320 ft.

The following were granted CPs in lieu of previous conditions:

in lieu of previous conditions: KOWN Conway, Ark.—Class A, Chan-nel 249 (97.7 mc), 970 w, 150 ft. KECA-FM Los Angeles—To change power from 230 kw to 230 kw. WAGA-FM Atlanta, Ga.—To change antenna height from 500 ft. to 530 ft. WIRE-FM Indianapolis—To change power from 36 kw to 37 kw and anten-na from 410 ft. to 400 ft. WWOL-FM Buffalo. N, Y.—To change power from 13 kw to 7.7 kw and anten-na from 255 ft. to 220 ft. WBIX-FM Muskogee, Okla. — To change power from 9.7 kw to 3.3 kw and antenna from 325 ft. to 320 ft.

#### FCC Bases Decision **On Programs**

the Philadelphia stations would be in the public interest. WHAT and WTEL currently are on 1340 kc with 100 w and 250 w respectively, dividing time. To set up a separation, FCC ordered WTEL's license modified to authorize use of 860 kc with 250 w on a daytime basis, but suspended the modification pending a hearing. FCC then instituted a show-cause proceeding in which both WHAT and WTEL sought fulltime 250 w operation on 1340 kc.

#### Time to Brokers

In its proposed decision, one of FCC's principal reasons for preferring WHAT for fulltime operation on 1340 kc relates to WTEL's practice of selling time to brokers who handle 211/2 % of its 31 hours per week of foreign-language programming. Under existing arrangements, FCC held, this amounts to 'abdication of control" over these periods. On the other hand, FCC noted, WHAT has not employed time brokers since William A. Banks acquired control of the station in 1944.

The Commission also hit WTEL's policies on spot announcements. "Instead of advertising constituting the means of supporting programs of entertainment, information and education," the proposed decision said, "WTEL's mode of operation serves to make programming incidental to and subordinate to advertising . . . WHAT's spot announcement policy and practice, although no model of balance and selfrestraint, at least permits time for programming in the public interest and provides the means for supervision and improvement."

The changes in operating assignments which FCC proposed would become effective 90 days from the issuance of a decision making the proposals final.





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#### SOUTH AFRICA RADIO Commercial Broadcasting to Start in Year

SOUTH AFRICA is to start commercial broadcasting about the end of 1949, Gideon D. Roos, 39-yearold director-general of the South African Broadcasting Corp., told BROADCASTING while in Toronto.

Mr. Roos, who was appointed to the post last September, is cur-

rently on a tour of Canada and the United States studying commercial broadcasting and radio equipment. He will visit stations in Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec, and the Canadian shortwave station at Sackville, N. B., before go-



Mr. Roos

ing to the United States for a week's stay in the New York-Washington area.

He attended the Mexican high frequency conference, and before returning to South Africa will study studio design in Great Britain and Denmark. He visited France and Holland before coming to North America.

Commercial broadcasting in the Union of South Africa, Mr. Roos explained, came about from internal pressure by business interests and by competition by the shortwave station at Lourenco Marques, Portuguese East Africa. The former operator of Radio Normandie is now operating a commercial station there with advertising from South African firms.

For 12 years South Africa has had a system of broadcasting patterned on that of BBC. The system operates with 22 transmitters and carries six different programs daily, three each in English and Afrikaans. Program origination centers are at Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban. Stations operate 14 to 16 hours daily. Some parts of every day are set aside

#### TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES

Buy WAIR and keep a sharp eye on your sales chart for this market. Ignore our dominance in this market and lose your shirt. We have the listeners . . . and they're far, far, far in the majority. Sign here, please!



for programs in the native languages of the negro population.

South Africa has a white population of about 2,250,000 people and there are 485,000 licensed listeners. Figuring close to 5 persons per listener license the SABC has reached almost the saturation point of listener license fees, out of which all operations are paid. This fact also had a bearing on the government's decision to go commercial.

When commercial broadcasting is introduced, the present system of six separate programs will be ratained, and the commercial service will be a separate operation of the corporation, with listers having a third program choice in each program originating center.

#### Meetings Held

Meetings have been held by the corporation with all interested organization and trade associations, advertising agencies and the newspapers to draw up a tentative plan of operations. There will be some program and advertising control, but advertisers will be able to choose whatever languages they want to broadcast in, Mr. Roos explained.

There is no FM or television broadcasting as yet in South Africa, though FM is used for link broadcasting in remote areas

#### Flying Cowboys

**REAL WESTERN** reception with an added modern note was accorded a group of CBS officials who stopped in Tucson, Ariz., enroute to the West Coast to attend the CBS Ninth District affiliates meeting [BROADCASTING, Dec. 13]. KTUC Tucson played host Dec. 11 and 12 to the group which included Joseph H. Ream, CBS executive vice president; H. V. Akerberg, vice president in charge of station relations; William B. Lodge, vice president in charge of general engineer-ing; John J. Karol, sales manager, all from New York; John L. Hogg and Albert D. Johnson of KOY Phoenix, and Glenn Snyder and George Cook of WLS Chicago. The airport in Tucson where the officials arrived is some eight miles from their hotel, so KTUC furnished a helicopter for their use during the twoday visit. A western cocktail party and western chuck wagon feed honored the group and they received the usual fun and rough treatment from the KTUC Vigilantes.

where there are no landlines, and there is one experimental FM station in operation by the corporation at Cape Town.

In addition to programs produced in South Africa, the system uses transcribed programs from the BBC, and from the United States obtains a number of library services including World and Thesaurus.

With an increasing trade with South Africa, commercial broadcasting is expected to draw numerous American sponsors.

#### WPIT Starts FM

WPIT-FM Pittsburgh has begun operation on Channel 268 (101.5 mc), duplicating programs of AM affiliate, WPIT, 1 kw daytimer. Station also is featuring extensive music schedule, airing *Music of the Masters* program every week night from 5 to 11 following AM duplication. Byron Lippman is narrator of its Symphony Hall program. WPIT-FM opened Dec. 12.

#### WLAW-FM Launched

WLAW-FM Lawrence, Mass., commenced operations Dec. 19, the eleventh anniversary of its AM affiliate, WLAW, on Channel 229 (93.7 mc.) with 20 kw. All WLAW and ABC programs between 9 a.m. and 11:15 p.m. are carried over WLAW-FM.

Allied Arts

A SCHNEIDER, formerly staff announcer at International Division of NBC, New York, has joined teaching staff of Cambridge School of Radio Broadcasting, New York. Mr. Schneider is head instructor in charge of programming and production for the school.

EARL E. ELDREDGE has been appointed chief engineer of Press Wireless Mfg. Co., Hicksville, Long Island, N. Y. Prior to joining Press Wireless Mr. Eldredge was with Mackay Radio & Telegraph and General Electric.

Television PERRY LAFFERTY, writer-director, has joined World Video Inc., New York television production unit, as executive producer of *Riddle Me This*, new General Electric show aired Sundays at 8:30 p.m. on CBS-TV.

BREWSTER RIGHTER, formerly with Continental Can Co., New York, has joined Films for Industry Inc., New York, as vice president in charge of sales. He will handle television accounts and selling of 16mm industrial motion pictures.

ELECTRO-VOICE Inc., Buchanan, Mich., has announced production of a new model shockproof microphone desk stand. Model, 426, sells at a list price of \$20.



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#### FLORIDA'S

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Main Studio : HOLLYWOOD BEACH HOTEL Jonas Weiland, President

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#### Respects

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that had been sharpened in his legal training.

In the two years he worked for Standard Oil, he set the highest record of any salesman in the state of Nebraska. Buoyed by his success, Mr. Headley decided to undertake the legal career for which he had equipped himself. He joined an Omaha law firm in 1932.

Two years later, stimulated by the stories of a friend who had joined the FBI, Mr. Headley applied for and was given an assignment as a G-man. After training



ACK KELLY, manager of WRFW Eau Claire, Wis., has been ap-pointed general manager and assistant to the president of Chippewa Valley Radio and Television Corp., WRFW license. ROLPH D. TOBIN, chief engineer, will become station manager in addition to his present post.

ELMER HANSON, formerly with KILO Grand Forks, N. D., has joined KNOX Grand Forks, as general manager. Mr. Hanson also announced he has purchased an interest in KNOX. His assistant is JACK FRENCH, formerly chief announcer at KILO.

WILLIAM B. WAY, general manager of KVOO Tulsa, Okla., was unani-mously elected president of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, on Dec. 14. Mr. Way has served as first vice president for the past year.



Safety Committee.

C. W. PECK, former program director of KRUL Corvallis, Ore., has been appointed manager of station, replacing TED SHIELDS who re-signed to accept a position in the East. Mr. Peck will continue to act as sports announcer in addition to his new duties.

E. M. DEALEY, president of WFAA Dallas, and JOHN W. RUNYON, president of KRLD Dallas, have been elected to fill two vacancies on board of directors of State Fair of Texas. Mr. Dealey will serve until 1950, and Mr. Runyon until 1951.

HARRY McTIGUE, president and general manager of WINN Louisville, was elected president of the Louis ville Sales Executive Council, Dec. 13.

GEORGE F. MAEDEL, superintendent of RCA Institutes Inc., New York, for more than a year, has been elected a vice president and general superintendent. He joined RCA Institutes in 1933.

LES EUGENE, manager of KTFS Texarkana, Tex., is the father of a girl, Patricia Gail.

in Washington, he was sent to the Chicago bureau, then probably the hottest spot in the criminal world.

Melvin Purvis, who had arranged the G-man's trap for John Dillinger a short time before, was still chief of the Chicago bureau, and was conducting a war against the underworld. Mr. Headley spent four months of rigorous sleuthing in Chicago including the capture of Volney Davis, a notorious kidnapper, and the pursuit-climaxed later-of the celebrated killer and robber, Alvin Karpis, now residing in Alcatraz.

Mr. Headley was transferred to the New York bureau and assigned to extortion, bank robbery and kidnapping cases. One of the latter led to his radio career.

Mr. Miller, owner of Kelly-Smith, had received an extortion note threatening the kidnapping of his son. When he solicited the aid of the FBI, Mr. Headley was the special agent assigned to the case. It took several months of the most vigorous efforts of Mr. Headley and the FBI to turn up the culprit, a neighborhood youngster perpe-trating a hoax. In that time he and Mr. Miller became friendly."

#### Joins Kelly-Smith

Knowing that the personable and energetic G-man working on his son's case was also a former salesman of proven record, Mr. Miller offered Mr. Headley the managership of the radio division. Mr. Headley accepted in December 1936.

On June 10, 1938, having settled to a life more rewarding and predictable than that of a G-man, Mr. Headley married a girl whom he had met during his FBI training Washington, Ruth Elizabeth in Mallery, secretary to columnist Paul Mallon.

They have two children, Frank M. Jr., 8, and Kathryn Maller, 4. They live in Scarsdale, N. Y.

Mr. Headley's devotion to business is so intense that he has no idle time for hobbies. Occasionally, when an hour or so is available, he likes to work in the garden at his home, but those hours are, he says, rare.

He is a member of Delta Theta Phi, legal fraternity, the Society of Former Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the bar of Nebraska and the District of Columbia, and is entitled to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court.

With the superimposition of his new NARSR job atop his Headley-Reed duties, Mr. Headley stands to be deprived of even the infrequent gardening hours. He is planning to intensify the campaign to induce new advertisers into spot radio and to make the NARSR a trenchant all-radio selling force.

Under his leadership the NARSR will make calls on a large list of spot advertisers and prospective advertisers, presenting an industry wide approach rather than a solicitation for business on the part of any individual representative.

#### TOWNE CITED **Sponsor Appreciates Her**

JANE TOWNE, program director of KLOK San Jose (Calif.) and commentator on



station's Town Topics, has been cited for her fine work on the program by its sponsor, Hart's Department Store, in store's monthly house organ. Commending

her on the num-

ber of friends she

Miss Towne

has made for the store and quantities of merchandise she has helped sell indirectly, the article tells of the "gifted manner in which she weaves the store's merchandise, sales and services into a program that has such definite and ready acceptance."

The article further lauds Miss Towne's "friendly and intelligent approach to listeners," calling her the "girl whose voice and personality mean 'Hart's' to thousands of radio listeners" throughout the area.

**INED • LEADERSHIP IS EARNED • LEADERSH** "Come On, Kids," we said, PHONE SANTA

> ... and the very first day, the phone company had to TRIPLE the number of trunks into WSYR to clear the exchange. Central New Yorkers listen to WSYR, and act!



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#### Feature of The Week

#### (Continued from page 18)

Mr. Sisson did little chatting—and all because of the presence of his sponsor.

Arriving at Rochester Radio City, he walked into his studio only to find the sponsor, Raymond N. Ball, president of Lincoln Rochester Trust Co., awaiting him. Mr. Ball requested a few minutes to talk about "a hospital campaign" and Mr. Sisson, of course, consented, the while mentally computing lines to cut from his script.

Mr. Sisson hurriedly went on per schedule—and off almost as suddenly. The engineer silenced his mike and told the columnist to "go to studio D, next door." With the usual qualms reserved for such sponsor-station relationships, Mr. Sisson complied. He pushed open the door to find a room full of spectators and a news photographer.

Mr. Ball had taken over the program—it was Mr. Sisson's birthday, he explained, and various personalities from the bank were going to contribute an anecdote or two from the radio columnist's life. After congratulations were extended by Mr. Ball, Mr. Sisson was given a few seconds to respond. He was told the script could wait until next day.

#### Secret Rehearsals

Since secret rehearsals were held at the bank, the surprise came off intact. And, of course they had the cooperation of the WHAM studio staff. Reaction was immediate and voluminous, the station reported, for Mr. Sisson is regarded as a roving good-will ambassador for the bank and the six committees served by its 17 offices.

He usually mentions the sponsor during broadcasts in a casual, somewhat incidental manner—his birthday being an exception to the rule.

JAMES T. VANDIVEER, manager of KECA-TV Hollywood remote broadcasts, has been sworn in U. S. Naval Reserve as permanent lieutenant commander.



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Q<sup>UIZ</sup> masters always know the answers because they hold the answer cards. But at WMLO Milwaukee, Wis., quiz man Bob Bradley has to prove his worth unaided. New twist to Mr. Bradley's *Lucky Lady Show* is based on listeners calling him and asking him to answer questions. If he is stumped his listeners receive wealth of prizes.

#### 'Whata Ya Kno'

WABY Albany, N. Y., has added a new half-hour show to its Backyard Follies, popular children's feature. Regular participants in the Backyard Follies program will don cap and gown for Whata Ya Kno and prove that they do know answers. Initial broadcast of new show was held on Saturdiay, Dec. 18, and was broadcast from local Strand Theatre. Participants in quiz program receive prizes for their answers. Programs are aired each Saturday from 10-11 a.m.

#### A Family Affair

THE 4 p.m. disc show conducted by Dale Morgan on KCBC Des Moines has become a family affair. Every afternoon Mr. Morgan's wife and three children get together to give listeners some "homespun fun." Show is broadcast from his home and various crises which are likely to occur make *House of Morgan* anyone's home —any afternoon.

#### Mental Health Taboos Docked

IN EFFORT to bring about a change in public attitudes concerning nervousness and mental health, the California State Dept. of Mental Hygicale is presenting series of programs on KDFC (FM) Sausalito, titled *The Tenth Man.* Programs are heard each Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

#### Parents vs. Children

PERENNIAL conflict between parents' and children's opinions has taken its place on the television screen. WSB-TV Atlanta has inaugurated new Sunday feature called *Battle of the Ages*. Program features discussions of typical problems that confront parents and their children. Humor is added to show by having family situations dramatized by WSB-TV actors. In addition, discussion participants are called upon to mimic actions and con-



versations of other generations. Each week two judges decide which generation's views are more convincing, and they are invited back to succeeding *Battle of the Ages*.



ALL wrapped up in fan mail, are Ruth McCloy and Dick Keplinger, co-commentators on KOMO Seattle's Housekeeper's Calendar. Thirty-foot missive, done in colorful cut-outs, word play and puns was sent in by a listener in appreciation of the program of helpful hints and chatter.

#### International Party

COLORFUL 14th annual International Children's Christmas party was aired by ABC Dec. 19 under sponsor-ship of Greater National Capitol Committee of Washington Board of Trade. WMAL Washington fed broad-cast (also duplicated on WMAL-FM) to a coast-to-coast hookup. Program was heard from 5 to 5:30 p.m. from Shoreham Hotel. Total of 52 youngsters, representing embassy and lega-tion figures in the Capital, extended greetings in English or their native tongues to children of U.S. and world-wide audience. Ted Malone, ABC's roving reporter and storyteller, interviewed children, all of whom were attired in their own native costumes. World wide coverage was provided by the State Dept's "Voice."

#### 'Johns Hopkins Science Review'

WEEKLY television program presented by Johns Hopkins U., Baltimore, Md., The Johns Hopkins Science Review, made its debut over WMAR-TV Baltimore, and CBS-TV network Dec. 17 at 9 p.m. Program, which is general review of activities of interest in world of scientific development, becomes regular CBS-TV feature every Friday on Jan. 7. WMAR-TV is participating with university on cooperative basis. Edwin Mick of WMAR-TV will produce program, which is planned and written by Lynn Poole of Hopkins staff.

#### 'Norman Black Presents'

WFIL Philadelphia is broadcasting new half-hour program series each Sunday at 1:30 p.m., Norman Black Presents, featuring the station's musical director and his string ensemble in American show tunes.



Here they are... your first post-ban

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PAYABLE IN ADVANCE-Checks' and money orders only. Situation Wanted 10c per word—\$1 minimum. Help Wanted 20c per word—\$2 minimum. All other classifications 25c per word—\$4 minimum. No charge for blind box number. One inch ads, acceptable, \$12.00 per insertion. Deadline two weeks preceding issue date. Send box replies to Broadcasting Magazine, 870 National Press Bldg., Washington 4, D. C. BROADCASTING is not responsible for the return of application material (transcriptions, photographs, scripts, etc.) forwarded to box numbers.

#### Help Wanted

Managerial

I am interested in manager for 250 watt AM network affiliated station in southern market of 40,000. Affiliated with newspaper and also has FM oper-alion. State experience, give refer-ences and income expected in first letter. Box 609, BROADCASTING.

Medium sized station in large metro-politan city in central states needs general manager, minimum age 30. Box 544. BROADCASTING.

Regional network station in large met-ropolitan city in central states needs combination station manager - sales manager, minimum age 30. Box 543, BROADCASTING.

Sales manager for midwestern regional ABC station in steady conservative market. Salary and commissions should tolal \$6,000 to \$12,000 per year depend-ing on individual. Write stating educa-tion, sales experience, references and photo. Box 629, BROADCASTING.

#### Salesmen

Excellent opportunity for salesman of real ability and highest character of-fered by network station in important Texas market. Box 571, BROADCAST-ING

Experienced time salesman for rich Pacific Coast market. 15% commission on all sales. Single preferred. Box 60, BROADCASTING.

Gold proposition for someone wanting to enter broadcast sales. No selling experience necessary. Salary plus fif-teen percent commission. Mutual affil-iate. Wm. Kemp, KVER, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

New Mexico. Local salesman for first station in city of 125,000. Network affiliate. fulltime, well established. Salary and commis-sioh. Opportunity for advancement to administrative position. Owner has multiple radio interests in Great Lakes area. In answering give sales experi-ence, references and education. Box 628 BROADCASTING. sales experi-

#### Announcers

Experienced announcer—Midwest CBS regional. Send minimum salary re-quirements, audition disc and refer-ences. Box 486, BROADCASTING.

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If you can build an audience and have a record of proven performance, a good job is available on the announcing steff of station in large Texas city. Box 577. BROADCASTING.

Announcer with superior voice and thorough experience needed by net-work station in beautiful southweather eity. Box 573, BROADCASTING.

city, Box 5/3, BROADCASTING. Twe combination announcer-engineers with first class licenses needed by new 250 watt station. Will consider pro-gressive students. Send disc, references, and salary requirements to Charles Bilyue, KCOW, Alliance, Nebraska. Two combination men, emphasis an-nouncing chance to continue college. WSSO, Starkville, Mississippi.

Sports and commercial announcer. Play-by-play and board work. All sports, in and out of town. \$55 plus talent for all sports. Box 619, BROAD-CASTING.

#### Technical

Assistant chief engineer wanted in southwestern local. Box 574, BROAD-CASTING.

Need transmitter engineer immediate-ly. Must have car. Daytime station. Driving distance from metropolis. Con-tact Frank Wood, KFRD, Rosenberg,

Texas. Wanted—Chief engineer for one of the most elaborately equipped 250 watt stations in America. Entirely located in center of city. Sound milage broad-cast equipment. Experience and trouble showling ability essential. Must be sober, diplomatic, congenial and inter-ested in technical development. Send complete details, photo, salary require-ment first letter. George Weiss, WBBQ, Augusta. Ga. Texas 250 watter wants transmitter op-erator of stable character. Box 572, BROADCASTING.

#### Help Wanted (Cont'd)

Experienced engineer with best refer-ences wanted by network local in pleasant southwestern resort city. Box 570. BROADCASTING.

Wanted-Transmitter engineer. Expe-rience unnecessary. For 1 kw station in Florida. Must have car. Salary \$45.00 for 40 hour week. Reply Box 555, BROADCASTING.

555, BROADCASTING. Combination engineer-announcer. En-gineering experience unimportant. Small southern town. Cost of living low. Send disc and salary required first letter. Box 501, BROADCASTING. Chief engineer of proven qualifications and ability to develop loval and har-monious staft wanted by Texas station. Box 576. BROADCASTING.

Three combination first class engineer-announcers. One to serve as chief engineer. Contact Monroe Looney, Radio Station WNAG, Grenada, Mississippi

sippi. Combination man with experience to act as chief engineer. Must maintain new 250 wait Collins equipment and announce relief. Single man preferred. \$60.00 start. Send photo, disc and refer-ence. KOWB, Laramie, Wyoming. Chief engineer, WXLW, Indianapolis. I kw day AM and 3 kw FM. Good salary for experienced man, must co-operate with programs, know construc-tion, how to handle engineers, and take charge of considerable new con-struction. Opening is immediate. All letters answered. Riley 4446. Mr. Losey, manager. manager.

Engineer-announcer, Permanent posi-tion for combo man with 1st class ticket. Send full particulars to KTRY, ticket. Send Bastrop, La.

Production-Programming, others

Continuity and script writer, others Continuity and script writer who can write copy with selling punch needed by network station in Texas resort city. Box 575, BROADCASTING. Wanted: Experienced copywriter-an-nouncer by western 5000 watt CBS affiliate. Box 440. BROADCASTING. Woman copy chief wanted by midwest 250 watt farm station. Some air work. Send details of experience, voice tran-scription, salary required and snapshot. scription, salary required and snapshot. Box 636, BROADCASTING.

#### Situations Wanted

#### Managerial

Manager—Successful fifteen year net-work affiliate record. Thoroughly ex-perienced all departments. Best ref-erences. Can be available on short notice. Box 577, BROADCASTING. Notice: Box 511, BROADCASTING. Successful manager desires change in January. Civic minded, local program-ming a speciality, announces, outstand-ing sales and profit record. Radio since 1935. College graduate. 28. Sports and hilbilly station preferred. Box 346, BROADCASTING.

BROADCASTING. Manager-sales manager: Twelve years radio, almost million dollars in sales as recommendation. Assistant general manager three years. Regional network sales manager two years. Prefer west of Missispipi. Start \$6000 year. Refer-ences. Box 592, BROADCASTING. General manager available, sober. fam-ily man. Fifteen years experience con-struction and operation. Top record, references. South only. Box 72, BROAD-CASTING. Sales manager will the families for

references. South only. Box 72, BROAD-CASTING. Sales manager will trade results for opportunity. Eight years successful radio and advertising agency sales ex-perience. I'm certainly not the best sales manager in the industry, al-though my records have never been equaled in the markets I've worked. Know independent and network opera-tions from 250 to 50.000 watts in mar-kets of every size. May I show you sales department that works, produces and is completely happy? I'm no genius; just a hard working fellow who knows his abilities and limita-tion and wants to do a real job for a good station. If you like me and my work, I'd like to make your city our home. Box 627, BROADCASTING. Only intersted if station losing money. Can bring it into black as manager. Box 632, BROADCASTING.

#### Situations Wanted (Cont'd)

Interested small station managerial job. 31 years old, married, two chil-dren. Now with 5 kw coast station. In radio since 1935, ten stations. Hold license. Program director in three stations, former assistant manager. Can train staff and bring key people if needed. Will build audience and profit-able future. Write or wire phone num-ber to Box 633, BROADCASTING.

#### Salesmen

Salesman — Available January first Washington or Baltimore area only. Approximately eight years sales and sales promotion experience: Excellent record. Presently employed as com-mercial manager. Southern independ-ent. Box 560, BROADCASTING.

#### Announcers

Sportscaster, topnotch man, play-by-play, baseball, football, basketball. Thoroughly experienced staff duties during sports lulls, topflight voice, \$125 weekly. Box 533, BROADCASTING. Newsman-anouncer, experienced, ver-satile, with radio news journalism de-gree from Missouri U, January 29, Now employed ABC affiliate. Box 537, BROADCASTING.

Announcer — Young, single experi-enced. Prefer midwest but will travel. Disc, photo on request. Box 538, BROADCASTING.

BROADCASTING. Experienced sports announcer, all phases play-by-play and announcing. Also program directors' reperience, ten years in radio. Desire experience, ten years in radio. Desire experience, progressive station with lots of sports. Disc available. Will travel anywhere if conditions satisfactory. Box 539, BROADCASTING.

BROADCASTING. Announcer-engineer or combination. Travel anywhere after March 30. Avail-able Atlanta area January 1st. Single, veteran. 2 years announcing, taught transmitter theory in Navy, 1st phone. Box 540, BROADCASTING. Attention radio stations carrying play-by-play broadcasts of St. Louis Cardi-nals baseball; parent or farm. Here's your chance to sign up an experienced sports announcer for 1949. Last two years class A. Top references, experi-enced all phases of announcing. Box 548, BROADCASTING.

Good newscaster—Available on fort-night's notice. 32, single, sober, pre-sentable, experienced newsman seeks New England job. Disc, phonograph and good unsolicited references gladiy furnished. Box 599, BROADCASTING. turnisnea. Box 599, BROADCASTING. Staff announcer-Married vet, with 1 year experience, plus 6 months train-ing in midwest announcing school, wants permanent position, prefer mid-west. Reliable man, trained in all phases. Disc upon request. Available immediately. Box 600, BROADCAST-ING.

Announcer with selling voice and pro-gram directing experience desires good job with good station, preferably in southern market. Veteran, single. Can do a top job. Currently employed AM-FM network station. Disc and full particulars available. Box 611, BROAD-CASTING.

Announcer, graduate School of Radio Technique, Chicago. Commercials, newscasting, disc jockeying. Single, would like permanent position in mid-west, but will travel. Bill Gargano, 13008 Longview, Detroit.

New England popular morning man looking for station who wants to boost its Hooper. Box 634, BROADCASTING. Network show experienced announcer and prominent disc jockey now pro-gram director desires good steady an-nouncing position. Minimum salary \$75.00 week. Box 622, BROADCAST-ING.

Capable, experienced announcer. Col-lege graduate. Specialty is newscast-ing, but do disc jockeying, commer-cials, narration, etc. Four years as newspaper reporter. Will travel. Disc on request. Box 620. BROADCASTING. Available immediately for midwest station, staff announcer. Specializes in producing popular and classical music shows. Former professional musician. Experienced in news and interviews. Box 615, BROADCASTING.

Announcer, graduate School of Radio Technique. Ambitious, hard working, lots of ideas. Has own singing show. Will travel, prefer midwest. Too refer-ences. Box 616, BROADCASTING.

Announcing is my business. Midwest chief announcer desires change. Will travel. Box 602, BROADCASTING.

Basketball announcer. play-by-play. Topflight all sports. Nine years. Box 610, BROADCASTING.

#### Situations Wanted (Cont'd)

Network coast-to-coast daily sports-caster. Young, must have midwest. Top play-by-play. Take cut in salary. No less than \$100. Box 606, BROAD-CASTING.

CASTING, Experienced announcer desires to break into television. Can do sports, good on mc work and live talent shows. Capa-ble of writing good comedy material. Box 561, BROADCASTING.

Combination announcer-engineer. First class license. Good voice. Fifteen years experience in broadcasting including programming and newscasting. Box 580, BROADCASTING.

Announcer-12 years experience. In-terested night DJ show. Very capable, commercials, adlib. Experienced all phases network, independent operation. Family man. 3710 Brooklyn, Kansas City, Missouri.

City, Missouri. Announcer team, hillbilly disc jockey with musical background and two years experience spinning platters and early morning man with two years experience desire job with station that can afford to hire specialists. Discs on request. Box 598, BROADCASTING. Versatile announcer, program director, engineer, writer. Good education. Ex-perienced, married. Box 596, BROAD-CASTING.

Experienced announcer-engineer. Can do programming. Degree congenial, reliable. Married. Box 597, BROAD-CASTING,

CASTING, Announcer-salesman, 31, veteran, mar-ried, little experience. Ex-airman wishes to fulfill lifelong ambition to get into radio. Personable, talented, ambitious with real zest for learning the hard way. Given the opportunity can become an asset to station. Expect salary commensurate with present lim-itations. Will travel. Box 594, BROAD-CASTING.

CASTING. Single, willing to travel. Graduate of leading radio school, Radio City, New York. Disc and photo upon request. Box 593, BROADCASTING. Talented, versatile young announcer, 1½ years experience all phases of an-nouncing, some writing. Disc, photo, references sent. Don't answer unless you desire employing permanently now. Box 590, BROADCASTING.

Announcer wants start in small south-ern state. Disc and photo on request. Box 589, BROADCASTING.

Box 365, BROADCASTING. Announcers, continuity copywriters, combination men ready for placements. All trained in production, traffic and studio technique, Pathfinder School of Radio Broadcasting, 1329 Oak Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Will send disc, etc. etc.

Announcer desires staff position. Thor-oughly trained commercial announc-ing, newscasting, production, writing, If you want a capable radio man wire or write for audition disc. Lloyd G. Brandt, 723 SE 19th, Portland 14, Ore-pon. gon.

#### Technical

Engineer desires transmitter operating job, no bad habits. Experienced, reli-able. Box 457, BROADCASTING.

able. Box 457, BROADLASTING. Chief engineer, highly qualified all phases AM and FM desires connection with progressive established station. Excellent references. Box 601, BROAD-CASTING. Engineer, 1st class, 2 years 5000 watt experience, prefers studio and remote work, veteran, available January 18. Midwest only. Box 607, BROADCAST-ING.

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First phone – engineer, veteran, 28, married. Some experience, eager to learn. Midwest preferred. Available January 3rd. Box 608, BROADCAST-ING.

Engineer, first phone, 3 years experi-ence, 6 months combination operator. Prefer midwest or west. Merrill Ja-cobs, 3425 4th Avenue South, Minne-apolis, Minn. Available January 15, \$60 week minimum.

Chief engineer or engineer. Fifteen years experience in construction and operation. Broad technical knowledge. Family man. Box 581, BROADCAST-ING.

Combination engineer-announcer wants permanent job. Five years experience all phases radio. Audition disc and details on request. Hal Engebutson, Box 511, Harlowton, Montana, % Joe People Peccia.

Combination man. First phone license. Seven years announcing experience. Prefer network affiliate in south or southwest. Box 591. BROADCASTING. Engineer-Announcer with business, sales background. College. First class ticket. Write or wire John Gronert. 5608 34th Avenue S., Minneapolls. Min-nesota, for disc. further qualifications. Situations Wanted (Cont'd)

Engineer—First class phone, veteran, single. No commercial experience. Desires dry climate of southwest. Ab-stainer. Box 621. BROADCASTING. Engineer year, ham, interested pro-gramming, announcing, single, veteran, near college. Box 626, BROADCAST-ING.

ING. Engineer—First phone, second tele-graph. Three years shipboard experi-ence, Six months broadcast experience. Graduate RCA Institute. Desire posi-tion with station going into television. Any offer considered. Have car. John B. Drake, 610 Park Ave., New York City.

Engineer first phone, experienced transmitter operator, available at once. No experience in announcing. Southern station preferred. If you have an opening for a reliable, sober engineer address R. M. Hutchinson, RFD 2, Box 139E, Lexa, Arkansas.

Tayer, Lexa, Alkansas. Engineer - announcer, college degree, army and commercial broadcast expe-rience, seeks position with future, em-phasis on engineering, within 400 miles of 1434 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y. Milton Ogur, President 8-4422.

Production-Programming, others Good news editor, program director. Box 335, BROADCASTING.

Combination man-Two years valuable experience, degree. Versatile, depend-able, 32. Box 595, BROADCASTING. Able, 32. Box 595, BROADCASTING. Need program director or manager? Seven years experience in selling, sports and commercial announcing, programming, writing, production. Now account executive. Excellent ref-erences. Family. Prefer west or mid-west. Box 604, BROADCASTING.

Experienced combination man wants position with progressive station. Disc available. Will travel anywhere. Box 536, BROADCASTING.

536, BROADCASTING. Television producer-director-engineer with New York television station ex-perience. Good personality, single, go anywhere. If your station wants top quality, low budget programs write my experience resume to Box 612, BROAD-CASTING.

CASTING. Sports director-commentator, 8 years experience sports, announcing, writing and officiating. Good experience and background with college education. Play-by-play professional, college and high school football, basketball and baseball. Also experienced in boxing, tennis, golf and special events. Pres-entily employed large clear channel network affiliate. Desire larger sports setup, station or agency, AM or/and television. Produce and announce own programs, a real sportsman. Will fur-nish character and business references. Require good salary and talent. If you need a capable man to head your sports department and do your play-by-play contact me. Married veteran. Box 605, BROADCASTING. Program director desires position with

Program director desires position with livewire local fulltimer. 3½ years ex-perience. Prefer new station or other where salable ideas are needed. Box 630, BROADCASTING.

630, BROADCASTING. Attention Rocky Mountains, southwest. Opening new station? Program direc-tor, young. 3 years experience, avail-able 15 February. Single, veteran col-lege graduate. Box 631, BROADCAST-WC ING

Horace Greeley said, "Go west, young man," Experienced program director, college degree in radio, presently em-ployed in southeast, desires to go west. What can you offer? Box 624, BROAD-CASTING.

CASTING. Program director of 1,000 watt station with announcing, disc jockey, news and network show origination experi-ence desires similar position with min-imum salary expectations of \$80.00 week. Box 623. BROADCASTING.

week. BOX 573, BROADCASTING. Special events, news and sports spe-clalist, continuity and program director for one of midwest's most successful 250's interested in program director's position for right salary. right station. Box 617, BROADCASTING.

#### For Sale

#### Equipment

Blaw-Knox 134' tower complete with insulators and 250 lbs. #10 radial ground wire, all brand new. Best offer over \$500 buys. Krocked down, ready for shipment, KWIK. Burbank. Calif.

Sincher, Awir, Burban, Carl, Jone 240 foot uniform cross section, guyed type radiator with all equipment at a bargain, will deliver and erect. Write, wire or call Hoke Radiator Co., 135 S. Market St., Petersburg, Va.

Witex-Gay A-70 combination recorder, radio and phonograph. Pre-war mate-rial. Good condition, one owner. \$7,50, Reid, 100 West 55th St., New rial. Goo \$97.50. Rei York City.

#### For Sale (Cont'd)

For Sale (Cont'd) Conservatively rated. 700 watt FM broadcast transmitter. Modified GE link in single cabinet including moni-tor. \$2500, immediately. 280TB Abing-ton St., Arlington, Virginia. New latest model FM transmitter 10 kw complete with frequency and mod-ulation monitor plus 6 bay antenna. 500 ft. of 3½ coaxial line with fitting. One Truscon 380 ft. tower. Write Chief Engineer, WMAW. 723 N. 3rd St., Mil-waukee. Wisconsin. 250 watt Termco transmitter. model 250

waukee. Wisconsin. 256 wati Temco transmitter, model 250 GSC, modified by Kluge Radio Co. Two years old, in excellent operating condition, \$1200. Write Radio Station KAMD, Camden, Arkansas. For sale-RCA speech input consolette #76B2 complete with power supply. Good buy. Write WCED, DuBois, Penna.

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Good buy. Write WCED, DuBois. Penna. Two Presto 6N floor cabinet recorders with 1D cutting heads, 125A micro-scopes, two 88A recording amplifiers. line amplifier, 3 preamplifiers, all equipment mounted in rack and cab-all associated apparatus. May be pur-chased as complete installation or as-individual units. Two Gatesplithers, tables complete with preamplifiers, range 30 to 15,000 cycles with queecy of the source of the source of the source mode remote portable amplifier, three channel, complete with power supply and carrying case All same as new. Will sell any or all avery reasonable prize. Wm. T. Kernp, Mgr., KVER, Albuquerque, New Mexico. RCA turntable type 70-C2 serial #1388 complete with pickup. Like new. \$500. KUSN, San Diego, California.

Wanted to Buy

Equipment wanted: RCA 250 K 250 watt transmitter or similar equipment. Must be in good condition and reason-ably priced. Contact Bob McRaney, Radio Station WNAG, Grenada, Mississippi.

Wanted: Several RCA type 70-C turn-tables. Also type 87 or BA-2 amplifiers. Box 489, BROADCASTING.

Help Wanted Managerial

WANTED

Radio Station Manager to assume managership responsibilities and sell radio time. Station-Network outlet-local

fulltime Market — Lucrative and com-petitive metropolitan market in West Virginia

Qualifications - Experience in

selling-sober stable family man Compensation-Salary plus percent of net profit

All inquiries held in strictest confidence.

BOX 614 BROADCASTING

Production, Programming, others 

> Immediate opening in eastern major metropolitan market for experienced promotion man. Must know station operation and have good sales background. Salary, \$10,000. Give complete details, picture, first letter.

BOX 635, BROADCASTING



School

Please send information concerning 🗌 Correspondence 🔄 Residence Courses. Name..... Address City.....State..... 

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Situation Wanted

#### Announcers

Sportscaster • Newscaster New York experience on baseball, football, basketball and boxing. Active player background in college, service and professional ranks. Will travel. Disc available. BOX 613 • BROADCASTING

Sponsors ask for time on this morning show! My rating above Breakfast Club and three other local stations in metro-politan market. A special talent for a particular job. Desire contact station which wants top morning rating and sold out time. Godfrey-Morgan-Wilson com-bination with accent on cheerfulness, originality and personality. Desire guar-antee and commission or top salary with opportunity to free lance on evening shows. All replies answered immediately, but please outline possibilities first letter to six months to catch right spot. Moving to expand income and scope. Hour tape of present show if negotiations look proferences and sales report also out-standing. Present manager will write you confidentially. Other radio refer-ences and history, of course. Would be much intersted in offer of block time for flat rate to resell at profit. Write Box 625, BROADCASTING.

#### LOST-A FARM

#### Found—New Video Format

THOUGH eastern televiewers were unaware of it, CBS' network telecast, Thanksgiving Miracle, was produced with a behind-the-scene minor miracle-but not until after the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture had "lost" a farm somewhere in Jersey City.

It happened this way: Two Department video specialists, Tom Noone and Maynard Speece, were to appear on the Thanksgiving Day program to give a visual demonstration of soil-saving techniques which had contributed to this year's record crop harvest.

The demonstration unit-a 110 lb. model of Georgia farm—was expressed out of Washington the preceding Monday for shipment to Messrs. Noone and Speece in New York. When it didn't arrive at CBS headquarters by Wednesday night, they went into action and called the Soil Conservation Regional Office at Upper Darby, Pa.

With only sketchy data on class and types of photos, the office's Hal Jenkins literally tore pictures off his walls and air-specialed them to New York, where they arrived in time for Thursday morning rehearsal.

Program's entire soil format was altered minutes before airtime, but CBS camera crews and other personnel devised methods of using the stills effectively. Using easels and tying up two or three cameras on the show, they brought off the soil portrayal message without mishap. The "lost" farm? A "before and

after" model, it had been stalled in a Jersey City Railway Express Office amid a 40-car-backlog and missed its TV debut.

#### Situations Wanted (Cont'd)

Production, Programming, others



Production Man available. Five years announcing all types, all-round; special events, MC, DJ, adlib specialist. Top continuity writer and editor-written special features ad copy, all types shows. Promotion public relations and publicity manager one year. Control operation plus announce two years-mo engineer-ing tickets. Dramatic network free lance, actor and scripts. Free lance at present, but wish to settle down in warm climate and raise family. If you need an all-round production man for staff or produc-tion manager--this is it. Write Box 618, BROADCASTING.

# Actions of the FCC

**DECEMBER 17 to DECEMBER 22** 

**CP-construction** permit ant.-antenna **DA**-directional antenna D-day N-night **ERP-effective** radiated power STL-studio-transmitter link aur-aural synch, amp.-synchronous amplifier vis-visual SSA-special service authorization

cond.-conditional LS-local sunset mod.-modification trans.-transmitter unl.-unlimited hours CG-conditional grant

December 20 Decisions . . .

ACTIONS ON MOTIONS

(By Commissioner Webster) Paul F. Braden, Middletown, Ohio-Dismissed petitions for rehearing, re-consideration and/or modification and stay of effective date in re Sec. 1.324.

Fuget Sound Bestg. Co. Inc., Ta-coma, Wash.—Granted petition for in-definite continuance of hearing sched-uled Jan. 20 in re application.

W. W. Roark, Coleman, Tex.-Granted petition to dismiss without prejudice his application.

KOOS Coos Bay, Ore.-Denied peti-tion to change place of hearing from Washington to Coos Bay, Ore., sched-uled for Jan. 27 in re Dockets 8049 8397.

Midwestern Bestg. Co., Toledo, Ohio —Granted petition to change place of consolidated hearing scheduled for Jan. 24 from Washington to Toledo.

WAPC Laper, Mich.—Commission on own motion continued indefinitely hearing scheduled Jan. 13 in re Docket 8632 pending action on petition for re-consideration.

KLX Oakland, Calif.—Commission on owa motion continued indefinitely hearing scheduled Jan. 31 in re Docket 8379, pending action on petition for re-consideration.

WPAT Paterson, N. J. et al-Commis-sion on own motion continued indefi-nitely consolidated hearing scheduled Jan 17 in re Docket 8285 et al, pending action on petition for reconsideration.

Lake Shore Bestg. Co., Evanston, Ill. et al-Commission on own motion con-tinued indefinitely consolidated hearing scheduled Jan. 24 in re Dockets 7629 et al.

Secuic City Bostg. Co. Inc., Middle-towh, and WRIB Providence, R. I.-Commission on own motion continued to Jan. 26 at Washington, consolidated healing scheduled Jan. 20 in re Dockets 7820 828.

KWHN KWHN-FM Ft. Smith, Ark. KWHN KWHN-FM FL Smith, ars.-Commission on own motion continued indefinitely hearing scheduled Jan. 17 at Fort Smith, in re Docket 8983, pend-ing action on petition for reconsidera-tion and grant without hearing.

WZHD Inc., Warren, Ohio.—Granted petition to dismiss without prejudice its application. Agnes Jane Reeves Greer, Dover, Ohid—Ordered that further hearing in re application be held in Washington Jan. 6.

American Telephone and Telegraph Co. and Western Union Telegraph Co. —Ordered that time within which pro-posed findings of fact and coaclusions in re charges and regulations for TV

transmission services and facilities may be filed, is extended to Jan. 31, 1949.

WPAB Ponce, P. R.—Granted petition requesting clarification and restating of issues in Commission's order of Dec. 18, 1947, designating for hearing appli-cation for renewal of license.

#### December 20 Applications . . . ACCEPTED FOR FILING

#### Transfer of Control

WMIQ Iron Mountain, Mich.--Trans-fer of control from Frank J. Russell Jr., William F. Russell and Leo G. Brott to Iron Mountain Pub. Co.

#### Assignment of License

Assignment of License WHAL Shelbyville, Tenn.-Assign-ment of license from J. O. Fly Sr., George F. Fly and Harvard P. Smith d/b as Shelbyville Bcstg. Co. to The Shelbyville Bcstg. Co. Inc. WFHG Bristol, Va.-Assignment of li-cense from Blanfox Radio Co. Inc. to W. C. Ninnigan, Morris B. Burnette, H. I. Goode, O. Edward Wright and W. K. Vance Jr. d/b as Bristol Bcstg. Co. Co

#### Modification of CP

Mudincation of CP KCUL Fort Worth, Tex.-Mod. CP new AM station for extension of com-pletion date. WONE Dayton, Ohio-Same. WNAG Grenada, Miss.-Mod. CP new AM station to change from 1490 kc to 1400 kc.

#### License for CP

License for CP WMEV Marion, Va.-License to cover CP new AM station. KTAT Frederick, Okla.-Same. WXLW Carlisle, Pa.-Same. KMUR Murray, Utah-Same. WCNX Middletown, Conn.-Same. WMTR Morristown, N. J.-Same. WIRC Hickory, N. C.-Same. WIRA Lima, Ohio-Same.

#### License Renewal

License Renewal License renewal applications were filed by following AM stations: KSUN Loweil, Ariz.; WGGG Gainesville, Fla.; WCNH Quincy, Fla.; WBOW Terre Haute, Ind.; WITH Baltimore; WHUC Hudson, N. Y.; WFTC Kinston, N. C.; WTOL Toledo, Ohio; WCED DuBois, Pa.; WERC Erie, Pa.; WOLS Florence, S. C.; KNUZ Houston, Tex.; KWTX Waco, Tex.; WCOM Parkersburg, W. Va.; KVOC Casper, Wyo.

#### AM-1540 kc

WJMJ Patrick Joseph Stanton, Phila-delphia—Petition to set aside CP, leave to amend application and grant aplica-tion as amended for 1540 kc 1 kw D.

Modification of CP WTIC-FM Hartford, Conn .-- Mod. CP

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changes in FM station for extension of completion date. WAZL-FM Hazelton, Pa.-Mod. CP new FM station to change ERP from 8.7 kw to 7.74 kw, ant. height above average terrain from 680 to 670 ft. and make changes in ant. WBLK-FM Clarksburg, W. Va.-Mod. CP new FM station to change ERP from 12 kw to 11.2 kw, ant. height above average terrain from 680 to 689 ft., change type trans. and make changes in ant. WGAZ Charleston. W. Va.-Mod. CP

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new FM station for extension of com-pletion date. WHIS-FM Bluefield, W. Va.—Same. WLM-FM Suffolk, Va.—Same. WJMJ-FM Philadelphia—Same. WJNJ-FM Philadelphia—Same. WAUX-FM Walkesha, Wis.—Same. WJDF-FM Herrin, III.—Same. WBC-FM Flint, Mich.—Same. WLAV-FM Grand Rapids, Mich.— Same.

Same

WDATTIN CHART IN CARL INC., IN AMARKAN, N. J.-Same. WGR-FM Buffalo, N. Y.-Same. WENY-FM Elimita, N. Y.-Same. KYNJ-FM Fargo, N. D.-Same. KYNJ-FM Modesto, Calif.-Same. KYRB-FM Modesto, Calif.-Same. WRGA-FM Montgomery, Ala.-Same. WMGY-FM Montgomery, Ala.-Same. WIGY-FM Montgomery, Ala.-Same. WIGY-FM Montgomery, Ala.-Same. WISE-FM Asheville, N. C.-Same. KFAB-FM Lincoln, Neb.-Same. License for CP WSIX-FM Nashville, Tenn.-License

WSIX-FM Nashville, Tenn.-License to cover CP new FM station. WMBS-FM Uniontown, Pa.-Same.

#### Modification of CP

KDYL-TV Salt Lake City-Mod. CP new commercial TV station to change name from Intermountain Bestg. Corp. to Intermountain Bestg. and Television Corp.

#### TENDERED FOR FILING

Transfer of Control KOKO La Junta, Col.—Transfer con-trol to Ellis P. Lupton (Contingent on orant of transfer of KSFT). KAFY Bakersfield, Calif.—Transfer 250 sh from George Crome and R. F. Harlow to Sheldon and Hermand An-dercon

derson.

#### Assignment of License

WSPA WSPA-FM Spartanburg, S. C. —Assignment of AM license and FM CP from Spartanburg Advertising Co. to Surety Bestg. Co.

#### **Modification of License**

KXOK St. Louis-Mod. license to make changes in field intensity monitoring data.

#### AM-1360 kc

WKOP Binghamton, N. Y.-CP to change from 750 kc 1 kw D to 1360 kc 1 kw-D 500 w-N unl. DA-N.

#### APPLICATIONS DISMISSED

Maplewood Bestres. Inc., Maplewood, Mo.—DISMISSED Dec. 9 application for CP new AM station 1230 kc 250 w unl. (Contingent upon WIL being granted change in facilities).

WSWZ Inc., Trenton, N. J.—DIS-MISSED Dec. 9 application for CP new AM station 1260 kc 5 kw-D 1 kw-N unl.

#### December 21 Decisions . . .

DOCKET CASE ACTION AM---860 kc--1340 kc

AM--860 kc-1340 kc In another proposed decision FCC proposes to make final its order of May 3, 1948, modifying license to WTEL Philadelphia to specify operation 860 kc 250 w D, to modify license of WHAT Philadelphia to specify operation 1340 kc 250 w unl., and to make such modi-fications effective 90 days from date of final decision.

#### BY THE SECRETARY

Woodrow Miller, San Bernardino, Calif.-Granted CP for new remote pick-up station KDDW.

WLON Hoyle Barton Long, Front Royal, Va.—Granted request to cancel CP new FM station.

WBBW Youngstown, Ohio-Granted mod. CP for approval of ant. and trans-mitter location and to specify studio location location.

WKVN Arecibo, P. R.—Granted mod. CP to extend completion date to 3-15-49. WNLO New York-Same to 7-5-49.

Acadia Bostg. Co., Area Crowley, La. --Granted licenses for new remote pickup stations KXXV KXXW.

KCOH-FM Call of Houston Inc., Houston, Tex.—Granted request to can-cel CP new FM station.

The Yankee Network Inc., Boston-Granted CP new exp. TV rela W1XBJ. relav

WOAL-TV San Antonio, Tex.— Granted mod. commercial TV CP to correct geographic coordinates. KCOW Alliance, Neb.—Granted mod. CP for approval of ant. and trans. loca-tion, specify studio location and change type trans.

type trans. Following were granted mod. CPs for extension of completion dates as indi-cated: KBTR Minneapolis, to 3-9-49; WUXG Columbus, Ohio, to 1-1-49; WESB-FM Eradford, Pa., to 6-30-49; WESB-FM Atlanta, to 3-15-49; KGO-TV San Francisco, to 6-30-49; W8XWA Cin-cinnati, to 6-21-49; W8XYM Cincinnati, to 6-21-49.

#### Actions taken December 15

Actions taken December 15 Billy Averitte Laurie, Jacksonville, Tex.—Granted license for new remote pickup station KOKJ. KLAC Los Angeles—Granted license for increase in power to 1 kw, 5 kw-LS, installation of new transmitter and ver-tical antenna and change in transmitter location.

KXLW Clayton, Mo.—Granted CP to install new vertical antenna with FM antenna mounted on top and change transmitter location.
 Station WNEL Corp., Area San Juan, P. R.—Granted CP for new remote pickup station WCUA.

WLYK Suwanee Bostg. Co. Inc., Live Oak, Fla.—Granted request to cancel CP and delete call letters of station.

Following were granted mod. CPs for extension of completion dates as indi-cated: KJAY Topeka, Kam, to 3-15-49; WONE Dayton, Ohio, to 3-15-49; WILM Area Arecibo, to 2-28-49; WBKB Chi-cago, to 6-1-49.

WSAV-FM Savannah, Ga.-license new FM station. -Granted

WDXI Jackson, Tenn.-Granted li-cense new AM station 1310 kc 1 kw D.

WRJM Newport, R. I.-Granted li-cense new AM station 1540 kc 1 kw D. KLO Ogden, Utah-Granted license install new DA DN (DA-1),

WTRY Troy, N. Y.-Granted license aux. trans. 1 kw DA.

**KOMO Seattle, Wash.—Granted li-**tense install old main trans. at present ocation of main trans. to be used for aux WBBZ Ponca City, Okla.-Granted license install new trans.

WLDY Flambeau Twp., Wis. — Granted waiver of Sec. 3.30(a) of rules to permit identification of station as Ladysmith, Wis.

WONS-FM The Yankee Network Inc., Hartford, Conn.—Granted request to cancel CP new FM station.

cancel CP new FM station. WJZM-FM Campbell & Sheftall, Clarksville, Tenn.—Same. WTM-FM Trent Broadcast Corp., Trenton, N. J..—Same. WITH Baltimore, Md.—Granted CP install new alternate main trans. at present location of main trans. WHEC Rochester, N. Y.—Granted CP increase N power of aux. trans. to 1 kw, change trans. location to present site of main trans. employing DA-N. WDEF Chattanoga, Tenn\_Granted

WDEF Chattanooga, Tenn.—Granted CP install old main trans. at present site of main trans., to be used for aux.

WKBO Harrisburg, Pa.—Granted CP install new trans.

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#### CRACK CRIME Radio Sleuths Help Police

WITHIN 32 hours after the discovery of the murder of a St. Louis engineer in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, investigation by KXOK St. Louis, WMT Cedar Rapids and Cedar Rapids police led to the apparent solution of the crime.

Immediately following the report of the murder on Wednesday, Dec. 15, Bruce Barrington, KXOK news director, talked with Jim Borman, news director for WMT, who related the detailed description of the murder and the circumstances surrounding the case.

Mr. Borman's transcribed telephone report was aired by Mr. Barrington on his 11:55 a.m. newscast. The next few hours Mr. Barrington was in constant communication with Mr. Borman exchanging last-minute developments of investigations proceeding in Cedar Rapids and investigations in St. Louis conducted by Mr. Barrington and Henry Renfro, public relations director for KXOK.

The break in the case came at 5 p.m. Thursday when Mr. Borman called Mr. Barrington and revealed the name of a suspect in St. Louis. Messrs. Barrington and Renfro investigated the new angle and lost no time in turning their information over to St. Louis police. They then accompanied St. Louis and Cedar Rapids police on the arrest mission at 2 a.m. the following Friday.

KXOK was the only station in St. Louis on hand when the arrest was made, and Mr. Barrington had an exclusive newsbeat aired when KXOK went on the air at 5:30 Friday morning.

However there's a dramatic climax to the story. During the ride to police headquarters the suspected murderer slumped to the floor of the car seriously ill. Then followed a 60 mile an hour dash through St. Louis streets to City Hospital where it was discovered that he had taken poison, apparently between the time the police arrived at his home and the departure for police headquarters.



OKLAHOMA'S new Senator, Robert S. Kerr (1), a stockholder in WEEK Peoria, 111., receives election night mementos from Allan Page, general manager of KSWO Lawton, Okla. Mementos included recordings of a telephone interview between the senator and Martin Agronsky and a eulogy of Senator Kerr by Drew Pearson. Both were a part of ABC's election night coverage.

#### WBKA, WBKA-FM Staff Appointments Made

STAFF appointments have been completed at WBKA, new 250 w fulltime outlet on 1450 kc at Brockton, Mass., the station announced last week. WBKA and its FM affiliate, WBKA-FM (Channel 296, 107.1 mc), took the air Thanksgiving morning. They are operating daily, 6:30 a.m.-11 p.m.

Matt Noonan is general manager, Hal Newell program manager, Mark McAdams chief engineer and Paul Belaire commercial manager. Carol Quidley is continuity chief, and traffic is handled by Nancy Hogan. Other staffers: Bernard Lufgren, Elmer Bergeron, Joe Falcon and Bob Gurney, engineers; Bob Fuller, Ray Quinn, Bill Pierce and Art Jones, announcers; Beverly Sheehan, secretary, and Betty Rochefort, bookkeeper.

Stations are owned by Cur-Nan Co., in which Fred Curran and his son, Charles, are the principals. Transmitting equipment is General Electric.



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**B** UGENE C. WYATT, formerly head of his own commercial printing company in Tennessee, has joined ABC as account executive in television sales department. Mr. Wyatt replaces Read Wight, who resigned to become director of radio and television for J. M. Mathes Inc., New York agency.

E. J. HUBER, former general manager of WGIL Galesburg, Ill., will become commercial manager of KTRI Sioux City, Iowa, Jan. 1, 1949. He is partner in Chicago agency, Schoenfeld, Huber & Green, and previously was advertising sales promotion manager of ABC in New York and Chicago.

RICHARD WERNER has been appointed commercial manager of WRFW Eau Claire, Wis., and JACK OFARRELL becomes assistant sales manager.

JOHN L. PICKERING, formerly on sales staff of WGFG Kalamazoo, Mich., has joined sales staff of



Mr. Pickering

WTAC Flint, Mich. TOBACCO NET-WORK, Raleigh, N. C., has appointed Forjoe & Co., New York, as its national sales representative, effective Jan. 7, 1949.

G. F. BAUER, sales manager of WINN Louisville, Ky., is

recuperating from a heart attack suffered Dec. 12. Mr. Bauer will be unable to return to his duties for some weeks, the station reports.

R. E. SHIREMAN, local sales manager of WISN Madison, Wis., will resign effective Jan. 15, 1949. He has been with station for 12 years. Following his resignation Mr. Shireman will return to Corydon, Ind., where he will become associated with his father in the furniture business.

JOHN FINLEY has joined sales staff of WBBM Chicago. He was formerly with Guardian Life Insurance Co., also Chicago.

KSD St. Louis has distributed its Rate Card No. 22 which becomes effective Jan. 1, 1949. Station announced that advertisers may continue on their present contracts until expiration with the understanding that renewal contracts (if signed within 30 days after expiration of contract) will enjoy old rates until Dec. 31, 1949.

A. N. ARMSTRONG Jr., national sales manager for WCOP and WCOP-FM Boston, has been appointed to Committee on Commercial and Industrial Affairs of Boston Chamber of Commerce.

GUY NEWSAM, new to radio, has joined sales staff of National Broadcast Sales, Toronto.

GORDON FRANKS has been appointed in charge of sales for recording department of CKEY Toronto.

PENNSYLVANIA State Employment Service lists job opportunities in television. Applicants must be able to install and repair all types of television receivers and must have a car. Pay rate ranges from \$60 to \$75 a week.



WLAV leads ALL stations in daytime share of audience in Michigan's second market. (1947-1948 winter-spring Hooper)

WLAV ---- 28.1% Station B --- 22.6% Station C --- 22.2%

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or second year WKNB Hartford and Wise Smith's, Hartford's department store, have joined forces to give a royal welcome to first baby born in Hartford County in 1949. Store is supplying a treasure chest of gifts for the new arrival and WKNB furnishes daily reports to listeners on be registered by noon of Jan. 1, in or-der to be eligible for prizes, which are expected to reach a total value of \$1,000 by that date. As soon after the birth as possible WKNB will broadcast a special program featuring presentation of the gifts.

#### Personal Touch

DURING the holiday season, KPAS Banning, Calif., staffers utilized tape recorders and mobile units to collect vocal Christmas and New Year's greetings from merchants in the area.

#### Pen Pal Contest

TO promote its Saturday morning feature, Children's World, KVOO Tulsa, Okla., held a Pen Pal Contest. Purpose was to stimulate interest in the "Pen Pal" section of the program which arranges correspondence between children in the U.S., England and France. To date over 1,400 such exchanges of addresses has taken place. Contest was based on finishing the sentence: "I want a Pen Pal be-cause...." Prizes were 100 B B Ball Point Pens carrying the imprint



"Pen Pal-KVOO Tulsa." In addition first prize winners received Pen Pal acquaintenances with such NBC stars as Ezra (Henry Aldrich) Stone; Edgar Bergen; the Quiz Kids, and others.

#### New Year's Greeting

GREETINGS for the New Year and a handy reminder of the months to come are included in the WLAW Lawrence, Mass., calendar for 1949. It contains a map of the United States in color and calendar arranged in four rows of three months each. Calendar is metal bound at top and bottom, and in cen-ter are call letters "WLAW" with "50,000 Watts Power" on one side and "680 On You Dial" on the other.

#### Who's 'Miss FM?'

LISTENERS to WBUZ-FM Bradbury Heights, Md., have a new problem on their hands-who is "Miss FM?" Station reports a large mail return, but no successful contestants, for the prizes of a 17 jewel wrist watch, pearls, card table set, six-quart pressure cooker, \$50, waffle iron, and others donated by local merchants. Contest hints are aired eight times daily, and they include the fact that "Miss FM" is a well-known local girl, 20 years old, same height as Ingrid Bergman and beautiful.



ART BROWN (I) WOL Washington, radio personality, displays a canary (and cage) awarded to Maxine Brooking of Washington, in his "name the canary" contest, to Mrs. Margaret Hines, canary expert, and Lansing Lindquist, WOL program director, and contest judge. Winning name was "Warb-O-Link," embodying WOL call letters. Canaries "Mr. Link" and "Luther," an old-timer on the station, sing with Mr. Brown on his early morning Art Brown Show.

#### Proud of Its Company

TO tell the world-WPEN and WPEN-FM Philadelphia, has sent out a mail piece with a list of its accounts printed in white on a black background, with this message in the cen-"We're proud of the company ter: we keep . . . and we're proud of the real selling job we are continuing to do. . .

#### 'Don't Cut Yourself Off . . .'

WOULD you like to be chased by a on SDL you have to be chasted by a pair of scissors? That's just what is happening to the poor little man on KTSM El Paso, Tex., latest pro-motion piece, entitled "Don't Cut Yourself Off Without Listeners!" Sheet goes on to explain that advertising placed on KTSM reaches the largest number of listeners in the area, and that it's the listeners who buy your products.

#### **KSTP** Pop-ups

POP-up pictures are feature of KSTP Minneapolis-St. Paul, newest promotion sheets. One sheet promotes station's 10 weekly Kellogg food advertisements, on The Clock Watcher and Main Street, Minnesota; and the other Shell gasoline and oil sponsorship of Jack Horner's Corner.

#### **Meet Your Television**

CAPITALIZING on public interest in television in San Francisco-new TV city-Philco Co. has begun a person-

alized, weekly column, "Television News," in three Bay Area newspapers. Column is designed to promote Philco television and provide readers with facts and news on TV. Personal approach used is designed to render a reader service and at the same time promote Philco TV receivers. KPIX (TV), which goes on the air in San Francisco next month, is the only station there at this time.

#### 'It Happens on WLW . . .

BRIGHT with pictures is eight-page booklet "It Happens on WLW. ...," distributed by WLW Cincinnati, for its Your Morning Matinee show. Brochure features stories of program's activities and its advertising and mail appeal.

#### Jumbo Big Promotion

TO call attention to its activities in promotion and publicity, WPEN Phil-adelphia, has distributed a colorful promotion sheet. Titled "Big-Big Things Are Happening in Philadelphia," sheet lists methods station uses to promote its shows, shows which sell its sponsors products, and a chart showing WPEN's share of listening audience from Jan. to Sept., 1948 based on Hooper ratings.

#### 'Grange Hall of the Air'

TO promote its Grange Hall of the Air program, Rural (FM) Radio Net-work, Ithaca, N. Y., has distributed two-color pamphlet with photos that tell the story of the program and the network.

#### Personnel

MURIEL MANDELL, formerly with Press Bureau, New York State Division of Housing, has joined press department of WMGM New York, as assistant to Jo Ranson, publicity director.

JOHN FARWELL has been appointed sales promotion manager at WBBM Chicago (CBS), succeeding ART DUR-AM who leaves in January to work at CBS New York on TV promotion. Mr. Farwell was formerly on advertising and promotion of the Chicago Herald-American.

CHARLES L. BURROW, sales promotion manager of KEX Portland, Ore., has been elected vice president of the Oregon Advertising Club for 1949. LYN CONNELLY, radio editor of National Weekly Newspaper Service, syndicated feature material serviced by Western Newspaper Union, Chi-cago, will join WBKB (TV) Chicago, Jan. 2 as publicity assistant.





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OSEPH WERSHBA, news editor at WCBS New York, since 1946, has been transferred to CBS Washington staff as news editor and broadcaster. Mr. Wershba has been with CBS since 1944. He formerly was a New York newspaperman. No successor will be appointed to the WCBS post.

LOU GILPIN, former Washington correspondent of the Asheville, N. C., Citizen, has joined

news staff at WRC Washington. He replaces OTTO GLADE, WRC news editor who has joined NBC news staff in New York. THEODORE F. KOOP, head of CBS Washington news bureau, has been elected to a



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ernors of the National Press Club in Washington.

HARRY GRAY, freelance writer for New England newspapers, has joined news department at WCSH Portland, Me.

JIM RUSSO has joined WFYC Alma, Mich., as sports director.

JERRY GORDON, staff news writer at KNBC San Francisco for the past two years, has been appointed assistant manager of news and special events. He succeeds TOM FLYNN, who resigned to join KFBK Sacramento, Calif.

ROBERT WIDMARK, former newscaster for WMT Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has been appointed an instructor in radio news workshop at WSUI and KSUI, stations operated by State U. of Iowa, Iowa City.

#### FM STATIONS 35% Newspaper-Affiliated

OVER 35% of FM stations have direct or indirect newspaper affiliations, according to a survey by Bill Bailey, FM Assn. executive director. Of the 687 outlets 243 are owned either outright or in part by newspapers [CLOSED CIRCUIT, Dec. 20].

Newspapers are expanding their public service operations into the radio field, according to Mr. Bailey's survey. Of the FM stations owned entirely or in part by newspaper interests, 43 are independent FM operations, 40 have independent FM and AM stations not affiliated with major networks and five independent FM stations have AM applications pending at the FCC.

The survey shows that of 155 FM-AM stations owned by newspapers and affiliated with one or more of the major networks, 50 are ABC affiliates, 39 MBS, 32 NBC and 30 CBS. Four stations owned by newspapers are affiliated with two of the major networks.

Besides the 243 newspaper FM stations on the air, newspapers hold CPs for another 48 FM outlets, according to FMA.

**On All Accounts** 

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daily published by his father, working in all departments and studying every operation of the newspaper. Upon graduation he gave himself fully to the paper as a vice president, supervising both business and editorial departments. In 1941 he was named editor and remained in that position until 1944.

In that year he assumed charge of the family's Colonial Sand & Stone Co., the largest concern of its kind in the world.

Two years later when the Pope family purchased WHOM the 6 foot 3 inch Fortune transferred his executive talents to that operation. Although he still retains active interest in both Il Progresso and Colonial Sand & Stone, as a director and officer of both corporations, the greatest part of his time and enthusiasm is devoted to the operation of WHOM.

Currently Mr. Pope has an FM application pending and also expects to apply for a television permit when the channels are open.

The Pope's-she is the former Grace Perrotty-have been married since March 1942. They have a daughter Santina, 5. The family lives in Manhattan.

Mr. Pope's hobbies include golfhe shoots in the middle 80's-fishing and boating.

#### WINE ADS

Approved for Alabama Radio STATE Alcoholic Beverage Control Board a fortnight ago approved the advertising of wines over Alabama radio stations at the request of Howard Pill, president of WSFA Montgomery, according to a report in the Journal of Commerce.

Mr. Pill said he appeared before the board on behalf of the Alabama Broadcasters Assn. There has been no law in the state prohibiting the advertising of wine by radio, according to Montgomery attorney Thomas Martin, but it has not been done in the past "because of a policy set up by the previous ABC boards." The board voted unanimously to approve the radio advertising.

#### 'LITTLE MIKE' **Rates Big in Middlesboro**

"LITTLE MIKE," the Crosley station wagon WMIK Middlesboro, Ky., uses to carry its portable facilities, has had a big buildup. It's so big, in fact, that Robert J. Williamson Jr., WMIK manager, said: "'Little Mike' has become so much a real thing in this community that people speak of him as though he were a human being."

The promotion stunt began with a ten-day teaser campaign in the Middlesboro Daily News preceding the unveiling of "Little Mike" in a downtown Middlesboro theatre. "Who Is Little Mike?" and "Where Is Little Mike?" the teaser lines read. Two days before the scheduled unveiling "Little Mike." wrapped up to hide his identity, was placed in the theatre lobby.

From inside the "package" came a baby-like voice saying, "Hello, I am 'Little Mike.' I am ready to



WMIK's "Little Mike." \*

do big things for our community. Come see me when I am uncov-ered." When 'Mike' was uncovered 7,000 persons came to see him in two days, according to Mr. Williamson.

"Little Mike" has done a big job helping WMIK familiarize Middlesboro area residents with services the station offers. The equipment he carries includes a Wilcox-Gay portable tape recorder, RCA wire recorder, Gates Dynamote unit, three microphones, a Carter portable generator, two automobile batteries, a 32-w 100-volt AC-6-volt DC Bogen amplifier, a folding table and chair, 100 feet of microphone cord, 100 feet of AC extension and a kit of engineer's tools.



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KEY PERSONNEL responsible for success of Ma Perkins attend 15th anniversary celebration af NBC daytime serial in New York. L to r: Edwin Wolfe, director of program; William Ramsey, radio director for Procter & Gamble, sponsor; Orin Tovrov, author of Ma Perkins; William Craig, TV director for P&G, and "Ma Perkins" herself. Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample is agency.

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## Milestones

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►Gold watches and 25-year service pins were awarded to 861 employes of RCA's Victor Division, at ceremonies held earlier this month to inaugurate company's Service Pin Award Program established to honor employes with 25 or more years of service.

► Walter Gibson, space buyer for The Caples Co., Chicago agency, was presented with a gold watch on 25th anniversary of his service with the company.

► The "WIS Hillbillies" are starting their 13th year of broadcasting on WIS Columbia, S. C.

### HOT DISCS

**RCA-Victor Acts Fast** SIXTEEN hours after lifting of recording ban by AFM on Dec. 14, RCA-Victor put its first record made under the new agreement on sale in New York, Philadelphia and Camden.

The record, Perry Como's "Far Away Places" and "Missouri Waltz," had a big initial sale. Gimbels department store in Philadelphia received 50 discs on its first shipment and sold out within an hour, according to RCA-Victor.

## BRUNETTI NAMED

Stanford Post Is Filled DR. CLEDO BRUNETTI, former chief of the engineering electronics section, U. S. Bureau of Standards, will become associate director of Stanford Research Institute, Stanford U., Calif.

Dr. Brunetti's work will assist the electronic development of the West, according to SRI Director J. E. Hobson's announcement of the appointment.

Dr. Brunetti led in the development of World War II's radarguided bomb and the radio-proximity fuse, one of the war's major secret weapons. He also had a major part in the development of the two-way wrist radio and a transmitter so small it fits a lipstick cylinder.

#### Midshipmen Aid

MIDSHIPMEN from the Naval Academy at Annapolis helped to make this year's WRC Washington Doll House Christmas project a success. The Doll House, conducted by WRC's Bill Herson, is located at 11th and G St., N. W., one of Washington's busy downtown intersections. One hundred of the midshipmen visited it last Wednesday and left more than 3,500 toys.



#### WROY CARMI Land Heads III. Station

WROY Carmi, Ill., owned by the Carmi Broadcasting Co., has begun operation as a 1 kw daytime station on 1460 kc. Thomas S. Land, formerly with WEBQ Harrisburg, Ill., is manager.

Officers of Carmi Broadcasting Co., a corporation, include Roy Clippinger, president, who operates the Carmi *Democrat-Tribune*, a daily newspaper; Madison Pomeroy, vice president; J. Robert Smith, secretary, formerly with Baltimore Sunpapers and other newspapers, and Herbert G. Bayley, treasure. In addition, three other board members comprise the corporation.

Sales staff is headed by Howard Reedy, former advertising manager of the *Democrat-Tribune*. Other personnel includes Paul Cotton, program director, and Harold Vandament, formerly with WENC Whiteville, N. C., and WGIL Galesburg, Ill., in the post of chief engineer.

U. of Illinois is supplying some scripts for farm programs, and WROY is cooperating with the local newspaper for news coverage. Its transmitter is one mile west of Carmi. Station started operating on Dec. 14.



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D<sup>ON</sup> BOHL, crew member at WBKB (TV) Chicago, resigns to become television director Jan. 1.

ALAN SCARLETT, ROBERT J. STEI-DLE, PAUL H. HEMPEN and FRAN-CIS A. NAULT have joined television engineering staff of WNBQ (TV)-NBC Chicago. Mr. Scarlett transferred from radio recording department. He is succeeded by FRANK P. ULRICH.

NATIONAL Assn. of Broadcast Engineers has moved its national office from 66 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y., to 421 7th Ave., Manhattan. Union expects to open fulltime office in Hollywood at some future date as yet unannounced.

**ROBERT BIGWOOD, formerly** in ABC facilities engineering group, has been appointed facilities engineer of DuMont television network. His duties will include planning, design and installation supervision of DuMont studios and transmitting plants throughout the country.

HAROLD CLARKE, operator at CKEY Toronto, is the father of a boy.

JOHN HEAKE, WIP Philadelphia engineer, is the father of a boy, Jon Terry. WILLIAM NACE, of station's accounting department, also is the father of a son, Robert Joseph.

EDDIE DASH, formerly of CJKL Kirkland Lake, has been transferred to technical staff of CFCH North Bay, Ont.



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ON WILSON has been signed as announcer for new Alan Young Show starting Jan. 11, 1949, on NBC.

RITA DU RAY, costume designer and make-up woman at Chicago's Goodman Theatre for five years, has joined television program department of WNBQ (TV)-NBC Chicago.

EARL STEELE has joined announcing staff at WCCO Minneapolis-St. Paul. He was formerly with WRNL Rich-

RUTH CRANE, director of women's activities at WMAL Washington, has been appointed to serve on the Public Relations Committee of the Presi-



BEN A. ARON, former announcer at KWHW Altus, Okla., has joined Chi-cago staff of Storecast Corp. as program director. Storecast operates over WEHS-FM Chicago.

JERRY LEWIS, formerly with WGUY Bangor, Me., has joined announcing staff of WCSH Portland, Me.

PETER BESBAS has joined announcing staff at WTNT Augusta, Ga.

LUCIEN DUMONT, production manager at WIDE Biddeford, Me., and Phyllis Clarlin, formerly with WFEA Manchester, N. H., have announced their marriage.

DOROTHY DAY has joined Broadcasting Corp. of America network headquarters at KPRO Riverside, Calif., as fashion commentator.

JOHN TRIMBLE, staff announcer at WBT Charlotte, N. C., is the father of a girl, Elizabeth Ann.

PETE STONER, with WTIC Hartford, Conn., for the past six years has joined WBIS Bristol, Conn., announcing staff.

RUSSELL NAUGHTON, chief announcer at WDRC Hartford, Conn., is new m.c. on station's This Is Hartford show, heard daily at 9:15 a.m.

JOHN ALEXANDER, formerly with CBS Chicago, and freelance writer and producer in that city, has joined WBKB (TV) Chicago production staff.

NINA EDINGER, formerly with sales staff of WBBM Chicago, is now in WBKB's scheduling department.

WBEN-FM Buffalo, N. Y., is now part of the Empire State FM Network carrying chain's FM School of the Air, Mon.-Fri., 1:30-2 p.m.



#### **Future Plans Covered**

FUTURE plans for public service series, Out of the Fog, were discussed early this month when 25 representatives of management and labor met in Seattle. The series, originated by KJR Seattle and carried by five other stations in the area, highlights round-table discussions of economic problems and labor-management differences.

Approval of the series came after extensive discussion by the group, and a committee of sixthree from management and three from labor-was authorized to explore the possibility of similar programs for future broadcast.

Winners of an essay contest held in connection with the series on "I believe the American system of business is best for me because .... were anounced.

## ARNOLD WINS

#### Hits 81% in Grid Guessing

FULTON ARNOLD, WTTM Trenton, N. J., sportscaster, has been named national winner of the Chesterfield Supper Club football winners guessing contest. His prize is a trip to the California-Northwestern Rose Bowl game New Year's Day-all expenses paidwith Peggy Lee and Jo Stafford, Supper Club singing stars, as escorts.

Mr. Arnold, who has a nightly sportscast at 6:15 on WTTM, had an 81% average for the ten-week contest. Each week he made predictions on the winners of 35 weekend games. His best single week's record, WTTM reports, was 34 out of 35 games guessed correctly.

#### Hampton Fund Grows

EDUCATIONAL fund for the children of Ray Hampton, WHBF Rock Island, Ill. sports director who died Dec. 2, was started with money from co-workers instead of flowers, and is being increased by a sum from the management substituted for the station Christmas party. Les Johnson, WHBF manager, is also adding money donated by staff women who have cancelled the usual gift exchange. Radio listeners and sports organizations are also mailing money to the fund, which will provide college educations for Becky, 4, and Lynn, 2.

KSO Des Moines has renewed for two years its affiliation contract with CBS.



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## FTC'S FREER Again Says He Will Resign

ROBERT E. FREER, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, has reiterated his intention of resigning Dec. 31 to re-enter practice of private law [BROADCASTING, Nov. 1]. The chairman, whose term expires in September 1952, has not formally submitted his resignation as yet, however, but will do so this week he told BROAD-CASTING.

Mr. Freer delivered an address before the Sales Executive Club of New York at the Roosevelt Hotel Dec. 7. Speaking on the subject, "Let's Stop Kicking the Anti-Trust Laws Around," he told members that "having announced my resignation, I feel free of that fear of speaking too plainly which haunts most government officials, who know from experience that whatever they say on any controversial subject will be thrown back at them, often out of context, before a Congressional committee or in the brief or oral argument of some party to a controversy. Hence, I would like to speak to you as 1949's private citizen lawyer . . rather than as 1948's Chairman of FTC. . . ."

The FTC chairman, a Republican, said he felt a "real sense of loss" in severing official relations with fellow commission members, but repeated that "I can no longer continue to serve . . . at a salary . . . which certainly is a pittance by today's standards . . ." He added that trade commissioners are "able men struggling against almost insuperable problems. . ."

#### SILENT NIGHT ABC's Moore Loses Voice

ABC's Berlin news staff, in speaking of speechless announcers, would rather see than be one. And they saw one a fortnight ago, when Lyford Moore, the network's Berlin news bureau chief, lost his voice in the line of duty.

Speeding to the studio for a fiveminute broadcast on George Hick's news show, Mr. Moore had a flat tire. Sprinting like an Olympic champ, he made the studio just in time.

Mr. Moore gasped, "A few hours ago, the French authorities demolished the twin radio towers of the Russian-owned radio station. . . ." Silence

The race had proved too much for Mr. Moore. He lost his voice, and unable to continue, presented probably the week's most fascinating news story from Berlin.

Reaching 4,000,000 PEOPLE KWKW Pasadena - Los Angeles

WIRC Hickory, N. C. has begun 1 kw daytime operation as an outlet of the Foothills Broadcasting Co., Edmond H. Smith Jr., general manager, announced Dec. 11. Station is on 630 kc.

Special opening day programs, held Dec. 5, aired guest talent from other nearby stations and speeches by local dignitaries. WIRC studios and business offices are in the Duke Power Bldg., 1323 Eleventh Ave. Transmitter is one mile southeast of the city limits.

Other staff personnel besides Mr. Smith, who is also secretary-treasurer, include: Harry E. Snook, program director; Richard Gant and Jack Edwards, commercial representatives; Mrs. Harry Snook, women's editor and continuity chief, and Richard Benson and John Meacham, staff announcers.

#### KWGD (FM) Is on 40 kw Interim Power

KWGD (FM) St. Louis started operation Dec. 19 with interim power of 40 kw. The station is on Channel 225 (92.9 mc), and is authorized 218 kw. Owned by the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, the station expects to reach full power when its new building is completed.

General manager of the new outlet is Charles W. Nax. Wells R. Chapin is station director and chief engineer. Robert Brockman is sales manager and Lee Roy Fryer music librarian.

#### Marketcast Spots

MARKETCAST Network, with studios at 214 W. Broadway, New York, has announced the signing of its 75th affiliate, the Food Fair Super Market. Under the system, in existence more than a year, each of the 75 food markets is wired with speakers concealed in counters, and music is furnished throughout the day. Sponsorship is handled like that of radio spot sales, according to Mark Sheeler, Marketcast Network program director.





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WJR	Detroit	CBS
KARM	Fresno	CBS
WONS	Hartford	MBS
KPRC	Houston	NBC
WDAF	Kansas City	NBC
KFOR	Lincoln	ABC
KARK	Little Rock	NBC
KFI	Los Angeles	NBC
WHAS	Louisville	CBS
WLLH	Lowell-Lawrence	MBS
LWLM	Milwaukee	NBC
KSTP	MplsSt. Paul	NBC
WSM	Nashville	NBC
WSMB	New Orleans	NBC
WTAR	Norfolk	NBC
KOIL	Omaha	ABC
WIP	Philadelphia	MBS
WMTW	Portland, Me.	MBS
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#### TOPEKA BLACKOUT Radio Aids in Emergency

AUXILIARY power units of WIBW and WIBW-FM Topeka, Kan., enabled the Capper stations to provide uninterrupted service when a power plant explosion Dec. 9 killed nine persons and blacked out Topeka and the eastern half of Kansas. The blast occurred at the Tecumseh plant of the Kansas Power and Light Co.

WIBW's special events staff was dispatched to the scene immediately with portable recording equipment and power packs. Recorded on-the-scene reports of rescue operations, fire fighting and heroism were broadcast on WIBW and WIBW-FM. Quincy Howe, news analyst who was visiting in Topeka, assisted in the news coverage.

Only Topeka residents able to follow the action at the explosion scene via radio were those owning battery sets or riding radioequipped busses of the Topeka Transportation Co. WIBW-FM beamed newscasts to the bus riders and also aired an appeal from a Topeka hospital for volunteers to assist in caring for those injured in the explosion. Twenty minutes after the appeal the police department phoned WIBW-FM to report that the hospital was swamped with volunteers, the *Topeka Daily Capital* of Dec. 12 reported.

#### WHBL-FM Sheboygan

WHBL-FM Sheboygan, which started program service Dec. 1, is located in Sheboygan, Wis. The station was incorrectly identified as being in Sheboygan, Mich., in the Dec. 13 BROADCASTING.

## NARND PLEDGES

Unbiased Reporting of UN

NATIONAL Assn. of Radio News Directors has adopted a resolution pledging unbiased reporting of activities of the UN, UNESCO and similar world organizations.

John Hogan of WCSH Portland, Me., retiring NARND president, has cabled copies of the resolution to Benjamin Cohen, U. S. delegate to the UN in Paris; Dr. Milton Eisenhower, chairman of the U. S. National Commission of UNESCO in Beirut, Lebanon, and to the U. S. officials through the radio division of the UN at Lake Success.

Text of the resolution follows:

WHEREAS, the American system of broadcasting represents the highest exemplification of free radio in the world, and whereas such a free medium within the Constitutional meaning of our democracy anticipates special obligations upon those who administer it, and whereas it is the belief of the members of NARND that truth conveyed to the people without blas or restraint will contribute largely to the cause of peace in our nation and throughout the world,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the NARND members in performing their daily tasks, will make special effort to impart to listeners throughout our country accurate reports on the important activities of the United Nations, the UNESCO and other world organizations in which the United States strives cooperatively with other nations toward a permanent peace, and that the members will, through unbiased interpretation, attempt to bring to the people of the nation a correct understanding of the objectives and methods of such world organizations.

Soren Munkhof of WOW Omaha, NARND executive secretary, has announced that news directors of 17 stations have become members of NARND.

New members are: John Bills, WQAM Miami, Fla.; Nate Egner, WLDS Jacksonville, III.; Pat Flaherty, KPRC Houston, Tex.; Jarrett Griffin, KWK St. Louis; Ben Holmes, KOMA Oklahoma City; Cass Keller, WRC Washington: Ted Koop, CBS Washington; Ed Lambert, KFRU Columbia, Mo.; Ken Miller, KVOO Tulsa, Okla.; Richard Oberlin, WHAS Louisville; Ken Peterson, KVFD Fort Dodge, Iowa; Sheldon Peterson, KLZ Denver; John Sabin, WTMV E. St. Louis; Don Sherwood, WTHI Terre Haute. Ind.; Art Smith, WJAX Yankton, S. D.; Tom Warren, KSO Des Moines; and W. A. Warrick, WJOB Hammond, Ind. Burton Marvin of Kansas U. School

Burton Marvin of Kansas U. School of Journalism, Lawrence, Kans., also was admitted to associate membership.



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#### Decisions (Cont'd):

WILM Wilmington, Del.-Granted CP make changes in vertical ant. and mount FM ant. on AM tower and change trans. location.

KTMP El Dorado, Kan.—Granted mod. CP to change type trans., for ap-proval of ant. and trans. location and to specify studio location.

ploval of all tails location. Following were granted mod. CPs for extension of completion dates as indi-cated: WDXY Spartanburg, S. C., to 3-22-49; WHAT-FM Mansfield, Ohio, to 3-22-49; WHAT-FM Philadelphia, to 6-10-49; WCAR Pontiac, Mich., to 6-1-49; KYOS Merced, Calif., to 4-7-49; WKBM Area Arecibo, P. R., to 2-28-49; WGNY New York, to 3-1-49; WEHS Cicero, III., to 3-1-49; WERC-FM Erie, Pa., to 4-2-49; WIOC Corydon, Ind., to 3-16-49; WSAU-FM Bloomington, Ind., to 6-28-49; WLOW-FM Norfolk, Va., to 6-28-49; WHXC-FM Columbus, Ohio, to 1-28-49; WHXC-FM Salisbury, N. C., to 2-15-49.

#### December 22 Decisions . . .

#### BY A BOARD

**Renewal of License** WCMN Arecibo, P. R.-Granted re-newal of license for period ending Nov. 1, 1951.

#### Petition Dismissed

WMEX Boston-Dismissed as moot petition for declaratory ruling in re applications for renewal of license and transfer of control.

#### Assignment of License

Assignment of License KBMY Billings, Mont.—Granted vol-untary assignment of license from part-nership of six equal partners to new partnership consisting of four of old partners, two partners selling their ½ interest for \$20,000. WGNS Mutfreesboro, Tenn.—Grant-ed assignment of license from Mur-freesboro Bestg. Service to new corpo-ration; WGNS Inc., one partner, S. D. Wooten Jr., will sell his ½ interest for \$11,250.

Assignment of CP WHSY Hattlesburg, Miss. — Granted assignment of CP from Hub City Bestg. Co. to newly formed corpora-tion, Hub City Bestg. Co. Inc.; two newcomers will be added each to have 12½% stock interest, for \$4000.

#### Acquisition of Control

Acquisition of Control WTHI WTHI-FW Terre Haute, Ind.— Granted acquisition of control of Wa-bash Valley Bcstg. Corp. licensee of WTHI and permittee of WTHI-FM, by Anton Hulman Jr., present owner of 396 shares (33.6%) of Valley's stock. for \$52.563 for stock (42.05%) of five transferers.

#### AM-1490 kc

San Luis Valley Bostz. Co., Alamosa, Col.—Granted CP new AM station 1490 kc 250 w unl.: engineering cond.; esti-mated cost \$29,000.

#### AM-1050 kc

Terry County Bestg. Co., Brownfield, Tex.—Granted CP new AM station 1050 kc 250 w D; engineering cond.; esti-mated cost \$15,300. AM-1490 kc

Big Sandy Bestg. Co., Paintsville, Ky. --Granted CP new AM station 1490 kc 250 w. unl.; engineering cond.; esti-mated cost \$14,150.

#### **Hearing Designated**

Hearing Designated Delta Bestrs. Inc., Thibodaux, La.— Designated for hearing application for new station 800 kc 250 w. The Orange Belt Station, Redlands, Calif.—Designated for hearing appli-cation for new station 1320 kc 500 w D, and make KITO San Bernardino party to proceeding.

#### AM-1220 kc-1230 kc

Am-1220 KC-1230 KC Logansport Bestg. Corp., Logansport, and Kosciusko Bestg. Corp., Warsaw, Ind.-Upon petitions, granted applica-tion of Logansport for new station 1230 kc 250 w uni. at Logansport and ap-plication of Kosciusko for new station at Warsaw, 1220 kc 250 w. D; cond.

#### Modification of CP

WJOB Hammond, Ind.—Granted mod. CP to change trans. site.

#### **Petition Granted**

Griner-Dillon Bcstg. Co., Bay City, Mich.—Granted petition in part, to extent of amending Commission's order of June 2, 1948, deleting issues 1 and 3, effect of which is to strike all but engineering issues; in all other aspects petition is denied.

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#### FCC BOX SCORE

Summary of Authorizations, Applications, New Station Requests, Ownership

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Class AM Stations FM Stations TV Stations * 15 on the air.	On Air 1,908 697 50	Licensed 1,852 198 7	CPs 276 720 116	Cond'l Grants 50*	Appli- cations Pending 520 89 312	In Hearing 287 31 181

#### STI-158.4 mc

STL-158.4 mc KYOS Merced, Calif.-Granted STA for STL (1584 mc 15 w) for period not to exceed 6 mos. or when wire facili-ties become available whichever is earlier, and further subject to cond. that all operation on this frequency will be discontinued if any interfer-ence is caused to services regularly authorized to operate on this frequency or adjacent frequencies.

#### **FM** Authorizations

FM Authorizations Granted CPs for one new Class A and one new Class B FM station; modified one CP to specify Class A instead of Class B outlet; issued CPs to four Class B outlets which previously held CGs; issued CPs to six FM stations in lieu of previous conds., and granted CP for new low power noncommercial education station (See story page XX).

#### STL-159.3 mc

STL-159.3 mc KVME Merced, Calif.-Granted STA for STL for period not to exceed 6 mos, or when wire facilities become available whichever is earlier, and fur-ther subject to cond. that all operation will be discontinued if any interfer-ence is caused to services regularly authorized to operate on STA fre-quency or adjacent frequencies (159.30 mc 15 w).

#### **Extension** of Time

WBRC-TV Birmingham. Ala.—Grant-ed additional time in which to com-plete construction.

#### December 22 Applications ... ACCEPTED FOR FILING

AM-980 kc

WILK Wilkes-Barre, Pa.--CP change from 1450 kc 250 w unl. to 980 kc 1 kw-N 5 kw-D unl. DA-DN (DA-2). AM-680 kc

WCTT Corbin, Ky.—CP change from 1400 kc 250 w unl. to 680 kc 1 kw unl. DA-N. AM-960 kc

KNEB Scottsbluff, Neb.—CP change from 970 kc 1 kw D to 960 kc 1 kw-D 500 w-N unl. DA-DN.

#### AM---1340 kc

WJOC Jamestown, N. Y.—CP change from 1470 kc 1 kw D to 1410 kc 1 kw unl. DA-DN AMENDED to request 1340 kc 250 w unl. **CP** to Reinstate

WGRO The Naugatuck Valley Bcstg. Corp., Ansonia, Conn.—CP to reinstate CP new AM station 690 kc 1 kw D. Change Location

## KVAN Vancouver, Wash. — CP to change studio location from 7071/2 Main St.. Vancouver, to South Shore Smith Lake. Multhomah County, Ore.

Modification of CP KMSU Missoula, Mont.—Mod. CP new AM station for extension of com-pletion date. WAGE Syracuse, N. Y.—Mod. CP in-crease power etc. for extension of completion date.

#### License for CP

License for CP KVRH Salida, Col.-License to cover CP new AM station. KFRD Rosenberg, Tex.-Same. WVNJ Newark. N. J.-Same. KVOU Uvalde, Tex.-License to cover CP change frequency. WLVA Lynchburg, Va.-License to cover CP change frequency, increase power etc.

#### License Renewal

License Renewal License renewal applications were filed by following AM stations: KDIX Dickinson, N. D.: KGON Oregon City. Ore.; KSWS Roswell, N. M.: KWTC Barstow, Calif.; WAJR Mo:gantown, W. Va.; WFAS White Plains, N. Y.; WMMT McMinnville. Tenn.; WMNB North Adams, Mass.; WMOB Mobile, Ala.; WNNC Newton, N. C.: WQUA Moline, II.: WSOC Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.; KRKN Fort Smith. Ark.; KSLO Opelousas, La.; KSST Sulphur Springs, Tex.; WAIM Anderson, S. C.; WAUD Auburn, Ala.; WAZF Yazoo City, Miss.;

WGGG Gainesville, Fla.; WHVA Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; WIL St. Louis; WJOB Hammond, Ind.

#### Petition to Reinstate

WSWZ Inc., Trenton, N. J.—Petition to reinstate application for CP new AM station 1260 kc 5 kw-D 1 kw-N unl.

#### Assignment of License

MTNB WTNB-FM Birmingham, Ala. —Assignment of CP and license for AM and CP for FM from Thomas N. Beach and Roy M. Hofheinz d/b as Radio Station WTNB to Pilot Bestg.

Radio Station WIND W Fust State Orp. WEME WEMB-FM San Juan, P. R.— Assignment of license for AM and CP for FM from El Mundo Bestg. Corp. to Angel Ramos tr/as El Mundo Bestg. Co. KTAE Taylor, Tex.—Assignment of license from Gillis Conoley, Dr. Ray-mond Garrett and K. L. McConchie d/b as Williamson County Bestg. Co. to KTAE Inc.

#### Assignment of CP

KBKO Portland, Ore.—Assignment of CP from Harold Krieger and Gordon E. Bambrick d/b as Mercury Bestg. Co. to Mercury Bestg. Co. Inc.

#### **CP** to Reinstate

KSWO-FM Lawton, Okla.—CP to re-instate CP new FM station which ex-pired Nov. 12. KOAK Western Oklahoma Bestg. Co., Clinton, Okla.—CP to reinstate CP new FM station which expired Nov. 12.

#### License for CP

W\$M-FM Nashville, Tenn.—License to cover CP changes in FM station. KBON-FM Omaha, Neb.—License to cover CP new FM station.

#### Modification of CP

Modification of CP WGAU-FM Athens, Ga.—Mod. CP new FM station for extension of com-pletion date. WGTM-FM Wilson, N. C.—Same. KUGN-FM Eugene, Ore.—Same. WIBG-FM Philadelphia—Same. KNOB Long Beach, Calif.—Same. WSLB-FM Ogdensburg, N. Y.—Same. WSLB-FM Ogdensburg, N. Y.—Same. WSLB-FM Ogdensburg, N. Y.—Same. WCOL-FM Columbus, Ohio—Same. WCOL-FM Columbus, Ohio—Same. KXZC-FM Houston, Tex.—Same. KXZL-FM Houston, Tex.—Same. KCLI Los Angeles—Mod. CP new FM Station to change ERP from 32 kw to 55 kw. ant. height above average ter-rain from 2,970 ft. to 686 ft. change trans. location, specify studio site and make changes in ant. system. KOB-TV Albuquerone, N. M.—Mod. CP new commercial TV station for ex-tension of competion date. KTLA Los Anreles—Same. WOIC Washington—Same. WOIC Washington—Same.

#### TENDERED FOR FILING Assignment of License

Assignment of License WTNB WTNB-FM Birmingham, Ala. -Assignment of license for AM and CP for FM from Thomas N. Beach and Roy M. Hofheinz d/b as Radio Station WTNB to Pilot Bestg. Corp. KANS Wichtia, Kan.-Assignment of license from Kansas Bestg. Inc. to Tay-lor Radio and Television Corp. KRGV KRGV-FM Weslaco, Tex.-Assignment of license for AM and CP for FM from KRGV Inc. to Tay-ior FM from KRGV Inc. to Tay-ior Exation and Television Corp. KSCB Liberal. Kan.-Assignment of license from AHR M. Landon. William Lee Larabee. Wilbur Vernon Criffith and Raloh E. Colvin d/b as Seward County Bestg. Co. to Seward County Bestg. Co. Inc.

#### **Transfer of Control**

Transfer of Control WMMT McMinnville, Tenn.—Acquisi-tion of control of McMinnville Bestg. Co. Inc., licensee, through transfer of 50 sh each from Oliver M. Albritton and Claude W. Haston to Sam J. Al-

50 sh each from Oliver M. Albritton and Claude W. Haston to Sam J. Al-britton. KTSA KTSA-FM San Antonio, Tex. —Transfer of control of Sunshine Bestg. Co., license of AM and permit-tee of FM. to Gene Autry. WCMW WCMW-FM Canton, Ohio— Transfer of control of Stark Bestg. Corp., licensee of AM and permittee of FM. to S. L. Huffman and K. B. Cope.

BING CROSBY, Eddie Cantor, Johnny Mercer and John Brown have been voted the "Award of Merit for Exceptional Service" in 1948 by the National Safety Council, Chicago. Mr. Crosby will receive official notice of his award Wednesday on his ABC broadcast, while Mr. Cantor will be notified on his Jan. 28 show.

SAFETY AWARDS

Radio Stars Are Honored

Mr. Crosby was cited for contributing his services for a fiveminute musical transcription series during the Council's safe winter driving campaign last year.

Mr. Cantor was selected for appearing in a series of five-minute spots entitled "It Can Happen to You," in cooperation with the Council's traffic accident prevention campaign.

Mr. Mercer's award was for singing 10 one-minute spots on safe winter driving, and Mr. Brown Digger O'Dell of The Life of Riley, was cited for 10 announcements on farm safety.

Radio stations, networks, adver-

tisers and advertising firms will be eligible for the National Safety Council's new public interest award

for "Exceptional Service to Safety." The Council, "recogniz-

ing the important role being taken voluntarily by public information media in support of accident pre-vention," will bestow the 1948 cita-

tions after March 15, closing date

for nominations from local safety

organizations throughout the coun-

try. Entries can be made at Council headquarters in Chicago.

Washington program director, who

announced his intention to resign

last month [BROADCASTING, Nov. 29], will join the Columbia Broad-

casting System in New York as a

television director the early part

of January. Date of resignation

or name of his successor has not

since 1938 when he joined the network operations department in New York. For a time he was producer

of the Major Bowes Amateur Hour. He came to WTOP in 1941 as program manager, and returned in

1946 after having served with the

**Extension of SSA** 

KOB Albuquerque, N. M.--Request for extension of SSA 770 kc 50 kw-D 25 kw-N unl, for period from 3 a.m., EST March 1, 1949, for regular license

AMENDMENT DISMISSED KNEW Provo, Utah - DISMISSED without prejudice amendment filed April 30, 1948, requesting change from 1450 to 1240 kc. Petition to dismiss granted Nov. 12.

APPLICATION RETURNED Southern California Television Co., Long Beach, Calif.—RETURNED Dec. 16 supplement filed to application to purchase KLAC-TV only.

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Mr. Linkroum has been with CBS

To Take TV Post in N.Y. RICHARD LINKROUM, WTOP

**CBS's LINKROUM** 

been determined.

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# At Deadline...

#### CP OF WPBP MAYAGUEZ IS REVOKED BY FCC

CHARGING owners with misleading FCC and with operating station for four months without authorization, Commission Thursday revoked CP for WPBP Mayaguez, P. R. Station went off air about Oct. 8, FCC said. It was assigned 1450 kc with 250 w.

FCC claimed WPBP's last extension of authority for program tests expired last June 6 but that station operated until around Oct. 8 even though request for extension of program tests was denied in meantime. Further, FCC charged, unlicensed operator has operated WPBP transmitter; "sundry" technical violations have been noted, and in an early application, permittee Paradise Broadcasting Co. "either submitted incorrect photographs of its transmitter site... or misled the Commission with respect to the density of population within the immediate vicinity thereof." Station is owned by Jose M. Sepulveda,

Station is owned by Jose M. Sepulveda, owner of Puerto Rico Radio & Electrical Works, and Jose M. Rodriguez Quinones, Arecibo physician. Grant was issued in April 1946 and station started program tests in November 1946. Revocation order is effective in 15 days unless hearing is requested, in which case it will be suspended pending hearing and final decision.

#### NEW ANNISTON OUTLET; ALEXANDRIA BOOST

NEW AM station for Anniston, Ala., and nighttime power increase for KPDR, Alexandria, La., authorized by FCC Thursday. Anniston grant, for fulltime use of 1390 kc with 1 kw directionalized, went to Model City Broadcasting Co., headed by Stanton B. Ingram, local banker and 42.86% owner.

Other stockholders, all local business and professional men: S. E. Boozer (25.7%); Stanley M. Ward (8.58%); Elvin C. McCary (5.71%); D. H. Boozer (8.58%); Emmett B. Weaver (5.71%), and Dr. Frank C. Weaver Jr. (2.86%).

Grant to KPDR is for modification of CP to operate on 970 kc with 1 kw fulltime in lieu of present 1 kw day, 500 w night.

#### HEARING ON AFRO PLAN

AFRO AMERICAN Broadcasting System's application for first station of projected network of Negro outlets [BROADCASTING, Nov. 24, Dec. 15, 1947] was designated for hearing by FCC Thursday. Application is for 610 kc with 1 kw fulltime at Hopkins Park, Ill. It was designated for comparative consideration with mutually exclusive application of WKAN Kankakee, Ill., to switch from 1320 kc with 1 kw, daytime only, to 610 kc with 1 kw fulltime. Afro American is all-Negro corporation headed by Dr. Clifford F. Kyle, minister. WKAN is owned by Kankakee Daily Journal and headed by Leslie C. Small.

#### **BASKETBALL TV BAN**

TELECAST OF Baltimore Bullet professional football games will cease Jan. 6 because of 25% attendance drop, Jake Embrey, Bullet president, ruled Thursday. Mr. Embrey, also head of Colts profootball team, hinted telecast of Colt games may be halted next year also. He is WITH Baltimore vice president and sales manager.

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#### TAYLOR-HOWE-SNOWDEN STATION TRANSFER FILED

DISSOLUTION of 15-year station-ownership association of O. L. (Ted) Taylor, Gene A. Howe and T. E. Snowden revealed in multiple transfer applications filed with FCC involving KANS Wichita, KRGV Weslaco and KTSA San Antonio. All three transactions are interdependent [BROADCASTING, Nov. 29].

Taylor Radio and Television Corp., headed by Mr. Taylor as president and 75% owner and involving same stockholders as KANS, acquires assets of that station for \$200.000. Taylor Radio and Television buys KRGV for \$320,000 and also acquires KTSA which it simultaneously sells for \$450,000 to Gene Autry, cowboy star and owner of KOOL Phoenix.

KRGV principal sellers include T. E. Snowden, president and 2.5%; Archie J. Taylor, brother of Ted Taylor, vice president 3.44%; Gene A. Howe, treasurer 34.69%; Alexander Keese, director 2.188%; Robert P. Snowden, director 6.875%; E. J. Bribach, 9.37%, and Byron W. Ogle, secretary-treasurer 0.625%.

KTSA sellers include: Mr. Howe, president 17.066%; O. L. Taylor, 5.46%; T. E. Snowden, vice president 3.167%; Mr. Keese, director 0.967%; Robert Snowden, director 3.467%; Mr. Bribach, 0.667%. There are 39 stockholders in all.

Taylor Radio and Television is composed in addition to O. L. Taylor of following: Archie J. Taylor, vice president 7.5%; Era Lewis, secretary-treasurer 3.5%; Mr. Ogle, 5%; De-Witt Landis, 5%; M. R. Lindsey, 3.5%; and H. H. Taylor, 0.5%.

#### CONTINENTAL AM AFFILIATE

FIRST AM affiliate, WPTR Albany, N. Y., signed by Continental FM Network. Station is jointly operated with WBCA (FM) Schenectady by Leonard Asch, vice president and general manager, and W. R. David, vice president in charge of operations of both stations. WBCA has been Continental affiliate since its opening in March 1947.

#### **VIDEO FIRM CUTS PRICES**

UNITED STATES TELEVISION MFG. drastic price cuts—console combination with 15-inch tube down from \$1,495 to \$1,095, 15inch table model from \$375 to \$225 believed to presage industrywide drop in TV set prices. New price level being set by table model with 16-inch metal tube RCA reportedly plans to introduce in January to retail at \$500.

#### **GF'S PARKER BECOMES VP**

WESBY R. PARKER, former general manager of sales, has been appointed vice president in charge of sales division, General Foods Corp., New York. He joined GF in 1944 and has headed company's sales activities since Jan. 1, 1947. Mr. Parker was with Pillsbury Mills, Minneapolis, from 1922 to 1944.

#### RCA TV 16-INCH PRICE CUT

RCA to introduce in January TV receiver with 16-inch metal-side viewing tube, selling for about \$500, according to Associated Press dispatch. Officials of RCA-Victor Division refused to comment.

## WCAM-WCAP TIME SHARING WILL CEASE JAN. 22

FCC Thursday set 3 a.m. Jan. 22 as time when WCAM Camden, WCAP Asbury Park, and WTNJ Trenton shall stop sharing time (1310 kc, 500 w) and commence independent operations [BROADCASTING, May 17, Sept. 20].

Under prior orders, WCAM and WCAP licenses have been modified to authorize simultaneous, fulltime operation on 1310 kc with 250 w, but WTNJ is appealing modification of its license to specify daytime-only operation on 1300 kc with 250 w. WTNJ petition for stay order was denied by Court of Appeals for D. C., and FCC said "no further reason appears" why all three stations should not start operating on new assignments. Authorization for WTNJ to start using 1300 kc on Jan. 22 is conditioned on station's first getting FCC approval of equipment to be used.

#### NBC-KPIX INTERIM TV PACT

NBC-TV has signed interim affiliation agreement with KPIX (TV) San Francisco, which was to go on air Christmas Eve. Affiliation continues until KRON, San Francisco Chronicle station which will be regular NBC affiliate, begins operations next year.

#### TV SERIES FOR PUPILS

TV series for children of pre-high school age will be aired Mon.-Fri., 5 p.m. (EST), over NBC-TV network starting early in 1949 with cooperation of National Education Assn. and New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore boards of education.

## **Closed Circuit**

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distorted audience and tune-in figures are encouraging no-holds-barred counterattack. That attitude is welling up, particularly at NAB headquarters in Washington where feeling exists that uniform data is being supplied to local newspapers from some central research source.

SOUTHERN SELECT BEER will use newtype video commercial for first time Jan. 7 at opening of KLEE-TV Houston Jan. 7. Animated and action film spots 20 seconds long to be used singly or in combinations up to 60 seconds for wrestling match spots. Beer will also sponsor baseball games on station.

UNPUBLICIZED meeting of too-level television network executives with AT&T believed to have smoothed way for reasonably peaceful allocations of East-Midwest coaxial cable which opens Jan. 12. Agreement thought possible this week.

FIRST of year to bring rush of checks to All-Radio Presentation fund, committee informed. First draft of script to get once-over when NAB sales managers group meets Jan. 6-7. Winter work sheet of film project calls for full speed ahead now that directing committee has full power to act on its own.

PRELIMINARY hearing on case involving complaints against KMPC Los Angeles, alleging undue influence on news policies by principal owner G. A. (Dick) Richards, is set for Feb. 21 in Los Angeles. Comr. E. M. Webster will preside but will simply take testimony for FCC since hearing is investigatory to determine whether formal hearing should be held [BROADCASTING, Nov. 15].

#### BROADCASTING • Telecasting



It's easy for a radio station to say, "Advertising will solve

your problems. Just buy some time on the air."

It's easy to say, but it isn't always true. For advertising can be really effective only when product and package are right-distribution healthy-selling appeal sound.

This fact is acknowledged at WLW, and service is geared to meet the issue squarely. There are facilities—not found at any other radio station—to aid a manufacturer all along the line. There is a "know how" peculiar to the area, and man power adequate to help you reach a position where advertising can really do a solid job.

#### HERE'S AN EXAMPLE:\*

In 1943, the manufacturer of a proprietary doing only a negligible business in the WLW area, approached the station in regard to a radio campaign. Upon our advice, he first signed with WLW's Specialty Sales division to obtain distribution. He then began his WLW campaign, sponsoring three early-morning quarter-hours per week, using WLW's staff rural entertainers.

During the last five years, this advertiser has been a steady, year-around advertiser on WLW's early-morning schedule—is now sponsoring seven quarter-hours per week—and has engaged the services of Specialty Sales eight different times.

WLW's Drug Merchandising Department has also given full support to this client, in the matter of checks upon distribution and competitive position, dealer and consumer attitudes, the design and distribution of display material, etc.

The result? Sales have increased steadily in the WLW 4-State area—have now reached a total more than thirty times greater than when the advertiser began his WLW campaign in 1943. And he has used no other media in this area.

Yes, The Nation's Station can help you solve your selling problem in many, many ways. And when you have solved it for WLW-land, you pretty well know the answers for the nation. For WLW's Merchandise-Able Area is a true cross section of America. A vast territory where almost fourteen million people live—an area which is covered by one station as a network covers the nation. An ideal proving ground for products and ideas. A proving ground for success.

\*Name on request





Westinghouse radio stations.. every one of them, *leaped* ahead in a decisive way in 1948.

- AHEAD in number of radio homes (potential audience) reported in every station area, (5 to 16 percent ahead!)
- AHEAD in program-building, to attract and hold bigger audiences.
- AHEAD in the down-to-earth selling which keeps renewals coming in, year after year.
- AHEAD with Stratovision. . blazing the television trails of the future.
- AHEAD with Boston's magnificent new Radio and Television Center, one of the first to bring all facilities under a single roof; and with the first television service in New England.
- AHEAD with expanded FM service on all six stations, and with lofty new towers for KDKA-FM in Pittsburgh and KYW-FM in Philadelphia.
- AHEAD in Portland—KEX is the only 50,000-watt station in Oregon.
- AHEAD in the Midwest; at WOWO in Fort Wayne, alert, heads-up programming and promotion have averaged one Industry Award every 7 weeks for more than 30 months.

Advertisers, some of them with us for more than 16, years, saw sales leap ahead, too! If you were not one of them, make a resolution to peg time on these fast-moving Westinghouse stations before it's too late. NBC Spot Sales has full information.

WESTINGHOUSE RADIO STATIONS Inc KDKA · KYW · KEX · WBZ · WBZA · WOWD · WBZ-TY National Representatives, NBC Spot Sales except for KEX; for KEX, Free and Peters






the way Dunninger reads the minds of famous guests - people like wise showbusinessman Billy Rose, beauty merchant Walter Thornton, and even C. E. Hooper.

it's magic . . . the way Paul Winchell vests life, wit and extra-human abandon in his wooden-headed creation Jerry Mahoney.

Every Thursday evening at 9:30, millions of American viewers share the entertainment magic-the laughter and amazement-of The Bigelow Show.

To the Bigelow-Sanford Carpet Company, the greatest magic of all is the way their products are demonstrated to the greatest number of viewers . . . Not magic at all; just NBC, television's No. 1 Network.

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# WBAP-TV, FORT WORTH SERVES FORT WORTH AND DALLAS

- The Southwest's FIRST and Texas' ONLY television station, WBAP-TV, serves Fort Worth AND Dallas, like parent Radio Station WBAP.
- More than 5,000 television sets now have been distributed in this great area comprising the South's No. 1 Market.
- More than half of the set owners in WBAP-TV's coverage area are Dallas residents.
- Major service companies find all areas in Dallas receiving an adequate WBAP-TV signal.
- With WBAP, in television as in radio, these two major Texas cities within a few miles of each other are ONE big, whopping market.
- Make a note to ask your Free and Peters man.
- \*3,780 sets for the quarter ending Oct. 31, according to RMA release of Nov. 19, 1948. At the end of this quarter, WBAP-TV had been on the air ONE MONTH.





**DECEMBER 27, 1948** 



### By FLORENCE SMALL

ON A CLEAR but undistinguished afternoon this fall a woman walked into a shoe store in mid-town New York and placed an instant and blanket order for several pairs of shoes.

The incident would seem commonplace enough were it not for several embellishing factors: (1) The woman was a member of one of the wealthiest families in America; (2) the shoe store was one of a national chain, the A. S. Beck Co., known chiefly for the moderate price of its footwear; and (3) the shoes she ordered with such dispatch and assurance were those she had seen the previous evening on the Gloria Swanson television program sponsored locally by the shoe firm.

"That one incident is an example ... no, I'd say a *symbol* of the sort of thing that has been taking place since we went on television," Further television plans are discussed by Messrs. Pettingell (1) and Barnes.

said Atherton Pettingell, fashionplate president of Dorland Inc., the agency which handles the A. S. Beck account.

"More and more people are coming in and asking for 'that pair of shoes I saw on television last night'," he continued. "It's a trend that has made us realize we have struck a real mine in the new medium, television."

The company began its soundings last June, when, diverging experimentally from its almost exclusively black-and-white advertising policy, it invested in the Gloria Swanson show on WPIX (TV) New York to promote its ladies' shoes.

### **Doubles Television**

Less than a half year later the firm has almost doubled the television portion of its nearly halfThe result was one of the most entertaining and expertly conceived series of one-minute spots to be seen on television today.

Mr. Barnes called in Marc Lawrence, a top-drawer creative writer, and Allan Melvin, one of the ranking night club impressionists, to fashion a quiz-commercial entitled "Whoozit?" which, for sheer entertainment, rivals the best offerings on the band. But, most important, it incorporates a vigorous selling technique with taste.

"And what's more," adds Mr. Pettingell, "it sells shoes."

The series was inaugurated during the World's Series in October and was placed before and after the games on WPIX WFIL-TV WJZ-TV and WXYZ-TV. Currently the "Whoozit?" spots are used every Friday night on the Bob

### And Finds It a Natural for Shoes

million-dollar advertising budget and has expanded it to include a vigorous video promotion of its men's shoes as well as its feminine footgear.

"The women's shoes sold so well," said Mr. Pettingell, "that it became almost inevitable that we branch out to include the male customers in our promotion."

The new sales departure, however, called for a departure in programming, and Howard G. Barnes, brilliant young radio and television head of the agency, was summoned to formulate a video sales campaign. Howard program, 6:45-7 p.m. on WCBS-TV, and preceding the Giants football games Sunday on WJZ-TV and in the Tuesday night fights on WJBK-TV Detroit.

For the past 24 years advertising for the A. S. Beck Co. has been directed by Mr. Pettingell, Dorland's president. The firm has 65 stores in the New York area, and 120 nationally.

Mr. Pettingell Is Convinced

In discussing the broad future plans of the company Mr. Pettingell said: "It looks like we're in television to stay. The medium has sold us . . . by selling us."

## **TELEVISION IN 1949**

CHARLES A. BATSON, editor of NAB's *Television Report*, forecasts continued "meteoric growth" for TV in 1949,



though it will be a year of consolidation with actual progress not so "spectacularly apparent to the naked eye." Linking of East and Midwest will be followed by set-

ting up by AT&T

of more circuits

Mr. Batson

along existing routes rather than "spectacular

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thrusts of new connections across the Continent."

FCC's freeze started the period of consolidation, with the retarding effect apparent in 1949. Should the freeze continue into the summer, he sees a "deceleration in the rate of TV expansion." Stations authorized before the freeze will continue to come on the air, however, with existing stations extending their service and improving quality.

What will all this mean to TV station operating costs? Says Mr. Batson:

YEAREND ROUNDUP STARTS ON PAGE 21

"It is barely possible that some of the first fruits of quantity production and wider distribution of programs might be harvested in the form of lower unit costs. The accent being placed upon improved quality in programming is almost certain, however, to absorb any possible gains in that direction.

"Most heartening opportunity for cost reduction lies in the rapidly increasing number of sponsors using the medium. Here the telecaster's mangled pocketbook gets some relief from the fortunate fact that a program sponsor normally pays not only for time but talent also.

Meteoric Growth—Batson

"Offsetting this, though, is the public demand which stations feel for increased hours of operation. Just as a station with a limited schedule begins to approach the break - even point, management often finds it advisable to extend the hours of programming.

"The really fundamental progress of 1949 will be continued rapid growth of circulation. With larger and larger audiences, television stations will be able to adjust their rates into a more realistic ratio with costs of operation."

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### By RALPH TUCHMAN

MT. WILSON has television to thank for a change of face if not a change of name. And many Los Angeles television people will tell you that when they think of the mountain the name that comes to mind is "Mt. Millions."

Reason for the name is apparent when one considers that the investment in transmission sites and equipment atop Mt. Wilson by the seven authorized Los Angeles area stations is approximately \$2.7 million.

At present four Los Angeles stations are operating-KFI KLAC-TV KTLA and KTSL (W6XAO). Three are yet to go on the air. They are KTTV KNBH and KECA-TV. KTTV (Los Angeles Times-CBS) is due for its inaugural with the telecast of the Rose Bowl Game and the Tournament of Roses parade which precedes it on Jan. 1. NBC's outlet, KNBH, is expected to go on the air before the end of January. KECA-TV is scheduled to be operating by spring as the ABC station.

Pioneer station of the group is Don Lee's KTSL which is operating under provisional commercial authority of the FCC. Its first telecast was beamed in December 1931.

Next came KTLA, owned by Paramount Television Productions

CONSTRUCTION of KECA - TV's \$550,000 transmitter building is expected to be completed in time for early 1949 operation. Concrete, steel reinforced structure has two floors, each with area of 1,650 square feet. Two-car garage and caretaker's residence adjoin building.

Inc., which started experimental telecasting in September 1942, and turned commercial in January 1947. Third was KFI-TV, owned and operated by Earle C. Anthony Inc., and not at present affiliated with any network although its sister AM station is the NBC outlet in Los Angeles.

### Set a Record

KLAC-TV is owned and operated by Dorothy S. Thackrey but has been sold to Warner Bros. along with KLAC Los Angeles and KYA San Francisco for an overall price of \$1,045,000 subject to FCC approval. The station set local history and possibly a national record by getting on the air just 60 days from transmitter ground-breaking ceremonies to the telecasting of its first program on Sept. 17, 1948.

All seven stations are operating from or are finishing their trans-mission site atop Mt. Wilson. Only Don Lee, of the four operating stations, is not using a Mt. Wilson antenna at present. It has been operating from Mt. Lee in the Hollywood Hills but expects its Mt. Wilson site to be completed before spring. Upon the completion of Mt. Wilson site, Don Lee will con-

COMPLETED on Sept. 1, 1948, KFI-TV's Vermont Avenue studio (left photo) houses a 40' x 70' studio, dressing and make-up rooms, engineering and administrative offices and features modern lighting and acoustical installations. From its lofty 1,700 foot perch on Mt. Lee in Hollywood the Don Lee television transmitter (right) producing 16 kw, sends out the KTSL signals.

tinue to use its studio facilities on Mt. Lee.

KTLA has two large studios which measure approximately 35 x 50 feet and 25 x 35 feet in addition to a film studio. KFI-TV boasts a 40 x 70 foot studio for live programming and a film studio. KLAC+TV has a 40 x 50 foot studio for live presentations plus a film studio. As soon as power facilities are completed the station will have use of an audience studio with a stage measuring 20 x 30 feet.

KNBH will have use of a studio reconverted from an AM facility with dimensions of 50 x 110 feet. Adjoining this studio, NBC has built a complete unit with a commentator's studio, projection room, viewing room and a large film vault.

KTTV, which is to have its main studios atop the Bekins Building in Hollywood, has a  $40 \times 40$  foot space plus a film studio. In addition the station will make use of one of the CBS Hollywood radio studios as well as the Los Angeles Times auditorium.

### **Television** Center

KECA-TV will operate from the old Vitagraph Studios lot recently

purchased, and renamed Television Center. There, two large studios are available measuring approximately 105 x 250 feet and 100 x 175 feet respectively. In addition to these, ABC also will have considerable open land for outdoor shots within the acreage purchased.

Since Los Angeles area stations will all share the same transmission point it is surprising that their basic hourly charges are approximately the same. Four sta-tions - KTTV KTLA KECA-TV and KNBH-each list a basic rate of \$500 per hour.

KTLA in addition lists Class B and C time at lower figures. KLAC-TV lists \$450 and KFI-TV asks \$400. Don Lee's KTSL is lowest with an asking price of \$300; the latter is no doubt partially explained by the reduced coverage resulting from transmission atop Mt. Lee. This figure is expected to be adjusted as soon as the station is beaming its image from Mt. Wilson.

KTLA leads in total program

TRANSMISSIONS from KTTV (TV) will emanate from the transmitter of KNX-FM and KTTV (TV) atop Mt. Wilson. Top portion of pylon is KTTV's super-turnstile antenna, lower part KNX-FM's antenna. Headquarters of KNX-FM are located at right, those for KTTV at left of doorway.

NBC is represented on Mt. Wilson by the transmitter building of KNBH, the interior of which is shown here. KNBH is planning to be on the air in January with a minimum of 12 hours weekly.





time, having averaged in excess of 45 hours weekly during November with a likelihood of extending this total to 60 hours weekly by the year's end, according to Klaus Landsberg, general manager. Of this total program time approximately 50% is sponsored based upon an average for the year of 1948. KTLA telecasts seven days a week.

KTSL has been averaging 18 hours weekly and telecasting seven days per week. Of this total approximately 20% is sponsored.

KFI-TV averages about 15 hours weekly, Wednesday through Sunday. Of its total telecast time approximately one-fifth is sponsored. The station has no immediate plans for enlarging its telecasting schedule.

### **KTTV** Plans

KTTV is expected to start with 15 hours of programming weekly. This will include kinescope film versions of programs seen live on eastern CBS stations. Although the station is understood to have signed up a goodly portion of sponsored time in advance of going on the air no figures on the per cent of sponsored time has been given.



REMODELED KTLA (TV) studios are located at 723 North Bronson, adjacent to the Paramount Pictures lot in Hollywood. Three of the KTLA mobile unit trucks are lined up beside the studios. KTLA began commercial operations in January 1947.

## ER PLANS

## TV to Have Larger Place, Dr. Tyler Says

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servers for NAB were Robert K.

Richards, director of public rela-

TOM GALLERY, for last four years New York Yankees general

sales manager, will join Allen B.

DuMont Labs. Jan. 2 as public re-

lations director for DuMont TV

network. Before joining Yankees Mr. Gallery was with Brooklyn

Gets DuMont Post

Dodgers football team.

Members of the committee who

TELEVISION will have a larger share in the 1949 Institute for Education by Radio, it was announced last week by Dr. I. Keith Tyler, Institute director and coordinator of radio activities at Ohio State U.

Plans for the Institute, to be held in Columbus, Ohio, May 5 through 8, are being formulated by a newlycompleted, replaces a local advisory

formed advisory committee which held its first meeting in Columbus Dec. 11. A second meeting is scheduled for mid-January.

"There will certainly be at least one general session on television next year," Dr. Tyler said. The place of television on the Institute program will be expanded also through scheduling of special groups devoted to television writing and production, he said, and chairmen of the work-study and special interest groups will be asked to integrate video, as it affects their fields, into their programs.

Other decisions of the committee concerning the 1949 meeting, Dr. Tyler reported, were: There will be a smaller number of special interest groups and clinics; to make it possible to attend more interest groups and clinics and to reduce conflicts in interests, two, rather than one, meeting periods will be scheduled on each of two afternoons, and the Institute dinner will be held the afternoon of the final day of the meeting, Sunday, May 8.

The new advisory committee, membership of which is soon to be on which days these will be has not been announced. KNBH plans to be on the air sometime in January with a minimum of 12 hours weekly, according

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to Harold J. Bock, western director of television operations. Schedule will call for five days of telecasting weekly, Sunday through Thursday.

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IT TOOK just 60 days from the time of breaking ground at this transmitter site atop Mt. Wilson for KLAC-TV to telecast its first program Sept. 17, 1948.

tions, and Kenneth H. Baker, director of research. Seven committee members representing different types of NAB membership are to be selected.

Two other members of the new committee, not present at the meet-ing, are M. S. Novik, public service radio consultant, New York, representing "Miscellaneous Constituency," and Harlen Hatcher, Ohio State vice president, representing the university.

One additional member, still to be selected, will represent TBA.

### COIN VIDEO

Tax is Still Necessary PUTTING a coin device on a television set in a taproom does not mean the operator can avoid buying an amusement license. The State Liquor Control Board at Harrisburg has so ruled in a letter made public by Horace A. Segelbaum, Deputy Attorney General, assigned to the board, to the Philadelphia Retail Liquor Dealers Assn.

Patrick Cavanaugh, association head, had informed the board he had installed a coin-operated device in his television set at his licensed place at 3132 Market St., Philadelphia.

The board declared that "the fact that a coin receptacle is connected with a television set does not exempt the same from the statutory requirement of the special permit.'

air before spring is understood to be planning a seven-day weekly schedule starting with a minimum of 14 hours each week. This is expected to be built up rapidly after that but network officials are reluctant to name the specific total set as goal.

Sales personnel of the seven stations are: KTLA: Harry Maynard, sales manager; and at KTSL it's Robert Hoag; KFI-TV: Kevin Sweeney, sales manager; KLAC-TV: Don Fedderson, general manager; KTTV: Frank King, sales manager; KNBH: Frank (Bud) Berend, sales manager; KECA-TV: Frank Samuels, national sales; Amos Baron, local sales manager.

### VIDEO SAMPLE Korry Develops New Show

TELEVISION variant of wire-recorded newscast is in experimental stage in Seattle, where Korry Film Productions is developing new format for possible sponsorship on KRSC-TV. First sample is being auditioned by agency and sponsor representatives now.

Set up as a 15-minute weekly digest of local news, TV Newsfeatures ranges from such spotnews items as fires, explosions and plane crashes, to strictly feature spots, such as the miniature railroad built in a Seattle man's basement. The show is canned on 16mm film.

Working with the Korry organization is Bob Ferris, on-the-beat radio reporter who developed This Is It, wire-recorded nightly news show on KJR. Mr. Ferris and Ed Johnston, veteran movie cameraman, go on news-hunting jaunts in a station wagon.

### CONFERENCE

TV On Chicago Agenda

LOCAL RADIO, television and advertising leaders will counsel high school students free of charge at the first Chicago Area Career Conference at the Illinois Institute of Technology Dec. 28-30

Men and women working in TV. AM and agencies will lecture on the technical and creative aspects of each, daily from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. More than 6,000 Chicago area students from public and parochial schools are expected to register for counselling in 52 subjects, which also include electronics, dramatics and salesmanship. Jobs are categorized as engineering, arts and professions, commerce and industry and civil administration and public service. Events of the conference will be televised by WBKB Chicago, Balaban & Katz station, if remote shows are sponsored.

The three-day session is being planned under auspices of the Chicago Sun-Times and the Chicago Technical Societies Council, a group of 55 engineering and technical organizations. Speakers have not been selected vet.

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### Critique of TV Sound

EDITOR, BROADCASTING:

I have just finished reading the article by Gerald King entitled "A Report on Tape" which appeared in your Nov. 29 issue. In the interest of accuracy I hope you will give consideration to my criticism of some of Mr. King's statements.

He says, "--And finally there is TV Every listener to TV has one big squawk—the horrible quality of sound on the films which are telecast. THIS IS AN INHERENT FAULT IN 16mm FILM. The optical system of recording makes it an impossibility to record frequencies on 16mm film at the present rate of speed of much in excess of 4,000 cps. Not only is the quality bad, but the flutter is worse.

worse. "Cumbersome as it may seem, TV may have to come to an inde-



(Letters are welcomed. The editors reserve the right to use only the most pertinent portions.)

pendent track of sound on tape to go along with the sight picture. TV sound is transmitted by the FM system and it is only short of criminal that this type of sound is allowed to go out over TV stations."

I have had many years experience with 16mm recording and am prepared to prove that many current recording systems can and do now record directly on film up to 7,000 cps. As a matter of fact the standard tests films available from The Society of Motion Picture Engineers will prove this. A new 16mm sound system developed by J. A. Maurer will record flat to 10,000 cycles and is only down 7 db at 12,000 cycles. The flutter content of prints is .1% overall. If desired many films can be supplied to prove this statement.

There is no arguing the fact that much 16mm television sound is horrible, but Mr. King assigns the wrong causes to this effect. Here are reasons why 16mm sound is so often way below par (bear in mind that when these reasons are taken cumulatively, and they most often

Anticipation IIIS Participation Yours ANGELES CHANNEL

KFI-TV anticipated that you would want to participate — that you would want to buy your sales messages *in* programs as well as adjacent to them.

We feel that this is the way an advertiser will discover what type program or announcement will produce best results for him.

So KFI-TV has designed virtually all its programs to accommodate participations — at the same rate that you would normally pay for announcements.

These established programs are available right now on KFI-TV for participation:

LADIES DAY, a variety show with live music and colorful M.C. and singers, TV version of KFI's successful morning participation program;

MAIL BAG OF HOUSEHOLD TRICKS, an ideal vehicle for introducing a new household product or gadget;

KFI-TV NEWS ROOM — Acme Newspictures — tomorrow morning's pictures tonight...with ace reporter Pat Bishop narrating.

You can sample television in Southern California with live or film announcements in the heart of a show as if it were your own program—for as little as \$75.00 a week.

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REPRESENTED NATIONALLY BY EDWARD PETRY AND CO., INC. are, the end result can be pretty horrible):

1. Improper movement of the film over the recording drum. Either the equipment is out of adjustment or is of fundamentally poor design. Too often you hear the statement, "good enough for 16." That's an attitude, not a fundamental fact.

2. Careless processing which in the case of contact printing means printer slippage; again this is nothing that cannot be prevented by good design and maintenance.

3. Improper adjustment of the reproducing equipment employed by the television station.

4. Shrinkage of the film stock due to old age of prints.

If all of these faults are present in any one print, and as I have said, very often they are, you do get pretty terrible sound.

However in the interest of doing justice to the fine work of many 16mm recording manufacturers and processing laboratories may I say that it is grossly unfair to make the sweeping statement that "THIS IS AN INHERENT FAULT IN 16mm FILM" and that by implication this type of sound track is no good for television.

Ralph Brooke Austrian Treasurer Society of Motion Picture Engineers TV Consultant New York

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TELECASTING Favored EDITOR, BROADCASTING:

I am glad to see BROADCASTING take its most progressive step in publishing a special TELECASTING section each week. Your initial endeavor contained much material which will be a constant source of information for us. All of us at KNBH (TV) will look forward to future editions.

Best wishes to you and yours for a very Merry Christmas and the best New Year you have ever had. *Harold J. Bock* 

Harold J. Bock Manager

Western Network Television NBC Hollywood

### AIR FORCE

TV, AM Series Under Way

MATERIAL for documentary radio and television programs on Air Force activities in Germany is now being prepared. Col. Howard L. Nussbaum, Air Force radio and television chief, left for Germany Dec. 19 with Warner Bros. producer-writer Ranald MacDougall to prepare the series.

The material will be available for use in this country after the first of the year. TV film shot will be used in conjunction with live studio video programs.

More than two-dozen radio, stage and screen personalities, including Bob Hope, Irving Berlin and Jinx Falkenberg, are being flown by the Air Force to Europe to entertain American personnel during the Christmas season.





## *The First* CHICAGO TELEPULSE

The Pulse is pleased to add Chicago to its present television cities—New York and Philadelphia.

### First Report January 1, 1949

Watch this column next month for the first Pulse teleratings for Chicago.

Is television penetrating down the economic scale? Here are Pulse estimates of ownership of television in New York by economic levels.

### % OWNING TV SETS

	Jan., '48	Nov., '48
Rich	8.8	22.2
Upper middle class	1.1	14.9
Lower middle class	1.1	10.4
Poor	.6	3.1
Total ownership	1.4	10.1

For Other Telefacts Ask The Pulse

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### THE PULSE **TV Ratings Issued**

TOTAL quarter hours of television programs are approximately 50% greater than their August number, according to The Pulse Inc., New York. Another station has entered the video field since the survey firm's August classification of programs, and daytime television on a continuing basis has brought new types of programs to the viewer.

Visual sports still leads in total number of quarter-hours, although drama continues to receive the highest average rating (20.6), followed by comedy-variety (19.5).

The following is a comparison of New York televiewing by program types in August and November 1948:

August

Hrs.

196 136 60 51 48 42 29 20 10 11.8 8.5 6.1 8.7 13.0 16.8 9.6 23.6

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Visual Sports Feature Films Film Shorts Music News

News Kid Shows Comedy-Variety Quiz Shows Drama Forums, Discussions Sports News Fashions Palizion

Fashions Religion Washington News & Politics Food & Cookery Beauty Westerns & Serials (Incl. in Feature Films) Women's Interest (Incl. in Mis-cellaneous)

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<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Hrs.

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# (Incl. in Mis-cellaneous) Special Events Interviews With Personalities Hobbies (Incl. in Miscel-laneous) Comedy Epi-sodes\* (Incl. in Comedy-Variety) Shows **VIDEO RATES**

**KTTV Announces Card No. 1** 

KTTV (TV), CBS and Los Angeles Times owned station which inaugurates weekly television pro-gramming New Year's Day, has published rate card No. 1, Harry W. Witt, KTTV general manager, has announced. Station operates on Channel 11 (198-204 mc).

Rate schedule, effective Jan. 1. 1949, lists Class A airtime at \$500 per hour and Class B at \$300. Other top periods are scaled as follows: 40 minutes, Class A \$400, Class B \$240; 30 minutes, Class A \$300, Class B \$180. Rates for 20-, 15-, 10- and 5-minute segments are also included. Class A time is that between 7 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 1 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays.

Station breaks and service announcements on sound film are listed at \$75 and \$45 for each class, while one-minute announcements on sound film are \$100 and \$60 respectively. Above rates include use of film facilities.

### TELECASTING

## DONE WITH MIRRORS

### WNAC-TV Solves Video Hockey Problems

WHERE there's a will, there's a way-and where there's TV there are also mirrors, at least at WNAC-TV Boston. The station, faced with problems similar to those confronting early AM broadcasters, has reached a happy solutionmirror magic.

WNAC-TV, new video outlet of the Yankee Network, currently is telecasting all home hockey games of the National Hockey League's Bruins at Boston Garden under sponsorship of the local Chrevolet Dealers Assn. Frank Ryan, Bruins' publicity director for many years.

does the play-by-play, while WNAC-TV sports director Lester Smith gives commercials, interviews and color highlights.

Two cameras were placed in the most advantageous positions to follow the elusive puck on the rink. There still remained a problem, however-how to telecast Messrs. Smith and Ryan. Installed on a specially-built platform, camera No. 3 fell short of picking them up. Suddenly light dawned—reflected light—and the germ of an idea. Now, WNAC-TV's No. 3 engineer focuses his camera on the mirror. and picks them up in action.

EXTRA! NEW OLESEN TV Fluorescent Fixture Announced



Bo Foster, WNAC-TV engineer, focuses camera No. 3 on "looking glass" at left to catch Messrs. Smith and Ryan (in booth) in action. Looking down between them is Paul Gerhard, sound engineer.

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Miscellaneous Total hours of	27	8.0	16	7.0
TV time	648		915	
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\* This category includes programs that present different episodes in the lives of the same characters (as Mary Kay & Johnny) without breaks for en-tertainment of non-dramatic nature.

### Video Discussion

SALES managers of Chicago's four video stations will discuss television at Chicago Advertising Executives Club dinner meeting Jan. 10 in the Electric Club. Norman Lindquist, TV director at Malcolm-Howard agency, will act as moderator for George Harvey, WGN-TV (MBS); Jerry Vernon, WENR-TV (ABC); Oliver Morton, WNBQ (NBC), and Mel Wolens, WBKB, Balaban & Katz station. Session was planned by Lawrence Foster, sales promotion manager of the Fair Store, to educate sales managers, many of whom will be using TV for the first time next year.

WNAX Yankton-Sioux City has been awarded American Legion's 1948 National Radio Citation for distinguished public service in South Dakota.

### WDTV OPENING **DuMont TV** at Pittsburgh

WDTV (TV), DuMont's Pittsburgh television outlet, will be launched Tuesday night, Jan. 11, on Channel 3 (60-66 mc). One-hour inaugural show will originate at Pittsburgh's Syria Mosque. Participating will be Pittsburgh business and civic leaders, state officials and radio and stage personalities. Start of regular programming

has been timed to coincide with the opening of AT&T's coaxial link between East and Midwest video networks.

Lower level of Syria Mosque will feature an exhibit of TV receivers on WDTV's opening night. Following the inaugural, guests will be invited to watch DuMont network programs originating from New York, Chicago, Washington and Boston.

Appointment of Pete Wasser to handle production and promotion for WDTV was announced by the station last week. Mr. Wasser, recently general manager of KQV Pittsburgh, also will act as coordinator. He will work closely with Donald Stewart, formerly at DuMont headquarters, New York, whose appointment as WDTV's general manager had been announced earlier [BROADCASTING, Dec. 13].



Front

Hollywood, Calif .- The new Olesen VFF-400-A Fluorescent Fixture recently announced here, is the result of long experimentation and research in cooperation with leading TV stu-dios. The light provides basic TV studio lighting and offers many unusual features. Custom-built switchboards to accommodate the new fixtures can be designed by Olesen to meet all requirements, it was stated. Features of the new Olesen TV light

include: Cool, glareless illumination virtually shadowless; light-weight aluminum construction; mounts on stand or bung on pipe clamp or chains; Cannon connectors; instant starting; constant voltage ballasts and many more.

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### By WAYNE WIRTH

#### Vice President and Director of Television Van Diver & Carlyle Inc., New York

A LOT OF PEOPLE have been kidding themselves in television and trying hard to kid others. Wherever they gather, there's talk, and generally you can guess from his line where the speaker started. It shows up in the programs, too. Radio, movie, legit, vaudeville men still talk in terms of their first medium.

There are plenty of pure radio shows on the air which merely allow the audience to see the performers singing and talking as before. About 25% of current TV shows are no more than radio shows with video. Most of the films on TV are bad because the program director had to disregard the fact that a movie long shot-even a medium long shot-dwindles into a hodge-podge on the kinescope plus the warping of pictures around the edges. Vaudeville acts are simply smaller and less interesting than they were 20 years ago on the old Keith circuit.

The thing is: Not enough professionals in the business recognize that TV is a distinct medium with its own artistic and dramatic framework, its own technical limitations, and a new psychology as far as the audience is concerned. There are no sure-fire formulas yet. Action and variety, for example, are not enough in themselves to carry a show; nor is a fast pace.

Poor programming thus far has several causes. Perhaps, contrary to the old saw, lack of cash is the root of the evil, but at this stage, even unlimited funds for talent and production probably would not provide good TV. This new and gleaming blossom has attracted all manner of fast-talking brethren. There are the young tyros who think that the youth of TV makes production experience of other kinds unnecessary. There are the unimaginative professionals too inept to extend experience acquired in cther media. In short, there aren't enough with the sort of experience needed in this game.

There are very few who have labored with it through the purely experimental stages, and among these there are fewer still whose background is broad enough to encompass all the skills which will eventually help to create shows peculiarly "televisual." The films, the legitimate stage, musical comedy, radio-all have something to contribute, but an expert in any established medium has much to learn, perhaps much to unlearn, too-before he can develop shows "videowhich have essentially graphic" quality.

Take a look at what there is on the air now. Perennially popular THE UNRESOLVED controversy of television programming is here analyzed by an agency television expert. The author explains that TV can't be programmed in terms of older media: Radio, movies, legit, vaudeville. TV must develop its own formulas, he says, as a distinct medium. Viewers are seen to become more critical as video's novelty wears thin.

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sports are natural for TV, needing chiefly technical proficiency for production. In general, the same may be said of news. The Texaco Hour is probably the best show to date designed solely for video, but the critics agree that it is no more than good-high praise at this stage. Beyond this there are a few amateur-participation programs which show promise of what our new medium can do, and this is largely due to the universal appeal of ordinary people. It is difficult to find anything else of real merit.

### Mediocrity Will Dim Fervor

For the moment the TV boys can get by, counting on the novelty of the new toy, but thanks to the attention demanded of the viewerfar greater than in radio-mediscrity will soon dim initial enthusiasm and provoke increasingly critical discernment. In addition, however contented the majority of the audience may be with the assembly-line formulas of Hollywood and radio, its aesthetic awareness has already been dulled enough to require something more than a few "gimmicks" and

"switches" to evoke continuing interest.

To cope with these problems, a TV station must have a program director with a broad background as well as a thorough familiarity with the framework in which he works. The hand is quicker than the eye, but what the eye sees makes a lasting, vivid impression. The human animal has counted on the evidence of his eyes far longer than on words, spoken or written. Words can vaguely describe people and situations so that the audience can develop its own mental pictures, but the picture when shown. must be satisfactory.

In evaluating and shaping basic material, therefore, the program director must have a wealth of human experience in ordinary affairs as well as knowledge of his medium. True, it is difficult to recognize such men now without precedents to follow, but be wary of the director who made his mark in other fields. There is much for him to learn before his talents yield praiseworthy material.

The interested parties-stations, agencies, producers-in effect need a new genius, a new Florenz Ziegfeld. Yes, the man will be a showman, old enough to have been around, shrewd enough to understand the possibilities and limitations of the medium, talented enough to create stuff that is especially good on video. Many, like A. J. Balaban, director of the Roxy Theatre, express the view that veteran showmen will slide easily into controlling positions as TV begins to pay. They may well secure that control, but there will be nothing easy about it. One of the most promising single-shots seen to date was produced by a boy still under 30. Showmanship is great stuff, but a good deal more is needed, too.





## No. 4 Issued by WFIL-TV

WFIL-TV Philadelphia's rate card No. 4 becomes effective Jan. 1, 1949, according to Kenneth W. Stowman, sales manager. The new rates have been set up on a "package basis." No longer will a sponsor buy just "time" on WFIL-TV. From Jan. 1 on, rehearsal charges will be included in the rate along with production, staff announcer, studio, camera and film facilities.

In the rate guarantee clause of the new card, rates charged advertisers who are on  $t^+e$  air prior to the effective date will be governed by existing agreements.

Live program rates will be: One hour—\$400, one time; \$380, 26 times; \$360, 52 times; one-half hour—\$240, one time; \$228, 26 times; \$216, 52 times; 20 minutes— \$200, one time; \$190, 26 times; \$180, 52 times; one-quarter hour— \$160, one time; \$152, 26 times; \$144, 52 times; 10 minutes—\$120, one time; \$114, 26 times; \$108, 52 times; five minutes—\$80, one time; \$76, 26 times, and \$72, 52 times.

Rates for announcements (live and film) will be for one minute or less—\$50, one time; \$47.50, 26 times, and \$45, 52 times. Special rates apply to announcements adjacent to special features.

Rates for film programs will be: One hour—\$300, one time; \$285, 26 times; \$270, 52 times; one-half hour—\$180, one time; \$171, 26 times; \$162, 52 times; 20 minutes— \$150, one time; \$142.50, 26 times; \$135, 52 times; one-quarter hour— \$120, one time; \$114, 26 times; \$108, 52 times; 10 minutes—\$90, one time; \$85.50, 26 times; \$81, 52 times; five minutes—\$60, one time; \$57, 26 times, and \$54, 52 times.

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In Maryland, It's WMAR-TV For Science

A. S. ABELL COMPANY

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Typical of the cultural television shows that have given WMAR-TV unequalled prestige in Baltimore and the rich Chesapeake Basin is the weekly presentation of the "Johns Hopkins Science Review."

Each week WMAR-TV, with the cooperation of world-famous Johns Hopkins University, stages a television classroom in which experts of the University staff discuss and demonstrate some of the newest developments in the field of science.

Photographs on the right show the development of a typical Johns Hopkins Science Review program. WMAR-TV's producer, Edwin Mick (top), visits Dr. Donald H. Andrews, Professor of Chemistry, and Lynn Poole, Director of Public Relations, in the chemistry laboratory to discuss the show. Dr. Andrews and his staff (center) rehearse the show in the studio, doing such tricks as freezing objects at 330 degrees below zero, cooking on ice and freezing coffee.

Subjects to be covered in this interesting and educational WMAR-TV public service program will include: "The Earth, from 70 Miles Up," "Psychology and Sense Perception," "The Engineer and Sanitation," "What is Electricity," and "Strastosphere Flight at Supersonic Speeds."





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THE SUNPAPERS STATIONS



TELEVISION and medicine combined early this month when KSD-TV St. Louis telecast a series of special demonstrations for doctors attending the interim session of the American Medical Assn.

The telecasts, first of this type in St. Louis, were brought from three hospitals during the meeting over coaxial cable to the doctors at Kiel Auditorium. Received on a large 7-by-9 foot projection receiv-

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er and 13 standard models, the telecasts made clearly visible and audible the operative technique.

Eight members of the KSD-TV production and engineering staff handled the telecasts during the four-day meeting. The cost was underwritten by E. R. Squibb & Sons, pharmaceutical company.

Two cameras were used for the coverage so the doctors could see at first hand and at close range delicate operations, proper diagnostic procedures and various medical subjects.

During one operation reported by the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, KSD-TV owner, this is what the doctors saw:

"After preliminary talks by the Rev. Alphonse M. Schwitalla, dean of the St. Louis U. School of Medicine, and Frank Eschen, special events director of KSD-TV, the camera switched to the operating room where the patient, a young man, had been prepared for operation.

"In a running commentary, Dr. Roland M. Klemme explained the operation involved removal of a part of the brain to relieve the sufferer of Parkinson's disease, a form of palsy.

### **Gives** Details

"In a series of swift movements, the surgeon laid back part of the scalp over the section of skull to be removed. Then using a surgical bit and brace, he drilled four holes in the brain case, the sound of the drill coming clearly over the receiver as bone shavings accumulated around the holes.

"Using a large curved needle-

### WDSU-TV OPENS Transmits 14 Hours During First Day

LESS than a year after the FCC granted its construction permit WDSU-TV New Orleans began operations Dec. 18 with a two-hour inaugural telecast from Municipal Auditorium [BROADCASTING, Dec. 6, Nov. 29]. Over 2,500 sets were installed, the station reports, and tuned to the

opening program which was highlighted by comedian Benny Fields and ABC's Don McNeill.

Edgar B. Stern Jr., president of WDSU-TV, termed the opening as "the culmination of a great deal of hard work on the part of our staff." Most significant event in the station's beginning was the transmitting of 14 hours of programming during the first 24 hours on the air.

Vice President and General Manager Fred Weber said that more than 10 hours have been sold, five of which are programs teletranscribed by WABD, DuMont's New York station.

WDSU-TV will initially operate 20 hours a week. A full round of local events, including the Mardi Gras, midnight mass, mid-winter racing and boxing, are scheduled. Final arrangements have been completed with A. Craig Smith, vice president of Gillette Safety Razor Co., and Fred Digby, general manager of the Mid-Winter Sports Assn., to televise the Sugar Bowl grid classic. The game will be filmed and sent to a national network. The network has not been selected yet.

WDSU-TV is located in the Hibernia Bank Bldg., highest vantage point in New Orleans, and operates on Channel 6 (82-88 mc) with 15 kw aural power and 31 kw visual. A remote unit equipped with three image orthicon field cameras will handle remote events.

Owned by Edgar B. Stern Jr. and family, WDSU-TV is affiliated with ABC, NBC, DuMont and WPIX New York. Locally the station is affiliated with the *New Orleans Item*. The television eye of KSD-TV St. Louis covers an operation for members of the American Medical Assn.

like device, the surgeon threaded a thin flexible band saw through one hole under the bone and out through an adjoining hole. Grasping both ends of the wire-like saw, he quickly cut through the intervening bone to join the two holes.

"When three sides of the rectangular section of the skull had been sawed through, Dr. Klemme broke out the section and exposed the brain itself. The sharp crack as the bone broke caused an involuntary intake of breath among a number of the listeners.

"Removal of part of the brain followed and the operation was concluded in about 50 minutes. The work of replacing the skull segment and suturing the scalp was done by an assistant out of the camera's range."

Cameras were mounted in the operating rooms on stands specially constructed by KSD-TV. With these stands placed as close as practicable to the site of the operations, only the incision and hands of the surgeon and his assistants showed on the screen. A microphone placed above the operating table made it possible for the doctor to carry on his commentary while actually performing the operation.

AMA members were high in their praise of the demonstration. One terming television an "ideal medium for dissemination of surgical knowledge."

### KGDM-TV TO CBS

Stockton Outlet Is 21st KGDM-TV Stockton, Calif., has joined CBS-TV as a full primary affiliate, Herbert V. Akerberg, CBS

vice president in charge of station relations, announced last week.

The new station, bowing some time in the late spring, brings the total of CBS video affiliates to 21. KGDM-TV will operate on Channel 8, with 1.93 kw visual and 1.8 kw aural power. E. F. Peffer is president and owner of the new television station. KGDM Stockton is an AM affiliate of the CBS aural radio network.

### Spruce Splurge

TO TAKE the sting out of gouging prices, Gimbel Bros. of Philadelphia put 10,000 Christmas trees on sale Dec. 13 at \$1 per tree. Within an hour and a half, 4.000 spruces had been bought up-thanks to WIP and WFIL-TV. WIP did a 15-minute broadcast at the store, and aired inter-views and 30-second institutional announcements-all sponsored by Gimbel's. WFIL-TV took newsreels for video purposes. A double line, three blocks long, had begun forming as early as 7 a.m., two and a half hours before the trees were placed on sale.

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CHARLES E. WILSON, president of General Electric Co., in an appearance before a joint Congressional subcommittee last Monday, admonished the government to "keep hands off some things" lest the nation's economic applecart be upset.

The Joint Committee on the Economic Report was told by the industrialist that, in his opinion, "our economy is good, despite the inflation."

Mr. Wilson pointed out that General Electric's prices at the present time average only 40% above those in 1940, the last prewar year in which the firm's business was not greatly affected by defense contracts. GE, Mr. Wilson said, made only 7.4% profit on each dollar of sales for the first nine months of 1948, as compared with 12.4% in 1940.

### Margin Said Lower

"It is our serious conviction," Mr. Wilson said, "that the present margins are lower than they should be to provide the necessary cushion to protect us against any sudden drop in the market. . . .

The industrialist and Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.), advocate of an excess profits tax, locked horns for a full hour.

A clash occurred when Sen. O'Mahoney suggested that GE had a lucrative sales proposition in its defense contracts.

In response to questioning, Mr. Wilson said the government contracts for 1948 amounted to about \$65 million and would reach about \$100 million in 1949.

Mr. Wilson explained that the government contracts gave GE only a 1.2% profit. The firm, he said, feels it is its duty to produce what the government wants and will continue to do so.

Mr. Wilson maintained that industry must give lower prices to consumers, fair wages to labor and ividends to common stockholders.

"To give to labor all the gains of technological improvement would eliminate the incentive for future risk-taking on the part of capital; it would deprive the consumer of lower prices and increased purchasing power-with the inevitable result of ultimately discouraging further technological improvements and prolonging the inflationary cycle," Mr. Wilson explained.

### 1940 Comparison

The average price of GE products, Mr. Wilson declared, is 40% above 1940 while the rate of dividends currently being paid GE's 250,000 stockholders is only 8% over that paid stockholders in 1940. The cost of living, meanwhile, had gone up 74% and wages of GE's hourly rated employes have gone up approximately 90%, he said.

"Any consideration of the problem of profit," he maintained, "must recognize the fact that unless investment by the stockhold-



STATION, agency and advertising officials take time out at WBAP-TV Fort Worth from work on film documentation based on last year's Cotton Bowl football game. Film will be used for Resistol hats on behalf of Byer-Rolnick Co., which will sponsor show on WBAP-TV preceding this New Year's Day classic. L to r: Jack Holmes, WBAP assistant commercial manager; Harry Burr, Resistol sales representative; Harry Rolnick, president; Bob Roth, advertising and promotions director, and Jack Harrell, office manager, all of Resistol; Seymour Andrews, WBAP-TV program director, and Ernest Lovan,

Tracy-Locke Co., Resistol account executive.

## VHF-UHF

### RMA to Submit Video Formula to FCC

COMPLETE new formula for television allocations, using both the existing VHF band and the experimental UHF band, will be submitted to the FCC shortly after the first of the year by a Radio Mfrs. Assn. committee.

Patterned somewhat after the plan drafted under direction of Dr. Allen B. DuMont, president of Allen B. DuMont Labs. [BROAD-CASTING, Sept. 201, the new allocation will propose quick, maximum use of the existing commercial band. Furthermore it will propose supplementary broadcasting and television operations for smaller cities in the upper band.

The VHF system would serve as the "back bone" of national television service and be allocated for the most part to larger cities, with RMA contemplating at least four TV stations in each city. This would provide maximum competition and network service.

Rough outline of the RMA plan was submitted to the FCC last Monday by an RMA committee headed by President Max F. Balcom, Sylvania Electric Products

er is encouraged, the interests of the entire national economy will suffer."

Of the \$350 million channeled back into GE for plant improvement and other projects, \$250 million was borrowed from undistributed stock earnings, Mr. Wilson said.

GE has just initiated a plan to issue 90,000 shares of common stock to its 200,000 employes so that dividends may be invested in government bonds, according to Mr. Wilson.

The GE president felt that curbs on installment buying, under Regulation W, should be gradually reduced to keep business production high. The regulation is having an adverse effect on the sales of many GE articles, including radio sets, he said. Television sales have not slumped because of the great demand, Mr. Wilson added.

[CLOSED CIRCUIT, Dec. 20]. The manufacturers urged the Commission to end its temporary TV freeze on new station construction per-mits as quickly as possible. This would allow maximum development of the present TV band in 1949 and stimulate the broadcasting and manufacturing sides of the industrv.

RMA proposes allocation of the UHF frequencies within two or three years, mostly in smaller cities, with a minimum overlapping of high and low frequency systems. This would entail a minimum need for two-band receivers since these would be required only in areas of overlap.

Commissioners Paul A. Walker and Edwin M. Webster received the RMA delegation. Chairman Wayne Coy was absent because of illness.

RMA told the commissioners its plans had been unanimously approved and represented opinion of about 95% of the television industry. Dr. DuMont is drafting formalized and detailed RMA recommendations.

The committee told the commissioners that industry consensus placed color television in the far distant future and suggested color would require even higher UHF frequencies than the present TV or supplementary UHF frequencies.

Attending the conference, besides Messrs. Balcom and DuMont, and the commissioners, were: H. C. Bonfig, Zenith Radio Corp.; James H. Carmine, Larry F. Hardy and David B. Smith, Philco Corp.; Joseph B. Elliott and D. F. Schmit, RCA Victor Division; Dr. T. T. Goldsmith, Allen B. DuMont Labs.; Walter H. Stellner, Motorola Inc., and Bond Geddes, RMA executive vice president.

## TV SALES PULL

**Better Research Needed** THE RELATIVE sales effectiveness of television within different age, sex and income groups is the video problem most greatly in need of more and better research, ac-cording to research executives of networks and advertising agencies.

Forty-three such executives, answering a questionnaire sent them Nov. 10 by Richardson, Bellows, Henry & Co., New York personnel analysts, listed as other television questions urgently needing research attention: Which television programs have the greatest sales effectiveness?, What percent of available homes is being reached?, To what extent is program popularity based on convenient viewing time, and/or to what extent is the popularity of certain viewing times based on unqualified program preferences?

Two more questions which the researchers considered most likely to become as important as the first four are: What is the effect of television on radio listening and movie attendance? and, How can we harness qualitative, rather than quantitative, analysis of audience reactions to the improvement of program design?

Other research areas seen as becoming important in the future include: Pretesting effectiveness of TV commercials and measuring eyestrain and fatigue.





Title of "World's Largest Producer of Cartoon Advertising Films" still holds for Five Star. TV & Theater series just completed for Ford, Coca-Cola, Daricraft. Also, more than a hundred open-

end com'l cartoons for Restaurants &c. ###### News soon on Five

Star's "Ani-matic" TV films for ABC net- ( work. \*\*\*\*\*\* /\* Five Star's special effex for Columbia serial "Superman"



"Superment clix. Now doing "Bruce Gentry," with Flying Sau-"Bruce Gentry," with Flying cers, 1949 style. \*\*\*\*\*



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Chandler, lovely TV starlet, back from 2 feature foreign films in Brussels. She's in Dr. Pepper's new "Hollywood Mini-Tours." \*\*\*\*

Copies of "12 Don'ts for TV Com'ls" now available Com'ls" now available from AAAA's. Or write Five Star Productions. 6526 Sunset, Hollywood.



