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ON THE INSIDE

AT PRESSTIME |

□□□□Up-for-sale signs are posted throughout the housewares industry, an expanding one with growing pains. There has been a rash of recent or pending acquisitions, and still more are expected to come. "Everybody's buying everybody else," one manufacturer told MERCH-ANDISING WEEK, in commenting on these moves so far: GE buying Universal (the biggest deal by far), a syndicate reportedly headed by Harvey Brightman and Morton Springer dealing for Riviera Appliance, National Union/Eureka-Williams' tie with Emerson Radio, Irwin Brater seeking U.S. Stamping, Shavex (Charles Levin) buying Pride Products, and Ronson acquiring Fleck Broiler assets. Even the manufacturer commenting that "everybody's buying everybody" conceded his firm is up for sale—at the right price. Reasons behind the rash of acquisitions: well-heeled holding companies bidding for an entry into the booming housewares market; smaller housewares firms seeking capital to expand their lines and marketing programs; and larger housewares producers choosing the acquisition route, often the quickest and the easiest way to expand their continued on p.3 lines.



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□□□□ NARDA retailers' net profit climbed 19% and sales were 11.1% in 1964, compared to 1963, according to an initial tabulation of the National Appliance & Radio-TV Dealers Assn. cost-of-doing-business survey. Still on the downgrade, however, was the ratio of aggregate costs of goods sold to total net sales. The aggregate includes merchandise, service parts, as well as servicemen's wages, and these rose to a new high of 73.82%, dropping the total gross margin to a new low of 26.18%. This contrasts with a 1963 gross of 26.86%, and 28.06% in 1962.

On the other hand, NARDA dealers reported that operating costs dropped to a new low of 24.43% of net sales, representing a further decline from the 25.45% recorded in 1963. And despite lower gross margins, net operating profit from the sales of goods and services by NARDA retailers reached a seven-year high of 1.75%. Adding other income—rents, finance charges, etc.—the final after-tax income figure for 1964 reached 2.40% on net sales.

Tv set sales chalked up 26.8% of all appliance-radiotv sales for NARDA members in 1964, compared to 26.6% in 1963. Refrigerators racked up 17.4% of sales, while washers came in third, with 13.1% of sales. NARDA now reports that 88% of its members are in the merchandise-plus-service category. The survey, however, noted that income from service charges slipped from 13.4% of sales in 1963 to 12.2%.

□□□□ Sylvania will get into tinyvision with a 12-inch transistorized portable tv this Christmas. The unpriced unit, which will work off a line cord, will probably hit in the \$139-\$149 area.

□□□□ Kelvinator will drop prices on Originals. In announcing that it will absorb excises on majors (MW, 7 Jun., p.7), the company reported that it also will include its much talked about line of Originals in the refund plan. Price reductions range from a low of \$10, for the \$350 retail undercounter refrigerator, to \$28, on the Foodarama, which retails at \$950-\$1,000.

□□□□□RCA's new pricing schedule, which takes effect when excise taxes are eliminated, includes a 21-inch color tv leader for \$349.95 (MW, 10 May, p.1). Immediately after the excises are removed, RCA will make refunds on inventories instead of waiting for government-processed rebates. At the weekend, RCA was mailing out inventory forms to dealers to implement the program.

The revised prices do not follow a constant percentage, RCA said. The company has fully utilized the tax relief, while maintaining important price points. Key new color tv prices: 21-inch table leader, \$349.95 (down \$30); first all-wood cabinet consolettes, \$479.95 (down \$50); 21-inch combos, \$650 (down \$50); 25inch leaders, \$650 (down \$50); 25-inch leader combos. \$799 (down \$100). New b&w prices: 19-inch leader, \$129.95 (down \$10); 21-inch portables, \$169.95 (down \$10); 23-inch tables, \$169.95 (down \$10). Other new prices: phonos—portable leader, \$18.88; leader AM-FM stereo console, \$229.95 (down \$20). Radio—8transistor leader, \$11.98 (down 97 cents); lead FM-AM portables, \$27.95 (down \$3); leader clock, \$15.88 (down \$1.07); leader tube table, \$11.98 (down 97) cents).

□□□□ Sony's \$995 video tape recorder for the home will hit the U.S. market this August. The compact unit comes complete with a 9-inch tv monitor; it can record both b&w and color programs, but can play back only in b&w. Operation is similar to audio tape recorders.

Excise taxes: the cut could come this week

The long-awaited excise tax reductions on radios, tv sets, and a long list of appliances could become effective later this week, but maybe not until next week—still ahead of the originally scheduled July 1 dead-

The Administration is willing to go along with an earlier effective date, Treasury Secretary Henry H. Fowler told the Senate Finance Committee last week. All the Administration asks, Fowler said, is that the bill take effect no sooner than one day after President Johnson signs it. How soon it comes will depend on the extent of debate in the Senate and in the joint House-Senate committee that will produce the final version of the bill.

An effective date that follows by one day the President's signing of the bill into law, Fowler said, would allow distributors and retailers time to take inventories of taxed items on the evening of the day the bill is signed. Such a provision for accounting is necessary to accommodate those distributors and retailers eligible for refunds on inventories from manufacturers.

Refunds to purchasers of automobiles and air conditioners are to be retroactive to May 15—the day the President announced the major details of his excise tax recommendations.

The advanced effective date comes—at least in part—as a result of the lobbying of the television industry and of home-town merchants that has been directed at such powerful Finance Committee members as Senator Russell B. Long (D-La.) and Senate minority leader Everett M. Dirksen (R-Ill.). As an example, both senators cited telephone calls and personal visits from businessmen who complained that sales of color ty sets

had dropped 75% below expectations, and who further reported that products are being backed up in manufacturer-to-retailer pipelines as consumers wait for lower prices expected to follow excise tax eliminations.

Senator Long reported receiving telephone calls from Louisiana and New York that indicated, to him, that "We've got a buyers' strike going on right now."

States could re-impose excises that are being reduced or eliminated by the federal government, Fowler said; they might do this for their own benefit. But mostly, he suggested, states tend to favor across-the-board general sales taxes, rather than selective excise taxes, which the federal government has used.

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) last week made slight modifications in the record-keeping requirements for manufacturers that claim

refunds under the retroactive tax cuts; IRS left intact, however, its key requirement that the reimbursement must be passed to the consumer—either in cash or check.

The latest IRS changes are:

On air conditioners and auto trailers, the manufacturer is not required to keep a record of the serial number of the item involved; the stock number or model number is sufficient. Under the original IRS guidelines issued on May 28, serial numbers were required.

The manufacturer, in addition, will not be required to keep a record of the dealer's sales slip number, if the manufacturer makes the refund payment directly to the consumer, rather than through a third party—be it distributor or retailer. Nor will an invoice number be required in cases where the dealer does not use numbered invoices.



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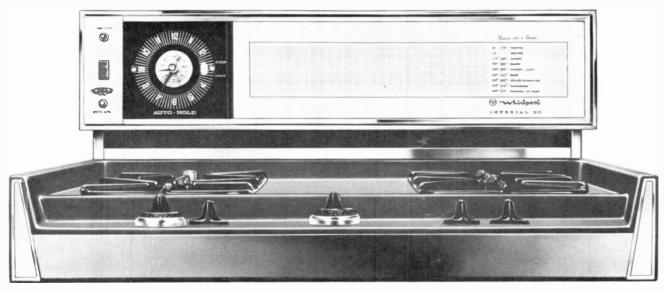


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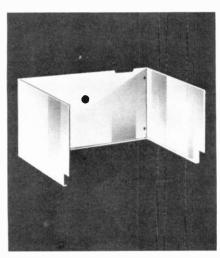
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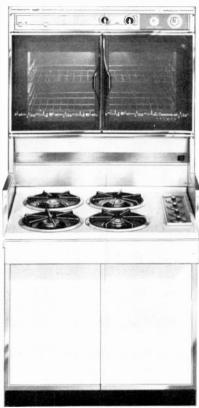
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WASHINGTON

□□□□ A boost for independent tv stations—especially young UHF channels—could be the result of two inquiries just launched by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The FCC has proposed a rule that would require to networks to try "in good faith" to place programs on independent stations serving the same markets as network affiliates if the affiliates turn down the programs. And secondly, the FCC has started an inquiry aimed at laying down standards for making network programming available to small stations operating in the dim fringes of the signals of big-city network affiliates.

Either action, if carried out, would strengthen the position of independents and of UHF stations, in which the FCC has shown consistent interest. An economist's report to the FCC on community antenna television systems earlier this year said a key competitive disadvantage of the independents is a lack of quality programming.

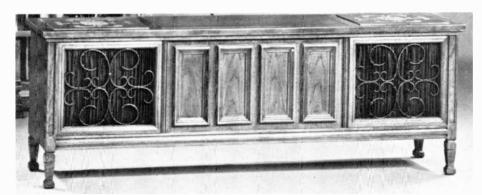
□□□□□ House hearings on FCC rules for CATV (community antenna television) operations wound up without achieving any consensus. All sides were heard: broadcast industry representatives warned that unrestricted spread of CATV could undermine the free-tv system; CATV spokesmen said this fear is exaggerated and that the FCC's proposals are unnecessarily harsh and based on inadequate study.

Commerce Committee Chairman Oren Harris (D-Ark.) again made it clear that he wishes CATVers, free-tvers, and the FCC would reach an agreement among themselves. The longer the dispute goes unresolved, he said, the worse it gets. As for his bill to give the FCC regulatory power over CATV after Congress has laid down basic broadcasting policy, Harris said, "Either the FCC is going to do it itself on what it claims to be its own authority and suffer a long lawsuit, or Congress is going to do it."

Meantime, the FCC turned down a request that it slow down its actions on CATV.

The Federal Trade Commission wants money from Congress to create this fall an office to improve federal-state cooperation in enforcing antitrust, deceptive-practice, and consumer-protection laws. The new office, under the commission's general counsel, would refer cases to the states where there is only minimal interstate involvement and would help states to set up deceptive-practice offices. Another possibility that arose in a meeting between Federal Trade Chairman Paul Rand Dixon and New York State Attorney General Louis J. Lefkowitz is that the office could serve as a national clearing house for information on deceptive trade practices.

□□□□□ To help big cities help small businesses Eugene P. Foley said that his agency, the Small Business Administration (SBA), is "encouraging" large cities to form community development corporations. The SBA can lend them up to \$8 for every \$2 raised locally to provide capital for small businesses. Foley said that more than 600 such loans have been made and have proved successful in small cities, but the big cities are just beginning to notice the program. The SBA is looking into the feasibility of such a program, Foley added.



Sylvania's 1966 Classic line features Spanish-styled stereo unit

Sylvania lowers tv prices, boosts stereo console tags

Sylvania matched its high-end finefurniture look with high-end pricing last week, kicking off its new console phono line at a remarkable \$279.50 and running all the way to \$1.795 for a model with an Ampex tape deek. As an added touch of quality, Sylvania is making use of air-suspension speaker systems throughout the completely transistorized line.

Pricing in tv was equally extraordinary as the company took full advantage of the impending 10% excise tax elimination to establish some impressive values. Samples: 19-inch color tv kicks off at \$369.50: 21-inch color starts at \$349.50; 25-inch color consoles begin at \$599.50. The 19-inch b&w portable leader comes in at \$119.50, and there is a new transistorized 19-inch table model at \$179.50. All prices in the new line depend, of course, on removal of the excise tax.

Highlights of the 1966 line:

The lead 19-inch color set comes with Sylvania's own rare-earth picture tube in a plastic and metal cabinet; it has a carrying handle, and weighs in at 67 lbs. Three step-up models—at \$399.50, \$409.50, and \$419.50—have the same features, including the 24,000v chassis, but come in wood-grained cabinets. Throughout its entire color tv line, Sylvania is using automatic degaussers.

The 21-inch color tv line kicks off with a carry-over table model in a black metal cabinet priced at \$349.50—down from last year's \$398.70. Consoles in vinyl-clad cabinets open at \$379.50; hardboard consoles start at \$409.50. Veneers and selected solids enter the color line at \$449.50.

The 25-inch console leader, a carryover model starting at \$599.50, establishes an industry low. In all. Sylvania is offering 11 new 25-inch color consoles, including four full-door models at \$819.50.

Sylvania's 18-model b&w tv line kicks off at \$119.50 for a 19-inch hold-over portable, and runs to \$269.50 for a 23-inch Halovision console. The company's 23-inch table models start at \$169.50; 23-inch consoles open at \$199.50.



Solid-state 19-inch b&w tv, \$179.50

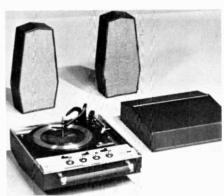
Sylvania's new transistorized 19inch table model comes in two finishes and features a 17,000v chassis. The manufacturer has dropped b&w combinations from the 1966 line.

The AM-FM stereo console line is made up of 26 models; it features fresh styling and new prices. The new leader Cotillion series of 40w units ranges from \$279.50 to \$359.50; last year's leader series, with excise taxes, opened at \$258.70. The Criterion line of 70w units runs from \$369.50 to \$469.50. The Classic Collection of 130w units starts at \$499.50 and goes to \$650. The high-end 1966 Maestro series has been expanded to five models, and now runs from \$825 to \$1,150; units in this series reach 320 watts of peak power, and feature Dual changers. In the other console stereo units, Sylvania is using Garrard changers.

Styling, of course, gets the big play in Sylvania's new console lineup. The entire line comes in veneers and hardwood solids; styles range from Contemporary to Mediterranean. And, in two high-end models, Sylvania will offer tape (Ampex decks) in its console line for the first time.

In the portable phono line, there is a redesigned exponent 4/40 priced at \$189.50, and Sylvania has added Exponent models 4/30 and 4/20, both with 35w systems. Sylvania is also offering a solid-state component module with AM-FM stereo, and 130 watts of power. The price, without speakers, is \$359.50. The speakers per pair will range in price from \$99.50 to \$129.50.

New radios from Sylvania are: AM-FM transistor portable models, ranging in price from \$25.95 for a 9-transistor model TR-80 to 11-transistor TR-66, with a \$51.95 price tag. There are four new AM-FM radios, featuring vernier tuning and AFC, that start at \$45.95 for model BT-1, and top off with model BT-4, a solid walnut and veneer unit for \$79.95. AM-FM clock-radios go for \$59.95 and \$61.95. AM clock radios start at \$18.95, for model AK-45. Model AK-46 has a suggested price of \$25.95.



Solid-state portable phono, \$159.50

APPLIANCE-TV

 \Box \Box \Box The muscle behind Philco's 1966 line of tv sets, radios, and phonos (see story p.18) is a \$4.7 million national advertising campaign. According to a company spokesman, color tv will be pushed hardest in the ads. Full-color pages have been scheduled to run in Life, Saturday Evening Post, Look, Reader's Digest, and TV Guide.

For its 1966 stereo console merchandising program, Philco has purchased 10,000 European oil paintings, to be featured in permanent in-store stereo phono displays. Along with the paintings, Philco is offering dealers fixtures, which include carpeting and indirect lighting, to create displays with a living room atmosphere; a five-album record collection also will be available through Philco distributors.

Dealers will be able to offer the paintings for sale, and Philco anticipates that they will serve as traffic-builders. As a portable phono premium, Philco has designed a stand that can be used as an end table; the stand includes a radio, and also can house a portable phonograph. To promote low-end radio sales, Philco will offer low-priced radio six-packs at retail.

□ □ □ □ An "expose" of discounting, The Great Discount Delusion, will hit the bookstands July 12. Published by McKay, the new book will examine discounters' tactics in detail, citing specific violations of business ethics and the law. According to Publishers' Weekly, it is "Sure of good news coverage and sales."

□□□□□ Creating a status symbol for major appliances is how the appliance industry can recapture its decreasing share of consumer dollars, said J. Mack Tenney, general sales manager for the Kelvinator Division of American Motors Corp. Tenney said that the appliance industry's share of the consumer's dollar spent for goods and services has slipped from 2.5 cents in 1956 to 1.7 cents in 1964. Tenney's talk before the National Retail Merchants 11th Annual Home Furnishings Conference stressed how Kelvinator, with the introduction of its high-style Originals, was trying to encourage early replacement and high-end sales by making appliance purchasing an exciting event in the homemaker's life.

uring the first quarter of this year compared with the same period in 1964, says the Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute. Shipments by U.S. manufacturers for the first quarter totaled 181,803 units. The greatest gain was in the under-16,500 Btu category, which jumped 117%. But the largest number of units shipped (52,600) was in the 33,000-41,999 Btu group, the institute reported.

□□□□Larger and larger refrigerators are being shipped by manufacturers. According to first quarter reports tabulated by the National Electrical Manufacturers Assn., units in the 14-cu.-ft.-and-over categories racked up 51.4% of the total, with the 14-cu.ft. category accounting for 30.7% of shipments. The 12-cu.-ft. category chalked up 24.8% of sales in the first three months of 1965, while 10-cu.-ft.-and-under units totaled 12.7% of the 1,114,700 units shipped by the industry.

Frigidaire shows new laundry line, new ice-maker refrigerator

Frigidaire's 1966 line of laundry equipment is highlighted by the company's first electronic drying control and by a simplified drive system for its dryers. The new line consists of eight automatic washers, nine electric dryers, and seven gas dryers. In addition, Frigidaire has introduced its first refrigerator-freezer with an automatic ice-maker—a 16-cu.ft. nofrost model.

The new dryers feature a dryness control—a cone-shaped sensor that protrudes from the back wall of the dryer drum. This control senses the degree of moisture in the wash. When the wash attains the exact degree of dryness selected by the user via a selector button on the control panel, the dryer automatically shuts off. There are three settings on the control—damp, normal, or extra dry. The electronic dryness control comes on five Custom Imperial dryers.

In addition, all of the new dryers use a single-belt drive system, which replaces the two-belt system used on conventional dryers. The single-belt system eliminates the need for a separate drum pulley and belt attachment by using the drum itself as a pulley.

The new dryers also can now be vented through the bottom. Previ-

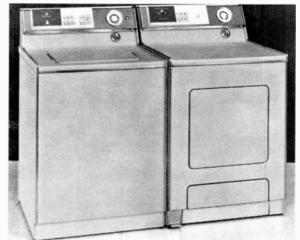
ously, venting was offered only through the back and sides of the units

Frigidaire also is using new lighter-colored dryer drums of porcelain enamel, which make it easy for the user to see small dark items in the wash. In addition, all 1966 dryers include a removable lint screen on the inner door panel and have a cycle for wash-and-wear items.

The new washers feature four spin speeds and seven cycles at the top of the line. These top-of-the-line models, in addition to the usual variety of colors, are available in a new flavor: honey beige. (Note in the photo of the laundry pair that the new color coordination extends up through the backsplash on the units.)

Frigidaire has not elected to play the capacity game; all its washers have 12-lb. capacities, solid tubs, and feature vertical agitation—a system in which water overflows the tub rim, instead of draining through the wash. There is a separate water-level control on most models, which makes it possible to use less wash and rinse water for small loads.

Prices on the new laundry line remain comparable to like models in last year's line. However, where new features—such as the electronic sen-





Frigidaire 1966 high-end laundry pair (left), and ice-maker refrigerator

sor—have been added, the price has been adjusted upward, Frigidaire reports.

The ice-maker refrigerator-freezer, a 16-cu.ft., no-frost, bottom-freezer unit (model FPI-16BAJ) is expected to be the forerunner of the 1966 Frigidaire refrigerator line, which will be unveiled in October. This unit (see photo top right), which will be in limited supply in the immediate future, incorporates an automatic ice-maker that operates on a conveyor-belt system; it can produce as much

as 7 lbs. of ice cubes every 24 hours, and can store a supply of 243 cubes in a removable bin, according to the company. The new ice-maker has a double control to guard against overflow or undesired release of cubes.

The conveyor in the belt system is made of polyethylene and has three rows of three molds into which water flows to form cubes. As the filled molds move forward, zero-zone freezer air is directed down and over the conveyor to achieve an accelerated freezing rate.

Electrohome spikes its 1966 line with a new solid-state portable

For 1966, Electrohome has lengthened its color tv line from seven to 10 models—and has lengthened its stride by introducing an all-new, all-transistorized, 11-inch b&w portable television set.

The color tv line opens at \$795 with a 25-inch console in a walnut-finished cabinet. Five consoles and five three-way combinations, all 25-inchers, are included in the line. The consoles range up to \$895 in price; the combos run from \$1,195 to \$1,595. Electrohome, a Canadian manufacturer, says its 1966 prices were set in anticipation of the expected excise tax elimination in the U.S.

The new 11-inch b&w portable set is priced at \$169.95. Claimed to be the first "tiny television" set to be completely designed and developed in Canada, the 15-lb. solid-state set operates on battery or AC current. A

deluxe model in an ebony or cranberry red plastic case will sell for \$189.95

The 1966 black-and-white tv line also includes six 19-inch portables, nine 23-inch consoles, and two 23-inch combinations.

The 19-inch portables begin at \$169.95, for a model with a brown metal cabinet. At \$189.95, a portable is available in walnut, teak, or rosewood vinyl. Top of the line is a \$219.95 set.

In b&w combinations, Electrohome has two models. The Contemporary-styled set, with four speakers, lists for \$499.50; a Traditional set in walnut or mahogany, with 25w amplifier, will retail for \$599.

The b&w console line opens at \$229.95, with a Contemporary-styled unit. Also available at \$229.95 are 23-inch consoles in Early American,

Italian Provincial, and Traditional styling. At the top of the console line are two sets at \$319.50: a Modernstyled unit in walnut or oiled teak, with one 5-by-7-inch dual-cone speaker and a French Provincial set in walnut, mahogany, fruitwood, burgundy fruitwood, or antique white, with one 5-by-7-inch speaker and one 4-inch speaker.

The 19 new stereo phonos are all equipped with AM-FM stereo radios. This line of console phonographs opens at \$229.50, for a Traditional-styled model with solid-state 20w amplifier; the set is available in walnut or oiled teak. At \$498.50, a 50w amplifier comes in a Modern-styled set, that is available in walnut or oiled teak. At \$795, a Spanish Provincial unit has a solid-state 125w amplifier and six speakers; the AM-FM stereo radio automatically selects FM



 $Deluxe\ \textit{11-inch portable for \$189.95}$

or FM stereo. At the top of the line is a Traditional-styled console in walnut or fruitwood with 250w amplifier and six speakers; the price of the unit is \$1,695.

Delmonico eyes U.S. majors market with more imports, hot prices

With a large hunk of the imported home electronics market already bagged, Delmonico International is intensifying efforts to carve out a chunk of the major appliance business for itself.

Last year (MW, 19 Oct. 64, p.33), the importer began to expand its Delmonico-label line of compact refrigerators, which are made by Ignis of Italy. Now Delmonico is lifting its sales sights and bringing in larger refrigerator sizes. The target: sales of 75,000 units in the next 12 months—with a 12.2-cu.-ft. two-door unit expected to account for one-third of this projected figure.

Sales via hot pricing and direct distribution—these are the ways Delmonico expects to break into the major appliance market. And the com-

pany, which uses these same tactics so successfully in consumer electronics, has some promotionally popping prices. With seven models in the line already, the new models, with suggested list prices, are: a 24-inch-wide, two-door, top-mount refrigerator-freezer (12.2 cu.ft.), for \$179.95; a 19-inch-wide two-door refrigerator-freezer (9.4 cu.ft.), for \$159.95; a single-door refrigerator (10.7 cu.ft.), for \$149.95; a matching freezer unit, for \$159.95.

In its compact line, Delmonico has a 4.6-cu.ft. refrigerator pegged at \$89.95, a matching freezer for \$99.95, a 2.3-cu.ft. refrigerator and a 1.9-cu.ft. freezer, each for \$79.95. The new units will come in a variety of Formica finishes; at present, the company is offering five flavors.

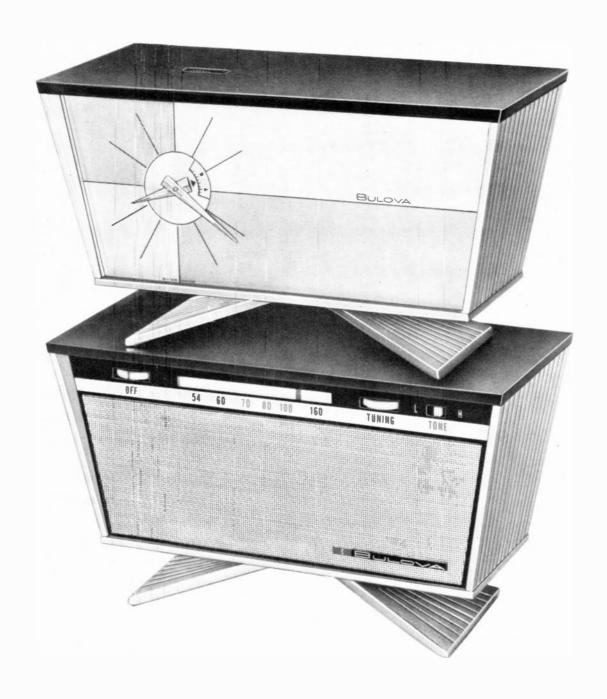
Dealer margins are healthy on the promotional list prices, according to trade reports. As one New York area dealer, who has seen the line, recently said: "Why should we go below their suggested list price; it is still lower than all the fair-traded lines we sell now. But if we have to meet a price, we can go lower and still make a profit."

All units, with one exception, have porcelain enamel interiors and use foam insulation. The smaller refrigerators and freezers will be available in the next 60 days, the two-door models by October, according to Herbert Kabat, executive vice president at Delmonico. The company also is considering a four-model line of chest freezers (4-cu.ft. to 13-cu.ft. capacities), and it may go into the

automatic washer business with a top-loader within the next 60 days.

Private labeling for Sears, AMC, Western Auto, and perhaps others will help Delmonico move toward its sales goal. Sears is expected to test-market in Atlanta shortly, with the 2.3-cu.ft. refrigerator.

For its part, Ignis, a company that claims to be the number one refrigerator manufacturer in the European Common Market—it makes 1 million refrigerators a year, plus ranges, freezers, washers—has a deal in the works with Atlas Chemical to establish a foam insulation plant in Italy. Ignis is even willing to consider setting up a refrigerator plant in the U.S. sometime in the future, according to Giovanni Borghi, president of Ignis.



(Two-faced!)

The revolutionary new Bulova "Radio-Clock" is swivel mounted. One face is a beautiful precision jeweled clock...the other a rich-sounding 8-transistor radio. It's also cordless. And it's just one item in the new Bulova radio/phonograph line.

The new Bulova cordless, swivel "Radio-Clock" is so far ahead of its time, there's absolutely nothing else like it on the market *anywhere*.

Not only does it have the advanced features your customers want—it has the styling, too! Every Bulova radio and phonograph does. Because every set is designed with the same elegance and continental styling that have made Bulova watches world-famous.

And Bulova radios and phonographs have what you want. Competitive prices. Full mark-

up. One full year guarantee. Plus the best protection your store's reputation for quality can get. That's because, under the Bulova Constructive Distribution Policy, we sell *only* to a select group of quality merchants.

Arrange now to have a Bulova representative call on you and give full details on our complete radio/phonograph program. Phone us collect at LT 1-0400 (Area Code 212). Or mail the handy coupon today!

BULOVA RADIOS AND PHONOGRAPHS

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| 1 am interested radio/phonograpi | | bout the complete Bulova |
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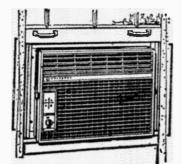
Excise tax cut advertising— How are retailers handling an explosive issue?

Marketplace by marketplace, as Excise Tax cut time draws nearer, retailers are taking advantage of the impending price drops. Here are some of the various ways in which they are jumping the gun—or simply getting caught in the morass of confusion attending the Congressional race to push the bill through. Here is how the confusion can be magnified.

Underlying the ads shown on this page is a basic fear of a buyers' strike. As one retailer places an ad intended to circumvent the threat by offering immediate cuts, others groan over the added publicity given the upcoming tax cancellation.

And there are other areas of concern in the minds of retailers. Many are asking whether the ads that are running are giving the consumer a realistic understanding of the effects the bill will ultimately have at the retail level, when manufacturer taxes have been passed down the line.

5000* BTU Coldspot Air Conditioner



Low Cost

Easy to Install

Easy to move from room to room. Economical to operate. Has 2 speeds, thermostat and filter. Zinc-clad cabinet is rustresistant. long wearing.

*Advertised BTU capacities are rated and certified by National Electric Manufacturers Ass'n. Standard CN-1.

Phone or Mail Coupon Be-low for FREE Air Conditioning Survey of your Home or Rusiness

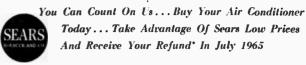
5 weeks plus tax cut equals \$7 boost?

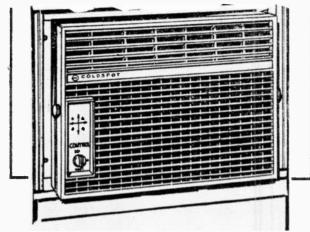
That appears to be the case when you contrast these two ads that ran in the Philadelphia Bulletin. On April 13, Sears advertised this 5,000 Btu Coldspot room air conditioner at \$118 (above). Nothing in the ad gave any indication that this was other than the normal Sears price for the unit. In the same paper, on May 20, Sears headlined refunds to take advantage of the approaching Excise Tax repeal (upper right). Among the units cited in the ad was what appeared to be the same unit (right). Detailing the effect of the price reductions, Sears gives a "Regular Low Price" of \$139 for this model. With the 10% refund, the end result is a net price of \$125.10. Is this an increase over the April 13 figure?

GUARANTEE

You Can Count on Us . . . Quality Costs No More at Sears

THANK YOU MR. PRESIDENT! WE'RE REDUCING PRICES NOW!





5000 BTU Air Conditioners

· Quiet, lightweight model installs quickly, easily

139.00

· Air-circulation control

13.90

Cabinet is rust-resistant

No Trade-In Required

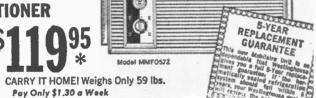
Your Net Price

125.10



Westinghouse MOBILAIRE® 5000 ROOM AIR CONDITIONER

e Uses only 7.5 amps, 115 volts e One person can install in minutes with Zip Kit Included e High and Night Cool, 2-Speed Fan, Directional Louvres e Zinc-coated Chassis,



Price, price, who's got the price?

Consumers may well have asked themselves that when they contrasted these two ads that appeared in the June 1 issue of the New York Daily News. Westinghouse's New York distributor (above) advertises this unit at \$119.95, listing, among other outlets where it is available, the Friendly Frost stores. Just 4 pages later Friendly Frost (right) comes in offering the same model at \$112.96, having meanwhile knocked off the Federal Excise Tax. The Internal Revenue Service has ruled, incidentally, in favor of refunds rather than price cuts.

Westinghouse Mobilaire 5000 Room Air Conditioner!

FRIENDLY FROST REDUCES PRICES RIGHT NOW TO SAVE YOU THE FEDERAL EXCISE TAX ON WESTINGHOUSE AIR CONDITIONERS

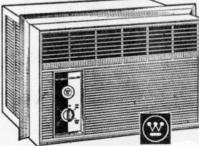
There's no need to wait any longer. You can buy your Westingh Air Conditioner NOW at Friendly Frost and have the Federal Excise Tax deducted from the sale prior!

Less F.E.T.

PAY



- WEIGHS ONLY 59 LBS. Carry it home and install it yourself in minutes with new "Zip Kit" (included).
- QUICK INSTALLATION Installation is tast and easy. Unit operates on 115 volts,
- SINGLE DIAL CONTROL -- Settings fi High-Cool, Night-Cool, High-Farl, Low-Fa Air Directional Louvers direct air fer con fortable wall-to-wall cooling.
- CIRCULATES air quietly and efficiently. FILTERS, DEHUMIDIFIES. 2-SPEED FAR, PERMANENT WASHABLE FILTER



S-YEAR S-YEAR WITH FULL

119.95

6.99

5-YEAR Replacement GUARANTEE

yes...there's <u>no need to wait</u> for the repeal of the federal excise tax! Rich's has reduced the price of every refrigerator, freezer, dryer, dishwasher, radio, stereo, and television by as much as the tax...on many items the reductions are much larger than the excise tax!

How are retailers using tax cuts?

Atlanta's Rich's booms the cuts promotionally with the theme, "Yes, there's no need to wait for the repeal of the Federal Excise Tax. Bottom of the ad details the prices product-by-product. Stress is placed on the fact that, on many items, Rich's has reduced the price even beyond the effect of the Excise Tax cancellation.

> Davega, in the New York Daily News of May 28, turns the Excise Tax Cuts into a Decoration Day sale device. The result is a double impact of savings piled on top of savings. Use of the Excise Tax refund certificate as a visual element in the ad pounds the point home even further, making Davega's guarantee a reality in the mind of the reader.



From boon to boondoggle in one easy tax cut

With unprecedented speed, Congress is rushing through a bill that could shower benefits on retailers and manufacturers across the country.

And, with equal speed, retailers and manufacturers across the country are short-sightedly doing their best to undo the good the excise tax cuts should offer.

Not all, or even a majority, of retailers and manufacturers. But enough, and of sufficient importance, to count.

Three prime devices have already emerged to demonstrate how not to use an excise tax cut.

The 10% Myth is what we will call the first device. It makes a fine promotional explosion with a deadly fallout of consumer confusion and price footballing. And any retailer or manufacturer, large or small, can use it. All he has to do is to start advertising 10% reductions in excise taxes levied on the manufacturer.

The fact is that any such cut carried down to the retail level may only result in a 6% reduction, and, in any case, applies only to certain products.

The object of the excise tax cut bill was to help business by stimulating sales. It was not to destroy the industry's price and profit structure.

The 10% Myth is just as mythical as the Unicorn—but a lot more dangerous. Dangerous because consumers are being told that all excise tax cuts will be passed down to them as a straight percentage, not a mere reduction in price. And they will demand this percentage cut from everyone on everything.

The difference has to come out of someone's pocket. It does not take long to figure whose it will be.

The second device is a bit of psychological warfare designed to create pressure where pressure is no longer needed by stimulating consumer support for excise tax cuts. It, too, has a powerful fallout that could go a long way toward creating a consumer buying strike.

How do you use this one?

For a good demonstration, you might read the "Authorized Dealer Newsletter" of the Institute of High Fidelity, Inc. In its June issue, this bulletin says of the tax cuts: "Keep explaining to [your] customers that failure to pass this legislation will result in increased cost of high fidelity components not already taxed. Keep pointing out that passage will mean lower prices for components that are already taxed."

Commendable, though unneeded, as additional consumer pressure might be at this time, this seems to us to be buying it at an exceptionally high price. The assumption would seem to be that the consumer is utterly incapable of reaching the conclusion that he would be better off if he just postponed the purchase he came in to make until after July 1.

A third potential problem lies, again, in advertising. At best, the two Sears ads at the top of the opposite page could result in a misunderstanding. It appears that the price of this air conditioner is actually higher after the tax cut than it was before.

Sears is a dominant force in the industry. As such, it is particularly conspicuous. When Sears makes a move, people notice—even such a notable person as Lyndon B. Johnson, the man behind the upcoming tax cuts. And the repercussions, were he to misinterpret such price shifts, are not pleasant to contemplate.

Few of us are unaware that Lyndon Johnson does not like to be crossed. The President's plan was to stimulate sales by lowering prices. In pushing for the excise tax cuts, he has acted as a good friend to retailing. If he feels his hand has been bitten, will he be tempted to play the friend again?

The question comes down to this: Will this industry, faced with a golden opportunity, use it only to establish one more landmark in a history of self-destructive practices? The answer lies in your hands.

—The Editors



August 1st ... you'll be ready to make taped music at 7½ ips just as obsolete!

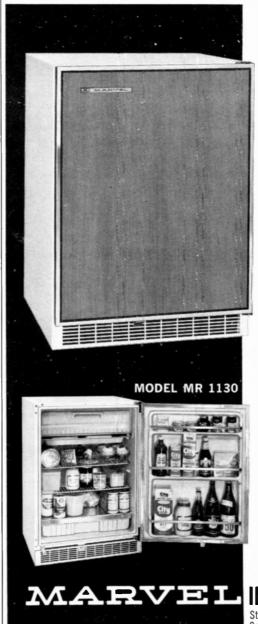
You can profit by selling fine fidelity recording at 3% ips. SCOTCH® Brand "Dynarange" Series Tape is on the way.

NEW "DYNARANGE" TAPE AVAILABLE AUGUST 1ST

Magnetic Products Division



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FANCY DOORS? Old stuff to MARVEL!

Owners decorate doors instantly any time...with anything!*

Any material at all, up to \(^{1}4''\) thick, will fit Marvel's unique vinyl-lock door panel to form a smart new door design. Wallpaper, cork, photographs, leather, vinyl—they're all yours to help sell Marvel! Let us show you. And look . . . this new Marvel 6.7 cu. ft. unit has the largest possible capacity for undercounter installation plus reversible doors and adjustable shelves. Matching Model MR-1129 freezer has 200 lb. frozen food capacity. Dimensions 34½" H. x 24" W. x 21½" D.

For information, write Marvel Industries, Inc., Sturgis, Michigan

INDUSTRIES, INC.

Sturgis, Michigan/Branch Plant: Franklin, Ky. Sales Office, Sturgis, Michigan

8 full-color Reader's Digest pages to Hudson's prime retail trade area

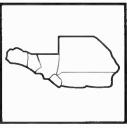


Hudson's has found an important new approach to retail advertising. This leading merchandiser is using the power and influence of the country's No. 1 magazine to strengthen its franchise in the Detroit market and move "white goods." Hudson's detachable buying guide promoting "top values" in home laundry equipment went to 25.5% of the households in the Detroit market and surrounding areas in May. Importantly, this retail advertising concentrates on Hudson's charge customers in higher economic brackets. This exciting new way to build lasting stature, while making immediate sales, can be employed by stores in other areas, too. Call your Digest representative for full details.

and what a way to sell New York, Los Angeles and Chicago.

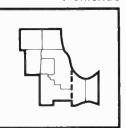


Digest paid circulation in this 18county area far exceeds the number of homes delivered by the average evening network tv show. It also exceeds combined daily or Sunday circulation of the Times and Herald Tribune and combined circulation of the Journal-American and World-Telegram, The Digest delivers 310,000 more copies here than the second general magazine and at lower cost.



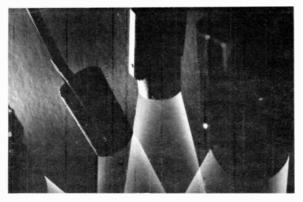
CIRCULATION: 1,210,000 | #2 LOS ANGELES CIRCULATION: 785,000 |

The Digest's 6-county, regional circulation is far larger than the number of homes delivered by the average evening network tv show. The Digest's circulation is also larger than the circulation of the leading daily newspaper in each and every county. The other big general magazines require purchase of no less than 35 counties, at a cost of \$3 to \$4 more per thousand copies delivered.



In this 8-county area, The Digest's circulation far exceeds the number of homes reached by the average evening network television show. Also, in 6 of the 8 counties. The Digest's circulation exceeds that of the powerful Chicago Tribune. The other general magazines require purchase of 66 or more counties yet they cannot deliver as much circulation as Reader's Digest

PEOPLE HAVE FAITH IN READER'S DIGEST



Media spotlight on major appliances



What the figures mean

In the May 31st issue of MERCHAN-DISING WEEK, the editors presented the consumer electronics part of an exclusive analysis of how hard goods manufacturers spend their advertising dollars. On the following pages, our media spotlight focuses on major appliances—on how brand-name manufacturers "push" their merchandise through distribution channels to retailers via trade advertising, and on how they "pull" the public toward these retailers via national consumer advertising.

Once again, let me remind you that the figures do not necessarily speak for themselves; they are an indication of the wide variety of methods marketing executives employ to solve the multiplicity of problems connected with getting white goods to market and in consumers' hands. The right combination of "push-pull" techniques for one marketer may be completely wrong for another maker. Relative or equal success may be achieved with seemingly opposite marketing philosophies.

Consider some of the reasons for this diversity—that many products are relatively young and lack a distinct and mature replacement market; that the resultant consumer confusion is compounded by the large numbers of manufacturers in the hard goods field.

This consumer vacillation on brand preference and the proper replacement time puts the manufacturer in a dilemma: how can he best spend his money so as to cover the consumer in an effective manner and also keep channels of distribution adequately informed.

Moreover, keep in mind that the competition from Sears, America's most efficient marketing machine, is increased because Sears does not labor with the problem of getting merchandise to the retail floor. Nationalbrand manufacturers must spend a great deal of money in this promotional phase of their business. In addition, manufacturers must pursue the consumer—with and for the retailer—while maintaining a price structure competitive with Sears.

So, view these figures as a relative gauge, and only that. They are intended to emphasize the many successful marketing philosophies pursued by hard goods manufacturers today.

—Dale Bauer

How they were compiled

Consumer advertising figures were compiled for MERCHANDISING WEEK by W.H. Mullen, a long-time expert who formerly gathered advertising statistics for *Printers Ink* magazine. Mullen used the following standard measuring and reporting services as sources.

Newspapers—Bureau of Advertising, American Newspaper Publishers' Assn., (Compiled by Media Records, as projections of data derived from their market-by-market reports. These figures are estimates.)

Magazines—Publishers Information Bureau.

Network tv—Leading National Advertisers-Broadcast Advertisers Reports, Inc.

Spot tv—Television Bureau of Advertising—N. C. Rorabaugh Co.

There is a listing for every brand of major appliances on which \$25,000 or more was spent for advertising in any of the four consumer media in 1964, 1963, and 1958. Other expenditures for advertising by that company in the same years are included down to the \$10,000 level.

All time and space costs are gross, computed at one-time rates. No allowance is made for agency, cash or frequency discounts, or for preparation costs on print media, talent or production costs on broadcast media.

Advertising in Sunday newspaper sections or supplements is included in the newspaper totals; dealer or distributor campaigns on spot tv were not included.

Where it was indicated that a program or campaign was devoted to two or more products (ranges and refrigerators, for example) the cost was divided equally between them.

The specific products covered are: Refrigeration—including freezers Laundry—washers, dryers, combos Ranges—electric and gas

Dishwashers

Air conditioners

Disposers

Kitchens—complete installations General promotion includes multioduct advertising, institutional ad-

product advertising, institutional advertising on a company's major appliance line, contests, publication advertising of tv programs. General institutional advertising of such companies as General Electric, with a large variety of products, is not included.

Parent companies listed are those of the current owners of the particular brand name.

Trade advertising figures were compiled by MERCHANDISING WEEK. The standard measuring and reporting services used were:

Trade publications (including MER-CHANDISING WEEK, Home Furnishings Daily, and Mart)

Publishers Information Bureau Standard Rate & Data Service, Inc. Media Information Bureau, Inc.

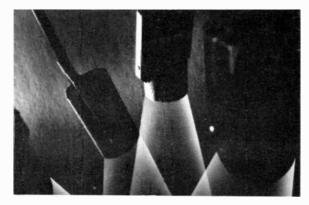
Trade advertising expenditures are listed for the same major appliance brands included in the list of consumer media expenditures.

Product breakdowns are included when available. In the case of multiproduct and/or full line manufacturers, only the major appliance products are listed. The figures for many of the smaller companies are totals; breakdowns are not available.

All space costs are gross, computed at one-time rates. No allowance is made for agency, cash or frequency discounts, or for preparation or mechanical reproduction costs.

The same product categories and companies are used as in the consumer advertising figures.

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Media spotlight on major appliances

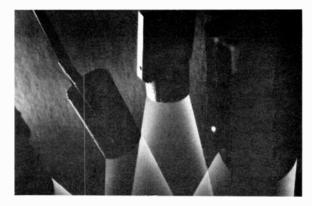


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| Admiral Corp. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines | 24,600 754,300 | 250.100 | 15,400 |
| | | total | 778,900 | 250,100 | 15,400 |
| | ranges | newspapers magazines total | _ _ _ | 41,500 41,500 | 15,400 25,100 40,500 |
| | air conditioning | newspapers magazines total | 95,400 95,400 | 38,100 38,100 | 10,300 10,300 |
| | general promo | newspapers magazines total | 22,700 22,700 | 174,000 174,000 | 26,900 156,500 183,400 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total consumer media total trade | 47,300 849,700 897,000 56,100 | 503,700 503,700 28,800 | 68,000 181,600 249,600 60,200 |
| Amana Refrigeration Inc. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines network tv total | 163,500 163,500 | 76,000 33,900 110,800 220,700 | 150,800 236,300 387,100 |
| | air conditioning | newspapers magazines total | _ _ _ | 16,000 16,000 | 26,400 26,400 |
| | general promo | magazines network tv total | | 216,500 - 216,500 | 13,900 13,900 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total consumer media total trade | 163,500 163,500 18,100 | 92,000 250,400 110,800 453,200 25,000 | 177,200 250,200 427,400 30,300 |
| American Motors CorpKelvinator Div. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines total | 215,000 731,300 946,300 | 276,000 339,600 615,600 | 123,200 122,100 245,300 |
| | laundry | newspapers magazines total | 341,400 400,100 741,500 | 313,300 372,600 685,900 | 146,400 146,400 |
| | ranges | newspapers magazines total | 79,900 79,900 | 27,500 35,200 62,700 | |
| | air conditioning | newspapers | 10,300 | | - |
| | general promo | newspapers magazines total | 72,200 33,900 106,100 | 67,300 171,000 238,300 | |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total consumer media total trade | 638,900 1,245,200 1,884,100 64,400 | 684,100 918,400 1,602,500 68,400 | 123,200 268,500 391,700 92,300 |

| Company | Product | Media | Est. 1964 | Dollars 1963 | |
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| Blackstone Corp. | laundry | magazines total trade | 29,900 8,700 | - 6.600 | 17,100 |
| Borg Warner Corp. | Norge refrigeration | newspapers network tv total | 73,700 73,700 | 30,200 30,200 | 73,700 |
| | Norge laundry | newspapers magazines network tv total | 43,300 314,800 — 358,100 | 373,400 415,700 56,600 845,700 | 73,700 149,300 408,600 557,900 |
| | York air conditioning | newspapers magazines total | 181,800 181,800 | 63,900 118,400 182,300 | 71,100 79,100 150,200 |
| | general promo | newspapers magazines spot tv total | 15,700 41,800 27,500 85,000 | 25,400 25,400 | 13,200 — 417,100 430,300 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total spot tv total consumer media total trade | 314,500 356,600 | 437,300 534,100 86,800 25,400 1,083,600 87,700 | 307,300 487,700 —————————————————————————————————— |
| Caloric Corp. | ranges | newspapers magazines | 137,900 | 28,800 32,700 | _ |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 137,900 20,100 | 61,500 26,700 | 38,300 |
| Carrier Corp. — Carrier Air Con- ditioning Div. | air conditioning | newspapers magazines | 243,500 | 229,800 70,600 | 458,800 — |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 243,500 21,100 | 300,400 22,700 | 458,800 16,700 |
| Chambers Corp. | kitchens | magazines | _ | 42,200 | _ |
| Chrysler Corp. — Airtemp Div. | air conditioning | newspapers magazines | 85,700 — | 139,900 | 202,200 51,400 |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 85,700 25,500 | 139,900 23,400 | 253,600 1,800 |
| Ebco Mfg. Co. | air conditioning | magazines total trade | 5,300 | | 18,700 — |
| Emerson Radio Inc. | air conditioning | newspapers magazines | 158,100 | 11,300 — | 24,800 10,700 |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 158,100 8,100 | 11,300 9,700 | 35,500 7,000 |
| Fedders Corp. | air conditioning | newspapers magazines | 118,900 177,900 | 158,000 — | 288,800 142,200 |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 296,800 15,800 | 158,000 34,300 | 431,000 34,500 |
| Ford Motor Corp. — Philco Corp. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines total | 592,300 592,300 | 218,900 208,600 427,500 | 438,000 158,200 596,200 |
| | laundry | newspapers magazines network tv total | 35,700 35,700 | 213,900 40,400 254,300 | 230,100 159,500 |
| | ranges | magazines | 78,500 | _ | _ |
| | air conditioning | newspapers magazines total | 48,000 48,000 | 14,200 14,200 | 25,500 52,200 77,700 |
| | ∢eneral promo | newspapers magazines spot tv total | 189,500 189,500 | 210,500 — 210,500 | 112,800 330,400 12,400 455,600 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total spot tv total consumer media total trade | 944,000 — 944,000 149,000 | 657,500 208,600 40,400 — 906,500 97,900 | 806,400 700,300 12,400 1,519,100 57,100 |

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| Friedrich Re- frigeration Inc. | air conditioning | spot tv | 29,700 | _ | |
| General Electric Co. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines network tv total | 347,800 1,077,200 334,500 1,759,500 | 538,900 801,900 461,800 1,802,600 | 972,200 1,175,700 — 2,147,900 |
| | laundry | newspapers magazines spot tv total | 227,200 1,145,800 1,373,000 | 250,200 1,008,700 - 1,258,900 | 975,500 996,500 17,200 1,989,200 |
| | ranges | newspapers magazines total | 121,900 1,039,600 1,161,500 | 182,000 908,200 1,090,200 | 162,600 442,900 605,500 |
| | dishwashers | newspapers magazines total | 52,400 575,700 628,100 | 91,100 407,000 498,100 | 189,900 142,000 331,900 |
| | air conditioning | newspapers magazines network tv total | 130,200 243,800 163,800 537,800 | 145,900 473,100 188,100 807,100 | 171,000 416,600 587,600 |
| | disposers | newspapers | _ | _ | 10,400 |
| | kitchens | newspapers magazines total | | _ | 15,300 155,100 170,400 |
| | general promo | newspapers magazines | 1,131,100 1,225,500 | 1,409,000 1,199,300 | 1,605,900 89,200 |
| | | network tv spot tv total | 35,200 154,800 2,546,600 | 231,600 2,839,900 | 321,700 2,016,800 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total spot tv total consumer media total trade | 2,010,600 5,307,600 533,500 154,800 8,006,500 122,300 | 2,617,100 4,798,200 649,900 231,600 8,296,800 148,300 | 4,102,800 3,418,000 |
| General Electric Co., Hotpoint Div. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines network tv total | 48,600 203,100 319,300 571,000 | 108,700 91,300 235,600 435,600 | 192,300 347,100 539,400 |
| | laundry | newspapers magazines network tv total | 28,000 31,500 245,500 305,000 | 72,600 | 73,800 152,800 — 226,600 |
| | ranges | newspapers magazines network tv total | 28,400 239,600 180,900 448,900 | 58,100 407,100 349,800 815,000 | 135,700 259,500 — 395,200 |
| | dishwashers | newspapers magazines network tv total | 42,200 162,800 51,500 256,500 | 14,100 65,400 53,500 133,000 | 77,400 91,200 168,600 |
| | general promo | newspapers magazines | 49,200 | 59,100 — | 337,500 120,400 |
| | | network tv spot tv total | 29,200 78,400 | 27,000 31,700 117,800 | 26,000 483,900 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total spot tv | 196,400 637,000 826,400 | 312,600 563,800 826,400 31,700 | 816,700 971,000 26,000 |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 1,659,800 107,000 | 1,734,500 195,100 | 1,813,700 232,000 |
| General Electric Co. and Hotpoint | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv | 2,207,000 5,944,600 1,359,900 154,800 | 2,929,700 5,362,000 1,476,300 263,300 | 4,919,500 4,389,000 — 364,900 |
| | | total spot tv total consumer media total trade | 9,666,300 229,300 | 10,031,300 343,500 | 9,673,400 314,900 |

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| General Motors Corp. — Frigidaire Div. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines network tv total | 410,900 1,362,200 671,400 | 18,100 1,409,400 1,454,800 | 230,900 610,700 |
| | laundry | | 2,444,800 351,400 | 2,882,300 | 841,600 |
| | idunur y | newspapers magazines network tv total | 792,200 793,600 1,937,200 | 660,900 644,900 1,305,800 | 275,300 568,000 843,300 |
| | ranges | magazines network tv total | 733,300 335,200 1,068,500 | 452,000 418,900 870.900 | 262,200 262,200 |
| | dishwashers | newspapers magazines network tv total | 121,100 379,700 55,500 556,300 | 247,600 83,700 331,300 | 103,200 103,200 |
| | air conditioning | magazines | | _ | 68,400 |
| | kitchens | magazines | 35,500 | _ | _ |
| | general promo | newspapers magazines spot tv total | 282,700 | 53,100 451,700 458,400 963,200 | 143,000 155,800 118,700 417,500 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total spot tv | 1,166,100 3,303,200 1,855,700 400,700 | 71,200 3,221,600 2,602,300 458,400 | 649,200 1,768,300 — 118,700 |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 6,725,700 39,200 | 6,353,500 37,500 | 2,536,200 50,000 |
| Hamilton Mfg. Co. | laundry | newspapers magazines | 120,300 | 71,300 — | 82,100 122,300 |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 120,300 31,400 | 71,300 40,700 | 204,400 40,300 |
| Hardwick Stove Co. | ranges | magazines total trade | 2,100 | 3,000 | 52,50 — |
| Hobart Mfg. Co., KitchenAid Home Dishwasher Div. | dishwashers | пеwspapers magazines | 199,100 401,200 | 170,200 400,800 | 65,20 384,20 |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 600,300 27,800 | 571,000 28,100 | 449,40 3,60 |
| Hoover Co. | laundry | magazines | 39,900 | | - |
| | *general promo | magazines | 158,600 | 38,100 | - |
| | | *total magazines *total trade *includes housewares | 198,500 31,100 | 38,100 41,400 | |
| Hupp Corp. | **Easy | newspapers | 33,900 | _ | 115,00 |
| | laundry **division of | magazines total the Murray Corp. in 1958 | 33,900 | _ | 52,10 167,10 |
| | Gibson refrigeration Gibson | newspapers | 39,600 | 26,900 | 12,20 |
| | air conditioning | newspapers | 56,900 | 53,400 | _ |
| | general promo | magazines network tv total | 257,300 257,300 | 108,300 108,300 | |
| | | total newspapers total magazines | 130,400 | 80,300 108,300 | 127,20 52,10 |
| | | total network tv total consumer media total trade | 257,300 387,700 64,000 | 188,600 69,100 | 179,30 55,70 |
| In-Sink-Erator Mfg. Corp. | disposers | newspapers magazines spot tv | 35,300 34,400 — | 62,000 37,800 | 20,9 |
| | | total consumer media | 69,700 | 99,800 | 20,90 |
| Maytag Co. | laundry | newspapers magazines network tv | 38,100 1,074,800 | 42,900 1,019,500 71,600 | 628,70 527,10 |
| | | HETAOLK IA | | / 1,000 | |



Media spotlight on major appliances



| Company | Product | Media | Est. D 1964 | ollars 1963 | Spent 1958 |
|--|-------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| McGraw-Edison Co. | Speed Queen laundry | newspapers magazines total | 184,800 136,400 321,200 | 106,300 105,100 211,400 | 41,600 207,600 249,200 |
| | Albion air conditioning | newspapers | 38,900 | 56,000 | _ |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total consumer media total trade | 223,700 136,400 360,100 28,300 | 162,300 105,100 267,400 30,200 | 41,600 207,600 249,200 32,700 |
| Mullins Mfg. Corp., Youngstown Kitchens Div. | kitchens | magazines total trade | 1,500 | 84,900 — | - |
| Norris-Thermador Corp., Thermador Div. | ranges | magazines | 80,900 | 13,400 | 28,500 |
| | dishwashers | magazines | 30,500 | 56,700 | _ |
| | | total magazines total trade | 111,400 — | 70,100 — | 28,500 1,000 |
| Republic Corp., Gaffers & Sattler sub. | ranges | spot tv | - | - | 357,500 |
| Revco Inc. | refrigeration | magazines | - | - | 42,300 |
| George D. Roper Sales Corp. | ranges | newspapers magazines | 107,500 — | 44,800 | 26,600 54,200 |
| | | total consumer media total trade | 107,500 19,800 | 44,800 28,100 | 80,800 12,800 |

| Company | Product | Media | Est. 1964 | Dollars 1963 | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| Tappan Co. | ranges | newspapers magazines network tv total | 10,600 101,100 234,700 346,400 | 44,400 262,000 — 306,400 | 62,900 225,800 288,700 |
| | O'Keefe & Merr ranges | itt newspapers magazines total | 34,800 20,300 55,100 | | |
| | dishwashers | magazines | _ | 25,200 | _ |
| | generai promo | magazines network tv total | 192,500 12,400 204,900 | _ _ _ | |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total consumer media total trade | 45,400 313,900 247,100 606,400 12,000 | 44,400 287,200 | 62,900 225,800 288,700 6,300 |
| Westinghouse Elec, Corp. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines network tv total | 59,600 858,700 938,100 1,856,400 | 37,300 529,800 — 567,100 | 474,900 297,400 659,700 1,432,000 |
| | laundry | newspapers magazines network tv total *includes laundry centers | 423,300 508,800 566,500* 1,498,600 | 240,400 684,300 924,700 | 431,900 102,200 951,200 1,485,300 |
| | ranges | newspapers magazines network ty total | 26,500 173,600 355,200 555,300 | 22,700 149,300 — 172,000 | 146,700 110,600 257,300 |
| | dishwashers | newspapers magazines network tv total | - 172,200 172,200 | 66,800 66,800 | 31,200 63,300 25,600 120,100 |
| | air conditioning | newspapers magazines network tv spot tv total | 65,100 202,300 — | 18,600 201,800 — | 40,500 — 118,200 12,200 |
| | general promo | newspapers magazines | 267,400 111,000 200,500 | 220,400 126,000 99,200 | 170,900 |
| | | network tv spot tv total | 531,300 842,800 | 95,700 320,900 | 88,000 63,500 329,400 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total spot tv total consumer media total trade | 685,500 1,943,900 2,563,300 5,192,700 34,500 | 445,000 1,731,200 - 95,700 2,271,900 32,700 | 1,303,100 573,500 1,842,700 75,700 3,795,000 6,600 |
| Whirlpool Corp. | refrigeration | newspapers magazines network tv total | 667,700 364,500 1,032,200 | 442,600 462,500 164,600 1,069,700 | 94,300 276,000 323,600 693,900 |
| | laundry | newspapers magazines network tv total | 924,200 624,400 1,548,600 | 572,900 692,900 120,700 1,386,500 | 500,400 719,900 877,500 2,097,800 |
| | ranges | newspapers magazines network tv total | 121,700 — 121,700 | 32,100 131,100 63,700 226,900 | 22,600 129,300 87,500 239,400 |
| | dishwashers | newspapers magazines network tv total | 113,400 113,400 | 26,900 183,600 92,500 303,000 | _ _ _ |
| | air conditioning | newspapers | 251,100 | 29,400 | 11,100 |
| | kitchens | magazines | _ | _ | 35,200 |
| | general promo | newspapers magazines | 274,000 430,300 | 285,900 | 154,100 |
| | | network tv spot tv total | 141,500 845,800 | 21,100 75,700 382,700 | 33,900 188,000 |
| | | total newspapers total magazines total network tv total spot tv total consumer media total trade | 2,352,100 1,419,200 | 1,389,800 1,470,100 462,600 75,700 3,398,200 304 300 | 782,500 1,160,400 1,322,500 3,265,400 183,400 |

| Grand Totals, all major brands | Estimated 1964 | Dollars 1963 | | Percentag 1963-1964 | ge change 1958-1964 | Percentage 1964 | distribution 1963 | by media 1958 |
|--|---|-----------------|------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Newspapers Magazines Network tv Spot tv | 8,776,900 18,926,700 6,283,300 754,200 | 16,566,400 | 3,415,400 | +14.2 | -28.5 +42.2 +42.0 -29.0 | 25.2% 54.5 18.1 2.2 | 26.0% 54.8 16.0 3.2 | 40.1% 42.5 12.5 4.9 |
| Total Consumer Media | 34,741,100 1,218,500 | | 27,376,800 | | +10.4 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |



A GE first: tape console comes without a phonograph; the price is \$449.95

Tape recorders get the big play in GE's new console phono line

General Electric's flirtation with tape recorders blossomed into romance in the company's new console phonograph lineup.

The new trend-setting unit—a tape console without a phonograph—goes to market for \$449.95; instead of a phono, it offers a 4-track stereo tape recorder and a 40w (peak power) AM-FM stereo amplifier and tuner. With this unit, GE is tossing in at no extra cost a pair of 7-inch automatic threading reels, 1,200 feet of tape, and two microphones with stands for the 3-speed transistorized tape recorder.

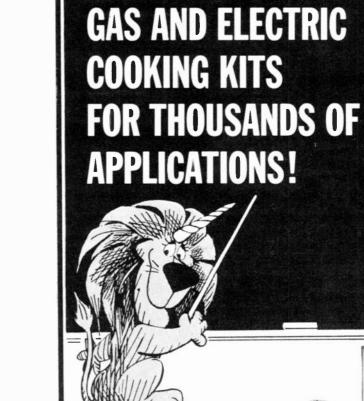
The new unit is part of GE's expanded line of tape consoles-six models now, up from only two last year. The four standard consoles in the tape series, priced from \$449.95, to \$869.95, come with phonographs. The sixth unit is GE's matched module series.

GE's reorganized console line has been grouped by style categories instead of by price brackets. Each of

the three basic furniture lines-contemporary, American, and continental-contain merchandise tagged with a range of prices-from \$289.95 to \$699.95. GE also is offering a Decorator group, suitable for wall mounting, priced from \$269.95 to \$339.95.

The line kicks off with a \$129.95 carry-over phono-only console; AM-FM stereo tuner merchandise starts at \$199.95. With finishes and tuner options, GE is offering nine models below \$269.95, the starting point in the new Decorator series. Prices for new freestanding consoles open at

GE has a wattage story, too, this year, pushing 226 watts of peak power (113 watts EIA rating) in its high-end consoles. The entire line uses solid-state amplifiers; the tuners are transistorized, too. On topof-the-line models, the company also is using visual tuning meters for AM and FM, as well as 6-speaker systems that include exponential horns.



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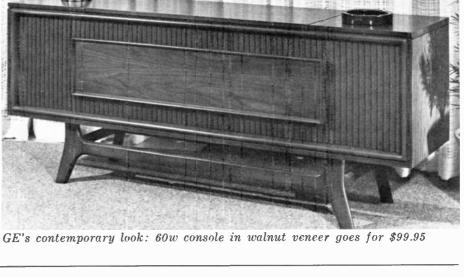


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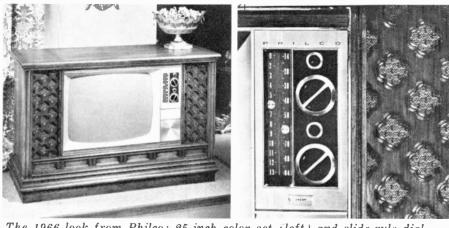
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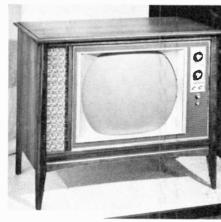








New 19-inch b&w set for \$189.95



New 21-inch color tv at \$539.95.

Philco for 1966: longer color tv line, no b&w combos

Bearing down hard on color tv, Philco has added seven more color sets and two color tube sizes-19- and 25-inch -to its line for 1966. And, "in favor of an expanded offering of color tv models," Philco has dropped all b&w combos from the company roster, slashing its b&w line to 36 models-28 less than last year.

A color portable leads the line of 27 color tv models. The 19-inch set, model 5300WA, uses a Philco-built tube, and incorporates Philco's new solid-state signal system. The transistorized components include an Automatic Picture Pilot, a 3-stage highgain IF amplifier, and the UHF and VHF tuners. The 75-lb. portable carries an open list and should be available in September.

The excise tax has been dropped from all of Philco's 1966 prices. A 21-inch color lead-off table model with

metal cabinet has a suggested retail price of \$369.95. Veneers and hardwood solids first appear in the 21inch color tv line at \$509.95. Top-ofthe-line is a 21-inch Early American combo at \$895. The six 25-inch color consoles range in price from \$675 to \$850; two 25-inch combinations are priced at \$1,150 and \$1,195. All eight 25-inchers feature the new solid-state signal system.

The shorter b&w tv line still includes a wide range of models: 20 portables, four table models, and 12 consoles.

The b&w portable line is highlighted by three 12-inch tv sets for under \$100, a 9-inch battery-operated unit for \$149.95, a 16-inch set for \$119.95, a 19-inch leader model for \$129.95, and another 19-inch portable with the new solid-state signal system for \$159.95. The leader

23-inch b&w table model with metal cabinet retails for \$169.95. The 12 consoles, all 23-inch models, range in price from \$189.95 to \$249.95.

Of Philco's 63 b&w and color tv models for 1966, 19 use solid-state devices in the signal system. These hybrid sets are sure signs of a gradual transition toward total transistorization.

Total transistorization has hit the entire nine-model Philco portable phono line, with the exception of a single leader model. Seven of the new portables are stereo. Prices range from \$36.95 to \$164.95.

Pushing a new all-wood look, Philco has introduced a 27-model console phonograph line for 1966. The new line includes three phono-only consoles, the balance being stereo AM-FM stereo radio and phonograph models. The line begins with a phono-

only model, No. 1708MB, at \$139.95, in a contemporary design. The radio-phono combinations begin with a contemporary model, No. 1714MB, at \$189.95. The prices range up to \$575 for 12-speaker units in Mediterranean, Italian Provincial, or Early American styling.

Philco's radio line spotlights a \$13.95 AM clock-radio. The four-model miniature line opens at \$8.95 for a 6transistor AM model. Personal portables begin at \$15.95, and range up to \$44.95 for a 10-transistor 3-speaker set. In AM clock-radios, the prices range from the \$13.95 leader to a top all-transistor unit at \$34.95. The FM-AM clock-radios begin at \$39.95 and top at \$69.95; AM table radios begin at \$12.95 and step up to \$24.95. AM-FM table models come in at \$26.95. Full-size portables start at \$29.95.

Japan's exports: tv sets head for the million mark

Television sets could soon become Japan's major bread-and-butter export. Although transistor radios still hold the lead, tv sets are moving up fast in the important dollar volume category, according to McGraw-Hill World News in Tokyo.

By the end of April this year, Japan had already shipped 2,385,669 transistor radios, worth roughly \$18

million, to the U.S. During the same period, Japan exported nearly \$15 million in tv sets to the U.S.

Japanese tv set exports to the U.S. for the first four months of this year ran 63.79% ahead of the same fourmonth period in 1964. Total tv set exports to the U.S. this year stood at 272,338 at the end of April. Last year, television set exports did not

reach the 272,000 sets level until July.

If Japan continues to export television sets to the U.S. at its present pace, the one million mark should be passed for the first time before the year is over. Last year, Japan shipped a total of 770,255 tv sets to the U.S.

Average radio prices on the sets shipped to the U.S. during the first four months of 1965 fell to \$6.79-

down from \$7.58 last year. At the same time, the average price on television sets exported was up over the comparable four-month period in 1964.

Transistor radio imports to the U.S. from Okinawa, Taiwan, and Hong Kong continue to increase, as the average prices on these units drop further below the Japanese level.

Japanese exports to the U.S.

| | | UNI | TS | | DOLLARS | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|------------|------------|---------------|--|
| | date | 1965 | 1964 | % chge | 1965 | 1964 | % chge | |
| Transistor radios** | April | 756,835 | _ | | 5,941,244 | _ | _ | |
| | 4 Months | 2,385,669 | _ | _ | 18,136,199 | _ | _ | |
| Chassis/kit. tr. rad. | April | 6,664 | _ | | 71,563 | - | _ | |
| | 4 Months | 195,619 | _ | _ | 135,321 | _ | _ | |
| Toy tr. radios | April | 47,674 | 64,805 | — 26.43 | 59,250 | 54,166 | + 9.39 | |
| | 4 Months | 180,604 | 156,214 | + 15.61 | 239,617 | 193,160 | + 24.05 | |
| Total tr. radios*** | April | 820,014 | 738,954 | + 10.97 | 6,212,832 | 5,521,463 | + 12.52 | |
| | 4 Months | 2,792,505 | 2,444,595 | + 14.23 | 18,964,589 | 18,521,164 | + 2.39 | |
| Tube radios | April | 80,223 | _ | _ | 762,488 | _ | | |
| | 4 Months | 309,948 | _ | _ | 2,787,678 | _ | _ | |
| Chassis/kit tube rad. | . April | 7,072 | | _ | 92.527 | _ | | |
| | 4 Months | 45,007 | _ | _ | 513,301 | _ | | |
| Total tube radias | April | 87,295 | 102,534 | - 14.86 | 855.015 | 844,886 | + 1.20 | |
| | 4 Months | 354,955 | 327,688 | + 8.32 | 3,300,979 | 2,964,052 | + 11.37 | |
| Television | April | 66.089 | 50,049 | + 32.05 | 3,658,511 | 2.777.616 | + 31.71 | |
| | 4 Months | 272,338 | 166,270 | + 63.79 | 14,774,040 | 8,930,903 | + 65.43 | |
| Radio-phones | April | 13,817 | 6,090 | +126.88 | 432,766 | 196,224 | +120.55 | |
| | 4 Months | 51,655 | 26,317 | + 96.28 | 1,522,464 | 694,635 | +119.17 | |
| Tape recorders | April | 210,202 | 256,488 | - 18.05 | 2.904.179 | 2,955,127 | — 7.72 | |
| | 4 Months | 775,677 | 885,809 | — 12.43 | 10,446,145 | 10,287,462 | + 1.54 | |
| Transceivers | April | 169,833 | 45,032 | +277.14 | 1,456,288 | 531,452 | +174.02 | |
| | 4 Months | 500,022 | 129,484 | +286.17 | 4,951,106 | 1,708,003 | +189.88 | |

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*Source: McGraw-Hill's Tokyo News Bureau **Three or more transistors ***Includes transistor car radios

U.S. imports from Japan ****

| • | | • | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|------------|------------|---------|
| Transistor radios | April | 730,930 | 594,244 | + 23.00 | 5,151,168 | 4,182,997 | + 23.15 |
| | 4 Months | 2,494,060 | 2,268,343 | + 9.95 | 17,710,390 | 16,029,296 | + 10.49 |
| Radios, other | April | 99,479 | 144,759 | — 31.28 | 1.135.672 | 777.947 | + 45.98 |
| | 4 Months | 434,313 | 386,240 | + 12.45 | 3,945,408 | 2,772,214 | + 42.32 |
| Radio-phonos | April | 16,364 | 3,746 | +336.84 | 573.581 | 70.030 | +719.05 |
| | 4 Months | 39,540 | 15,913 | +148.48 | 1,325,545 | 358,291 | +269.96 |
| Television | April | 60,047 | 32,814 | + 82.99 | 3,563,538 | 1,729,312 | +106.07 |
| | 4 Months | 278,107 | 136,325 | +104.00 | 15,111,452 | 6,780,163 | +122.88 |
| Tape recorders | April | 232,327 | 245,642 | — 5.42 | 3,713,747 | 3,300,919 | + 12.51 |
| | 4 Months | 825,493 | 848,445 | 2.71 | 12,945,707 | 10,971,682 | + 17.99 |
| | | | | | | | |

U.S. imports from Hong Kong ""

| Transistor radios | April 4 Months | 201,479 794,157 | | | 628,082 2,464,562 | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--|--|----------------------|--|--|
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U.S. imports from Okinawa''''

| Transister radios | April 4 Months | 44,276 173,824 | | + 49.88 + 50.06 | 154,478 586,239 | + 36.94 + 33.72 |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| U.S. imp | orts fron | n Taiwa | an'''' | | | |

| Transistor radios | April 4 Months | 30,700 94,688 | 29,016 + 5.86 60,896 + 55.49 | | 103,546 24.52 200,332 + 19.58 |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| | | 74,000 | 00,070 + 33.4 | 7 237,301 | 200,332 + 19.58 |

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may be washed. A safety feature automatically shuts off the motor of the spin dryer when the lid is opened. Both models operate on 110v and carry a one-year warranty. No.WS-HT5/25 retails at under \$160; No. WS5/25 retails at under \$140. Fridgette/National, 5745 W. North Ave., Chicago 39, Ill.



Penguin refrigerator

The Penguin refrigerated cabinet No. 1800 (photo left), recently introduced by Springer-Penguin, is available in hand-rubbed walnut or mahogany finish. The complete exterior cabinet—front, back, top, and serving section—use the same genuine hardwoods.

The top and interior serving sections are processed against cigarette burns, alcohol, and juices. The compressor-operated refrigerator plugs into standard AC outlet. Polyure-thane foam in-place insulation assures constant temperature. Refrigerated area capacity is $3\frac{1}{2}$ cu.ft.

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Norcold dual-voltage refrigerator

Opening new markets for refrigerators, this dual-voltage compact compressor refrigerator for boat owners and campers will be introduced this month by Norcold.

No. DE-250 refrigerator operates on 12v direct, or 110-115v AC. Can be converted from one power supply to the other by simply flipping a switch. It can be installed as a builtin, and has a capacity of more than two cu.ft., with storage space for large and small bottles and food items. The freezer section holds ice cubes and frozen foods.

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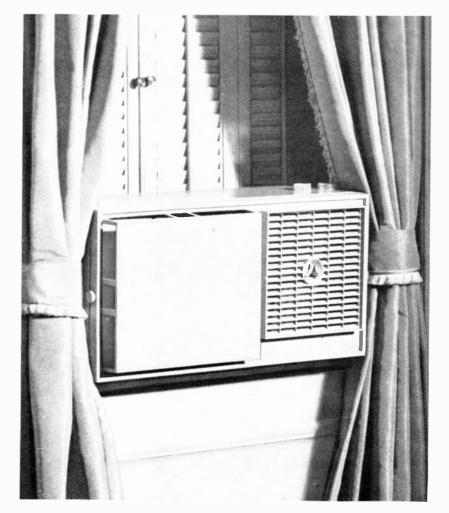


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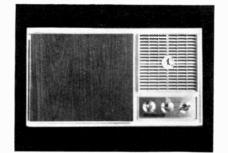
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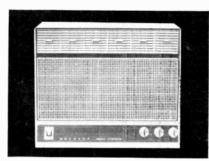
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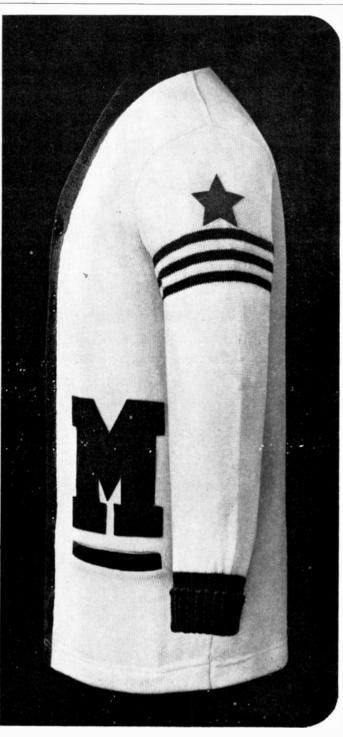
Chambers slide-in range

New from Chambers is its 30-inch Slip-In Range, which features a removable oven door with or without full-view glass panel; it also has a lift-up top for easy cleaning and an electric clock with a timer.

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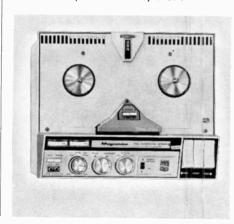


Magnavox stereo hi-fi radio-phonos

Magnavox announces the introduction of six new Astro-Sonic stereo hi-fi radio-phonos. Three units, priced at \$398.50, include fully transistorized 30w stereo amplifier and solidstate stereo FM/FM-AM radio. The Madrid, a 40w Astro-Sonic stereo radio-phono (above) is priced at \$459.50. It features Micromatic record player with 1/10-oz. tracking pressure diamond-sapphire stylus with 10-year warranty, solid-state FM-AM radio with stereo FM, tuning meter, FM stereocast indicator, flywheel tuning, tuned RF stage on FM and AM, step bass and treble controls, solid-state 40w stereo amplifier, 3-position speaker selector, terminals for remote speakers, auxiliary tape input, record storage.

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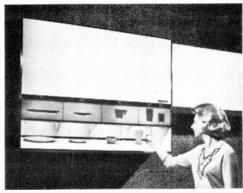
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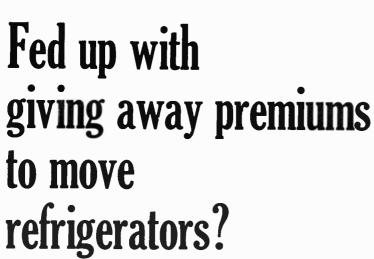
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Ronson ad poses a question; shaver manufacturers answer

One of the ads in Ronson's current consumer campaign shows a man looking into a mirror, examining the stubble on his face. The copy says: "He's going to shave with his Ronson." Then it asks: "Isn't that kind of hard to do with a cigarette lighter?"

That ad points out to the consumer that Ronson makes many products besides lighters. For the housewares industry, it points out a growing trend toward diversification. It further points up the fact that many manufacturers who now produce shavers are moving into broader roles in the housewares industry at a rapidly accelerating pace.

Ronson faces a double challenge because its name is associated so closely with cigarette lighters. It must build an image as a shaver manufacturer, and also as an electric housewares manufacturer. For the first time, Ronson is moving into the cooking appliance field with the recent purchase of the assets of Fleck Corp., a producer of broilers.

Of the Big Six shaver manufacturers, Schick Electric Inc.—under its former president Robert F. Draper, who now heads Sunbeam's Oster subsidiary—first made the plunge into electric housewares. Schick was followed by Ronson, Norelco, and, most recently, by Charles Levin & Co., makers of Charlescraft and Shavex products. Among the Big Six, Remington has

stuck the closest to the shaver field. The other major producer, Sunbeam Corp., already has achieved what the other five are seeking.

Success in diversification for shaver manufacturers generally has come with products that fall into the health and beauty field.

Charlescraft Corp., a subsidiary of Charles Levin & Co., plans to stick close to the health and beauty field in its expansion plans. Recently introduced products from Charlescraft have been: a hair dryer, a cordless toothbrush, a high-intensity sunlamp, and a cool-mist vaporizer. Charles Levin, president of Charlescraft, said the firm will add a Shavex cordless shaver within the next year.

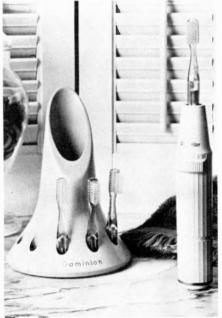
Schick Electric-with two new financial supporters, Eversharp Inc. and Technicolor Corp., joining Revlon Inc. as major stockholders—is expected to step up its diversification in the area of electric housewares. North American Philips (Norelco) has been expanding its electric housewares line, already having moved into a stronger position in the consumer electronics field. Ronson's purchase of Fleck indicates that the firm is far from discouraged with its housewares efforts, despite the poor showing of its original Can-Do opener-sharpener-mixer. Charlescraft's new housewares products add further evidence of the trend toward diversification.



Dominion's new cordless knife



New manicure has lightweight handle



New Imperial cordless toothbrush

Dominion gets 10 new products ready for July shows

Dominion Electric Corp. of Mansfield, Ohio, is introducing a new cordless slicing knife, a power manicure, and a new cordless toothbrush among its 10 new products planned for July showing. The rechargeable knife features new styling and a Sure-Lok safety switch; it will retail for about \$39. The power manicure features a power handle that is lightweight, because the transformer has been moved to the outlet end of the plug; it will retail at about \$19. The new toothbrush is an Imperial line model, to retail at under \$16.

Other new products include three hair dryers: a fast-drying portable with tapestry styling, No. 1840, at about \$22; a hatbox model, No. 1837, at about \$17; and an Imperial promotional model, No. 1826, at under \$15. Three new irons also are being offered: a new version of the See 'N Spray iron, No. 1092, at about \$24; a new steam iron, No. 1097, at about \$15; and an Imperial steam iron, No. 1095, at under \$14. A Teflon-coated Roast 'N Fryer skillet, model 2261, also is being introduced, and will retail at about \$24.

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| □□□□□Sunbeam will fair-trade snow throwers beginning with its 1965-66 line now being introduced (MW, 7 Jun., p.27). Retailers will be required to sign fair-trade agreements in states where laws permit. Six of the seven models in the new line will be fair-traded. The promotional model will not. The fair-trade prices are the same as the "full-margin retail" prices previously announced for the six models. The Sunbeam move marks a return to fair-trade for the firm, which has been using consignment on its Vista electric housewares line to protect pricing. Presumably, if fair-trading proves successful on the snow throwers, other lines—particularly power mowers—eventually may be fair-traded. |
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| □□□□ Watch the clock producers as they move to diversify their product offerings. First the shaver "specialists" diversified, followed by the vacuum cleaner manufacturers. The clock-timer field appears to be next. Examples: Westclox' power manicure, Time-All's outdoor lighting, Session's birth-control timing device. |
| □□□□ Sessions Clock Co. picked perfect timing for previewing its new birth-control timing device (MW, 31 May, p.25) in New York City this week. The preview precedes the American Medical Assn. convention in the city and follows the U.S. Supreme Court decision striking down an anti-birth control law in Session's home state of Connecticut. |
| Time-All's new outdoor lights will be sold in two kits priced at \$79.95 (with timer control) and \$69.95 suggested retail. First reports that the Intermatic Time-All Division, International Register Co. of Chicago, would enter the new field appeared in these pages two weeks ago (MW, 31 May, p.25). Each kit will contain six lamp housings with sealed-beam flood-lights, ground stakes, mounting brackets, 100 feet of outdoor cable, an indoor-outdoor transformer, and colored lenses for changing the lighting effect. The step-down transformer plugs into any standard 110v house hold outlet and reduces the current to a 12v level for safety in use even around water. The timing device is built into the transformer case in the more expensive kit. |
| at the housewares shows. Several additional firms are reported ready to enter the field, including some name brand electric housewares producers. The deep-hear massager, like the 24-hour timer, has been gaining in volume and attracting much interest. |
| □□□□ Stetson's Melamine line for the July House wares Show will continue to carry the Melmac trade mark of American Cyanamid Co., according to company president Philip R. Stetson. Allied Chemical competitor of American Cyanamid in selling Melamine resins, recently acquired Stetson Corp. |
| □□□□ GE sees a 90-day head start, at best, on its new Teflon-coated iron (for details on GE's new line see p.8). A spokesman said GE expects to see competi |

tors quickly coat the soleplate of an iron for showing

next month in Chicago.

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□□□□□□Lower hair dryer pricing from GE is on tap for the fall selling season. General Electric has reduced retail prices on two models by \$5 and \$8, and is bringing out a new portable at \$16.98—a price the company dubs an "outstanding consumer value." GE has cut the suggested retail price on its HD-7 Medallion hair dryer from \$34.95 to \$29.98, and on its model HD-2A from \$29.95 to \$21.98.

GE also is changing retail prices on two clocks. The lighted-dial Sparkle (model 7281K) has been reduced from \$8.98 list to \$6.98, and the cordless Freedom clock (model 2076) has been increased from \$27.95 list to \$29.98. Also cut, from \$9.98 to \$7.98, is a sconce set sold with its Stardom clock.

A reduction from \$21.95 to \$20.98 on the C-126 skillet rounds out the GE price changes for the second half. GE previously announced lower prices on slicing knives (MW, 7 Jun., p.21). (For a report on GE's new housewares entries for fall selling, see p.28.)

□□□□□ Toothbrush pricing is on the downswing, judging from trade reports and from previews of new rechargeable models planned for July introduction. General Electric, for example, is for the first time offering a rechargeable toothbrush at under \$19.98; this new model will carry a \$16.98 suggested retail price. Dominion Electric Corp. also is adding a promotional toothbrush, to its Imperial line; it will retail for an under-\$16 list. Additional name-brand models with under-\$16 lists are expected.

Competition among manufacturers has increased along with the rapid growth of the market for electric toothbrushes. Sunbeam Corp., in particular, has come up fast. And DuPont caused some pricing problems for rechargeables when it became the first nationally known company with an under-\$10 toothbrush that operates on regular flashlight batteries.

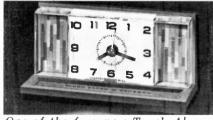
Now that the \$20-list rechargeable toothbrush regularly retails for \$12 or less, the question facing the industry is: at what retail price will the \$16-list rechargeable be selling this fall?

□□□□GE's fall marketing program is being built around the biggest advertising budget in the history of the company's housewares division. For consumers, there will be two refund offers, three premium deals, and a bonus offer.

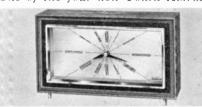
Consumers who buy the MV-1 vacuum cleaner during August and September will get \$2 back, and during September and October consumers who buy a king- or queen-size electric blanket will get \$5 back along with a \$15 certificate redeemable on purchases of Englander super-size mattresses.

Starting in September, a free Clairol hair beauty kit will come packed with HD-2AS and HD-7S hair dryers. Slicing knives during September will be sold with a free stainless steel serving fork. Purchase of a GE wall clock before Oct. 1 will allow a consumer to choose one of three reproductions of famous paintings.

For retailers, eight new displays are available. For retail salespeople, there will be incentive programs on GE's travel toothbrush, its wall clocks, and its shoe polishers. And, there will be a limited-quantity price special on the P-31 coffeemaker at a suggested retail tag of \$12.98.



One of the four new Touch Alarms



The Avant occasional alarm, \$24.95



The Lazy Susan kitchen clock, \$4.98

Sunbeam's new clocks: The Touch Alarms are up front

Sunbeam Corp. is introducing 11 new clocks—six alarms, three kitchen clocks, and two decorative wall models. Four of the six alarms make up the new Touch Alarm series, which includes bell-tone models for the first time from Sunbeam. The Touch Alarms feature a front finger-touch alarm control, and are priced from \$8.98 to \$12.98 full-margin retail. The two other new alarms are: the Avant, model B110, with a solid walnut case (shown); and the Boudoir, model B107, styled in the shape of a perfume vial, at \$12.95 retail.

The three new kitchen wall models

are: Lazy Susan (shown); cordless Glitter, model AC107, with a gold-flecked tile frame, at \$9.98; and Country Squire, model A108, with pendulum, at \$14.95. Among the new decorative wall clocks are the Sunburst Starwood (cordless model AC529) and the Impressionist (model AC515); both clocks will retail at \$24.95.

In conjunction with its new clocks, Sunbeam is offering seven display units, a clock decor book entitled Sands of Time for use as a retail mailer, and two drop-ship assortments, each composed of 12 clocks.

Westclox display designed to move Early American line



Westclox Division of General Time Corp. is offering a free Colonial-style display unit with the purchase of a 12-model assortment of its new Early American No-Cord decorative wall clocks (MW, 24 May, p.26). Assortment No. 59006 consists of two each of the six clocks that make up the line; each model retails at \$19.95. The display features revolving panels; it measures 32 inches wide, 75 inches high, and 24 inches deep.

Five of the six new clocks come in cases of polystyrene that are antiquefinished. One of the clocks, the Spice Chest model, has a wood case finished in cherry.

The other clock models are: Cranbrook, featuring an acorn ornament; Connecticut Banjo, with scenes of sailing ships; Sturbridge, with a 10-sided face; Boston Lyre; and Patriot, which is octagon-shaped.

KEY MOVES

Westinghouse—Harvey G. Dickson assumes the new position of mgr of specialty markets; Dickson will be based in Chicago, and will direct catalog, premium, and incentive sales.

Hamilton Beach—Robert F. Ford is named mgr of its central region, with headquarters in New York City: H.B. Caporal joins the company as district sales mgr for the New York metropolitan area.

Ronson—William B. Gassaway is appointed vp-marketing of U.S. electric appliances; Gassaway was formerly general sales mgr for Hamilton Beach.

Troy—Noah Shaw joins the company as director of sales.

Eureka Williams—Louis F. Viggiano, former sales mgr for Vornado, is now New York regional sales mgr.

RCA Whirlpool—Boyd Corp. will distribute RCA Whirlpool vacs in Cam-

bridge, Mass., Providence, R.I., and in Maine.

Hamilton Cosco—William S. Bogulas is appointed international sales mgr; the appointment coincides with the company's plans to expand sales efforts in Latin America; Mrs. Lydia Cherniakova is appointed to Hamilton Cosco's newly created position of color coordinator and stylist.

Lawn Boy—Jack Kiland is named district sales mgr, upper Midwest.

Ekco—Thomas P. O'Donnell joins the company as mgr of market planning. **Roto-Broil**—Ralph Calamar is named marketing vp.

Casco-Robert R. Renner is appointed vp and treasurer; Frank L. Robbins is appointed vp in charge of engineering and manufacturing.

Imperial Knife—C. Read McLean assumes the new post of director of marketing for tableware.

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GE's new Teflon-coated griddle



Innovation: the non-stick soleplate



GE's first salon-type hair dryer

GE plays for Teflon strength, coats an iron, five other items

General Electric Co., although late in joining the Teflon revival, is one-upping its competitors by applying the non-stick surface to its product stronghold—the iron. The Teflon-coated soleplate of GE's iron highlights six new non-stick products being introduced at the July housewares shows.

In addition to the new Teflon lineup, GE also is adding 28 clocks—including an automatic 24-hour timer for the first time; it also is offering new hair dryers, including GE's first salon-type model.

GE's Teflon-coated iron, designated model F81T, is similar to its current model F81. The new model will carry a \$20.98 suggested retail price, making it the highest in the GE line. Gray-colored Teflon is used.

The Teflon-coated soleplate, GE claims, prevents starch and lint from building up, prevents corrosion, provides easy cleaning, and prevents rough snags from forming on the soleplate surface. DuPont Teflon has long been used on ironing board covers, and Tri-Point Industries has marketed a Teflon-coated attachment for iron soleplates.

A second new iron from GE is a manual spray version of its "power" spray models. The new iron, model F82, has a suggested retail price of \$17.98. It permits spraying at any fabric setting, rather than just at wash-and-wear settings, as provided on the "power" spray models.

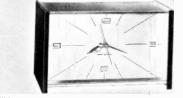
Biscuit-brown Teflon coatings are used on three of GE's four new skillets, on an automatic griddle and a grill/waffle-baker combination. The

new Teflon-coated frypans are: 12-inch high-dome model C126T, suggested retail \$23.98; 12-inch buffet-styled C-127T, \$26.98; and 11-inch high-dome buffet C115-T, at \$24.98. The fourth skillet, an 11-inch high-dome model C-116, retails at \$18.98. The Teflon-coated griddle, model EG-1T, has a suggested retail price of \$32.98; the grill-waffle combination, model G44T, retails at \$27.98.

The 24-hour timer, model 8110, carries a suggested retail price of \$12.98; it is styled in beige and dark brown. Of the 28 new clocks, eight are alarms, eight are occasional and special clocks, and 12 are kitchen and wall models. Ten models are battery-operated.

The new salon-type hair dryer, the Classic HD-50, has a suggested retail price of \$34.98. Styled in beige and off-white, it is designed to fold for portability. The dryer features 4-position heat control. A new portable hair dryer, La Parisienne HD-10, features an "instant-heat" unit, four heat settings, and a rigid carrying case with a tapestry panel of a French street scene; suggested retail is \$26.98. A promotional hair dryer, model HD-11, at \$16.98, comes in a rigid white plastic storage case in simulated leather. It also features four-position heat selections.

A new toothbrush, the 5106, at \$16.98 suggested retail, rounds out the new product offerings. It is priced at \$3 less than other models in the GE line. Model 5106 comes with two toothbrushes, power handle, recharger base and is styled in mint blue.



The new \$55 Consolaire clock



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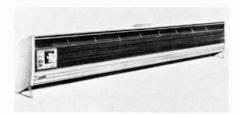
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Markel heaters

Markel announces three new series of heaters.

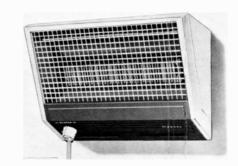
A deluxe portable automatic baseboard Heetaire (above) with slim styling and wood-grain finish, features a twin-core sheathed element with nearly 300 sq. in. finned radiating surfaces, guaranteed for five years. This element is bonded for silence and sealed for safety. Its design eliminates contraction and expansion of metal.

A built-in thermostat automatically controls the heater temperature. Double baffling maintains a low surface temperature. Model No. 15T is a three-heat unit with push-button controls. The top button produces 500w for small rooms; the second button produces 1000w for medium rooms; the third button produces 1500w for large rooms. The last button shuts the unit off. There are no moving parts. Models 12T and 14T are single-heat units with the same styling as No. 15T; No. 12T is a 1000w unit and 14T is a 1500w unit; both have automatic thermostat control. All fit snugly to room baseboard; weight is 22 lbs.

Wall-Tach portable electric heater (right) is automatic, with built-in mounting device, which unfolds spacing arms to locate heaters at the proper distance from wall and ceiling, then folds back into unit. It mounts high on walls for bathroom, office, or workshop, where supplemental heat is required. Finished in beige and mahogany baked enamel, the No. 400T has a 750w element.

Fan-Glo heaters are available in four models. Features an option of separate control for switching on first radiant heat or fan-forced, or both. No. 197T, a 1320w unit, and No. 198T, a 1650w unit, are automatic Heetaires with thermostat control and separate on-off switch. No. 195 and No. 196 are manual three-heat

Heetaires. Two switches give choice of radiant heat, fan-forced, or both. A quiet fan draws in cold air from floor level and circulates it around elements. Markel Electric Products Inc., 145 Seneca St., Buffalo, New York. 14203.





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Krestline kitchen canisters

Speko Products is now shipping its walnut-trim Krestline canister sets. The firm showed mock-ups of the units at the January housewares shows, but only recently began production.

The Bin-Kanister Kabinet no. 609W (above) is styled in modern lines with K-shaped sides. The large-capacity bins tilt forward and remain balanced open for one-hand use. Available in chrome, brushed copper, or brushed stainless steel, the units have fronts fitted with walnut handles and with labels. Capacities are: 6 lbs. of sugar, 5 lbs. of flour, 2 lbs. of coffee, 150 tea bags or 2 lbs. of tea. Suggested list price is \$26.98.

The Kombo no. 212W (below), features four canister sections, plus a large space for bakery goods with ventilated rack, and also has a new built-in breadboard inside the bakery door. It has K-shaped sides and comes in chrome, copper, or brushed stainless steel, and has walnut handles. The canister section has capacities of no. 609W; the bakery section holds two bread loaves, and other goods. It retails from \$19.98 to \$24.98, according to finish.

Other units include a four-way paper dispenser with a spice shelf and an "ultra-compact" Bin-Kanister Kabinet, 9½ inches wide, with the same capacity as no. 609W. Prices for the line range from \$12.98 to \$35.98. Speko Products Inc., 1702 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, Ill 60647.



INDUSTRY TRENDS

An up-to-the-minute tabulation of estimated industry shipments of 18 key products. New figures this week in bold-face type.

| | date | 1965 | 1964 | % change |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| FLOOR CARE PRODUCTS | 4 :1 | 00.500 | 100 504 | 0.00 |
| floor polishers | 4 Months | 92,539 423,434 | 102,594 395,829 | - 9.80 + 6.97 |
| vacuum cleaners | April | 397,806 | 383,808 | + 3.65 |
| | 4 Months | 1,687,498 | 1,494,094 | + 12.94 |
| HOME LAUNDRY | | | | |
| dryers, clothes, elec. | April | 61,025 | 55,380 | + 10.19 |
| | 4 Months | 355,013 | 314,599 | + 12.85 |
| dryers, clothes, gas | April 4 Months | 30,856 181,812 | 34,809 175,284 | -11.36 + 3.72 |
| washers, auto. & semi-auto. | April | 252,841 | 249,918 | + 1.17 |
| | 4 Months | 1,148,661 | 1,095,323 | + 4.87 |
| wringer & spinner | April | 45,154 | 49,276 | - 8.37 |
| | 4 Months | 184,684 | 208,438 | 11.40 |
| OTHER MAJOR APPLIANCES | | | | |
| air conditioners, room | April | 428,500 | 287,700 | + 48.94 |
| | 4 Months | 1,428,900 | 1,094,300 | + 30.58 |
| dehumidifiers | April | 31,900 | 23,400 | + 36.32 |
| | 4 Months | 74,500 | 67,900 | + 9.72 |
| dishwashers, portable | April | 33,300 | 21,900 | + 5 2. 05 |
| | 4 Months | 126,600 | 91,300 | + 38.66 |
| dishwashers, under-counter, etc. | April | 63,600 | 59,600 | + 6.71 |
| | 4 Months | 255,000 | 216,900 | + 17.57 |
| disposers, food waste | April | 92,100 | 108,800 | - 15.35 |
| | 4 Months | 411,500 | 423,800 | - 2.90 |
| freezers, chest | April | 32,300 | 34,100 | - 5.28 |
| | 4 Months | 123,700 | 138,500 | - 10.69 |
| freezers, upright | April | 55,700 | 57,700 | - 3.47 |
| | 4 Months | 206,900 | 216,200 | - 4.30 |
| ranges, elec., free-standing | April | 101,000 | 91,400 | + 10.50 |
| | 4 Months | 433,900 | 397,200 | + 9.24 |
| ranges, elec., built-in | April | 60,700 | 66,000 | - 8.03 |
| | 4 Months | 256,400 | 264,500 | - 3.06 |
| ranges, gas, total | April 4 Months | 179,300** 704,200 | 193,500 712,600 | 7.341.18 |
| refrigerators | April | 371,300 | 356,500 | + 4.15 |
| | 4 Months | 1,486,000 | 1,379,000 | + 7.76 |
| water heaters, elec. (storage) | April | 93,500 | 93,700 | 21 |
| | 4 Months | 353,300 | 349,500 | + 1.09 |
| water heaters, gas (storage) | April | 210,380 | 242,210 | - 13.14 |
| | 4 Months | 877,350 | 984,860 | - 10.92 |
| CONSUMER ELECTRONICS | | | | |
| phonos, mfrs. ship., porttable | February | 241,870 | 160,782 | + 50.43 |
| | 2 Months | 448,218 | 340,858 | + 31.50 |
| distributor sales | February | 272,533 | 164,220 | + 65.96 |
| | 2 Months | 463,851 | 323,108 | + 43.56 |
| phonos, mfrs. ship., console | February | 130,917 | 111,895 | + 17.00 |
| | 2 Months | 257,633 | 230,659 | + 11.69 |
| distributor sales | February | 112,979 | 116,920 | - 3.37 |
| | 2 Months | 230,285 | 230,316 | 01 |
| radio production (ex. auto) | May 28 | 237,782 | 171,519 | + 38.63 |
| | 21 Weeks | 5,216,025 | 3,751,306 | + 39.05 |
| distributor sales | February | 892,017 | 664,671 | + 34.20 |
| | 2 Months | 1,585,022 | 1,209,486 | + 31.05 |
| b&w television production | May 28 | 156,686 | 127,536 | + 22.86 |
| | 21 Weeks | 3,242,257 | 3,181,671 | + 1.90 |
| distributor sales | February | 609,538 | 644,062 | - 5.36 |
| | 2 Months | 1,241,547 | 1,232,617 | + .72 |
| color television production | February | 169,523 | 90,850 | + 86.60 |
| | 2 Months | 297,280 | 179,827 | + 65.31 |
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**April total includes 121,100 conventional free-standing ranges, 17,700 high-oven models, 23,100 built-ins. and 17,400 set-ins. Sources: NEMA, AHLMA, VCMA, GAMA, EIA.



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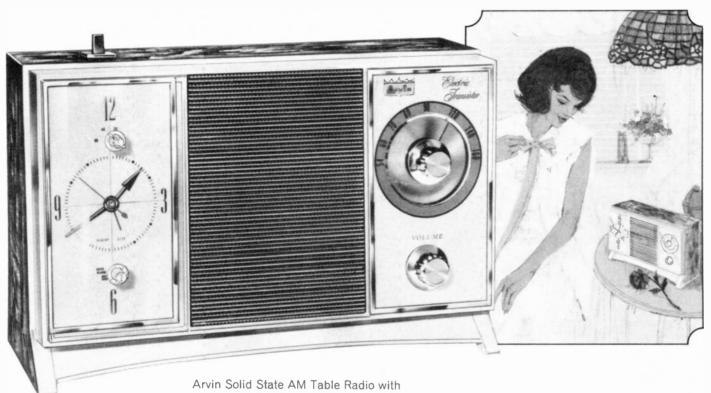






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